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**2599. Ms H S Boshoff (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

(1) With regard to Terenure Extension 79 Portion 270 of the Farm Zuurfontein 33-IR in Gauteng, (a) when did her department sell the land, (b) what was the selling price and (c) to whom was the land sold;

(2) given that all the government schools in the area are overcrowded, what was the justification for selling the land;

(3) considering that a 1000 housing units are to be built on the specified piece of land, has her department conducted any study as to where all the children living there will attend school; if not, why not; if so, which schools will be accommodating these children? NW2974E

**RESPONSE:**

1. (a) (b) (c) (2) Information received from Gauteng Department of Education indicates that the piece of land referred to has not been sold.
2. The Gauteng Department of Education is aware of the application for township establishment and has objected to the proposal as there is a need for educational sites in the area. Studies done in this area has shown that there is a need for this site, for the construction of a school in the future.