



FOR PSA MEMBERS: **GENERAL PUBLIC SERVICE SECTORAL BARGAINING COUNCIL
(GPSSBC) – FREE STATE**

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Feedback: Free State GPSSBC Chamber meeting – 18 July 2025

In the May 2025 meeting, the PSA raised a concern regarding the non-functionality of Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) Committees across various provincial departments. This matter was again addressed in the July meeting. The employer reported that out of the ten Provincial Government departments, the following seven Departments have confirmed that their OHS Committees are functional, members have been trained, and meetings are held on a quarterly basis:

- Department of Agriculture
- DESTEA (Department of Economic, Small Business Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs)
- Department of Education
- Provincial Treasury
- Office of the Premier
- Department of Community Safety and Transport
- Department of Sport, Arts, Culture and Recreation

However, the following Departments have not yet submitted reports on the status of their OHS Committees:

- Department of Human Settlements
- COGTA (Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs)
- Department of Public Works and Infrastructure

Action required

PSA members and shop stewards are requested to verify whether OHS Committees are meeting in the respective Departments. If Committees are not sitting or not functional, please escalate the matter to the PSA Provincial Office in Bloemfontein Office as soon as possible. Members' feedback is essential in ensuring that health and safety standards are upheld in the workplace.

For any enquiries or assistance, please contact the PSA Provincial Office in Bloemfontein on (051) 403 1300 / 051 403 1315 / psa.bloem@psa.co.za.

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