

## WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE

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QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

### 18. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

(a) How much was received and allocated to his Department from 2020 to date under the Education Sector: Presidential Employment Initiative for the employment of teacher assistants and (b) what is the detailed breakdown of the (i) annual budget received versus the budget spent, (ii)(aa) number of teacher assistants employed and (bb) names of schools where they were deployed under the allocated annual budget, (iii) itemised costs of the annual budget and (iv) salaries or stipends paid to teacher assistants?

Answer:

18. My department has informed me of the following:

- (a) No budget allocation for assistants was made during the 2024/25 financial year, as Phase V will only start from 1 June 2025.

Budget allocation to date:

2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
R814 291 000	R566 630 000	R614 441 464	530 927 000	No allocation

(b) (i) Budget spent:

	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Budget received	814 291 000	566 630 000	614 441 464	588 277 000	-
Expenditure (Budget spent)	- 547 873 697	- 562 410 000	- 614 441 464	- 588 277 000	-
	266 417 302	4 220 000	-	-	-

Operating costs are made up of assistant stipends, project team and office supplies, data allowance, UIF contribution, office supplies, and travel and subsistence.

The under expenditure is due to either fewer claims received for the Presidential Youth Employment Initiative, especially in the beginning phases, than anticipated and/or education assistants exiting the programme as they found employment. The balance was uncommitted and was surrendered to Provincial Treasury.

(ii) Please see attached Annexure A

(iii) Itemised costs:

Itemised costs	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Stipends and operating costs	547 873 697	562 230 000	613 758 527	588 184 095	-
Advert: Marketing		180 000	197 704	-	-
Laptops			485 233	92 905	-

(b) (iv) Salaries/Stipends:

	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Stipend monthly salary per phase	3 500,00	3 817,44	4 081,44	4 081,44	-
No. of assistants employed	20 201	21 897	19 662	22 288	-
Phase per financial year	Phase I	Phase II	Phase III	Phase IV	

**MINISTER OF EDUCATION**

**DATE: 22 APRIL 2025**