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MULTI-SECTORAL STAKEHOLDER MEETING TO ADDRESS SCHOOL SAFETY CONCERNS IN MASOYI

Teachers and support staff led by their unions expressed their deep concern over the recent spate of crime targeting schools in the White Hazy Circuits in Masoyi, City of Mbombela Local Municipality.

They decided to call for help following an incident of armed robbery at Jerusalem Secondary School on 10 April 2024. This incident, where teachers were threatened and robbed, was just the latest incident of the alarming rise in crime impacting schools in and around the Hazyview area.

As a response to these growing concerns, the Mpumalanga Department of Education in collaboration with the Department of Community Safety, Security and Liaison will be convening a Multi-Sectoral Stakeholder Meeting scheduled for Thursday, 02 May 2024, at 9H30 at Khetsalwati Secondary School in Nyongane in the City of Mbombela Local Municipality.

This meeting will bring together various stakeholders, including government officials, teacher unions, associations of school governing bodies, law enforcement agencies, traditional leaders, Moral Regeneration Movement and community leaders to develop a comprehensive plan to address school safety issues.

"The urgent need for action is clear. We call on all stakeholders to attend this crucial meeting and work collaboratively to create a safe and secure learning environment for all," said MEC Majuba.

The media is invited to cover the meeting.

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