

**Memorandum from the Parliamentary Office**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 813**

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**Dr A Lotriet (DA) to ask the Minister of Higher Education and Training:**

- (1) What is the total number of (a) male and (b) female students who can be accommodated in student housing at the Atlantis Campus of West Coast College;
- (2) what are the details of the (a) ablution facilities and (b) food preparation areas provided for at each of the residences managed by the Atlantis Campus of West Coast College;
- (3) How does the provision of ablution facilities and food preparation standards at this campus compare with the Minimum Norms and Standards for Student Housing at Public Universities issued in September 2015?

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**REPLY:**

- (1) The West Coast Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) College does not own student accommodation. The college has rented accommodation facilities at which it provides catered student accommodation. The Atlantis Campus has a total of 120 beds in 2 residences. The Grassmere residence accommodates 60 male students and Robinvale residence accommodates 60 female students.
- (2) (a) There are 4 showers, 1 bathroom and 5 toilets for male students, and 10 showers and 10 toilets for female students.  
  
(b) The Campus has 2 kitchens with food preparation areas. At the Grassmere residence, the kitchen is able to accommodate 60 students in its dining area. At the Robinvale residence the kitchen and dining area accommodates 25 students with students being required to take meals on a set schedule. The college provides catering with each kitchen having 3 gas stoves, fridge, 2 freezers, kitchen sink, food serving and dry food storage areas.
- (3) The said norms and standards do not apply to TVET colleges. The Department as part of its Student Housing Infrastructure Programme will be developing policy on student housing covering both TVET colleges and universities.

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QUESTION 813 APPROVED/NOT APPROVED/AMENDED

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