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| MEMORANDUM FROM THE PARLIAMENTARY OFFICE |

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR WRITTEN REPLY QUESTION2458**

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**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO 40 OF 2020**

**Ms H S Winkler (DA) to ask the Minister of Higher Education, Science andTechnology:**

(1) What(a)amountinfundinghashisdepartmentallocatedtoEsayidiTechnicaland Vocational Education and Training (TVET) college in KwaZulu-Natal, (b) is the specified TVET’s annual total budget for the 2020-21 financial year and (c) is EsayidiTVET’s budget allocation to each of its campuses for the specified year and (d) is the budgetbreakdown for each line item and presentexpenditure per item for each campus for the specified year;

(2) whetherthepromisedfundsforlaptopsforstudentstofacilitateonlinelearning duringtheCovid-19lockdownatEsayidiTVETUmzimkuluCampuswereallocated andreceivedbytheUmzimkuluCampus;ifnot,(a)onwhatdateandwhatamount will be received for laptops and (b) on what dates will the students receive their promised laptops; if so, (i) what amount in funding was received,(ii) on what date and what amount of funds received and (iii) to whom were the funds released;

(3) whether he has been informed thatEsayidiTVET’s UmzimkuluCampus has no library, problems with running water in the residences, only four toilets on the campus for approximately 1000 students and that the Wi-Fi on the campus is not working; if not, what plans does his department have in place to address the specifiedissues;ifso,whataretherelevantdetailsofhisdepartment’splansto address the specified issues?

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**REPLY:**

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(c) Duetothecurrentaccountingsystem andstaffcomplimentinplace,EsayidiTVETCollege operatesonacentralizedbudget.Alloperationalcostsarebudgetedandpaidforcentrally.Each campus requests specific items based on their student enrolment figures, maintenance and individual campus needs.

(d) The budget breakdown and expenditure for each line item per campus based on the COVID-19 amended 2020 budget is attached.

1. EsaydiTVET College has not received anyfunds for laptops for any of its campuses.
2. Umzimkuluasatownhasseverewaterissuesand waterisonlypumpedfora fewhoursaday.Thecampushasimplemented a waterbackup storagesystemtoensurethatthereisbackupwateravailablespecificallyfortheresidences.Thecollegeisinthe processofaddressingthelack of toilets.Quotationshavebeenobtained,but sincethequotesexceeded theprocurementlimits,itwillgooutonpublictenderwithinthenext 2 weeks. Thecollegeisintheprocessofupgrading its infrastructureonallcampusesandplanstohave Wi-Fi available in 2021.