

MEDIA RELEASE **PSA calls on KwaZulu-Natal Coastal TVET College to pay employees' salaries**

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The Public Servants Association (PSA) is disturbed by the failure of the Administrator of the KwaZulu-Natal Coastal College to pay the salaries of employees on contract. Employees were supposed to receive their salaries on 25 May 2022, but nothing has been received.

This failure to pay employees on time has occurred twice in the past 12 months. Employees are unable to report for duty and meet their financial obligations owing to the incompetence of the Administrator and the Department. The Administrator sent a letter, dated 17 May 2022, to the Director-General, the Deputy Director-General of the TVET College, and the Chief Financial Officer, alerting the Director-General of the Coastal TVET College regarding cash-flow challenges. The Administrator failed to communicate with employees and labour regarding challenges with cash flow for the payment of salaries for these College employees.

The PSA calls on the Minister of Higher Education and Training to investigate the motive behind the non-payment of workers and take action against perpetrators. The Minister should intervene and ensure that employees receive their salaries by no later than 27 May 2022.

The PSA further calls on the Provincial Labour Inspector from the Department of Employment and Labour to visit Coastal TVET College campuses and ensure that labour laws are complied with.

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