



WESTERN TVET COLLEGE

PRESENTATION BY THE SRC PRESIDENT ON ISSUES THAT AFFECT THE
STUDENT AT WESTCOL TVET COLLEGE

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INTRODUCTION

- ▶ This presentation serves to put eye on the issues western college students are facing and the status quo that does not favour the needs of students.

BURSARIES(NSFAS AND GCRA)

- ▶ We understand that our college does not use the NSFAS wallet for the disbursement of allowances.
- ▶ Therefore NSFAS gives money to our college and payments are facilitated from our financial offices.
- ▶ This leads to late payments and a large number of students do not receive allowances.
- ▶ On GCRA, there are misinformation regarding payments.

INFRASTRUCTURE

- ▶ Westcol doesn't have student residences or accommodations.
- ▶ Students are now resorting to private accommodations with lease agreements with landlords.
- ▶ The infrastructure is bad as there are cracks on the building.
- ▶ The roof is also damaged and we experience water leakage when it's raining.

SHORTAGE OF LECTURES

- ▶ As the SRC, our view on this is that education is treated as a privilege instead of a right.
- ▶ Students have been registered only to attend certain modules.
- ▶ Some modules are left without attention as there are no lectures to teach and assess students.

e-LEARNING

- ▶ The e-learning has not been implemented to our college as the minister of Higher Education and Training said.
- ▶ The college has issued a link where learning materials were supposed to be posted and the link was not effective to all students.
- ▶ The management has not communicated with the SRC regarding the developments on gadgets and mobile data that was meant for the e-learning process.

DELAYS OF ISSUING CERTIFICATES

- ▶ Students have been experiencing problems as they complete their studies and have to wait 2- 3 years to receive their qualifications.
- ▶ This have a negative impact on students who then need to present evidence that indeed they have obtained a certain qualification.

RECOGNITION OF SRC

- ▶ The management undermines the SRC
- ▶ There are decisions taken by management about students without consulting the SRC.
- ▶ The SRC is not represented at some of the committees .

STUDENT HEALTH

- ▶ There are lack of general workers
- ▶ The colleges toilets are not properly accommodative for students.
- ▶ Classrooms are not properly cleaned.
- ▶ Our college does not have a sickbay and it is required that every college to have such a facility.

CONCLUSION

The students from the TVET sector are treated like step children in this country as the department has never put an effort on resolving the issues and challenges of students from the sector. We hope our cries will not fall on deaf ears.

THANK YOU