



TO: DDG: Curriculum Management & Delivery
Chief Director: Curriculum Management
Chief Director: Curriculum Development Programmes
Directors: Curriculum FET and GET, RAS, IE, SNES, MST&ICT
District Directors
CESS: Teacher Development and TLS
Subject Advisors
Circuit Managers
Principals of Schools

**SUBJECT: SUPPORT FOR TEACHER UNION COLLABORATION (TUC)
PROGRAMME**

1. The Department of Basic Education and Teacher Unions (SADTU, NAPTOSA, NATU, PEU and SAOU) signed a Teacher Union Collaboration Memorandum of Agreement, which was extended to Provincial Education Departments. The aim was to contribute to the achievement of targets as set out for teacher professional development in Action Plan 2024 Towards Schooling 2030 and ISPFTED.
2. Teacher Unions will complement the Department of Education in training teachers on skills for a changing world, particularly Digital skills, Coding and Robotics. The target groups are teachers in GET phase that is Grades R-9. Lead educators and Subject Advisors in the GET band will be trained as master trainers.
3. The training workshops by teacher unions have already commenced. The Department of Education has adopted a position of supporting the TUC training programme. Subject Advisors and teachers are encouraged to make all reasonable efforts to support these TUC programmes. The TUC training workshops go beyond the affiliates of individual teacher unions therefore even non-teacher union affiliates are allowed to attend these workshops.
4. District Directors and principals of schools are requested to release officials and teachers to attend the TUC training workshops, as per written request by individual teacher unions.
5. Further particulars on TUC will be shared as soon as all participating unions submit their management plans.

Mr G.N. Ngcobo
KZN DoE: Head of Department

15/7/22

Date