

MEDIA ALERT

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Employment and Labour Minister to address the nation on back to work readiness

The Minister of Employment and Labour, Thulas Nxesi, will host a media briefing to brief the country on the back-to-work readiness strategy this Sunday, May 3, 2020.

The briefing is as a result of the country moving from Covid-19 Level 5 to Level 4 which will result in more businesses and industries opening and more South Africans having to resume their duties.

Last week, President Cyril Ramaphosa announced the move from Level 5 (Absolute lockdown) to Level 4 in terms of the country's response to fighting COVID-19. This means that a lot more people are now going back to work from Monday, May 4.

A number of businesses had completely closed down due to the pandemic and now they need to resume their activities. This requires specific arrangements with regards to the Occupational Health and Safety Act which requires the employer to provide and maintain a working environment that is safe and without risks to the health of workers and to take such steps to eliminate or mitigate the hazard or potential hazard.

The Minister will address these issues and concerns.

The details of the press engagement are as follows:

Venue: Tshedimosetso House,

C/o Francis Baard and Festival Streets,

Hatfield, Pretoria

Time: 14H00

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