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MEC MSHENGU SENDS CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILIES OF THE DECEASED

The MEC for Education in KwaZulu-Natal, Mr Kwazi Mshengu sends his condolences to the families of learners, educators and employees who passed away as a result of the inclement weather that has affected most areas in the Province of KwaZulu-Natal.

Many schools could not open today because of the weather that prevented most learners, educators and employees from going to school. A number of learners are reported dead.

“As a Province of KwaZulu-Natal we are devastated by the effects of this weather that has wricked our province and caused untold damage to our schools.

We are very saddened that a number of our learners and educators have lost their lives as a result of this weather. Our prayers go out to the families of the deceased and we pray that God gives them strength during this difficult period,” said MEC Kwazi Mshengu.

The MEC further urged principals of schools not to open schools if the inclement weather persists. “We will monitor weather patterns and give further guidance in this regard,” said the MEC.

The Department will be able to communicate the exact number of all learners and educators who passed away once districts have collated all the information.

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