



MEDIA STATEMENT

Att : ALL EDITORS

Media Houses

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STAKEHOLDERS WARNED AGAINST FRAUDSTERS POSING AS DARD REPRESENTATIVES

Mahikeng – The North West Department of Agriculture and Rural Development has noted with great concern a scam that involves fraudsters contacting prospective bidders alleging that they have been awarded bids by the department. The fraudsters use the department's letterhead, and disguise themselves as representatives of the department to send out fake appointment letters to unsuspecting suppliers and service providers.

All prospective service providers that have received fraudulent letters or have been approached for monies are urged to report these actions to law enforcement agencies without hesitation and to inform the department of such activities.

The department will not send e-mails requesting service providers to supply any goods or services without an official purchase order number.

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