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SOUTH AFRICAN SCHOOLS ACT, 1996 (ACT NO 84 of 1996)**AMENDED NATIONAL NORMS AND STANDARDS FOR SCHOOL FUNDING**

I, Angelina Matsie Motshekga, Minister of Basic Education, in terms of section 35 read with section 39(7) of the South African Schools Act, 1996, (Act 84 of 1996) and with paragraphs 110 and 112 of the National Norms and Standards for School Funding (NNSF), after consultation with the Minister of Finance and the Council of Education Ministers, hereby publish amendments to the NNSF. The NNSF were published in Government Notice No. 890, Government Gazette No. 29179 of 31 August 2006.

The NNSF are hereby amended by updating the:

1. National Targets Table (Par. 109 of the NNSF) to include 2017 and 2018 indicative target amounts; and the
2. National Poverty Distribution Table (Par. 111 of the NNSF).

The amendment is contained in the Schedule. The effective date for implementation of this amendment will be 1 January 2016.


MRS AM MOTSHEKGA, MP
Minister of Basic Education
Date: 20 May 2016

SCHEDULE

In terms of Paragraph 110 of the NNSSF, the National Targets Table published in Government Notice No. 17, Government Gazette No. 38397 of 16 January 2015 is hereby updated to include 2018 target amounts. The no fee threshold will be R1,177 in 2016:

National table of targets for the school allocation (2014 – 2016)

	2016	2017*	2018*
NQ1	R 1,177	R 1,243	R 1,313
NQ2	R 1,177	R 1,243	R 1,313
NQ3	R 1,177	R 1,243	R 1,313
NQ4	R 590	R 623	R 658
NQ5	R 204	R 215	R 227
No fee threshold	R 1,177	R 1,243	R 1,313
Small schools: National fixed amount	R 27,264	R 28,791	R 30,403

* 2017 and 2018 figures inflation adjusted – CPI projected inflation rate adjusted

No new data is available to update the national poverty distribution table (Paragraph 111 of the NNSSF) In terms of Paragraph 112 of the NNSSF. The table which was published in Government Gazette No. 38397 of 16 January 2015, therefore remains the basis for the national poverty targeting in 2016:

National Poverty Distribution Table						
%	Quintiles					Total
	1 poorest	2	3	4	5	
EC	27.3	24.7	19.6	17	11.4	100%
FS	20.5	20.9	22.4	20.8	15.4	100%
GP	14.1	14.7	17.9	21.9	31.4	100%
KZN	22.1	23.2	20.2	18.7	15.8	100%
LP	28.2	24.6	24.2	14.9	8	100%
MP	23.1	24.1	21.5	17.7	13.5	100%
NC	21.5	19.3	20.7	21.4	17.1	100%
NW	25.6	22.3	20.8	17.6	13.7	100%
WC	8.6	13.3	18.4	28	31.7	100%
SA	20	20	20	20	20	100%

In terms of section 39(7) of the South African Schools Act, I hereby determine all learners in quintiles 1 to 3 (60% of the public school learners nationally) to be in no fee schools for 2016.

If funds are available, and after taking into consideration the possible funding implications this may have on other poverty related programmes involving no fee schools, the PED may offer Q4 and Q5 schools no fee status at least at the threshold level of R 1,177 voluntarily. In declaring these fee charging schools as no fee schools, the Provincial Education Departments (PEDs) needs to ensure all these schools are informed that they will be declared no fee schools from 1 January 2016. PEDs also need to ensure that these schools have informed parents of the change.

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