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1293. Mrs D van der Walt (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education: to ask the Minister of Basic Education:

With regard to the 3 475 schools that were identified by her department as schools with critical water supply challenges,

- (a) what are the names of the specified schools in each province,
- (b) who will provide the schools with water supplies,
- (c) what water resources will be delivered and installed at the schools and
- (d) by what date will the schools receive their water supply in order to comply with Covid-19 school compliance protocols?

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Response

- a. A list of the 3 475 schools is attached. It is important to note that there are constant refinements of the list. The emergency water supply programme is currently implemented at 3 335 schools.
- b. The Department of Basic Education appointed Rand Water as the implementing agent for the emergency water supply programme. Rand Water will ensure that these schools have at least 1 on-site storage tank and then arrange for water delivery to such tank.
- c. Rand Water will ensure that these schools have at least 1 on-site storage tank and then arrange for water delivery to such tank.
- d. The status on 25 June 2020 is as follows:
 - In EC, out of the 746 tanks required, 710 have already been installed
 - In FS, all of the 69 tanks required have been installed
 - In KZN, out of the 1 125 tanks required, 331 have been installed
 - In LP, out of the 522 tanks required, 419 have been installed
 - In MP, all of the 127 tanks required have been installed
 - In NW, all of the 56 tanks required have been installed
 - The majority of the schools will be ready for accepting additional grades on 6 July 2020. The balance will be ready by 8 August 2020 for the opening of all grades.