

MEDIA RELEASE KwaZulu-Natal floods: PSA pledges support

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The Public Servants Association (PSA), representing more than 47 000 public servants in KwaZulu-Natal, expresses sincere condolences to families of those who lost their lives in the wake of recent heavy rains and floods that affected parts of the province.

The PSA commends the provincial government under the leadership of the Premier on the work being done to alleviate those impacted by the current situation. The PSA further applauds President Cyril Ramaphosa for declaring the province a disaster area. Many people have been injured with homes and property being destroyed. The PSA calls on government to request assistance from the SA National Defence Force, in airlifting frontline workers and speeding up the opening of closed roads.

The PSA further calls on affected public servants to be accommodated by allowing them to work from home or be granted special leave and provided with support in the form of an Employee Assistance Programme, to assist workers who have been affected by the disaster.

The PSA, through the Union's corporate social investment, will roll out assistance to identified points. PSA members or public servants who need information or support can contact the PSA KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Office in Durban on the following numbers:

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