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**384. . Mrs N R Mashabela (EFF) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

What (a) total number of schools have benefitted from the installation of internet infrastructure by telecommunication companies as part of their licensing agreement since 2015 which her department submitted and (b) are the details of (i) each school, (ii) infrastructure provided and (iii) the date of installation?

**Response**

(a) A total of 4831 ordinary schools were provided with ICT equipment and Internet connectivity as part of the Universal Service and Access Obligation since 2015. The breakdown of schools that benefitted per Network Operators are follows:

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| **Network operators** | **Phase 1: Ordinary schools** |
| Vodacom | 1501 |
| MTN | 1360 |
| Cell C | 1360 |
| Neotel/Liquid Telcoms | 610 |
|   | 4831 |

(b) (i) (a)  Details of each school (**Annexures A, B, C and D**)  that benefitted from the rollouts.

(b) (ii) Each school was provided with the following ICT equipment:

* 24 x Learner tablets;
* 2 x Teacher laptops;
* 1 x Wireless Access Points;
* 1 x Server loaded with DBE electronic content;
* 1 x Data projector;
* 1 x Mobile charging trolley; and
* Connectivity (A SIM Card to support 26 devices) with 2GB of data.

(b) (iii) The date of installation per school are attached as **Annexures A, B, C and D**.