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**Memorandum from the Parliamentary Office**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 1744**

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**(INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO 19 OF 2018)**

**Mr A P van der Westhuizen (DA) to ask the Minister of Higher Education and Training:**

What number of apprentices in each trade at each of the centres accredited for the assessment of artisans were (a) assessed and (b) found competent in each of the past three financial years?

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**REPLY:**

It is important to note that INDLELA is the only public trade test centre accounting for 25% of the national trade tests conducted across all economic sectors related to artisan training. The INDLELA records on the number of candidates assessed and found to be competent in each trade registered for in the 2015/16, 2016/17 and 2017/18 financial years are as follows:

| **Trade** | **2015/16** | | **2016/17** | | **2017/18** | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Assessed** | **Competent** | **Assessed** | **Competent** | **Assessed** | **Competent** |
| Aircraft Maintenance Mechanic | 21 | 19 | 52 | 41 | 37 | 0 |
| Aircraft Structures Worker | 0 | 0 | 15 | 11 | 0 | 0 |
| Armature Winder | 19 | 19 | 11 | 11 | 14 | 0 |
| Automotive Motor Mechanic | 200 | 95 | 129 | 71 | 161 | 87 |
| Avionics Mechanician | 0 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Blacksmith | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 12 | 0 |
| Boiler maker | 610 | 305 | 413 | 356 | 556 | 416 |
| Bricklayer | 169 | 22 | 107 | 35 | 172 | 61 |
| Carpenter | 168 | 74 | 135 | 90 | 181 | 118 |
| Carpenter and Joiner | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Diesel Fitter | 1 | 0 |  |  | 0 | 0 |
| Diesel Mechanic | 465 | 159 | 355 | 139 | 535 | 142 |
| Electrician | 1517 | 996 | 1175 | 886 | 2015 | 1504 |
| Electrical Equipment Mechanic | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Electronic Equipment Mechanician | 3 | 3 | 11 | 9 | 50 | 36 |
| Fitter and Turner | 83 | 50 | 45 | 23 | 207 | 43 |
| Gunsmith | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Heavy Equipment Mechanic | 3 | 0 | 63 | 32 | 31 | 0 |
| Instrument Mechanician | 26 | 7 | 18 | 15 | 21 | 16 |
| Joiner | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Mechanical Fitter | 806 | 301 | 360 | 298 | 572 | 394 |
| Metal Machinist | 49 | 37 | 19 | 15 | 32 | 13 |
| Millwright | 58 | 19 | 39 | 34 | 95 | 69 |
| Painter | 121 | 27 | 101 | 54 | 158 | 74 |
| Panelbeater | 13 | 13 | 17 | 10 | 19 | 0 |
| Plasterer | 7 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Plumber | 711 | 503 | 639 | 594 | 1035 | 631 |
| Radiotrician | 19 | 8 | 13 | 8 | 5 | 12 |
| Refrigeration Mechanic | 52 | 22 |  |  | 3 | 7 |
| Rigger | 195 | 52 | 164 | 105 | 320 | 128 |
| Sheet Metal Worker | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Structural Plater | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 0 |
| Toolmaker | 26 | 16 |  |  | 68 | 0 |
| Tractor Mechanic | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Transportation Electrician | 7 | 1 | 62 | 33 | 127 | 70 |
| Vehicle Body Builder | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 0 |
| Vehicle Painter | 3 | 1 | 21 | 14 | 24 | 1 |
| Welder | 387 | 253 | 380 | 300 | 393 | 317 |
| **TOTAL** | **5746** | **3010** | **4357** | **3193** | **6876** | **4142** |

There are 341 accredited trade test centres across the country delivering various historical/legacy trades in terms of the repealed Manpower Training Act and the Skills Development Act. These trades derive their theoretical alignment from the NATED 191   
(N2 – N6) engineering programmes, National Certificate (Vocational) (Levels 3 – 4) engineering programmes, and Sector Education and Training Authorities (SETA) based Competence Based Modularised (Level 4) programmes. The list of accredited trade test centres is attached as **Annexure A**.

INDLELA uses a different template, as compared to the requested information. Therefore, the information regarding the number of apprentices in each trade at each of the 341 centres would require more time to consolidate. The SETA aggregated information is provided in the table below.

**Total registered learners per sector**

| **Artisan Learners Registered** | | | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **SETA** | **Sector** | **2015/16** | **2016/17** | **2017/18** |
| Chemical Industries Education and Training Authority | Chemicals | 3372 | 4263 | 3 423 |
| Construction Education And Training Authority | Construction | 1 737 | 2024 | 8 748 |
| Food And Beverages Manufacturing Industry Sector Education and Authority | Food Processing | 45 | 178 | 168 |
| Local Government Sector Education and Training Authority | Local Government | 1 020 | 888 | 647 |
| Mining Qualifications Authority | Mining and Minerals | 1 848 | 1978 | 1 952 |
| Manufacturing Engineering And Related Services Sector Education and Training Authority | Manufacturing and Engineering | 8 130 | 8038 | 6 863 |
| Safety and Security Sector Education and Training Authority | Safety and Security | 467 | 401 | 77 |
| Agriculture Sector Education and Training Authority | Agriculture | 347 | 227 | 193 |
| Public Service Sector Education and Training Authority | National and Provincial Government | 33 | 34 | 20 |
| Services Sector Education and Training Authority | Services Sector | 1 127 | 1416 | 1 470 |
| Transport Education and Training Authority | Transport | 1 778 | 1314 | 1 004 |
| Fibre Processing and Manufacturing Sector Education and Training Authority | Fibre Processing | 459 | 419 | 295 |
| Culture, Arts, Tourism, Hospitality and Sport Education and Training Authority | Tourism and Hospitality | 514 | 683 | 639 |
| Wholesale and Retail Sector Education and Training Authority | Wholesale and Retail | 532 | 269 | 0 |
| Health and Welfare Sector Education and Training Authority | Health and welfare | 119 | 87 | 76 |
| ***Totals registered*** | | **21 528** | **22 219** | **25 575** |

**Total Competent learners per sector**

| **Artisan Learners Competent** | | | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **SETA** | **Sector** | **2015-2016** | **2016-2017** | **2017-2018** |
| Chemical Industries Education and Training Authority | Chemicals | 743 | 936 | 1110 |
| Construction Education and Training Authority | Construction | 504 | 1350 | 2225 |
| Energy and Water Sector Education and Training Authority | Energy | 470 | 697 | 684 |
| Food And Beverages Manufacturing Industry Sector Education and Authority | Food Processing | 0 | 13 | 63 |
| Local Government Sector Education and Training Authority | Local Government | 87 | 233 | 543 |
| Mining Qualifications Authority | Mining and Minerals | 1382 | 1807 | 1932 |
| Manufacturing Engineering and Related Services Sector Education And Training Authority | Manufacturing and Engineering | 8352 | 9661 | 8443 |
| Safety And Security Sector Education and Training Authority | Safety and Security | 0 | 227 | 187 |
| Agriculture Sector Education and Training Authority | Agriculture | 154 | 228 | 208 |
| Public Service Sector Education and Training Authority | National and Provincial Government | 30 | 15 | 42 |
| Services Sector Education and Training Authority | Services Sector | 550 | 1247 | 1503 |
| Transport Education and Training Authority | Transport | 714 | 1359 | 1168 |
| Fibre Processing and Manufacturing Sector Education and Training Authority | Fibre Processing | 101 | 124 | 141 |
| Culture, Arts, Tourism, Hospitality and Sport Education and Training Authority | Tourism and Hospitality | 0 | 0 | 364 |
| Wholesale and Retail Sector Education and Training Authority | Wholesale and Retail | 39 | 3 | 5 |
| Health and Welfare Sector Education and Training Authority | Health and welfare | 36 | 74 | 99 |
| ***Total competent*** | | **13 162** | **17 974** | **18 717** |