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**QUESTION 261**

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**261. Mr S L Ngcobo (IFP) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

Whether she will consider introducing a component within her department to help develop and empower the principals of schools in management on an ongoing basis just like there are subject advisors who are employed to assist school teachers in specific subjects; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NW1225E

 **RESPONSE**

The Department has a component that helps develop and empower the principals of schools in management on an ongoing basis in the same way as Subject Advisors assist schools teachers with subject related matters. These are Circuit Managers who are supervisors of school principals. Each Circuit Manager is responsible for between 25 and 30 school principals according to the Policy on the Roles and Responsibilities of Education Districts with consideration to provincial differences.