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1073. Mr B B Nodada (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education: to ask the Minister of Basic Education:

- (a) On what date did her department place orders for learning materials for each school in each province, (b) on what date did each school receive their order in full, (c) if there were any late deliveries, what were the reasons for each delay in delivery and (d) how is her department assisting learners who were disadvantaged because they received their learning materials late?

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Response

The Department of Basic Education (DBE) develops the National Catalogue, which lists all Learning and Teaching Support Materials (LTSM); and forward the National Catalogue to Provincial Education Departments (PEDs) for them to procure for their respective schools. These National Catalogue is further uploaded on the DBE website. Subsequently, the DBE develops a Sector Plan for provinces to develop their aligned provincial management plans for procuring learning materials for the ensuing year. The Sector Plan details the activities and time frames to be observed when procuring any learning materials. The sector Plan is attached as reference on when provinces can start with the procurement processes.

(a) (b) (c) and (d) The information requested can be sourced from provinces; as they have their different management plans guided by the Sector Plan.