

WESTERN CAPE PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE

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QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

1. Mr M K Sayed to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

How many teachers has been charged with sexual harassment toward learners in schools in the past five years?

Reply:

1. My department has informed me of the following:

Date	Number of educators charged for sexual harassment towards learners
1 April 2020 - 31 March 2021	0
1 April 2021 - 31 March 2022	4
1 April 2022 – 31 March 2023	0
1 April 2023 – 31 March 2024	0
1 April 2024 – 31 March 2025	0

Note: The Employment of Educators Act 76 of 1998 does not explicitly define "harassment" in its main body. However, the Western Cape Education Department does charge an educator with improper conduct if they have sexually harassed learners. This would include making inappropriate remarks with a sexual undertone or sending inappropriate messages or images via social media platforms.

MINISTER OF EDUCATION

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