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MEC YAWA CONVEYS CONDOLENCE TO OKAKANYENG FAMILY

North West MEC for Public Works, Honourable Howard Yawa has conveyed his condolences to the family of the late Emmanuel Okakanyeng and welcomed investigations by the Department of Labour and the South African Police Service into circumstances surrounding his death on Tuesday last week.

This follows an accident in which the 40-year-old Okakanyeng, an Expanded Public Works (EPWP) beneficiary employed by Partikon at the Modimong EPWP Road Construction site at Cokonyane village in Taung was fatally injured after falling from the mudguard of a tractor he was travelling on.

MEC Yawa has also called on contractors to ensure safety on construction sites to prevent accidents of this nature.

The Department is awaiting a report of the investigations and has in the meantime in addition to standing on-site safety and health regulations instructed the contractor to prohibit passengers on tractors and pay attention to safe transportation of passengers on construction vehicles.

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