

FOR PSA MEMBERS: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE (DPWI)

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Closure of DPWI CGO Head Office building

Members will recall that through the PSA's effort with the involvement of the Department of Employment and Labour (DEL), the Central Government Building (CGO) was finally closed on 20 November 2025. This followed after the DEL conducted an inspection and identified a number of building defects, which resulted in the prohibition notice being issued for the attention of the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure, with immediate effect.

The Department of Public Works and Infrastructure, led by the Deputy Director-General: Corporation Services, convened a multilateral meeting with organised labour on 26 November 2025. The purpose of the meeting was to consult organised labour on the list of essential services employees that is supposed to be sent to the DEL for approval and progress made with repairing the CGO building.

The PSA expressed concern after receiving reports from members that some managers have been instructing employees to report to the CGO building, even after the prohibition notice was issued. The PSA further indicated that it has no issue when employer ensures that there is a business continuity, however, emphasised that no employee should be allowed to work from the CGO building until the building is fully compliant. The Deputy Director-General: Corporate Services apologised to managers instructing employees to report to the prohibited building and immediately issued instructions to all managers to refrain from such action. He further committed that to keep the DPWI's business continuation, some employees will be deployed to other offices such as Napillar, Centre Walk, and AVN Building whilst others will continue to work from home.

The PSA would like to indicate that the CGO building remains closed until further notice. Members will be informed of developments.

Employees who want to join the PSA can visit the PSA's website or contact PSA Provincial Offices for assistance.

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