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Dear Madam

SUBJECT: PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION NO. 210/2022

This correspondence serves to report to the KZN Provincial Legislature in respect to Parliamentary Question No. **210/2022**

Ms. T P Mthethwa (IFP) to ask the MEC for Education:

- 1. How many Learners are traveling long kilometers to and from school due to lack of scholar transport in uMkhanyakude District.**

According to the KZN Learner Transport Policy, it is the responsibility of the Principal to determine if their school requires learner transport, and then apply for the service accordingly. Based on that stipulation, the Department only has the number of learners whose schools have applied for learner transport. That figure stands at 17 606 in uMkhanyakude District.

- 2. How many schools are without scholar transport in uMkhanyakude District; [Please provide a name/s of school/s]**

There are 143 schools without learners transport in the district. Attached as Annexure A is the list of schools.

- 3. For how many years have the said school/s been without scholar transport.**

Schools have been applying for learner transport at different times since its formal inception in 2012.

- 4. Why the said school/s have not been provided with scholar transport.**

Due to budgetary constraints, these schools cannot be provided with learner transport.



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5. When will the said school/s be provided with scholar transport; [Please provide a clear time frame]?

These schools will be considered for learner transport when Provincial Treasury is able to allocate enough budget.

6. Is there scholar transport available at Ndela High School, Ukuthula High School, Ntabane High School, Nonkwenkwane High School, Mpofini Primary School, Dingizwe High School, Magidigidi Primary School, Lusiba Primary School, Mavangane High School, Nongengane Primary School, Sonyongwana High School, Intakama Primary School, Lufafa Primary School, Esiqandulweni Primary School, Phumobala Primary School, Mazongo Primary School, all situated in Harry Gwala District;

No.

7. If yes, provide a name/s of a company/s awarded a tender to provide scholar transport, a total breakdown of funds spent on each company/s per kilometer/s and month, name/s and surname/s of company/s owner/s, mode of transport used a scholar transport, load capacity per each vehicle, certified copy/s of vehicle/s registration/s, road worthy certificate/s and insurance, certified copy/s of driver/s license/s, PDP, ID/s and copy of an advert for a tender award/s; and

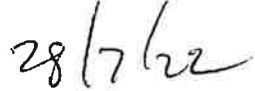
Not Applicable.

8. If not, why not?

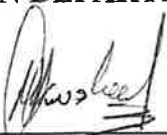
Budgetary constraints would prevent these schools from benefiting under the current allocated budget.



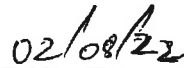
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