**Memorandum from the Parliamentary Office**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 2509**

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**Prof B Bozzoli (DA) to ask the Minister of Higher Education and Training:**

(1) (a) How many training centres in the Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality applied for accreditation to the Construction Education Training Authority (CETA) for the (i) 2014-15 and (ii) 2015-16 financial years, (b) what are the names of each of the specified centres, (c)(i) how many of the centres obtained accreditation and (ii) for which courses specifically, (d) what were the reasons for some of the centres not obtaining accreditation and (e) what plans are in place to assist the centres to obtain accreditation;

(2) what (a) qualifications do the assessors who visited the specified centres have and (b) training material is made available by the CETA for training centres to use?

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**REPLY:**

1. (a) (i) No training centres within the Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality region applied for accreditation during the 2014-15 financial year.

(b) - (e) Not applicable.

(ii) **2015-16 financial year**

| **(a) Applications for accreditation** | **(b) Names of each specified centre** | **(c) (i)**  **How many centres obtained accreditation?** | **(c) (ii) Courses accredited** |
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| 45 | * Skills Matrix * Adan’s General Standards * B&W Instruments & Electrical * Dr Fire Hazman Training * Siyafunda Training & Safety * Primeserv HR Solutions * Transvaal Training * Waco * Data Matrix * Agisanang * Licence Wise * Aveng Grinaker LTA * Mpofu Engineering Projects * Bagvin College * PJ Nel & Sons * Barloworld Equipment * Lifting Operator Training Centre * Nirvana Business Solutions * Apex Safety Solutions * CPME * Saisc School of Draughting * Tlaletso Consultants * Italite Ceramic Limited * Rock of Spring * Isihawu Esisha Property Services * Libra Training Services & Consultant * Izwe Training * Frazer * Alexadra * ECA * Sisephe Construction for Skills * Sharp Edge Consulting & Training CC * Nationwide Empowerment * Powerpro * PJ Nel & Sons Training * Bagvin college * Profix Robor Scaffolding * Africa Academy * Therascene CC * Lotantsi Fire Consultants * MCS Training Solutions * Blacken College of Artisan Skills Training * CBM Training * Global Learning Services * Training and Education on Call * St Anthony's Education Centre | 20 | * Plant operations * Scaffolding * Community house building * Building and Civil Construction * National Certificate in Construction * Construction Supervisor * Construction Contracting * Steelwork * Construction Roadwork * Plumbing |
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* The previous accreditation issued to training providers came to an end on 31 March 2016.
* Applications for re-accreditation were received by the Construction Education and Training Authority (CETA) in 2015.
* Due to the extension of the National Skills Development Strategy III, accreditation for all applicants were extended to 30 June 2016.

| **(d) Reasons for not receiving accreditation** | **(e) What plans are in place to assist centres to obtain accreditation?** |
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| Each training provider that is not compliant received an evaluation or compliance report from CETA with specified findings with remedial actions. The report is signed off by both the CETA Compliance Officer and the provider representative.  **Some of the main reasons for not obtaining accreditation are:**   * Training centres are not meeting the criteria for registration of assessors, practitioners with CETA (training providers particularly for plant operations and scaffolding qualifications presented internal provider based certificates and not the recognised CETA Statement of Achievements as per CETA quality assurance policy), no learning materials supporting the unit standards or qualifications applied for. * Inadequate equipment or structures or no existing structures to conduct the required practical training. | **Learning Materials:**   * In terms of learning materials, CETA has funded the development of standard learning materials for the National Certificate in Electrical Engineering, as well as for the National Certificate in Construction Contracting. These learning materials are made available to providers.   **Practitioner/Assessor Qualifications:**   * If training was conducted by an accredited CETA training provider, CETA upon request by such a provider conducts an external moderation assessment. If found competent, assessments are uploaded on the CETA Management Information System and a Statement of Results (SoR) or Achievement is issued.   **One-on-one meetings, telephonic or e-mail support:**   * Training providers are provided with on-going support. |

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| **(a) What are the qualifications of Assessors?** | **(b) Training material from CETA to training centres** |
| CETA uses its own staff as compliance officers to conduct the site audit visits for accreditation. Standardised accreditation instruments, tools and checklists are utilised by the compliance officers. Assessors have education and training, and/or human resource development qualifications with accompanying relevant experience. Staff members with technical construction qualifications are involved in the accreditation compliance site visits. | CETA has made available standardised learning materials for the National Certificate in Electrical Construction to support small electrical contractors, as well as standardised learning materials for the National Certificate in Construction Contracting to support small and emerging construction enterprises. |

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