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### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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### MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY ACT, 1996 (No. 27 of 1996)

### PROPOSED SCHOOL CALENDARS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR THE YEARS 2005 AND 2006

I, Kader Asmal, Minister of Education, after consultation with national and provincial stakeholders with a specific interest in school calendars, hereby give notice in terms of section 3(4)(k) of the National Education Policy Act, 1996 (No. 27 of 1996), of the proposed school calendar for public schools for the years 2005 and 2006 as detailed in the Schedule.

All persons with a particular interest in school calendars are invited to comment in writing on the proposed school calendar for public schools for the years 2005 and 2006 and to direct the comments to:

The Director-General, Private Bag X895, PRETORIA, 0001

Attention: Mr Sihle Mlambo, fax no. (012) 328 3038

E-mail: Mlambo.S@doe.gov.za

The comments must reach the Department of Education not later than Friday, 7 November 2003.

Cow asul Professor Kader Asmal, MP

Minister of Education
28 June 703

### **SCHEDULE 1**

### SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSED SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 2005

GROUP 1: COASTAL PROVINCES: EASTERN CAPE, KWAZULU- NATAL, WESTERN CAPE AND NORTHERN CAPE

TERM	DURATION	NO. OF WEEKS	NO OF DAYS	NO. OF PUBLIC HOLIDAYS	ACTUAL NO. OF SCHOOL DAYS
1	(17) 19 Jan-24 March	10	47 (49)	1	46 (48)
2	4 April – 24 June	12	59	3+1	56
3	18 July – 23 Sept	10	50	1+1	48
4	3 Oct- 2 (6) Dec	9 (10)	45 (47)	0	45 (47)
TOTAL		41 (42)	201 (205)	5+2	194 (198)

GROUP 2: INLAND PROVINCES: FREE STATE, GAUTENG, NORTHERN PROVINCE, MPUMALANGA AND NORTH WEST

TERM	DURATION	NO. OF WEEKS	NO OF DAYS	NO. OF PUBLIC HOLIDAYS	ACTUAL NO. OF SCHOOL DAYS
1	(10) 12 Jan- 18 March	10	48 (50)	0	48 (50)
2	4 April- 24 June	12	60	3+1	56
3	19 July – 22 Sept	10	48	1+1	46
4	3 Oct- 2 (6) Dec	9 (10)	45 (47)	0	45 (47)
TOTAL		41 (42)	200 (204)	4+2	195 (199)

### **Public Holidays:**

1 January 2005 - New Year's Day
21 March 2005 - Human Rights Day
25 March 2005 - Good Friday
28 March 2005 - Family Day
27 April 2005 - Freedom Day
1 May 2005 - Workers Day
16 June 2005 - Youth Day

9 August 2005. National Women's Day

24 September 2005 Heritage Day
16 December 2005 Day of Reconciliation

25 December 2005 Christmas Day 26 December 2005 Day of Goodwill

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TERM	DURATION	NO. OF WEEKS	NO OF DAYS	NO. OF PUBLIC HOLIDAYS	ACTUAL NO. OF SCHOOL DAYS
1	(16) 18 Jan-31 March	11	53 (55)	1+1	51 (53)
2	10 April – 23 June	11	55	5+1	49
3	17 July – 22 Sept	10	50	1	49
4	2 Oct- 1 (5) Dec	9 (10)	45 (47)	0	45 (47)
TOTAL		41 (42)	203 (207)	9	194 (198)

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TERM	DURATION	NO. OF WEEKS	NO OF DAYS	NO. OF PUBLIC HOLIDAYS	ACTUAL NO. OF SCHOOL DAYS
1	(9) 11 Jan- 30 March	12	57 (59)	1+1	55 (57)
2	18 April- 23 June	10	49	3+1	45
3	17 July- 22 Sept	10	50	1	49
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