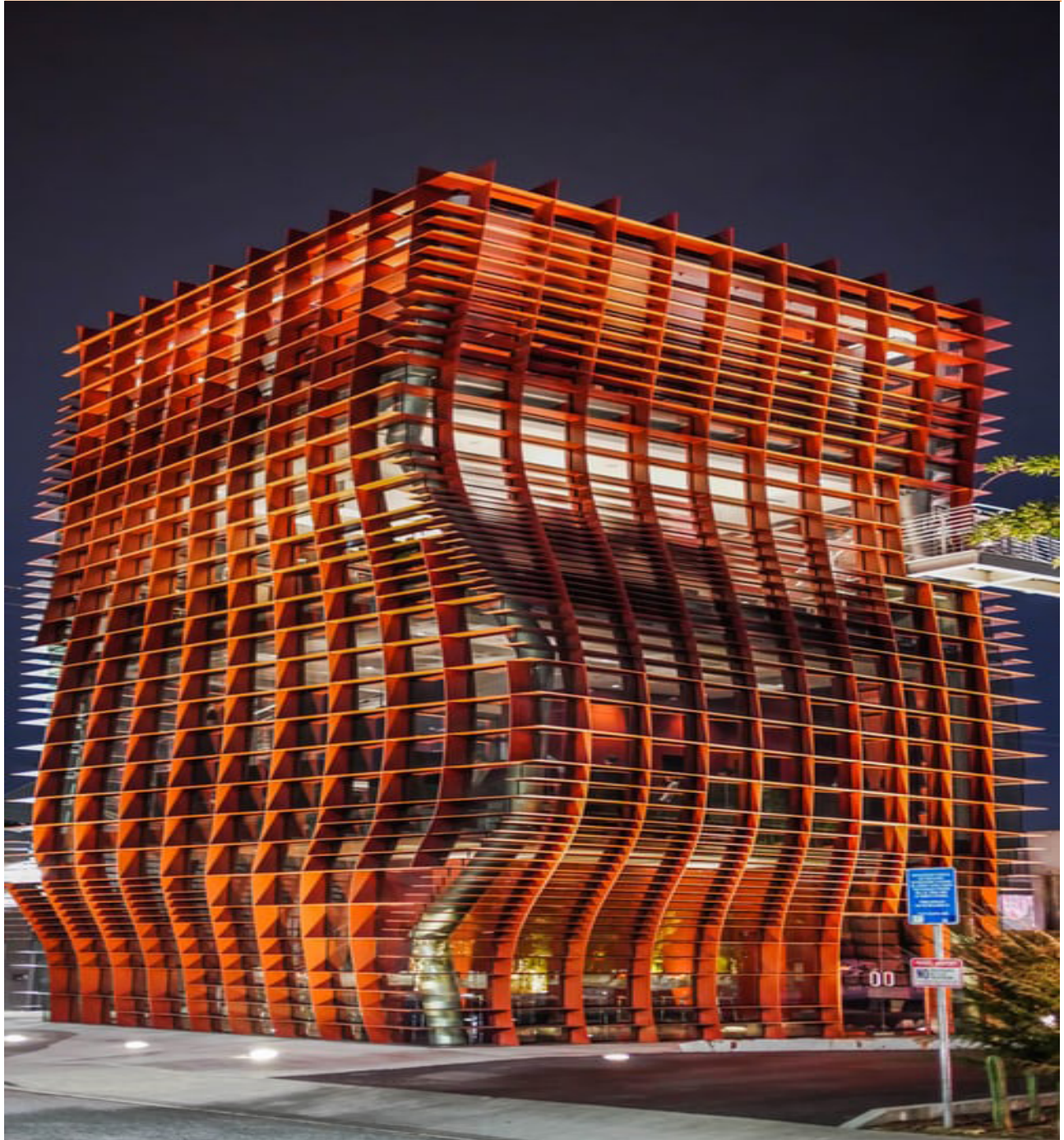


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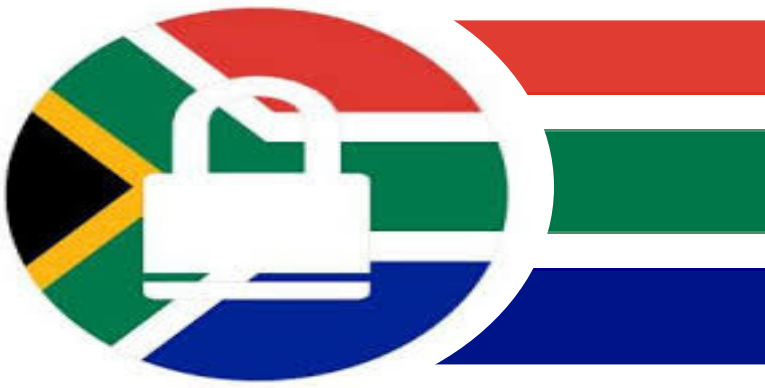
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## **PRESIDENT RAMAPHOSA ANNOUNCES LEVEL 4 LOCKDOWN FROM 1 MAY 2020**

President Cyril Ramaphosa announced that as of 1 May, some measures of the nationwide lockdown implemented in March will be eased.

**How it will work:** The easing of restrictions will focus on reviving economic activity, and stringent public health and safety measures would remain in place for those sectors identified to resume some business activities.

**What's more:** For the public at large, and for those with underlying conditions, lockdown regulations would still apply if they did not work in a sector that would be allowed to partially reopen. Here are nine key points from Ramaphosa's address:

### **1. Risk levels**

A strategy has been developed whereby the country, provinces, districts and metros will be classified on a five-level risk scale - one being low risk to five being the highest risk level - which will determine the restrictions in place at any given time. South Africa would move to Level 4 as of 1 May.

### **2. Travel bans remain in place**

The international travel ban implemented on 15 March would remain in place, and travel between provinces would still be restricted other than for the transportation of essential goods, or funerals.

Public transport will continue to operate, with limitations on the number of passengers and stringent hygiene requirements, including that all passengers must wear a face mask.

"The public is encouraged to stay at home, other than for essential personal movement, doing essential work and work in sectors that are under controlled opening. People can exercise under strict public health conditions," Ramaphosa said.

### **3. Cigarettes back on the shelves**

Cigarettes will again be sold in stores.

The categories of goods allowed to be sold at stores will be expanded to include more items, which will be communicated.

### **4. More than 70 000 SANDF members to be deployed**

Ramaphosa confirmed he had deployed over 70 000 defence force personnel, in addition to those already deployed. They will support the South African Police Service in their responsibilities and provide assistance in other essential areas, such as the provision of water supply, infrastructure maintenance and health services.

### **5. Sector approach**

Economic activity will be allowed to resume to a certain degree and will be based on analysis of risk levels in each separate sector.

Ramaphosa said strict health and safety measures would be implemented and enforced, while the government would encourage continued work-from-home strategies for staff who could do so.

### **6. Some exercise will be allowed**

People would be allowed out of their homes to exercise under specific circumstances and provided they took the necessary safety precautions.

# LOCKDOWN ANNOUNCEMENT CONT...

## 7. Much remains unknown

Ramaphosa said the risk-adjusted approach was necessary because an abrupt and sudden lifting of the lockdown could result in an explosion of Covid-19 cases - because it was likely the number of cases far exceeded confirmed and reported numbers.

"We have decided on this approach because there is still much that is unknown about the rate and manner of the spread of the virus within our population. The action we take now must therefore be measured and incremental."

## 8. Social gatherings and bars remain closed

"It is important to note that several restrictions will remain in place regardless of the level of alert for as long as the risk of transmission is present," Ramaphosa said.

Bars and shebeens, conference and convention centres, entertainment venues, cinemas and theatres will remain closed. Concerts, sporting events, and religious, cultural and social gatherings would not be allowed until it was deemed safe for them to continue.

## 9. Seventy-five percent of the country's Covid-19 cases are in metro areas

"From the evidence we have, we know that 75% of confirmed coronavirus cases are found in just six metro municipalities - Johannesburg, Ekurhuleni, Cape Town, Buffalo City, Ethekewini and Mangaung.

"It is therefore essential that we do everything in our means to restrict the movement of people and - although it runs counter to our very nature - to reduce the contact that each of us has with each other," Ramaphosa said.

(Source: News 24)

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**A phased easing of the lockdown**



As the full national lockdown ends, South Africa will **shift to a system of alert levels** at the provincial and, in some cases, the district level.



Clear criteria based on the rate of infection as well as **health system capacity will be used to determine the alert level** in each area. Where the alert level is lower, economic activity can resume more quickly.



The National Command Council will **review the alert level at each meeting**, and will impose a lower or higher level as necessary.



Many **restrictions on public life and gatherings**, as well as higher-risk activities, **will remain** regardless of the alert level.

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**The following restrictions will remain in place**



**PROHIBITED**  
Bars and shebeens



**PROHIBITED**  
Conference and convention centres



**PROHIBITED**  
Entertainment venues, including cinemas, theatres, and concerts



**PROHIBITED**  
Sporting events



**PROHIBITED**  
Religious, cultural and social gatherings

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## CONSTRUCTION COVID-19 RAPID RESPONSE TASK TEAM PRESS STATEMENT

The global economy has been thrown into turmoil as the world struggles to combat the spread of COVID-19 with several countries in lockdown or isolation. South Africa has responded very decisively and in an exemplary fashion, implementing a total lockdown which is a critical measure to curb the spread of the pandemic in the country. This is commendable, however the economy has been particularly hard hit by the double blow of the lockdown and the Moodys and Fitch downgrades.

In recognition of the challenges facing the Built environment and Construction industries, and acknowledging the role this industry can play in support of efforts to combat the pandemic, a COVID -19 Construction Rapid Response Task Team has been established with participation from key industry bodies to look at the recovery of the industry post the lockdown.

This is unprecedented and has placed the country in a very challenging position, requiring sacrifice by the population and businesses to comply with the lockdown, but at the same time requiring definitive action by government to implement structural economic reforms and address poor economic growth whilst dealing with the pandemic. New partnerships will be required to navigate through these turbulent times.

The Task Team aims to collectively unblock relief measures for the industry to remain sustainable and to help the industry navigate its way through these 'unchartered territories.' The Task Team is being formed at a time of current industry challenges against the backdrop of an already ailing construction industry calls for serious interventions by all stakeholders in the industry.

"We have realized that that the current situation requires a collective approach hence we would like to urgently engage all our key stakeholders particularly government and private sector investing in infrastructure development," said Matthews.

Below are some of the key issues we would like to deal with immediately:

- Identifying opportunities where the construction and built environment can assist in the national disaster and relief efforts both on a volunteer and professional basis.
- Interpretation of Regulations during lockdown and the absence of clear reference to the construction industry.
- Exploring of relief measures specific to the sector.
- Supporting emergency procurement for the next 12 months.
- Discuss interventions for the recovery of the industry.
- As part of the recovery, engage Government on the commitment to pay service providers within 30 days.
- Partner with Government to ensure effective and integrated rollout of infrastructure projects.
- Partner with private sectors in infrastructure development, etc.

Construction COVID-19 Rapid Response Task Team primary aim is to assess the impact of COVID-19 lockdown, its risks to construction sector sustainability and to ensure that there are available collective plans to help the industry to recover. It is made up of various industry formations collectively acting in the interest of construction and infrastructure development in South Africa. The Task Team is made up of the following institutions: Master Builders South Africa, Association of South African Quantity Surveyors, Western Cape Property Development Forum, Black Business Council in the Built Environment, South African Institute of Architects, Cox Yeats Attorneys and Master Builders KwaZulu-Natal (Convenor).

**John Matthews**

Chairperson and Spokesperson  
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## INDUSTRY UPDATE 01 April 2020

### **SACPCMP System Upgrade: Validating of Registered Persons**

The South African Council for the Project and Construction Management Professions (SACPCMP) will provide, as part of its system upgrade, an enhanced search functionality including the ability to validate a Registered Persons' status.

This functionality supports the Council's efforts to continually improve its service offering to stakeholders through the provision of a secure, user-friendly registration system facilitating improved governance for the organisation overall. The search- and-validation functionality will enable all Registered Persons to:

1. Create a validation key which can be embedded into their e-mail so that the receiver of the e-mail - when clicking on the validation key - will be taken to that person's profile.
2. Utilise this validation key to generate and download a status-certificate via the self-serve portal.
3. Send a status-certificate (showing their registration status) in PDF format when submitting tender documentation or applying for a job.

The search-and-validation function is a live feed from the SACPCMP's registration platform; due to this, it will immediately show whether or not a person is currently registered with the SACPCMP.

"As long as a Registered Person is up to date in terms of their registration status with the Council, the search-and-validation will reflect this," said SACPCMP Registrar, Mr. Butcher Matutle.

The advanced search-and-validation functionality aligns to the SACPCMP's system upgrade, which was initiated in January this year and will see its initial project phases enter completion in the next few days. The search-and-validation

functionality is built directly into the SACPCMP system and offers independence from any external manipulation or hacking and aligns to the Council's registration process at all times.

#### **Ends-**

#### **About the SACPCMP**

The South African Council for the Project and Construction Management Professions (SACPCMP) is empowered by section 18 of Act No. 48 of 2000 to certify, register and regulate the Project and Construction Management Professions.



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## **INDUSTRY UPDATE**

**16 April 2020**

### **SACPCMP 2020 Annual Conference Officially Postponed in light of COVID-19 Pandemic**

This serves to advise that the National State of Disaster declared by the President of the Republic of South Africa on the 15th of March 2020, coupled with the lockdown to combat the covid-19 pandemic, has since necessitated the postponement of the South African Council for the Project and Construction Management Professions (SACPCMP) 2020 Annual Conference.

The conference, and its associated masterclasses, were scheduled to take place from the 6th to the 8th of May 2020. However, the advent of the COVID-19 pandemic has created a situation where the conference cannot proceed as planned.

It is the intention of the Council that once the situation returns to normal, a re-scheduling of the event will take place. The SACPCMP will endeavour to provide advance notification on this and is appreciative of the support its Registered Members and valued Stakeholders have provided over the past years. The Council looks forward to such continued support in the days, months and years ahead and encourages all to take care, be well and stay safe.

**Ends-**

# SAIV MENTORSHIP PROGRAMME PROPOSAL

**South African Institute of Valuers (SAIV)** is a Voluntary Association founded in 1909. Today it has some 1100 members representing at least 50% of registered valuers in South Africa. As the representative body of the valuation profession in Southern Africa, the Institute is in the business of promoting excellence by:

- Setting and maintaining high standards of professional proficiency, ethics and education
- Striving to provide the appropriate educational programmes, sources of data and information
- Marketing and creating awareness of the benefits of the professional services of its members to existing and potential clients
- Monitoring and making representations on relevant legislation in the best interests of its members and their clients.

For a number of years there has been great concern regarding the ageing of the profession and the declining numbers of entrants with the following areas identified as barriers/challenges for new entrants into the valuation profession:

- The difficulty in finding Mentors for valuation graduates, and
- The difficulty in obtaining valuation experience

As a result, in 2018 the Executives of the SAIV Kwa-Zulu Natal Branch made of up 6 (six) Professional Valuers embarked on the introduction of a Mentorship programme. They obtained permission from the South African Council for the Property Valuers Profession (SACPVP) to act collectively as Mentors to a number of students with the goal of providing accredited experience to the valuation students. They successfully launched the Mentorship programme with 38 individuals.

It was due to this success that the programme was subsequently rolled out across the country in 3 of the remaining 4 Branches of SAIV to the benefit of some 83 students; this after having received over 100 applications of individuals who without this opportunity would've been lost to other professions.

Due to the large demand for the programme following the initial intake, SAIV Branch Executives have had to heed the call and agree to a second intake even amongst the pressures faced in their respective jobs, whilst providing mentorship on a voluntary basis. Once enrolment was open for the second intake, over 70 applications were received within the 3 weeks - once again showing the urgent need for mentorship.

Regular workshops are held with a focus on theoretical and practical content. Mentees produce reports that are assessed and signed off by the mentors once a required standard of proficiency has been met. The mentees self fund any costs which they incur such as; transportation costs to attend workshops, transportation costs to go to the various sites which have been identified for their assignments, data for accessing the internet in order to complete assignments and fees are payable to SACPVP upon registration.

The programme will not only have a career changing benefit for the mentees, but it will significantly improve their skills and knowledge, who will now have proven experience that will enable them to write the SACPVP Board Exam to qualify as professionals. Over and above that, the valuation industry and its clients will benefit from the input of an enlarged, trained body of professionals. The success of this programme is largely due to the selfless people who are acting as mentors that are committed to seeing advancement in the valuation profession and the commitment of the mentees who desire a career in property valuation. A concerted effort needs to be made by all industry bodies to ensure that mentees are retained in the profession by having sufficient employment for them.

**By: Lerato Pooe, SAIV General Manager**



# MEET SAIV BRANCH MENTEES



**Eastern Cape Branch  
Mentees at a workshop  
held in East London**



**Southern  
Branch mentees  
at a workshop held in Cape Town**



**KZN Branch  
mentees during  
a site inspection**



**Northern Branch mentees at a  
workshop hosted in Johannesburg**