MEMORANDUM

TO: DISTRICT DIRECTORS
CHIEF EDUCATION SPECIALISTS
EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS
DEPUTY CHIEF EDUCATION SPECIALISTS
SENIOR EDUCATION SPECIALISTS
PRINCIPALS OF SCHOOLS WITH GRADE 12 LEARNERS
TEACHER UNIONS/ORGANISATIONS
SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES

FROM: ACTING DIRECTOR: ASSESSMENT AND EXAMINATIONS
MS N.LEHLAKANE

SUBJECT: REWRITE OF LIFE ORIENTATION COMMON ASSESSMENT TASK:
GRADE 12 NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE (NSC) 2015

DATE: 28 SEPTEMBER 2015

1. The Eastern Cape Department of Education received Examination Instruction No. 18 of 2015 from the Department of Basic Education (DBE).

2. The Life Orientation Common Assessment Task (LO CAT) was written on the 4 September 2015 from 9:00 to 11:00.

3. The Department of Basic Education (DBE) will provide a back-up paper for the rewrite of the LO CAT.

4. A second opportunity will be given to learners that could not write the LO CAT due to valid reasons relating to illness, family problems or other special reasons.

5. In each case, the candidate and the school are required to provide documentary evidence. **This opportunity should not be used for candidates that performed poorly in the first writing of LO CAT.**
6. The rewrite of LO CAT is scheduled for **13 OCTOBER 2015**. The administration of the paper will follow the standards set out in the *Regulations pertaining to the Conduct, Administration and Management of the NSC examinations*.

7. The DBE will not organise a marking guideline discussion meeting for the LO CAT rewrite, but will forward the marking guideline to the Provincial Examination Departments.

8. The marking of the back-up paper will be school based and the learner evidence should be subjected to internal moderation within the school. The evidence should further be subjected to external moderation by district subject advisors and the Provincial LO Coordinator before the marks can be accepted by the Examination Section.

9. The schools with the affected learners must submit the information as indicated in number 4 of this memorandum to the relevant district examination office by no later than **FRIDAY, 2 OCTOBER 2015**. The **district examination offices must submit it to the Provincial Office on MONDAY, 5 OCTOBER 2015**.

10. All heads of education institutions are requested to ensure that this memorandum is distributed to subject advisors, schools and learners.

Yours in quality education.

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**MS. N. LEHLAKANE**

(A) **DIRECTOR: ASSESSMENT AND EXAMINATIONS**

28 September 2015

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