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DATE: 01 OCTOBER 2024

OBSERVING 05 OCTOBER 2024 AS WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

1. INTRODUCTION:

The National Development Plan (NDP) vision 2030 emphasises that teachers are central to education and teaching should be a highly valued profession.

The Teacher Appreciation and Support Programme (TASP) was formed to meet this need as identified by the NDP.

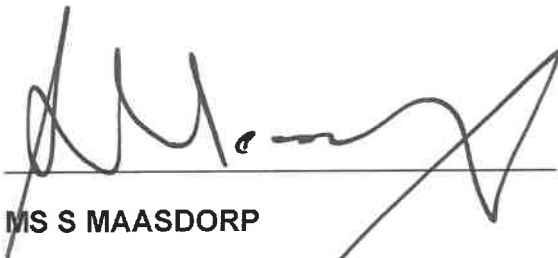
The Integrated Strategic Planning Framework for Teacher Education and Development (ISPFTED) was launched in 2011, and as part of the declaration of the Teacher Development Summit held in 2009, one of the key deliverables the system must identify and address teacher development needs in the sector and **appreciate and acknowledge** the work done by exceptional teachers in **diverse contexts**.

2. DELIBERATIONS:

1. The interpretation of the concept recognition of teachers should be wider and should not be limited to an event like the observance of one day on 05 October but be holistic, yearlong and include areas that affect teachers as people and professionals.



2. The Eastern Cape Department of Education has embarked on a number of programmes to acknowledge their teachers. This includes but not limited to Best Performing School Principals and their Teachers through Premier's Awards, Best Performing Principals and Teachers through MEC's Excellence Awards. Recently a group of 15 Provincial National Teaching Awards finalists represented the Province in the National Adjudication and awards will be held in Gauteng on the 05 October 2024
3. In the light of the above, School Principals are requested to observe 05 October 2024 as the 'World Teachers' Day' through embarking on various activities in accordance with school resources and conditions.
4. A request is made for the high-resolution pictures with captions of these events to be sent to the communications office for departmental social media platforms and the website for the attention of Nobulali Sigabi via WhatsApp – 0609439530.



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