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REWRITE OF MATHEMATICS PAPER 2 AND PHYSICAL SCIENCE PAPER 2 – NOVEMBER 2020 NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE/SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION.

1. Circular E30 of 2020, regarding the above matter has reference.
2. Following the judgment of the North Gauteng High Court on the rewrite of Mathematics Paper 2 and Physical Science Paper 2, the Council of Education Ministers (CEM) has agreed that there will be no rewrite of the Mathematics Paper 2 and the Physical Science Paper 2, which were scheduled for 15th and 17th December 2020, respectively.
3. The Department of Basic Education, together with the Directorate of Priority Crime Investigation (DPCI) will however, continue with its investigation regarding the leakage of these two question papers.
4. We apologise to both parents and learners for any stress, anxiety and inconvenience that may have emanated from the leakage of these two question papers. The Department of Basic Education has always reiterated its commitment to ensuring that the Class of 2020, will be protected from the ill-effects of COVID-19, and it is most unfortunate that these learners have been placed in this situation.

5. It also needs to be noted that the Computer Applications Technology (CAT) Paper 1 and Information Technology (IT) Paper 1, that were originally scheduled to be written on 15th December 2020, but were subsequently moved to 17th December 2020, in order to accommodate the rewrite of Mathematics Paper 2 and Physical Science Paper 2, **will now be written on 15 December 2020 at 14:00**, as originally scheduled. This relates to a very small group of 133 candidates that may have experienced technical problems during the first writing of CAT P1 and IT P1.
6. The support and understanding of parents, learners and teachers in this very difficult situation is greatly appreciated.
7. All queries regarding this matter should be directed to the Chief Director: National Assessment and Public Examinations, Dr R R Poliah, on 012 – 357 3900 or 082 878 5696 or email: Poliah.r@dbe.gov.za.



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