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Attention: Mr Livhuwani Mahada  
Parliamentary and Business Processes

**Dear Mr Mweli**

**SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION NA 1133**

The above subject bears reference.

In response to your letter dated 28 March 2022 regarding an application to build a high school between HlokoHloko and Hlazane Primary School in uMkhanyakude District, kindly find the attached response from the Department of Education.

I trust you find this in order.

**Mr GN Ngcobo**

Head of Department

KZN Department of Education

Date: 04/04/2022



**MR HM MWELI**  
**DIRECTOR- GENERAL**  
**DEPARTMENT OF BASIC EDUCATION**

Dear Sir

**SUBJECT: PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION NO. 1133/2022**

This correspondence serves to report to the National Assembly in respect to Parliamentary Question No. 1133/2022

**Mr M S Mabika (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

**Whether she has been informed of the application to build a high school between Hlokohloko and Hlazane Primary Schools in the uMkhanyakude District Municipality in KwaZulu-Natal that was made by the community over a decade ago, because learners from the two primary schools still have to walk for over 10km to the nearby Vukani Bantwana and Esiphondweni High Schools without any form of scholar transport, if not, will she intervene to solve the problem, if so what are the relevant details?**

1. The KZN Department of Education has never received an application from the community to build a Secondary School between Esiphondweni Secondary and Vukani-Bantwana Secondary School, which is an area where there is Hlokohloko Primary School. It should be noted that the existing Hlazane Primary School has an enrolment of 413 learners and is a feeder school to Vukani-Bantwana Secondary school.
2. Hlokohloko Primary School has an enrolment of 591 learners is closer to Esiphondweni Secondary School and therefore building a new school between these Secondary Schools will lead to a non-viable school and possible closure of one of the above Secondary schools.

**MR GN NGCOBO**  
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