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704. Ms D C Christians (Northern Cape: DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education: to ask the Minister of Basic Education:

Supervised studies for learners

(1) Whether each province has any plans to provide supervised studies to afford learners with an opportunity to (a) do homework and (b) study in a safe and supported environment; if not, why not; if so, (i) what plans and (ii) what are the further relevant details;

(2) whether there are any plans in securing appropriate library facilities for schools to assist in this regards; if not, why not; if so, (a) what plans and (b) what are the further relevant details?

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Response

1(a) All Provinces offer extra classes in the morning and afternoon sessions. During these support sessions, learners are afforded the opportunity to be taught, study and complete homework activities that were provided to consolidate teaching and learning that has taken place.

1(b) All the extra support classes are offered and conducted by subject teachers in specific subjects. Moreover Teacher Assistants are also utilised to supervise study time and assist learners with completion of homework activities.

2. The schools, guided by the National Guidelines for School Library and Information Services, implement a range of library provisioning models which range from centralised libraries and mobile libraries to trolley/ classroom/ corner libraries. It is important to note that the school library provisioning is the responsibility of Members of the Executive Council (MECs) in Provincial Education Departments as the budgets rest with them.