



Commission for Gender Equality
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CGE investigates allegation (s) of Sexual Harassment and Human Rights Violation

The Commission for Gender Equality (CGE) has noted with concern media reports alleging sexual harassment and human rights violation at Topbets SA (PTY) in Germiston. As empowered by Section 187 Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and the CGE Act 39 Of 1996, as amended, Section 11 (1) (e) the Commission shall investigate any gender -related issues of its own accord or receipt of a complaint, and shall endeavour to resolve any dispute or rectify any act or omission by mediation, conciliation or negotiation.

It is against this backdrop that the Commission would investigate the matter, as alleged. The CGE commends the media for its continuous coverage of women and gender rights violation issues.

The CGE will welcome extensive reports or evidence that may help strengthen this investigation, particularly women workers affected by the alleged sexual harassment and human rights violation, to phone our Toll-Free Number **0800 007 709** or alternatively our Head Office at **011 403 7182**.

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