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GOVERNMENT NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF BASIC EDUCATION

No. 206

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NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY ACT, 1996 (ACT NO. 27 OF 1996)

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE TO OVERSEE THE FINALISATION OF THE CURRICULUM AND ASSESSMENT POLICY STATEMENTS FOR TECHNICAL SCHOOLS AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE TWO NEW TECHNICAL SUBJECTS

1. I, Angelina Matsie Motshekga, Minister of Basic Education, hereby establish a Ministerial Committee to oversee the finalisation of the Curriculum and Assessment Policy Statements for technical schools and the development of the two new technical subjects, namely Technical Mathematics, Technical Science.
2. The Ministerial Committee will be responsible to modify the current: design of the three technology subjects listed in the National Curriculum Statement Grades R-12, namely Civil Technology, Electrical Technology and Mechanical Technology with the aim of introducing more specialisation in order to:
 - (a) facilitate the articulation to skills training in the world of work;
 - (b) enhance engineering principles for learners who would like to enroll into engineering fields at the Higher Education Institutions;
 - (c) assist learners to master technical skills; and
 - (d) provide entrepreneurial opportunities to learners.
3. The terms of reference of the Ministerial Committee will be as follows:
 - (a) manage and oversee the development of the National Curriculum and Assessment Policy documents for Technical Schools;
 - (b) receive and approve final National Curriculum and Assessment Policy Statements for Technical Schools;
 - (c) Liaise with, and receive advice from LTSM teams on the presentation (formatting and design) of the Curriculum and Assessment Policy Statements; and
 - (d) Advise the Minister of Basic Education on any strategic matters to strengthen the implementation.

4. The following members will serve on the Ministerial Committee to oversee the finalisation of the Curriculum and Assessment Policy Statements for technical schools and the development of the two new technical subjects, namely Technical Mathematics, Technical Science:

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