

FOR PSA MEMBERS: **NORTHERN CAPE DEPARTMENT OF ROADS AND PUBLIC WORKS** (**DRPW**)

26-09-2025

DRPW: Snake in office of PSA member

The PSA has noted with concern, failure by the Department of Roads and Public Works to remove a snake from the offices in Padkamp in Kimberley. The snake has been in the office since 23 September 2025 and on 26 September it was still not removed. The PSA was informed by a member and through a shop steward at the Department did the following:

- Called nature conservation and it informed the PSA that it does not have anyone available to assist.
- Called the SPCA and it also informed that it could not help as there was no one to assist.
- The PSA then called a private company, and it informed the PSA that it does not offer such service anymore.

The PSA is concerned that the member's supervisor insists that the member must continue with work under such circumstances. The PSA calls on the Head of Department to address such life-threatening episodes and ensure safety of employees at the workplace.

PSA members are advised to contact the PSA where their lives may be endangered, especially by snakes and scorpions during this season. Non-members are invited to join the PSA by contacting Racquelle Mabindisa on **063 686 7653** or Mhlanguli Madubela on **082 880 8982**.

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