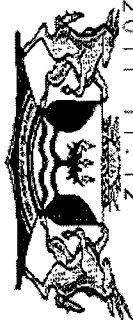


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SUBJECT: STATUS REPORT ON WITHDRAWAL OF SUBSIDY 2010/11 - INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS.

Your email received on 21 February 2011 has reference.

1. In the province 15 schools at secondary phase, were not eligible for subsidy in 2010/11. Of these, 5 schools are in Mthatha district, namely:

- Kings Commercial College.
- Science College International.
- Christ the King International.
- St Martins Private and
- Umthatha College of Maths & Science

2. In terms of regulation 3.3(b) of the Eastern Cape Education Schools Act, 1999 (Act 1/1999) as well as section 46.3 (a) of the South African Schools Act, 1996 (84/1996), independent schools are expected to maintain standards that are not inferior to standards comparable to public schools in the province.

3. This implies that the performance of independent schools must have a final grade 12 pass rate equal or higher than the provincial average grade 12 pass rate. The provincial average pass rate in 2009 was 51%.

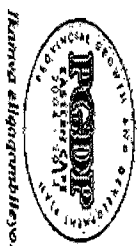
4. In view of the above, these schools did not perform to the expected level, and as such their subsidy for the year under question was thus withdrawn, in line with paragraph 177 (4) of National Norms and Standards for School Funding as amended.

5. Furthermore, four of these Mthatha schools have been consistently underperforming for the past 4 years, and as such do not provide equity in educational achievements as reflected in performance trends.

6. Implementation of Legislative prescripts / policy applies to all affected schools including the Mthatha schools.

The MEC responded to the petition on this issue (refer faxed document)

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