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MEDIA STATEMENT

2019 NSC EXAMINATION FINISHED SMOOTHLY

The North West Education department MEC, Mmaphefo Matsemela is excited that the 2019 National Senior Certificate examination writing finished smoothly across the province without any disruption.

The Province registered 33 014 full time and 6 940 part time candidates with a total number of 39 954 candidates who sat for the 2019 examinations in 435 centres.

The department established study camps for all the Grade 12 learners who were from areas threatened by examination disruptions. All learners accommodated in the camps for the examinations, after writing they were transported and returned home safely.

The North West Education department MEC, Mmaphefo Matsemela thanked the entire community for supporting learners during the examinations period.

"I would like to thank all stakeholders who supported learners during the examination period. Our examinations were conducted and managed with extreme integrity. Our officials and invigilators ensured that learners followed the policy of the exam throughout until the last day of writing. As a province we are very excited that there were no incidents that could jeopardise the credibility of the examinations", said MEC Matsemela.

Matsemela further appealed to all learners who wrote examinations not to resort in taking their lives after receiving bad results.

"I would like to further appeal to all learners who wrote their examinations not to think about taking their lives when they get bad results. I want them to know that, failure does not mean is the end of their lives. They should be patient and try again next year. Failure is only giving you a chance to try again and they will make it", said MEC Matsemala.

MEC Matsemela emphasized that the province was ready to conduct, administer, and manage the marking process. She said there are 15 marking venues identified by the department and marking will commence on 03 December until the 12 December 2019.

The North West Education department will host the release of the matric results event on 08 January 2020 at Fields College Combined School, in Rustenburg at 09:00.

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