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Media Statement

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Security service providers have been paid

The Department of Community Safety, Security and Liaison (DCSSL) has paid all its contracted security service providers. As a result, the DCSSL expects these companies to in return ensure the timeous payment of salaries of their Security Officers that are due and payable and as per the provisions of the concluded service level agreement with the DCSSL.

The DCSSL wish that it be noted that these service providers are paid on a monthly basis upon the submission of invoices to the department. The current payments were for services which were rendered for the month of December 2019 and the invoices were submitted to the DCSSL in January 2020, further to that these invoices were not yet overdue. The DCSSL was still within the prescribed payment period and therefore wish to put it clear that there were no payments owed to these service providers.

Now that these companies have been paid, the DCSSL expects the companies whose employees had earlier downed tools due to non payment of their salaries, particularly in Gert Sibande District, to return to sites immediately.

Meanwhile, the MEC for Community Safety, Security and Liaison, Ms Gabisile Shabalala has condemned the sporadic incidences of violence in some of the affected security sites and the restriction of access by clients and users of the sites. She further noted with great disappointment the behaviour of some individuals who were preventing staff and patients to enter or leave some of the facilities.

"Communities should refrain from infringing upon the rights of others during protests. It is barbaric for people to be prevented from entering any health facilities. Such behaviour is unacceptable because it may endanger other people's lives," Shabalala added.

She has however applauded the Provincial Treasury and the Executive Council for the assistance and guidance provided to DCSSL during this time.

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