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Mrs C Dudley (ACDP) to ask the Minister of Education:

- (1) Whether her department has been informed of the problems surrounding ablution facilities at schools in the Eastern Cape, especially at the Sivuyiseni Intermediate School and the Emfundweni Primary School; if so,
- (2) Whether her department will investigate the matter; if not, why not; if so what are the relevant details?

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REPLY:

- 1 The Eastern Cape Education Department (ECED) is aware of the problems surrounding ablution facilities at Sivuyiseni Intermediate School and Emfundweni Primary School.
- 2 Yes, there is progress on repairing facilities at the two schools. The Port Elizabeth District Office is making repairs at Sivuyiseni Intermediate School and the cost of repairs and renovation has been estimated for Emfundweni Primary School. The costs can be summarized as follows:
 - R 1 178 000 is required to build 7 additional classrooms, 1 Grade R classroom and 19 toilets
 - R1 329 335 is required to renovate existing buildings
 - R5 854 785 is needed for additional services and fittings.

The overall estimate, including fees, vat and escalation, is R10 863 257. The ECED will prioritise the work and monitor progress.