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Dear Stakeholders

RE: CHALLENGES WITH THE SKILLS DEVELOPMENT LEVIES SYSTEM (SDLIS)

1. Please be made aware of challenges experienced with the Skills Development Levy System (SDLIS). The Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) has officially informed SETAs of the challenges through a Skills Development Circular No. 16/2024 which is attached herewith. As a result, DHET has not been able to provide SETAs with employer files towards the disbursement of Mandatory Grants from August 2024 to date.
2. Please be advised that this impacts the CATHSSETA's ability to process Mandatory Grant payments for eligible employers for the same period. No further details on the resolutions currently in place has been shared however, updates will be given to stakeholders on receipt.
3. Therefore, the CATHSSETA requests for your patience and understanding during this period until the SDLIS challenges have been resolved by DHET. The CATHSSETA will disburse Mandatory Grants once the system is up and running with the employer files having been received from DHET.

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4. We apologise for the inconvenience in this regard.

Yours is Skills Development

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ntona Marota", is written over a horizontal line.

Mr Ntona Marota CA(SA)
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Date: 05/12/2024

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Skills Development Circular No. 16/2024

CHALLENGES WITH THE SKILLS DEVELOPMENT LEVIES SYSTEM

1. The Department of Higher Education and Training uses the Skills Development Levies System (SDLIS) to allocate the skills levies collected by the Commissioner of the South African Revenue Services into 80% for the Sector Education and Training Authorities (SETAs) and 20% for the National Skills Fund. Furthermore, the SDLIS provides SETAs with employer data files and financial accounts.
2. The Department has been experiencing challenges with the functionality of the SDLIS system, whereby the employer data files have not been sent to the SETAs. This letter serves to inform SETAs that the SDLIS is offline hence the Department is unable to provide SETAs with employer files.
3. The Department is also aware of the implications this will have on the functioning of the SETAs, hence SETAs are requested to be patient as the matter is receiving the necessary attention with the urgency it deserves.

Yours sincerely

Mr ZC Mvalo

Deputy Director-General: Skills Development Branch

Date: