



FOR PSA MEMBERS: **SOUTH AFRICAN SOCIAL SECURITY AGENCY (SASSA) - NORTHERN CAPE**

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PSA raises alarm over unhygienic conditions at Namakwa SASSA Offices

PSA members in the Namakwa District, Northern Cape, have raised serious concerns regarding unhygienic working conditions resulting from the absence of cleaning services at the respective SASSA offices. This situation has persisted for more than three days. The lack of cleanliness is a direct contravention of the *Occupational Health and Safety Act*, as it exposes employees and SASSA clients to a hazardous and unhealthy working environment.

The affected SASSA offices service approximately 100 clients per day. The PSA is extremely concerned that the situation has been allowed to continue without any contingency measures being implemented to mitigate the risks. The PSA has formally written to the Regional Executive Manager (REM) in the Northern Cape, requesting urgent intervention to address this matter.

The PSA acknowledges the efforts of shop stewards who engaged the employer, resulting in members being released around 12:00 on Wednesday, 8 April 2026. However, where offices and ablution facilities remain unclean, it will be in the best interest of members' health and safety that the offices be closed until the matter is fully resolved. The PSA therefore calls on the REM to expedite intervention and bring an immediate end to this unacceptable situation. The PSA is steadfast in prioritising the health and safety of the Union's members.

All public servants are encouraged to join the PSA by contacting Mhlanguli Madubela on 082 880 8982.

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