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**1789.  Mrs N I Tarabella Marchesi (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:  to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

What number of (a) FunzaLushakabursary students are available to assist with substituting and/or assisting educators affected by Covid-19 and (b) the specified bursary students in each province are available as substitutes for educators with comorbidities or who are infected with Covid-19?

**Response**

1. There are 4776 Bachelor of Education and PGCE FunzaLushaka bursary students in their final year of study who may be available to assist with substituting and/or assisting educators affected by COVID-19. A further 5664 FunzaLushaka unplaced graduates are also available to assist with substituting and/or assisting educators affected by COVID-19.
2. The number of Bachelor of Education and PGCE FunzaLushaka bursary students in their final year of study and unplaced graduates in each province potentially available as substitutes for educators with comorbidities or who are infected with COVID-19 are presented in the table below.

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| **PROVINCE** | **4th YEAR BEd**&**PGCE** | **UNPLACED GRADUATES** | **TOTAL** |
| Eastern Cape | 640 | 793 | **1433** |
| Free State | 349 | 310 | **659** |
| Gauteng | 984 | 1267 | **1267** |
| KwaZulu-Natal | 976 | 1251 | **1251** |
| Limpopo | 413 | 190 | **190** |
| Mpumalanga | 444 | 438 | **438** |
| North West | 227 | 114 | **114** |
| Northern Cape | 90 | 92 | **92** |
| Western Cape | 653 | 1209 | **1209** |
| **Grand Total** | **4776** | **5664** | **10440** |