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Media Statement

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MEC MSHENGU CLOSES DOWN THE MATRIC CAMP

After learning of the appalling and inhabitable conditions of Matric Learners in the Harry Gwala District Camp, the MEC for Education in KwaZulu-Natal, Mr Kwazi Mshengu has instructed the District to close down the Matric Camp with immediate effect.

Mshengu has instructed the District to find an appropriate place for the learners and ensure that they do not lose academic time.

“I have also directed, that the Head of Department give me a full report by Monday, 02 November 2020, explaining how the Department found itself in such a precarious situation. The report from the HoD must include the amount spent in securing this camp,” said the MEC.

The MEC has also directed the Head of Department to hold all those who were involved in this camp accountable.

“Much as we want our learners to succeed and progress, we take a dim view and we are totally against accommodating our learners in such appalling conditions,” the MEC said.

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