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- ALL SCHOOL PRINCIPALS**
- ALL SCHOOLS**
- ALL SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES**
- ALL LABOUR UNIONS**
- ALL EDUCATION ASSISTANTS**
- ALL GENERAL SCHOOL ASSISTANTS**

FROM: PROJECT LEADER

SUBJECT: DELAY IN PAYMENT OF STIPENDS FOR EDUCATION ASSISTANTS AND GENERAL SCHOOL ASSISTANTS IN THE PRESIDENTIAL YOUTH EMPLOYMENT INITIATIVE PHASE 2

DATE: 5 December 2021

1. This communication serves to inform all schools that payment for Education Assistants (EAs) and General School Assistants (GSAs) have been delayed due to the tabling of the Medium term Budget Policy Statement to the Provincial Legislature.
2. Annually Finance MEC presents the Medium Term Budget Policy Statement which will lead to budget adjustments that are implemented by various Departments in the Province.
3. According to the law no budget adjustment can be implemented before the tabling of the Medium Term Budget Policy Statement.



4. After the tabling of the Medium Term Budget Policy Statement in the Provincial Legislature Provincial Treasury implements all endorsed budget adjustment by the Provincial Legislature in various departments.
5. The tabling of the Medium Term Budget Policy Statement is meant to endorse any additional budget that has been received by the Province
6. For the current 2021/2022 financial year it was pronounced that investment is going to be made for the education sector to implement the Presidential Youth Employment Initiative Phase 2.
7. This resulted in the Province having additional budget that is coming as a grant for the implementation of the PYEI Phase 2.
8. It is unlawful for the department to implement a budget which has not been endorsed by the Provincial legislature.
9. It is against this background that delays in payment have been experienced as we await the tabling of the Medium Term Budget Policy Statement to the Provincial Legislature.
10. The Project therefore request all EAs and GSAs to be patient as the Department has now adopted to implement stipends as follows: November stipends will be implemented on the run scheduled for the 9th of December 2021 whilst December stipends will be implemented on the run scheduled for the 14th of December 2021.
11. We urge all Project Coordinators in the District and School Principals to communicate with all affected EAs and GSAs to understand how government operates and also be patient as the ultimate goal of the project is to ensure that all EAs and GSAs receive their stipends as promised in the framework.
12. All payments will be implemented directly to the account of each individual EA and GSA.

Yours in quality education

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