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**SECRETARY SANSAN DECLARE 2023 AS “CALL TO ACTION” YEAR**

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Department of Personnel Management Secretary Ms. Taies Sansan has declared 2023 as the “CALL TO ACTION” year for her Department.

Addressing Department Staff during the first staff meeting for 2023 yesterday (24<sup>th</sup> January), Secretary Ms. Taies Sansan issued a bold statement to department staff to be prepared to deliver key initiatives the Department will be implementing this year.

Secretary Ms. Sansan announced key initiatives DPM will be implementing this year are; Medical Insurance for Public Servants; Bomana Public Service Housing Project; Ascender Payroll system version upgrade and the launch of the Departments new Five Year Corporate Plan of 2023 - 2027.

Ms. Sansan told DPM staff that most of the key initiatives and plans were set in motion in 2022 and some go back a few years, but is looking forward to implementing these initiatives in 2023.

“I declare 2023 as the “Call to Action” year and we are going to take action by working hard to implement these plans”.

Ms. Sansan has also issued a stern warning to all staff on attendance, punctuality and dressing.

“This may seem as trivial matters, however, these are the foundation of what it entails to be a public servant. We will be taking zero tolerance on punctuality, time and attendance, dressing and the need to serve clients with diligence”.

**“RISE UP, STEP UP, SPEAK UP”**

Secretary Sansan said these are messages that public servants have been reminded of time again and urged staff to take heed of this in the New Year.

Secretary Sansan also re-echoed the statement made by the Prime Minister Hon. James Marape during the Public Service Dedication, early this month, where he stated that the public servants need to re-adjust and do a reality check by reflecting on individual performances in 2022 to know the purpose of being employed by the government.

She urged the staff to take heed of the declaration made and to commit to 2023 as the “Call to Action” year to implement key initiatives the Department will undertake this year.

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