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STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Tuesday, 30 August 2022 (13:00), Virtual Meeting via MS Teams

(Briefing by the Western Cape Education Department on the National School's Nutritional Programme offered at schools in the Western Cape)

PRESENT

Members:

Democratic Alliance

Baartman, DM (Chairperson)

Plato, D

Fry, C

African National Congress

Kama, M

African Christians Democratic Party

Christians, FC

Apology

Sayed, MK (ANC)

(See attached list of departmental officials and members of the public who were in attendance.)

1. Welcome

The Chairperson welcomed all.

2. Briefing by the Western Cape Education Department on the National School's Nutritional Programme offered at schools in the Western Cape.

Ms L Dlulemnyango-Sopotela, Director: School Nutrition Programme, WCED, led the presentation.

Mr A Lewis, Deputy Director-General: Institution Development and Coordination, WCED, informed the Committee that the National School Nutrition Programme (NSNP) started in 1994. The school feeding was mandatory for primary and high schools in Quintiles 1 to 3 but

later, a new quintile system was established, and some schools were excluded from the feeding scheme. The National Department of Basic Education (DBE) had given the WCED permission to cover the schools exempt from the feeding scheme. Almost all Quintile 4 schools were in poor areas and the current economic conditions were worsening their situation. Feeding schemes in these schools were vital.

The presentation detailed the background of the scheme, its budget, its beneficiaries, and the service providers. Ms Dlulemnyango-Sopotela outlined achievements of the NSNP and the challenges it faced.

The Committee deliberated on the presentation

3. Information requested

The Committee REQUESTED that the WCED:

- 3.1. Provides the tender specifications for awarding a service provider a contract to supply food procurement to schools, how long does the tender process take, is it acceptable for to have a two-year contract and have it extended by four years.
- 3.2. Provides the amount awarded per service provider to the supply food procurement to schools.
- 3.3. Provides the challenges experience by other provinces that food procurement are decentralised.

4. Recommendations

The Committee RECOMMENDED that the WCED:

- 4.1. Investigate means to include poor learners at Quintiles 4 and 5 schools be included onto the National School Nutrition programme.
- 4.2. Investigate whether the WCED would be amendable to a framework agreement regarding food procurement for the NSNP and whether they would consider a pilot project for decentralization and focus on those schools that are managed well and that those pilots are then essentially incentivised.

5. Resolution

The Committee Resolved to include oversight visits to Education District Offices to engage with those offices on the challenges experiences by the procurement of food.

6. Consideration and adoption of the Draft Report of the International Study Tour to Brazil

- 6.1. The Chairperson tabled the Draft report of the International Study Tour to Brazil, which were amended, considered, and adopted.

Having concluded the business of the day, the Chairperson thanked the Members of the Committee and the WCED officials for their contribution.

The Committee adjourned at 15h30.



ADV DM BAARTMAN, MPP
CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
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