

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

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**415. Ms A M Siwisa (Northern Cape: EFF) to ask the Minister of Basic Education: to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

***Construction of school***

With reference to her reply to Question 12 on 19 February 2025, (a) what urgent interventions have been made to ensure that (i) Riverton Primary School will not be closed down and (ii) construction of the new school takes place and (b) what are the further relevant details in this regard?

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#### **Response**

The Honourable Member is advised that the matters raised in the question fall under the executive authority of the Member of the Executive Council (MEC) for Education in the Northern Cape. In terms of section 92(3)(b) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, and Rule 134(5)(b) of the National Assembly Rules, the question is best directed to the MEC for Education in the Northern Cape, who is responsible for the provisioning and closure of public schools and for oversight and implementation of provincial education infrastructure projects, including those related to Riverton Primary School.

The Department of Basic Education remains available to provide support and oversight, where appropriate, to ensure that provincial education departments are able to address infrastructure and planning priorities in line with national norms and standards.