IMPACT OF CURRENT HRM PROCESSES AND PRACTICES ON MDAs; READINESS OF MDAs TO ASSUME DELEGATED HR RESPONSIBILITIES

In a staff survey conducted in 2015, respondents were asked to identify the least efficient Division.

Forty-six percent (46%) identified the Human Resources Division.

The Division that was second was identified by eighteen percent (18% of the respondents).

Why?

Is MFCA unique in this regard?

PLANNING

- extremely long delays in filling positions
- related growth in the contract establishment
- The solution has become a problem many contract vacancies as well the short term phenomenon
- Only able to plan where staff is unique to Ministry
- ► High turn around of staff ... including across Ministries
- Positions awaiting classification

Staffing has **not** become HR Planning and MDAs are not suitably resourced to fulfill their mandate and demands (sometimes break rules as a result)

Training and Development

Just not being done at the Ministry level. Reduced to the selection of persons to attend courses.

Must go beyond Training Plans

Development of capacity in T and D must be led from the Centre.

Core offerings developed at the Centre rolled out in MDAs - service delivery; orientation/induction; supervisory; performance management.

Performance Management: span of control challenges in some areas; lack of training of supervisors; ongoing professional

development lacking.

Employee Relations: lack of properly contracted EAP providers and staff structure - needed particularly now.

IHRIS: primarily workforce administration and payroll modules utilised. Other critical modules can't be triggered for individual Ministries.

Contracts: Delays in receiving contract terms; aggrieved employees; dated packages resulting in loss of preferred candidates

READINESS

Relationship of HR with rest of staff - issues of trust

Staffing of HR Divisions:-

- are HR Divisions/Units **adequately** staffed?
- are HR Divisions **appropriately** staffed? Are they better staffed than the former Personnel Sections?
 - Composition
 - Qualifications/JD
 - ► How HR is currently staffed

READINESS

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- How are HR Divisions performing in the areas already delegated?
 - Do central HR agencies know the answer to the above? (Intuitively or factually?)
 - The need for continuous training and development in areas delegated.
 - The need for continuous provision of resources (e.g. Terms and Conditions manual)
- Are the central HR agencies adequately resourced to monitor and to develop HR Divisions in MDAs?

This is key and must be addressed along with any significant delegation of additional HR responsibilities.