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**DEPARTMENT OF BASIC EDUCATION**

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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 (NNSSF), after consultation with the Minister of Finance and the Council of Education Ministers, hereby publish amendments to the NNSSF. The NNSSF were published in Government Notice No. 890, Government Gazette No. 29179 of 31 August 2006.

The NNSSF are hereby amended by updating the:

1. National Targets Table (Par. 109 of the NNSSF) to include 2015 and 2016 indicative target amounts; and the
2. National Poverty Distribution Table (Par. 111 of the NNSSF)

The amendment is contained in the Schedule. The effective date for implementation of this amendment will be 1 January 2014.

  
**MRS ANGIE MOTSHEKGA, MP**  
Minister of Basic Education  
Date: 18 December 2013

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**SCHEDULE**

In terms of Paragraph 110 of the NNSSF, the National Targets Table published in Government Notice No. 166, Government Gazette No. 36222 of 8 March 2013 is hereby updated to include 2016 target amounts. The no fee threshold will be R1,059 in 2014:

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

	2014	2015*	2016*
NQ1	R 1,059	R 1,116	R 1,175
NQ2	R 1,059	R 1,116	R 1,175
NQ3	R 1,059	R 1,116	R 1,175
NQ4	R 530	R 559	R 588
NQ5	R 183	R 193	R 203
<b>No fee threshold</b>	<b>R 1,059</b>	<b>R 1,116</b>	<b>R 1,175</b>
<b>Small schools: National fixed amount</b>	<b>R 24,519</b>	<b>R 25,843</b>	<b>R 27,213</b>

\* 2015 and 2016 figures inflation adjusted – CPI 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 36222 of 8 March 2013, therefore remains the basis for the national poverty targeting in 2014:

<b>National Poverty Distribution Table</b>							
<b>%</b>	<b>Quintiles</b>						<b>Total</b>
	<b>1 poorest</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>		
<b>EC</b>	27.3	24.7	19.6	17	11.4	100%	
<b>FS</b>	20.5	20.9	22.4	20.8	15.4	100%	
<b>GP</b>	14.1	14.7	17.9	21.9	31.4	100%	
<b>KZN</b>	22.1	23.2	20.2	18.7	15.8	100%	
<b>LP</b>	28.2	24.6	24.2	14.9	8	100%	
<b>MP</b>	23.1	24.1	21.5	17.7	13.5	100%	
<b>NC</b>	21.5	19.3	20.7	21.4	17.1	100%	
<b>NW</b>	25.6	22.3	20.8	17.6	13.7	100%	
<b>WC</b>	8.6	13.3	18.4	28	31.7	100%	
<b>SA</b>	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 2014.

If funds are available, the PED may offer Q4 and Q5 schools no fee status at least at the threshold level of R 1,059 voluntarily. In declaring these fee charging schools as no fee schools, the PED needs to ensure all these schools are informed that they will be declared no fee schools from 1 January 2014. PEDs also need to ensure that these schools have informed parents of the change.

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