



MEDIA RELEASE KZN COGTA: PSA calls on MEC to appoint all contract workers permanently into the Department

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The Public Servants Association (PSA) is calling on Kwa-Zulu Natal Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs MEC, Siphso Hlomuka, to permanently appoint all contract workers in the Department. The Department has some 136 employees on contract, with some workers having been on contract for over 12 years. They have been denied benefits such as contribution to a pension fund, medical aid and other employment benefits.

Protracted discussions with the Department have taken place but without success. The PSA has written to the Department demanding the appointment of these employees. So far, the Department has made proposals that are unfair, unreasonable and arbitrary. The PSA rejects any form of employee exploitation by employing workers on a contract basis that will eventually lead to more poverty and an insecure work environment.

It is for this reasons that PSA calls on MEC Hlomuka to immediately intervene and ensure the permanent appointment of all contract workers to promote decent work.

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