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NPSWU STANCE ON THE LIQUOR BAN BY GOVERNMENT

The National Public Service Workers Union is deeply disappointed by the ongoing ban of alcohol by the ruling party. This is despite the plight of the industry that employs so many workers.

We maintain that the township economy is solely dependent on alcohol. The working class, from farm workers in the agricultural sector, transportation, manufacturing, distribution, and consumption of alcohol is a chain that if broken affects livelihoods of many South Africans especially poor Africans. Illicit trading is booming as well as potent homemade beer find themselves into the market with some lives being lost along the way. These also impact on SARS revenue collection which is negatively affected.

We urge the ruling party to implement and enforce the laws of the country that includes not selling the alcohol to those underage, allowing taverns to operate next to churches and schools, advertising and displaying alcohol in public and prosecuting those arrested and not take bribes

We call on those in authority to listen to the plight of the workers and the communities at large and unban alcohol to save jobs and consider the livelihoods of our people

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