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**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 723**

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**Mr A P van der Westhuizen (DA) to ask the Minister of Higher Education and Training:**

(1) When last did his department undertake a survey of the provision of student housing at public technical and vocational education and training colleges;

(2) whether he will consider broadening the scope of the Minimum Norms and Standards for Student Housing at public universities, issued in September 2015 to include student housing at public technical and vocational education and training colleges; if not, why not; if so, when can such a move be expected?

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**REPLY:**

1. The Department conducted a survey on student accommodation at Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) colleges in 2010 and is currently updating this information as part of a college infrastructure self-assessment.
2. The Department as part of its Student Housing Infrastructure Programme is conducting feasibility studies at 2 TVET colleges, which will inform policy on student housing at both TVET colleges and universities. In the interim, the Minimum Norms and Standards for Student Housing at public universities is being used as a guideline for the construction of student housing at the new TVET college campuses.

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