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**QUESTION 2391**

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**2391. Ms H S Boshoff (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

(1) What criteria are used to determine whether a school receives or does not receive a budget as part of the National School Nutrition Programme (NSNP);

(2) (a) what is the total number of schools in each (i) school district and (ii) province that do not receive state funding as part of the NSNP which have sourced other funding to provide meals to learners, (b) what is the name of the (i) school and (ii) funding provider and (c) what is the total number of learners who are being fed through this funding at each of the specified schools? NW2638E

**Response:**

1. According to the Conditional Grant Framework (CGF), the National School Nutrition Programme Provides nutritious meals to all learners in quintile 1 to 3 Primary and Secondary Schools as well as identified special schools on all school days. Furthermore, the CGF provides for deviation from the provisions for implementation subject to compliance to minimum feeding requirements and availability of resources. One of the deviations that may be approved by the national transferring officer (Director-General) based on achievements and/or critical challenges in each province is the number of learners that exceed the gazetted quintiles, that is feeding of learners in quintile 4 and 5 schools.

1. (a)(i)(ii)(b)(i)(ii)(c)The Department does not collect data on schools that are providing meals to learners through alternative sources of funding because this falls outside the scope of the National School Nutrition Programme Conditional Grant.