

Media Statement
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MEC BOSHIELO APPALLED BY ATTACK AND RAPE OF LEARNERS

The Limpopo MEC for the Department of Education Polly Boshielo has expressed shock at the attack and rape allegations of learners from Tshimbupfe Secondary School in Vhembe East. This follows an after school incident where three learners were allegedly attacked and raped by two unknown men on their way home from school yesterday afternoon. The school was alerted by one of the learners and the school principal accordingly alerted the police who took learners to the hospital.

The MEC has urged community members with information that may assist in the swift arrest of the suspects to come forward so that justice prevails in this matter. “As a department, we are appalled by this incident. It is shocking that those who should be protecting learners, are the ones who prey on them. All of us, working with the police, must leave no stone unturned in ensuring that the alleged perpetrators are arrested and brought to book without any delay. Learners deserve protection wherever they are, inside the school and outside the school” said MEC Boshielo adding that the Department will send pscho-social professionals to the school to offer the necessary counselling.

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