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**TO ALL: SENIOR – AND MIDDLE MANAGERS - HEAD OFFICE AND DISTRICTS**  
**HEAD OFFICE AND DISTRICT HR OFFICIALS**  
**HEAD OFFICE AND DISTRICT CURRICULUM COORDINATORS**  
**CIRCUIT COORDINATION**  
**CIRCUIT MANAGERS**  
**HEADS OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
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**EDUCATION ASSISTANTS AND GENERAL SCHOOL ASSISTANTS**

**CIRCULAR NO. 31 OF 2023**

**OFFICIAL ENDING OF PHASE IV OF THE PRESIDENTIAL YOUTH EMPLOYMENT INITIATIVE (PYEI) IN THE BASIC EDUCATION SECTOR**

**1. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this circular is to inform Managers at Head Office, Districts, Circuits, Principals, SMT, SGB, Assistants, and other stakeholders on the ending of Phase IV of the PYEI implemented in the Basic Education Sector.

**2. BACKGROUND**

The National Treasury allocated funds for the implementation of the Presidential Youth Employment Initiative (PYEI) in the Basic Education Sector as part of the Presidential Employment Stimulus (PES). This initiative is deemed the flagship programme for the PES. The Mpumalanga Department of Education was allocated R556 million in the 2023/24 financial year. The funds were used for job creation of the PYEI for youth between ages 18-35 from May to September 2023. School Principals, SMT, SGB and other stakeholders are notified that Phase IV is ending on 29 September 2023 and it is crucial that all assistants are notified of the termination of Phase IV.

The DBE together with Department will not be able to provide funding for accruals that may result from youth that continue with work as PYEI beyond 29 September 2023. Principals are so discouraged from allowing youth to volunteer as that will create an expectation to be appointed in future.

**Phase IV officially ends on 29 September 2023.**

The Presidency, the Department of Basic Education and the Mpumalanga Department of Education wishes to extend their gratitude to all the youth that participated in Phase IV of the Presidential Youth Employment Initiative (PYEI) in the Basic Education sector. The youth are encouraged to continue using the skills, competencies and knowledge that was acquired through this initiative.

Schools are also encouraged to ensure that UIF contributions are up to date and transferred to the Department of Labour, to enable EA and GSA to access their benefits accordingly. Schools with surplus funds resulting from implementation of Pro-Rata, non-replacement of EAs that resigned or exited the project are also urged to ensure that such funds are deposited back into the Departments bank account.

The Department's banking details are as follows:


Account holder : Mpumalanga Department of Education

Bank name : ABSA BANK

Account number : 4103022830

Reference : PYEI PHASE IV

Your support in the implementation of PYEI is highly appreciated.

  
HEAD: EDUCATION  
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19/09/2023  
DATE