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**WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 471**

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**Ms A T Lovemore (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

Whether she has developed any plans to comply with the National Development Plan's technical mobilisation proposal to address underperforming schools; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NW550E

**Response:**

Yes. The Department of Basic Education (DBE) has put plans in place to comply with the National Development Plan's technical mobilisation proposal.

The Education Collaboration Framework which has led to the establishment of the National Education Collaboration Trust (NECT) was a critical first step in providing a holistic and urgent response to the National Development Plan (NDP)

To anchor the support and inform the multi-disciplinary technical teams the DBE has since 12 June 2013 profiled comprehensively a total of 18443 schools in 70 districts, using Integrated Quality Management System monitors drawn from the nine provinces. The number of profiled schools changes daily as profiling continues. The NECT uses these profiles to match support to ensure quality education for all children. The same profiles are used across the system to support in particular underperforming schools.

The profiling of schools focuses on a range of issues considered critical for schools to function optimally including:

- Admissions
- Human Resource Provisioning
- Learner Teacher Support Material and Curriculum
- Academic Preparation and Curriculum Coverage
- School Management and Governance
- Learner Well-being
- School Infrastructure