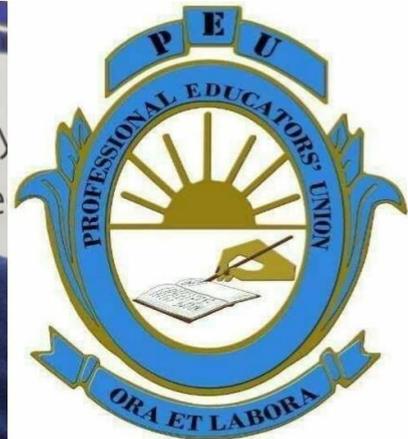
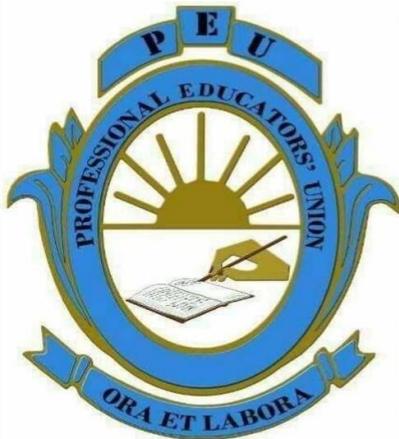


# PEU UPDATES ON VACCINATION ROLLOUT FOR THE EDUCATION SECTOR

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## **TO ALL MAPEU AMAHLE**

Below kindly receive progress report on vaccination roll-out for the Education Sector, emanating from the meeting of Teacher Union Principals and DBE, held this afternoon, Saturday, 03 July 2021, at 17H00:

- That as on 01 July 2021, the Sector had already vaccinated **51%** of the targeted number of employees.
- That percentage might even be higher, considering that it excluded stats from Limpopo, as they had dedicated Fridays and Saturdays for their vaccination and further that Provinces have allocated additional doses from the 280 000 top up.
- That the Council of Education Ministers (CEM) is constantly monitoring the situation in terms of infection rate, for purposes of informing the sector on reopening of schools. Thus, the date 19 July or 26 July are not cast in stone but mere indications, which then cannot be confirmed with absolute certainty on when schools will reopen.
- Generally, the vaccination roll-out for education employees is proceeding smoothly and DOH had already showered DBE and its social partners with accolades, for the high level of administration, that saw the process unfolding with less teething glitches.



- Indeed, nothing can beat the unity of purpose that exists between DBE and its social partners, which always serve as the sounding board for the sector.
- Vaccination sites for DBE will be reduced as from Monday, 05 July 2021, as the Safety and Security Sector are the next cohort to join the queue on vaccination. Communication on sites that will be affected shall be done by provinces.
- Regular update meetings will be held to monitor the process, as well as progress and as usual, you will be kept posted on the developments.
- As Leadership, we wish to seize this moment, to thank all those who came in their numbers to go and get their jobs,

As I conclude, remember that the JJ vaccine will only become fully efficient to boost our immune system after two weeks and as such, adhere non-pharmaceutical measures remain absolutely imperative. For those who are still hesitant, please take this last moment opportunity, and make the right decision to go for vaccination. Remember, vaccination is not only about COVID-19 but about boosting your immune system, to can deal effectively with other underlying conditions in our bodies.

**End**

**Issued by Ben Machipi**

**General Secretary**