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DEPARTMENT OF  
**EDUCATION**

**To: All Media Houses**

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**For immediate attention**

**Limpopo Department of Education condemns burning of schools**

Limpopo Department of education and the education fraternity in general learnt with dismay the burning of two classrooms of Tshirunzanani Primary, in Vhuronga, Vhembe District. This is happening when last year more than 25 schools were burnt in and around Vuwani area and left many learners learning in mobile classrooms.

The Community of Vuwani and all other communities around the Province cannot afford vandalism of schools amid of the high demand experienced. Already there are many storm damaged school that need refurbishing and it is disappointing to see some members of the community adding the backlog by burning existing facilities.

The Department urges all the community members to stand together in defending their schools. This can be done through the establishment of strong relations with law enforcement agencies. Furthermore, community members are urged to work with police in making sure the perpetrators of the recent incident are brought to book.

**“Education is a societal matter”**

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