PUBLIC NOTICE:

INTERDICT PROCEEDINGS BY ENGINEERS REGISTRATION BOARD AGAINST UNREGISTERED PEOPLE WHO PRACTICE ENGINEERING

The Engineers Registration Board hereby informs consumers of engineering services, providers of engineering services, and the general public, that, in line with its mandate to protect the welfare of the public and maintain high engineering standards, it has instituted interdict proceedings against people practicing engineering whilst not registered with itself or whilst not holding valid practicing certificates issued by ERB.

The purpose of the proceedings is to ensure that consumers of engineering services obtain such from properly registered engineers who also hold valid practicing certificates.

To date the Engineers Registration Board has been granted an interdict against individuals in Cases No: MAHGB-000684-18 and MAHGB-000672-18 where the court granted the following order:

"The respondent is hereby interdicted from practicing as an engineer in any capacity in Botswana until he is registered with the Engineers Registration Board and holds a valid practicing certificate"

The effect of the interdict is to make it contempt of court for any person to violate the prohibition in the interdict. The concerned person cannot earn a living as an engineer, and any employer who employs a person in an engineering capacity is acting in contempt of court, and is likely to face contempt proceedings. This may affect the employer's ability to secure and execute work.

To date the there are several other cases before the courts where ERB is seeking interdicts against individuals who practice engineering whilst not registered with ERB and also not holding valid practicing certificates.

All providers of engineering services who by law have to be registered, are hereby warned to normalize their situation without delay. The ERB secretariat is ready and willing to assist prospective registrants to ensure compliance with the law.

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