

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**FOR WRITTEN REPLY****QUESTION 2348**

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Mr J J McGluwa (ID) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:

- (1) What is the status of the Alabama Primary School in Cycamore Street, Alabama in Klerksdorp;
- (2) whether her department has taken any steps to (a) renovate and (b) refurbish the specified school; if so, what steps, in each case; if not,
- (3) whether she intends to establish a new school? NW2839E

RESPONSE

- 1 Alabama Primary school comprises 28 prefabricated Asbestos classrooms with 2 additional mobile classrooms. The school has 1057 learners with 29 educators.
- 2 (a) (b) The school will not be renovated as it falls under 2nd phase Rationalization process of the province. Due to the population increase in the area, leading to overcrowding of existing schools, a new school will be provided in the area.
- 3 Yes, the Provincial Education Department has prioritized the construction of a New Large Primary School to commence in the 2015/16 financial year to replace the prefabs and inappropriate structures.