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**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 72**

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**Mr T Z Hadebe (DA) to ask the Minister of Higher Education and Training:**

(1) How many (a)(i) public and (ii) private technical vocational education and training colleges entered candidates for the National Certificate Vocational (Level 4) and (b) candidates were enrolled by each college for the (aa) 2014, (bb) 2015 and (cc) 2016 November examination opportunities of the specified certificate;

(2) what (a) was the pass rate for each of the specified colleges after the first examination opportunity in each case, (b) was the overall pass rate for the specified examination opportunities and (c) steps, did his department take to improve the results of the specified colleges who obtained a pass rate of lower than 40% in the specified examination opportunities?

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**REPLY:**

1. Table 1 contains the number of candidates entered for the National Certificate (Vocational) Level 4 November examinations at each public Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) college and Table 2 for each private college.

**Table 1: Public TVET Colleges**

| 1. **(i)**   **COLLEGE NAME** | **(b) (aa)**  **2014** | **(b) (bb)**  **2015** | **(b) (cc)**  **2016** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| BOLAND PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 393 | 411 | 284 |
| BUFFALO CITY PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 713 | 890 | 598 |
| CAPRICORN TVET COLLEGE | 948 | 986 | 879 |
| CENTRAL JOHANNESBURG PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 365 | 266 | 122 |
| COASTAL KZN TVET COLLEGE | 1 042 | 1 061 | 1 185 |
| COLLEGE OF CAPE TOWN | 635 | 671 | 488 |
| EASTCAPE MIDLANDS PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 582 | 596 | 462 |
| EHLANZENI PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 553 | 620 | 462 |
| EKURHULENI EAST PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 407 | 536 | 447 |
| EKURHULENI WEST PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 1 094 | 1 221 | 1 184 |
| ELANGENI COLLEGE FOR TVET | 562 | 728 | 661 |
| ESAYIDI TVET COLLEGE | 833 | 794 | 677 |
| FALSE BAY PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 424 | 441 | 303 |
| FLAVIUS MAREKA TVET COLLEGE | 46 | 54 | 16 |
| GERT SIBANDE PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 1 136 | 1 183 | 1 171 |
| GOLDFIELDS TVET COLLEGE | 106 | 169 | 104 |
| IKHALA PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 260 | 251 | 258 |
| INGWE PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 340 | 475 | 398 |
| KING HINTSA PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 158 | 246 | 322 |
| KING SABATADALINDYEBO PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 374 | 611 | 501 |
| LEPHALALE TVET COLLEGE | 140 | 73 | 36 |
| LETABA TVET COLLEGE | 646 | 725 | 453 |
| LOVEDALE PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 308 | 387 | 245 |
| MAJUBA TVET COLLEGE | 569 | 501 | 333 |
| MALUTI TVET COLLEGE | 348 | 344 | 352 |
| MNAMBITHI TVET COLLEGE | 345 | 337 | 242 |
| MOPANI SOUTH EAST TVET COLLEGE | 752 | 762 | 758 |
| MOTHEO TVET COLLEGE | 144 | 166 | 147 |
| MTHASHANA TVET COLLEGE | 365 | 477 | 286 |
| NKANGALA PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 451 | 655 | 717 |
| NORTHLINK COLLEGE | 358 | 527 | 195 |
| ORBIT TVET COLLEGE | 658 | 762 | 424 |
| PORT ELIZABETH PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 793 | 788 | 534 |
| RURAL PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 120 | 134 | 106 |
| SEDIBENG PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 500 | 666 | 324 |
| SEKHUKHUNE TVET COLLEGE | 386 | 423 | 358 |
| SOUTH CAPE PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 451 | 442 | 398 |
| SOUTH WEST GAUTENG COLLEGE | 1 216 | 1 291 | 953 |
| TALETSO TVET COLLEGE | 466 | 453 | 222 |
| THEKWINI TVET COLLEGE | 182 | 229 | 225 |
| TSHWANE NORTH COLLEGE FOR TVET | 460 | 457 | 252 |
| TSHWANE SOUTH PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 403 | 481 | 210 |
| UMFOLOZI TVET COLLEGE | 1 056 | 1 290 | 852 |
| UMGUNGUNDLOVU TVET COLLEGE | 121 | 155 | 156 |
| URBAN PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 191 | 272 | 177 |
| VHEMBE TVET COLLEGE | 752 | 1 004 | 695 |
| VUSELELA TVET COLLEGE | 492 | 637 | 242 |
| WATERBERG TVET COLLEGE | 461 | 625 | 380 |
| WEST COAST PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 702 | 834 | 532 |
| WESTERN PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 134 | 135 | 102 |
| **Total** | **24 941** | **28 242** | **21 428** |

**Table 2: Private Colleges**

| 1. **(ii)**   **COLLEGE NAME** | **(b) (aa)**  **2014** | **(b) (bb)**  **2015** | **(b) (cc)**  **2016** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| ACADEMY AT VAAL TRIANGLE |  |  | 2 |
| ACADEMY OF BUSINESS & COMPUTER STUDIES | 47 | 53 | 40 |
| AFRICA INST. OF MANAGEMENT & TECH:JHB | 5 | 4 |  |
| ARANDA LEARNERSHIP COLLEGE (PTY) LTD |  | 15 | 8 |
| BETTER BEST EDUCATION PROJECTS | 11 | 11 | 0 |
| BROOKLYN CITY COLLEGE |  | 1 |  |
| CITY VIEW BUSINESS COLLEGE |  | 2 |  |
| COLLEGE 2000 - TZANEEN CAMPUS | 20 |  |  |
| DAM BUSINESS COLLEGE | 29 | 27 | 6 |
| DAM TECHNICAL COLLEGE | 7 | 9 | 0 |
| DSDC COLLEGE OF SA | 161 | 103 | 21 |
| EBUS TECH CONSULTING(PTY) LTD | 7 | 3 |  |
| EDUSA COLLEGE | 45 | 37 | 3 |
| FIRST CHOICE VARSITY COLLEGE | 26 |  |  |
| GRAAFF-REINET CAMPUS(EASTCAPE MIDLANDS) | 277 |  | 186 |
| IDUTYWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE | 505 | 452 | 188 |
| INNOVATUS COLLEGE | 176 | 127 | 80 |
| JEPPE COLLEGE | 247 | 219 | 95 |
| JW SAINTS TECHNICAL COLLEGE:JOHANNESBURG | 1 |  |  |
| KINGSWAY COLL OF COMPUTING & BUS STUDIES |  |  | 19 |
| KURUMAN TECHNICAL COLLEGE | 268 | 210 | 117 |
| KWAZULU-NATAL MIDLANDS CAMPUS |  |  | 54 |
| LTT MURUNWA SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE | 28 | 26 | 17 |
| MATATSHE TECHNICAL CENTRE |  | 27 | 20 |
| MSC BUSINESS COLLEGE : RUSTERNBURG |  | 0 |  |
| OPPORTUNITY LEARNING CENTRE (PTY) LTD | 5 | 20 | 1 |
| PAX COMMERCIAL COLLEGE (PTY)LTD | 13 |  | 5 |
| PROFESSIONAL TECHNICAL COLLEGE | 19 | 5 | 0 |
| PROSPERITY CAREER COLLEGE:BRITS | 22 |  |  |
| RHODES TECHNICAL COLLEGE |  | 50 | 30 |
| ROSTEC TECHNICAL COLLEGE | 378 | 369 | 277 |
| SAINT IGNATIOUS COLLEGE |  | 24 | 27 |
| SANDTON TECHNICAL COLLEGE | 18 | 11 |  |
| SAVANNA COLLEGE OF COMP & SKILLS DEV |  | 29 |  |
| SEBOKENG CAMPUS |  |  | 660 |
| SHEPPERD ACADEMY(PTY)LTD | 9 |  |  |
| SPRINGFIELD TVET COLLEGE | 10 | 16 | 13 |
| TECHNICAL COLLEGE OF SOUTH AFRICA | 1 134 | 1 252 | 841 |
| THASULULO TVET COLLEGE | 64 | 53 | 3 |
| THENGWE CAMPUS |  |  | 66 |
| TRUE HARVEST COLLEGE | 5 | 4 |  |
| TSHWELOPELE COMMERCIAL COLLEGE |  | 32 | 16 |
| TYGERBERG COLLEGE PAROW CAMPUS | 742 |  | 607 |
| VAAL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE (PTY) LTD |  |  | 1 |
| WILBERFORCE COMMUNITY COLLEGE | 96 | 97 | 40 |
| **Total** | **4 375** | **3 288** | **3 348** |

(2) (a) Table 3 contains the pass rate for the National Certificate (Vocational) Level 4 November examinations at each public TVET college and Table 4 for each private college. The November 2016 examinations pass rates will only be finalised once the outstanding marks and processing of re-marks for this cycle has been completed.

**Table 3: Public TVET Colleges**

| **COLLEGE NAME** | **2014**  **%** | **2015**  **%** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| BOLAND PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 60.7 | 61.5 |
| BUFFALO CITY PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 33.2 | 36.1 |
| CAPRICORN TVET COLLEGE | 23.8 | 32.0 |
| CENTRAL JOHANNESBURG PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 23.2 | 32.3 |
| COASTAL KZN TVET COLLEGE | 42.0 | 37.8 |
| COLLEGE OF CAPE TOWN | 58.3 | 61.3 |
| EASTCAPE MIDLANDS PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 60.5 | 55.2 |
| EHLANZENI PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 23.7 | 39.6 |
| EKURHULENI EAST PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 37.5 | 43.9 |
| EKURHULENI WEST PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 37.4 | 51.7 |
| ELANGENI COLLEGE FOR TVET | 30.6 | 31.4 |
| ESAYIDI TVET COLLEGE | 22.9 | 30.6 |
| FALSE BAY PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 37.5 | 45.2 |
| FLAVIUS MAREKA TVET COLLEGE | 54.3 | 62.0 |
| GERT SIBANDE PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 50.2 | 53.3 |
| GOLDFIELDS TVET COLLEGE | 31.6 | 45.5 |
| IKHALA PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 39.3 | 52.2 |
| INGWE PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 22.1 | 32.2 |
| KING HINTSA PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 55.2 | 62.0 |
| KING SABATADALINDYEBO PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 19.3 | 37.1 |
| LEPHALALE TVET COLLEGE | 11.3 | 28.4 |
| LETABA TVET COLLEGE | 31.1 | 30.3 |
| LOVEDALE PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 34.6 | 46.4 |
| MAJUBA TVET COLLEGE | 38.0 | 54.0 |
| MALUTI TVET COLLEGE | 24.3 | 29.2 |
| MNAMBITHI TVET COLLEGE | 27.2 | 30.5 |
| MOPANI SOUTH EAST TVET COLLEGE | 30.4 | 31.1 |
| MOTHEO TVET COLLEGE | 32.0 | 57.0 |
| MTHASHANA TVET COLLEGE | 36.2 | 37.1 |
| NKANGALA PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 26.0 | 31.8 |
| NORTHLINK COLLEGE | 39.5 | 61.1 |
| ORBIT TVET COLLEGE | 36.3 | 53.3 |
| PORT ELIZABETH PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 39.2 | 39.4 |
| RURAL PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 52.0 | 46.0 |
| SEDIBENG PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 28.1 | 42.9 |
| SEKHUKHUNE TVET COLLEGE | 29.3 | 39.4 |
| SOUTH CAPE PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 55.6 | 57.3 |
| SOUTH WEST GAUTENG COLLEGE | 27.5 | 33.5 |
| TALETSO TVET COLLEGE | 33.3 | 39.1 |
| THEKWINI TVET COLLEGE | 33.5 | 36.2 |
| TSHWANE NORTH COLLEGE FOR TVET | 29.1 | 36.0 |
| TSHWANE SOUTH PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 19.3 | 39.7 |
| UMFOLOZI TVET COLLEGE | 33.0 | 25.6 |
| UMGUNGUNDLOVU TVET COLLEGE | 34.8 | 33.3 |
| URBAN PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 19.5 | 40.1 |
| VHEMBE TVET COLLEGE | 15.3 | 26.3 |
| VUSELELA TVET COLLEGE | 23.8 | 20.6 |
| WATERBERG TVET COLLEGE | 42.7 | 52.4 |
| WEST COAST PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 40.3 | 39.1 |
| WESTERN PUBLIC TVET COLLEGE | 34.2 | 45.8 |

**Table 4: Private Colleges**

| **COLLEGE NAME** | **2014**  **%** | **2015**  **%** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| ACADEMY OF BUSINESS & COMPUTER STUDIES | 19.4 | 23.1 |
| AFRICA INST. OF MANAGEMENT & TECH:JHB | 33.3 | 33.3 |
| ARANDA LEARNERSHIP COLLEGE (PTY) LTD |  | 60.0 |
| BETTER BEST EDUCATION PROJECTS | 9.1 | 45.5 |
| BROOKLYN CITY COLLEGE |  |  |
| CITY VIEW BUSINESS COLLEGE |  | 0 |
| COLLEGE 2000 - TZANEEN CAMPUS | 5.0 |  |
| DAM BUSINESS COLLEGE | 20.0 | 31.6 |
| DAM TECHNICAL COLLEGE |  | 80.0 |
| DSDC COLLEGE OF SA | 16.1 | 18.3 |
| EBUS TECH CONSULTING(PTY) LTD | 0 | 0 |
| EDUSA COLLEGE | 7.4 | 22.2 |
| FIRST CHOICE VARSITY COLLEGE | 0 |  |
| GRAAFF-REINET CAMPUS (EASTCAPE MIDLANDS) | 56.0 |  |
| IDUTYWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE | 20.5 | 34.8 |
| INNOVATUS COLLEGE | 64.3 | 38.5 |
| JEPPE COLLEGE | 16.8 | 18.7 |
| JW SAINTS TECHNICAL COLLEGE: JOHANNESBURG |  |  |
| KURUMAN TECHNICAL COLLEGE | 23.8 | 40.7 |
| LTT MURUNWA SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE | 31.8 | 58.3 |
| MATATSHE TECHNICAL CENTRE |  | 38.9 |
| MSC BUSINESS COLLEGE : RUSTERNBURG |  |  |
| OPPORTUNITY LEARNING CENTRE (PTY) LTD | 0 | 8.3 |
| PAX COMMERCIAL COLLEGE (PTY)LTD | 0 |  |
| PROFESSIONAL TECHNICAL COLLEGE | 7.1 | 33.3 |
| PROSPERITY CAREER COLLEGE:BRITS | 8.3 |  |
| RHODES TECHNICAL COLLEGE |  | 38.1 |
| ROSTEC TECHNICAL COLLEGE | 17.1 | 19.8 |
| SAINT IGNATIOUS COLLEGE |  | 66.7 |
| SANDTON TECHNICAL COLLEGE | 100.0 | 0 |
| SAVANNA COLLEGE OF COMP & SKILLS DEV |  | 60.0 |
| SHEPPERD ACADEMY (PTY) LTD | 0 |  |
| SPRINGFIELD COLLEGE | 33.3 | 30.0 |
| TECHNICAL COLLEGE OF SOUTH AFRICA | 48.5 | 55.7 |
| THASULULO COLLEGE | 13.3 | 13.5 |
| TLHARIHANI TRAINING CENTRE | 0 |  |
| TRUE HARVEST COLLEGE | 0 | 0 |
| TSHWELOPELE COMMERCIAL COLLEGE |  | 57.1 |
| TYGERBERG COLLEGE PAROW CAMPUS | 75.8 |  |
| WILBERFORCE COMMUNITY COLLEGE | 19.0 | 25.4 |

(b) Table 5 contains the overall pass rate for the National Certificate (Vocational) Level 4 November examinations.

**Table 5: Overall pass rate**

| **COLLEGE SECTOR** | **2014**  **%** | **2015**  **%** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| PUBLIC TVET COLLEGES | 34.4 | 40.2 |
| PRIVATE COLLEGES | 41.9 | 40.2 |

(c) Four key initiatives are being implemented to improve student performance at individual subject and overall certification levels:

(i) A student attendance policy was introduced in 2014 and implementation was strengthened in 2015 and 2016, where students need to comply with at least an 80% attendance rate to qualify to write the examinations. Notable improvements in student attendance have been recorded, although there are still colleges who struggle to entrench a culture of attendance. The recent student protests have also militated against disciplined attendance.

(ii) Since 2016, all colleges are required to develop and implement annual Teaching and Learning Plans (TLPs) with standards for curriculum delivery across seven key areas:

* Enrolment preparation;
* Classroom teaching and support;
* Student practical application for on-course learning;
* Student assessments: On-site and continuous assessments;
* Student academic support;
* Lecturer support and capacity-building; and
* Work placement (students and lecturers).

The TLPs are submitted and analysed by the Department. Officials in the six regional offices provide support to the colleges to improve curriculum delivery and provide qualitative reports on the status of teaching and learning in the colleges. Through this process, colleges are compelled to identify gaps in the delivery of quality teaching and learning, and to commit to addressing these gaps.

(iii) Lecturer capacity building has been identified as a critical area towards improving student performance. The number of unqualified lecturers, i.e. lecturers without a professional and academic/technical qualifications, is below 700 against a potential lecturing workforce of around 10 000. A larger problem exists in that the qualified lecturers’ knowledge and competencies have not kept abreast with the new and revised curricula in the NC(V) qualifications. To address this gap, 36 curriculum specialists will be appointed in 2017 in the poor performing subjects to provide support to lecturers in the delivery of these subjects.

1. Students accessing TVET colleges generally have poor learning foundations (literacy and numeracy) and putting them into bridging programmes whilst concurrently enrolled in TVET programmes places unrealistic academic demands on these students. The Department will be introducing a Foundational Learning Programme (FLP) in 2018, for all new TVET enrolees without a National Senior Certificate. Placement in the FLP will be based on a baseline test developed by the Career Development Services unit located within the Department.

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