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**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 839**

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**Mr M R Bara (DA) to ask the Minister of Higher Education and Training:**

With regard to his reply to question 2464 on 6 December 2016, how did each international trip undertaken by management executives of the Public Sector Education and Training Authority (a) directly and (b) indirectly contribute to increasing the number of beneficiaries of skills training?

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**REPLY:**

According to the Public Sector Education and Training Authority (PSETA), the purpose of attending the World Skills Conference was to:

* To participate in the World Skills Leaders Forum, network and exchange ideas with global leaders in skills development;
* Capacitate senior management on international skills development trends and provide exposure to leaders in the field of vocational skills development;
* To be exposed to innovative skills development interventions for youth; and
* Visit the Public Service Training Academy in Sao Paulo.

After attending this conference, the Chief Executive Officer and Accounting Authority presented a report to the board. Some of the benefits of this trip for PSETA are as follows:

* Strengthened relationship with Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) colleges through best practice examples of exhibitions learnt from various countries on vocational education and training;
* Experience used in analyses during development of 2017/18 Strategic planning documents;
* Based on learning with the Escola Nacional de Administração Pública (ENAP) Brazilian School of Public Administration, PSETA explored the training of public service officials through various e-learning courses in an effort to increase efficiencies and reduce cost; and
* PSETA board and management shared country experiences and best practices on training interventions in the public service.

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