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Media Statement:

**Congress of The People wishes the Matric Class of 2024 the best of luck for this Year's National Senior Certificate Examination.**

For immediate release:

As the end of yet another academic year drawing to close for all learners, in particular matriculant who have now completed twelve years of culmination of arduous work, nurturing and guidance including all involved in the education system.

"We encourage learners during this time to keep their heads down, study hard and stay focused as they start with their examination today" said COPE Acting National Treasure Teboho Loate.

One of the most significant milestones in life is passing matric, the first step towards achieving one's dream career. Loate cannot overemphasise how important this journey is to the thousands of pupils looking to unlock doors to higher education.

"I want to wish the class of 2024 well as this is the most critical time of their schooling year," said Loate. "I urge them to remain focused and committed so that they can give it their all." Loate also urged parents and teachers to provide necessary and sustainable support systems that would ensure that learners are well-equipped and prepared for their examinations. He added: "The well-being of the pupils is of paramount importance and therefore, they will need all the support during this period to succeed. We also encourage them to refrain from any inappropriate behaviours that may lead to disruptions."

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