

DPWI staff members join other Public Service employees in saying NO to Gender-Based Violence and Femicide

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Staff members of the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure joined dozens of Public Service employees this morning in a march to the Union Buildings in Pretoria, to confirm that the Public Service stands firm against gender-based violence in the country.

Although the Public Service has a range of laws, policies, programmes and interventions in place across all sectors to address various form of gender-based violence and the needs of vulnerable groups, Government has observed that the implementation of these laws and policies is not effective.

In a pledge that the marchers delivered at the Union Buildings, Government Departments confirm that, among many others, the Public Service is obligated to provide a safe, healthy and amicable working environment; that all employees and other persons who have dealings with the Public Service have the right to be treated with respect and dignity and that sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination that violates the rights of individuals and undermines the integrity of the employment relationship.