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**3041.  Mrs N I Tarabella Marchesi (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education: to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

What number of (a) learners were enrolled in the Second Chance Programme in each of the past three financial years and (b) the specified learners have completed their National Senior Certificate?

**Response**

**PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION:**

**QUESTION:**

What number of (a) learners were enrolled in the Second Chance Programme in each of the past three financial years and (b) the specified learners have completed their National Senior Certificate?

**RESPONSE:**

**(a):** Over the past three financial years, the following number of learners enrolled for the Second Chance Matric Programme:

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **2017** | **2018** | **2019** | **TOTAL** |
| 117 223 | 117 661 | 106 385 | **341 269** |

**(b):** Over the past three financial years, the following number of learners were supported to complete their enrolled subjects and/ or their National Senior Certificate:

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Year** | **June SC** | **Mar/Jun NSC PT** | **Jun Multiple Exam Opportunity MEO** |  |
| 2019 | 600 | 517 | 6 320 | **7 437** |
| 2018 | 642 | 510 | 5 836 | **6 988** |
| 2017 | 772 | 759 | Not available | **1 531** |
| 2016 | 651 | 892 | Not available | **1 543** |
| **TOTAL** | | | | **17 499\*** |

\* It should be noted that the Second Chance Matric Programme (SCMP) also aims to support adult learners to achieve subject passes, which may not necessarily result in the completion of matric with every learner. For an example, a learner who has already obtained matric but have a Maths level 3, may enrol for the Programme so that she may improve her Maths passes. After receiving the support of the SCMP, such a learner may obtain an improved pass of level 5 and thereby qualify for an academic programme in an institution of higher learning. Such learners are not included in the information above (Table B).