



MEDIA RELEASE **PSA condemns robbery incidents at Eastern Cape state institutions**

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The Public Servants Association (PSA) is extremely concerned about the safety of public servants in Nelson Mandela Bay following a series of alarming incidents.

On 10 August 2024, a robbery took place during a school-awards event at Masiphathisane High School in Motherwell. Robbers attacked parents, educators, and learners, firing shots, and stealing their belongings. Although no injuries were reported, the incident has raised serious concerns about safety and security at state institutions.

The PSA has consistently called for improved security measures at schools and healthcare institutions, particularly in the Eastern Cape's rural areas and townships. This appeal was formally presented to the Parliamentary Education and Health Portfolio Committees in late 2023.

The PSA urges the Premier of the Eastern Cape to take immediate action to enhance security at these vulnerable institutions, as they are increasingly becoming targets for criminal activities. The PSA will continue efforts to advocate safety at public institutions.

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