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MINISTER BUTI MANAMELA TO MEET WITH THE NSFAS BOARD IN CAPE TOWN

TO ALL MEDIA

5 NOVEMBER 2025

The Minister of Higher Education and Training, Mr Buti Manamela, will meet with the Board of the National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS), as part of his ongoing oversight responsibilities over the entity.

The meeting forms part of the Minister's commitment to ensuring stability, transparency, and accountability within NSFAS. It also aims to strengthen the entity's capacity to deliver on its core mandate of providing financial aid to eligible students from poor and working-class families in South Africa.

Earlier this week, the Minister met with Dr Karen Stander, who resigned over the weekend as Chairperson of the NSFAS Board. The meeting allowed the Minister to engage thoroughly with the outgoing Chairperson on matters of governance within the

scheme, and to reaffirm the Department's commitment to addressing these matters decisively.

Members of the media are invited for a photo opportunity at the beginning of the meeting and a doorstep interview with the Minister at the conclusion of the engagement.

Details are as follows:

Wednesday, 5 November 2025

NSFAS OFFICES: The Halyard, 4 Christiaan Barnard Street, Cape Town

16:30 – Photo Opportunity

18:00 – Door- stop interview with the Minister

Please confirm your attendance with Nonjabulo Zuma on +27 679465651

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