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**FROM : DIRECTOR- EDUCATION LANGUAGE POLICY  
MR. Z. WABABA**

**SUBJECT AY 2023 TEXTBOOKS UPDATE FOR MTBBE AND IIAL  
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**DATE : 18 JULY 2022**

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## **1. PURPOSE**

This memorandum seeks to update your good office about the requisition catalogue processes for AY 2023 MTbBE/IIAL.

## **2. BACKGROUND**

The SA Constitution of the Republic of S.A (Act 108 of 1996) Chapter 2, Sec.29 (2), states that, "Everyone has the right to receive education in the official language or languages of their choice in the educational institutions" This provides an affordance in recognition and adoption of prescribed African Indigenous Languages viz isiXhosa, Sesotho, South African Sign Language (SASL) as languages of teaching, learning and assessment. This noble idea from the Constitution is further reinforced by the Language in Education Policy (1997), that compels the sector to promote equity, multiculturalism, and multilingualism, to foster respect and use for all South African Official Languages including SASL and Khoisan/Nama languages. Therefore, Education Language Policy Directorate is mandated to provide framework that promotes, manages, monitors, and supports implementation of language policy across the sector. Furthermore, provides the provision for LTSM that seeks to promote multilingualism as a norm.



Of note department officials, the MTBBE / IIAL Requisition Catalogue was recalled from the main catalogue that has been sent electronically to schools due to incorrect pricing. The abovementioned matter has been reviewed and an updated version is readily available and will be dispatch to schools before they reopen for the third term. The due date for this requisition is **31 July 2022**.

You are therefore kindly requested to monitor, support and advise schools on the requisition process and submit progress report to ELP Directorate on or before **02 August 2022**. The report to be emailed to [pelisa.mzola@ecdoe.gov.za](mailto:pelisa.mzola@ecdoe.gov.za).

Yours in quality education

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**DIRECTOR - EDUCATION LANGUAGE POLICY DIRECTORATE**

**18<sup>th</sup>/07/2022**  
**DATE**