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**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 128**

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**Prof B Bozzoli (DA) to ask the Minister of Higher Education and Training:**

1. With reference to his reply to question 4180 on 14 December 2015, (a) how many of the 186 105 applicants who received funding from the National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS) in the 2014-15 financial year received (i) full funding or (ii) partial funding and (b) what amount of funding was paid out in each of the specified categories;
2. of those applicants who received partial funding from NSFAS, (a) how many applicants received between (i) 0 and 24,9% funding, (ii) 25 and 49,9% funding, (iii) 50 and 74,9% funding and (iv) 75 and 99,9% funding and (b) what amount of funding was paid out to each of the specified categories?

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**REPLY:**

1 (a) Based on information provided to the National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS) by universities:

1. 130 818 students were fully funded; and
2. 55 287 students were partially funded.

1 (b) and 2 The loan agreements, completed by universities on the old system, only reflect the loan amount and do not show the actual cost of study. These costs will be captured in future by NSFAS as they migrate to the new student-centred model. As a consequence, NSFAS is unable to provide the requested information based on the categories provided.

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