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**1138. Mr G R Davis (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

(1) How many learners in each province qualified for fee exemption in (a) 2012, (b) 2013 and (c) 2014;

(2) what amount did each province allocate towards fee compensation for schools with fee exemption in (a) 2012, (b) 2013 and (c) 2014;

(3) how many schools in each province benefitted from fee compensation in (a) 2012, (b) 2013 and (c) 2014? NW1275E

**REPLY**

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| (1) Number of learners that qualified for fee exemption |
| **Province** | **2012** | **2013** | **2014** |
| EC\* |  |  |  |
| FS | 12,913 | 11,742 | 11,723 |
| GP | 53,789 | 63,130 | 65,259 |
| KZN | 43,464 | 50,222 | 82,959 |
| LP | 124 | 0 | 0 |
| MP | 0 | 0 | 1,883 |
| NC | 8,385 | 12,211 | 15,377 |
| NW | 3,613 | 2,628 | 3,760 |
| WC | 90,506 | 103,988 | 73,342 |

*Source: Provincial Education Departments*

*MP implemented policy starting in 2014*

*\*No information was provided by EC*

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| (2) Amounts allocated towards compensation for fee exemption by provinces |
| **Province** | **2012** | **2013** | **2014** |
| EC\* |  |  |  |
| FS |  R5,150,462 | R4,480,611 | R6,042,000 |
| GP | R11,000,000 | R11,806,000 | R12,349,000 |
| KZN |  R16,679,583 | R19,256,204 | R17,100,000 |
| LP | R0 | R0 | R0 |
| MP | R0 | R0 | R2,000,000 |
| NC | R3,130,120 | R4,740,696 | R7,457,761 |
| NW | R1,094,770 | R805,009 | R1,444,855 |
| WC | R45,331,000 | R44,363,997 | R39,322,000 |

*Source: Provincial Education Departments*

*LP reported that no allocation was made since no school applied for fee exemption*

*MP implemented policy starting in 2014*

*\*No information was provided by EC*

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| (3) Number of schools which benefitted from compensation for fee exemption |
| Province | **2012** | **2013** | **2014** |
| EC |  |  |  |
| FS | 140 | 125 | 131 |
| GP | 393 | 491 | 479 |
| KZN | 340 | 349 | 338 |
| LP | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MP | 0 | 0 | 18 |
| NC | 65 | 89 | 93 |
| NW | 50 | 29 | 46 |
| WC | 700 | 714 | 550 |

*Source: Provincial Education Departments*

*LP reported that no school applied for fee exemption for all the 3 years*

*MP implemented policy starting in 2014*

*\*No information was provided by EC*