

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE

## RESPONSE TO PARLIAMENT QUESTIONS BY

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**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY** 

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Hon. Speaker Hon. Members

## I RISE TO ANSWER TO THE QUESTIONS ASKED BY HON. THEMISTOKLES DUDU MURORUA

1. Could you inform the Nation where these youths who passed grade 11 would go for further studies if even the Namibian Government owned institutions of higher learning, after it is the same government that has changed the education system and curriculum, are not willing to admit them for further studies, due to non-qualification of entrance requirements that are laid down by these government institutions of higher learning?

Please note, all institutions of higher learning agreed during the preceeding consultations that the old and the revised NSSCO curriculum is the same in terms of quality and assessment demand. (NOF 1006 3)

These institutions such as the Namibia University of Science and Technology have degree study programmes and offered a successful access course to receive the NSSCO 'grade 11' learners with good grades.

The University of Namibia, UNAM, and the International University of Manangement, IUM, still have certificate and diploma courses which can be accessed through NSSCO.

The Ministry encourages learners from the revised NSSCO level who qualify for AS to proceed to AS (grade 12) as it opens more opportunities in local institutions and abroad.

The essence is to improve both the basic as well as the higher education in providing human resource such as competent teachers, engineers etc.