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## **Manana must go – there is no place in leadership for men who assault women**

The Save South Africa campaign demands the immediate resignation of Deputy Education Minister Mduzuzi Manana – and if he refuses to resign, he should be fired.

Manana has already admitted on social media that he was involved in an assault on two women over the weekend. His acknowledgement that “I’m not denying allegations leveled against me, neither proud” is already sufficient grounds for him to step down, as there is no place in leadership – or anywhere in society -- for men who assault women.

Manana should be ashamed of himself, and if he refuses to step down -- or tries to use the fact that there is a pending assault case against him as reason to hold on to his government position -- then he must be kicked out out.

**Government websites and social media accounts are replete with statements condemning violence against women. Now government must walk the talk, and act against one of its own.**