

## **Media Statement**

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## MEC Mshengu wishes Markers all the best

The MEC for Education in KwaZulu-Natal, Kwazi Mshengu would like to wish the markers all the best as they resume their marking duties on December 10, 2021

KwaZulu-Natal administered an examination of 201 107 full-time and part-time candidate. There were 178 262 full-time candidates, 22 845 part-time candidates, 1 702 full-time writing centres and 75 part-time writing centres.

The Province had 6 704 examination rooms, 6 704 invigilators, 13 nodal points and 102 distributions points. Given the size of the Province and the number of learners who sat for the 2021 National Senior Certificate Examination, it is not surprising that the marking process is also of a big magnitude.

The Province of KwaZulu-Natal has a total of 7 054 markers, 1 920 examinations assistants, 1 411 senior markers, 417 marking rooms, 273 Deputy Chief Markers, 66 Chief markers, 29 marking venues and 29 marking centre managers.

The selection of markers commenced on 31 May 2021 and concluded on 11 June 2021.

"We want to wish our markers all the best as they commence on this very important task. We urge them to take this responsibility very seriously and know that each and every script that they mark represents a human being and livelihood not only of the individual candidates, but of their families as well. As a Department we have done everything to ensure that all marking centres follow all the Covid-19 protocols and we also urge markers to follow all the protocols because their safety is of paramount importance to us as a Department," said MEC Kwazi Mshengu

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