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**Immediate Release**

**Attention: ALL MEDIA HOUSES**

**Update on the recent disaster in the province**

**10 October 2017**

The Provincial Disaster Management Centre in partnership with relevant stakeholders are working around the clock to ensure that all the families in areas affected by the disaster are attended to.

**Relief provided**

Vhembe District Municipality has delivered 4 tents to the Makhado Local Municipality and these tents have been distributed to the affected families on Saturday (07<sup>th</sup> October 2017).

The Centre provided fifty (50) blankets and eighteen (18) to Makhado Local Municipality.

The Centre has also provided fifteen (15) tents to Sekhukhune District Municipality.

Sekhukhune District Municipality has provided 80 blankets and 20 mattresses to families affected by disaster.

**Relief Materials available at the Provincial Disaster Management Centre (PDMC)**

The Centre has one hundred (100) tents and three hundred and twenty (320) blankets. These materials will be given to families affected by disaster.

**Number of people affected**

Eight (08) people at Lekurung village in Lepelle – Nkumpi municipality were injured. They were admitted at the hospital but were treated and discharged the same day.

There is one (1) death case reported at Lekurung village in Lepelle – Nkumpi municipality. The victim was electrocuted after having walked over a bare and live electricity cable.

Two people were injured at Makhado and were taken to hospital and they were discharged on 06 October 2017.

Disaster Management is everybody's business. In case of any disaster, members of the public should report the incidents to their district offices or Provincial Disaster Centre on the toll free number 0800 222 111. For missing persons during disaster, members of the public should report the incident to the nearest police stations.

### **Key Messages**

- Residents living next to rivers and streams must evacuate to a safer place or higher spot when water level rises.
- When you are next to a flowing river where water reaches above your ankles, stop, turn around and use alternative routes.
- Never try to walk, swim or drive in swift-flowing water.
- Do not drive over a low-water bridge if the water is flowing strong.
- Educate your children not to swim in rivers, streams and ponds in open areas.
- Do not drive during a severe storm - park away from electrical lines, trees, streams and rivers.

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