**Memorandum from the Parliamentary Office**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 1390**

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**Mr D America (DA) to ask the Minister of Higher Education and Training:**

How many students waited (a) less than one month, (b) between one and two months, (c) between two and three months and (d) more than three months for a decision about funding after applying for funding from the National Student Financial Aid Scheme for the 2017 academic year?

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**REPLY:**

The National Student Financial Aid Scheme (NSFAS) responded to the questions as follows:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Application Type** | **30 Days** | **(b)****60 Days** | **(c)****90 Days** | **(d)****120 Days** | **Total** |
| **Manual** | 76 836  | 38 939  |  14 077  |  11 270  |  141 122  |
| **Online** |  53 883  |  49 612  |  48 211  |  108 621  |  260 327  |
| **Total Students** |  **130 719**  |  **88 551**  |  **62 288**  |  **119 891**  |  **401 449**  |
|  | 33% | 22% | 16% | 30% | 100% |

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