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**2219. Ms H S Boshoff (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

With reference to the non-delivery of the National School Nutrition Programme (NSNP) to some schools in the Capricorn district from 1 February 2017, (a) how many schools did not receive meals, (b) how many children were affected, (c) what was the reason for the non-delivery at each affected school and (d) what action has her national department taken to ensure that the situation is rectified by the provincial education department? NW2451E

**RESPONSE:**

1. Ten (10) schools did not receive meals.
2. 4 348 Learners were affected
3. The contracted service provider failed to deliver the food items to the schools citing the problem with their supplier.
4. The National Department immediately consulted with the Provincial Department and conducted oversight visits to address non-feeding. The Provincial Department terminated the services of the supplier after consultation and appointed a new service provider in May 2017. Currently all 10 schools are feeding and the Department is monitoring the schools.