**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 2716.**

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**2716. Mr B B Nodada (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education: to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

1. Given that in the fourth quarterly report for the 2020-21 financial year there was an underspending of R17 million for learners with severe disabilities, what is the breakdown in each province of the (a) total number of learners who were directly affected by the underspending of the budget, (b) grants which were affected and (c) total amount that was not spent in each grant;
2. what total amount was underspent for learners with severe disabilities in the 2019-20 financial year?

# Response

1. **What is the breakdown in each province of the (a) total number learners who were directly affected by the underspending of the budget? (b) grants which were affected (c) total amount that was not spent in each grant?**

**Response:**

1 (a) No learners were directly affected by the under-expenditure as services continued to be rendered despite the under-expenditure.

1 (b) and (c): There was no under-expenditure on other grants.

# What total amount was underspent for learners with severe disabilities in the 2019-20 financial year?

**Response:**

R10.7 Million (See attach expenditure report for details).