

Media Statement

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THE DEPARTMENT BIDS FAREWELL TO DR SIMON MBOKAZI, FORMER ACT. S-G

The KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Education, Ms Mbali Frazer conveys her heartfelt condolences to the family of the late Dr Simon Mbokazi, former Deputy Director-General, who also acted as the Superintendent-General, (ACT. S-G) for the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Education.

Dr Simon Mbokazi was a prolific and illustrious pedagogue whose career in the education sector spanned over a period of 43 years and he officially retired on 05 May 2014. He is still the Chairperson of the Department's Trust.

He enjoyed an illustrious career, initially as a senior teacher at Bhekuzulu College (1971 to 1975), after which time he joined the University of Zululand in the capacity Technical Director and Lecturer (1976 to 1982) and finally the Esikhawini College of Education from 1983 to 1993, initially in the capacity Technical Assistant and Lecturer, and ultimately holding the positions of Vice-Rector and Rector.

In 1993 he joined the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Education in the capacity of Chief Director: Colleges of Education, a position, which he held until 1999. During his tenure with the Department, Dr Mbokazi held numerous senior management and executive positions, including Acting Chief Director and Chief Director for the Department, Chief Director: Education Support Services, Acting Deputy Director-General and Deputy Director-General.

"Dr Simon Mbokazi will be missed by the education fraternity. May his soul rest in peace", said MEC Frazer.

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