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CIRCULAR S8 OF 2021

RELEASE OF REVISED SUBJECT WEIGHTINGS FOR THE FET, GRADES 10 - 12

- 1. The purpose of this Circular is to release the revised subject weightings for the Further Education and Training (FET) phase, Grades 10 12.
- 2. On 11 December 2020, the Department of Basic Education disseminated Circular S13 of 2020 which released the Curriculum Recovery Annual Teaching Plans (ATPs) to be implemented from 2021 for Grades 1 - 12. The Circular also released PowerPoint presentations per subject, per grade to be used to mediate the recovery ATPs in all subjects and grades.
- 3. Paragraph 6 of Circular S13 of 2020 lists the measures that were taken into consideration when developing the multi-year recovery ATPs. Subparagraph

6.g. indicates that there was amendment to assessment requirements to create more time for deeper learning e.g. in Grades 4 - 11 the June examinations were replaced by a controlled test and in the case of Grade 12, the June examination has been removed as part of the formal assessment programme.

- 4. Due to the changes in programme of assessment, the weightings of assessment tasks were either redistributed or repackaged. In the FET phase, this was done to cater for the removal of June exam in Grade 12 and the replacement of the June exam by a controlled test in Grades 10 and 11.
- 5. The following document is released through this circular:
 - Revised Subject Weightings in the Further Education and Training Phase (Grades 10 – 12).
- 6. You are kindly requested to bring the content of this Circular to the attention of all provincial and district officials, principals and teachers of both public and independent schools, and relevant stakeholders.

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