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Gauteng Department of Education reduces online admission backlog to 377

The Gauteng Department of Education is pleased to announce that the number of unplaced learners that applied online has been substantially reduced to 377. All these learners will be placed by the end of the week.

On the other hand, the department received 19 536 new applications in January 2017. So far, 15 657 learners have been placed in a space of two weeks leaving a balance of **3 879** unplaced learners.

In total **331 625** applications were processed by the department and **327 369** learners have been placed.

The department is satisfied with the progress made so far and believes that it has fulfilled the promise to find spaces for learners. More effort will be directed to placing all unplaced learners.

Markers to receive the balance of the payment

Following approval by the Provincial Treasury, the Gauteng Department Education has processed payment of the balance owed to exam markers. It is anticipated that the funds will be in the accounts of the markers in five working days.

The Department once more apologise for the delay in the payment of markers. They provide essential service that enable the Department to mark exam papers in order to issue results on time.

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