



## DHET and DPSA host financial disclosure workshop in Ikhala TVET College

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The Department of Higher Education and Training, Eastern Cape Region, together with the Department of Public Service and Administration (DPSA) recently convened two-day session for financial disclosure workshop in Ikhala TVET College. The purpose of the workshop is to capacitate Human Resources and Development (HRD) division on the importance of financial disclosure to comply with Public Finance Management Act (PFMA), 1999: Section 50(1)(c).

Ms. Pleasure Matshego, Director: Ethics and Integrity Management posits that it is imperative for the designated officials to disclose financial interests, gifts and other remunerative work to comply with PFMA legislations and regulations. These national capacity building initiatives intend to build a professional space to curb unethical behavior, culture and maladministration. For the departments to achieve sound institutional governance and compliance, three tenets of ethical compliances, namely detection, investigation and discipline need to be complemented, she added.

Mr. Teboho Nqai, Deputy Director: Corporate services welcomed the intervention by the department (DPSA) to roll out the national capacity building on financial disclosure. It is an accepted fact that Eastern Cape region has experienced high-level of non-compliance in terms of financial disclosure over the past years. This capacity building will sprout confidence in the region to overcome this predicament, he said.

The engagement further strengthens intergovernmental relations between the two departments with the aim of instilling ethical culture in the public service. Working relationship must not just happen, it must be seen, he concluded.

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