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**1696. Dr S S Thembekwayo (EFF) to ask the Minister of Basic Education: to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

Noting how more than 600 learners did not report to school after the devastating floods in KwaZulu-Natal, what (a) engagements has her department made with the management of affected schools and (b) are the agreed-upon contingency plans?

**Response**

The question asked by the Honourable Member falls within the purview of the Member of Executive Council (MEC) of KwaZulu-Natal (KZN), not the Minister of Basic Education. Attached please see response from KZN.