

MEDIA STATEMENT-FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

NEHAWU PREPARING FOR STRIKE AT DUBE TRADE PORT

Friday June 9, 2017

The National Education Health & Allied Workers' Union [NEHAWU] is currently preparing for a full-blown strike at the Dube Trade Port after salary increment negotiations deadlocked. The strike is expected to commence on Monday June 12, 2017 as the union started with serving the 48 hours' notice yesterday.

The leadership of the national union convened numerous meetings with the management of the Port, however, the management was too arrogant to listen to the genuine demands of workers. The membership of the union then mandated the leadership to rollout preparations for a strike action.

Our demands to the Dube Trade Port are as follows:

- We demand inflation plus 6% (12% total), R12 000 minimum wage and the employer is only offering 8% and refuses to address the issue of minimum wage
- We demand the introduction of 13th cheque
- We demand R1500 for housing allowance per month.
- We demand the introduction of medical aid and that the employer must contribute 50%.

The management is seemingly reluctant to meet the demands presented by the workers. Failure to resolve these issues in the next coming few days, workers will be left with no option but to go on a full-blown strike which will have the great impact in the Port.

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