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For immediate attention

Warning on scam targeting teachers in Vhembe District

The Department of Education has been alerted to the fact that there is a scam involving individuals that are contacting unemployed educators and principals concerning posts that are vacant in schools and those that are in the process of being filled. These scammers phone principals acting as if they are District HR officials and dupe them into giving them the names of shortlisted candidates. They then phone these candidates and request them to deposit money through money market. Others are promised permanent employment if they pay the requested amount.

Principals and educators are warned of this scam and urged to refrain from giving school information to unauthorised/unknown individuals as the information they give may be used for such purposes. They are further urged to report the details of the call to the circuit offices and the district to also involve law enforcement agencies.

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