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MEMORANDUM

**TO: ALL DDG's
CHIEF DIRECTORS: CLUSTERS A AND B
DISTRICT DIRECTORS
CIRCUIT MANAGEMENT CENTRE HEADS & CIRCUIT
MANAGERS
PRINCIPALS OF SCHOOLS
SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES**

**CC: TEACHER UNIONS
SGB ASSOCIATIONS**

FROM: THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

**SUBJECT: DELAYS IN PAYMENT OF EDUCATION ASSISTANTS (EAs)
AND GENERAL SCHOOL ASSISTANTS (GSAs) – MARCH
STIPENDS**

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to communicate delays experienced in the payment of EAs and GSAs March stipends.
2. The Department committed in ensuring that EAs and GSAs March stipend is paid on or before the 31 March 2022 and has since authorized these payments on the system on the 25th of March 2022. Upon authorization of these payments, a request to Provincial Treasury to be included in the BAS payment run of the 28th of March 2022 to disburse the authorized transactions was made. It is a standard practice that it only takes 3 days after the BAS run for the payments to reflect in the beneficiaries' bank accounts.
3. Provincial Treasury Department as the oversight and regulatory body on all financial matters in the province, who has the authority to release payments, has not released these payments for disbursement.



4. This has resulted in delaying the payment of EAs and GSAs March stipends.
5. The Department has formally written on the 29 March 2022 to Provincial Treasury requesting for the release of these transactions and a response in this regard is still awaited.
6. The Department is also aware of the following schools, which have not yet received funds to pay EAs and GSAs since the beginning of the Phase 2 project and wish to confirm that these payments has been authorized and are part of the transactions awaiting to be released by Provincial Treasury.

Source Code no (unique)	Entity No	Name
NOV TO MARCH EA GSA	200500365	KOPANA JUNIOR PRIMARY SCHOOL
NOV TO MARCH EA GSA	200500131	DLANGEZWA SENIOR PRIMARY SCHOOL
NOV TO MARCH EA GSA	200100722	SPANDAU PUBLIC SCHOOL
NOV TO MARCH EA GSA	200401068	TSHIKITSHA JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL
NOV TO MARCH EA GSA	200300710	ZWELIXOLILE JUNIOR PRIMARY SCHOOL
NOV TO MARCH EA GSA	200100593	NTABA MARIA JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

7. The Department wishes to express it's commitment to continue engaging Provincial Treasury to see this matter finalized soon.

Yours in Quality Education,

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CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
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