

FOR PSA MEMBERS: DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS (DHA) - NORTHERN CAPE

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Update: Department of Home Affairs - Northern Cape: Kuruman Large Office

The PSA registered concerns regarding the safety of employees at the Department of Home Affairs office in Kuruman. The electrical distribution board exploded, and the PSA immediately sought intervention of the DHA Provincial Manager in the Northern Cape.

PSA members have been advised to stay clear of the affected office as the *Occupational Health and Safety Act* obliges the employer to provide a safe working place for employees. The PSA maintains that the office is not safe until a certificate of compliance is issued after the repair of the electricity distribution board.

The Provincial Head of the Department has been requested to deal with this matter urgently. The PSA further requests that regular inspections are conducted to detect and prevent unnecessary disasters at workplaces. The Union will escalate this matter to the Department of Employment and Labour, should the DHA provincial management fail to deal with this issue timeously.

The PSA is concerned about the overall condition of DHA offices in the province. The Union will be requesting that an office audit be done with regards to occupational health and safety.

Members will be kept informed.

To join the PSA, call Madubela on 082 880 8982 or Racquelle on 063 686 7653.

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