

## DEPARTMENT OF

## **EDUCATION**

## **Media Statement**

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## LEARNER ELECTROCUTED TO DEATH

The Limpopo Department of Education has learnt with shock the passing on of a 5 year old Grade R learner, attached to Hamutsha Primary School, Hamutsha village in Makhado Municipality, Vhembe District. The department is deeply saddened by this tragic incident which happened yesterday afternoon and accordingly sends it deepest heartfelt condolences to the family. MEC Ishmael Kgetjepe said "This is no easy matter for the family, the Department and the school community. No amount of words can ever soothe the pain of losing a young life and a loved one"

The Department, working with the Department of Social Development dispatched this morning 8 social workers who will be counselling the family, learners and educators at the school to better cope and deal with this tragedy. Investigations will also ensue to understand fully the circumstances that led to this tragic incident.

May her soul rest in peace!

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