

Feedback: Provincial OHS/COVID-19 Committee Meeting

The following issues were discussed during a virtual meeting that took place on 11 March 2021:

OHS requirements

The service provider for Phalaborwa was appointed to commence on 12 March 2021 with the repair of counters and the removing of carpets and tiles. Senwamokgope appointed the service provider for cleaning services with effect from 1 March 2021. It was reported that network and data points were installed for Modimolle office and that the process is almost finalised. The PSA raised a concern about water shortages as the issue was discussed several times. The employer reported that at Thohoyandou the shortage was owing to a valve change whereas in Musina it was because of floods and that it was resolved.

COVID-19 management

500 hazmat suites are still not distributed as quotations are sourced to procure more suites. The PSA was concerned about the delay in distribution. The employer suggested that the available 500 suites be distributed to employees or to wait for distributing the suites until more suites are procured to avoid running out. The PSA requests inputs from members, indicating if the employer should start distributing the available suites, or wait for additional procurement. The inputs should be submitted to patricia.matlhadisa@psa.co.za on or before **19 March 2021**.

Reporting under level 1

The employer reported that all employees are to report for duty under level 1 except for those who are 60 years and above, with co-morbidities, and who are on leave. Further, offices should take into consideration staff capacity when recalling employees. The PSA reminded the employer to comply with COVID-19 regulations under level 1.

Employees infected with COVID-19

The number of infected employees is still 74, with 0 active cases, 3 deaths and 71 recoveries. No office was closed because of COVID-19 since the last meeting.

Steering Committee meeting

Districts continue to hold their COVID-19 meetings. Members are reminded to report non-compliance to

their shop stewards.

GENERAL MANAGER