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Dear Dr. Benjamin,

Re: Basic Concepts Extension Project (2025-2028) in Mpumalanga, Nkangala District

The management teams and Foundation Phase teachers at Ukhwezi Primary School| Kwena Combined School have been thoroughly briefed about the proposed Basic Concepts Extension Project (BCEP).

We wish to express our support for implementing the BCEP in our schools and commit to actively supporting its implementation across all Foundation Phase classes, including Grade R.

We are aware of the positive outcomes from previous trials of the project in our district, particularly in enhancing literacy and learning. Therefore, we are eager to assess the impact of the BCEP, especially on literacy and reading comprehension levels among learners transitioning to the Intermediate Phase.

Additionally, we understand that the project includes a practical coaching and mentoring component, which will involve the project team and education department officials working directly with educators in their classrooms during regular class time.

Our teachers will be allowed to attend the in-service training sessions, provided that the schools receive sufficient advance notice of the training dates and suitable arrangements are made for their learners during their absence.

We are grateful for the opportunity to participate in this project and appreciate your interest in starting it in our schools. We are particularly excited about the potential of the BCEP to enhance the quality of teaching and learning within our school community.

Best regards,

[Signature & Name in full] Principal (Ukhwezi Primary School)

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Dear Dr Benjamin,

Re: Basic Concepts Extension Project (2025-2028) in Mpumalanga

We, at the Department of Education, have been thoroughly briefed about the proposed Basic Concepts Extension Project (BCEP). We express our support for implementing this project in two of our district schools, Ukwezi Primary School and Kwena Combined School. Furthermore, we commit to actively involving our local officials in the project process, ensuring continuous engagement and support during its course.

We recognize the potential benefits of piloting the project intensively at these two sites. This approach will allow us to closely monitor progress, gather insights from the project lead team, and utilize these learnings to extend similar initiatives to other schools within the district. Building upon the positive outcomes observed in previous trial studies within farm schools in our district, we are keenly interested in assessing the specific impacts of the BCEP, particularly on literacy and reading comprehension levels among learners transitioning to the Intermediate Phase.

Based on the anticipated positive outcomes of the BCEP, the Ehlanzeni District is prepared to initiate a phased rollout, initially focusing on # (number) lead primary schools within the district. These lead schools will play a pivotal role in collaborating with district officials to scale up the project's reach across the remaining schools in our district.

We firmly believe that the BCEP holds significant potential to contribute to the educational development of both teachers and learners within our local district. We remain optimistic that its success may extend to a provincial level, fostering broader educational enhancements.

Best regards,

[Sindano MP] Circuit Manager, Nkangala District

Date: 2024/04/11

