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QUESTION 1161.

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1161.. Mr S Tambo (EFF) to ask the Minister of Basic Education: to ask the Minister of Basic Education:

Whether her department takes any financial responsibility regarding all matters related to the burials of learners who have died in pit toilets; if not, why not; if so, what total amount has her department spent in this regard in the past 10 financial years?

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Response

The DBE has not made payment for funerals. Provinces were requested to respond to the question. LP and EC paid for the funeral costs while the other provinces do not have any such incidents.

1. LP has paid for funeral costs for one case. The province did not indicate the cost for funeral however the matter was settled at R500 000.
2. EC has paid funeral expenses for two cases. The province did not indicate the cost.