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**QUESTION 928**

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**928. Mr D Bergman (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

(1) With reference to the more than 3000 schools to be merged or closed in each province, (a) what number of primary schools have fewer than 135 pupils, (b) which of the specified schools will (i) close and (ii) be merged, (c) what are the (i) names of the schools affected and (ii) time frames in each case and (d) what will happen to the school buildings where schools will be closed;

(2) with reference to the schools to be merged or closed in each province, (a) what number of high schools have fewer than 225 pupils, (b) which of the specified schools will (i) close and (ii) be merged, (c) what are the (i) names of the schools affected and (ii) what are the time frames in each case and (d) what will happen to the school buildings where schools will be closed? NW2081E

**RESPONSE:**

1. (a) (b) (i) ( ii)

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| **Province**  | **(a)**  | 1. **(i) Closure**
 | 1. **(ii) Merger**
 |
| Eastern Cape  | 1 813 | 761 | 1 052 |
| Free State | No info |
| Gauteng | 9 | 3 | 6 |
| Kwazulu-Natal  | 731 | 0 | 731 |
| Limpopo | 416 | 133 | 283 |
| Mpumalanga  | 10 | 0 | 10 |
| Northern Cape | No info |
| North West | Rationalisation put on hold |
| Western Cape | 25 | 8 | 17 |

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1 (c) (i) (ii) and (d) for responses see attached Annexure A1 and A2

1. (a) (b) (i) (ii)

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| **Province**  | **(a)**  | **(b)(i) Closure**  | 1. **(ii) Merger**
 |
| Eastern Cape  | 133 | 54 | 79 |
| Free State | No info |
| Gauteng | 1 | 1 |  |
| Kwazulu-Natal  | 348 |  | 348 |
| Limpopo | 124 | 21 | 103 |
| Mpumalanga  | 0 |  |  |
| Northern Cape | No info |
| North West | Rationalisation put on hold |
| Western Cape | 0 |  |  |

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 2. (c) (i) (ii) (d) for responses to see attached Annexure B1 and B2