



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ROADS & INFRASTRUCTURE

MEDIA STATEMENT

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THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE DISMISSES ALLEGATIONS BY NEWS24 AND CITY PRESS ON RAL

The Limpopo Department of Public Works, Roads and Infrastructure has noted with grave concern a misleading article by News24 and City Press, where the publications are alleging that the department's entity Roads Agency Limpopo has spent R15 million on legal fees.

The publications deliberately used a misleading headline, despite the department having clarified that RAL did not spend R15 million as purported by the journalist.

It is important to note that the Agency has spent far less on legal cost than what is being quoted.

It is therefore malicious for the publications to create an impression that the MEC spent R15 million. The department will further seek council on how to deal with the malicious reporting of the story, as well as considering to approach the Press Ombudsman or exercise rights within our ambit to seek recourse.

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