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## PROVINCIAL TREASURY CIRCULAR NO. 32 OF 2024

TO:

DIRECTOR-GENERAL: OFFICE OF THE PREMIER OF MPUMALANGA **HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS** CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICERS OF DEPARTMENTS **ALL OFFICIALS** 

# MPUMALANGA PROVINCIAL VIRTUAL PRIVATE NETWORK (VPN) DEPLOYMENT

#### **BACKGROUND** 1.

Provincial Treasury has embarked on a project to deploy a Provincial Virtual Private Network (VPN) in the Province for computer network access. The rollout of the VPN will improve efficiencies and management of the Local Area Networks of all departments across the Province, it will further improve Internet Access through a managed traffic model and enable the increasing of email attachment limitations. The VPN is also a foundation for many value-add network services to improve government administration systems and reduce communication costs like Voice over IP telephony through the same data network.

#### **EXPECTATION FROM DEPARTMENTS** 2.

#### MANAGEMENT 2.1

Accounting Officers are requested to disseminate the contents of this circular to all employees within their departments.

Chief Financial Officers are requested to assist with the monitoring of system availability, through their respective office Managers and System Controllers, and escalate any interruptions to the Information Technology teams.

#### **GENERAL STAFF** 2.2

Employees are kindly requested to monitor the availability and usability of systems and report to the relevant Information Technology officials.



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## 2.3 ICT PERSONNEL

ICT officials in all departments are requested to remain vigilant and available for any system unavailability for troubleshooting and resolution or escalation, where applicable.

## 3. DEPLOYMENT PROJECT SCHEDULING

The network switch over date is set for 04 July 2024 from 09h00. The estimated down time is two (2) hours per site/office.

### 4. CONTACTS

All enquiries relating to the deployment of the Virtual Private Network VPN) should be referred to Mr. Siza Magagula - 072 323 1327 or Mr. Lodrick Ndhlovu - 072 429 8554.

Your co-operation is always appreciated.

Regards

MS. GUGU MASHITENG

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