

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION HON. ASERI RADRODRO MINISTER FOR EDUCATION

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WRITTEN QUESTION

Hon. Hem Chand to ask the Minister for Education – Can the Minister update Parliament on the following in relation to complaints received by the Ministry over the past 3 years –

- (a) the number of complaints received per year per Division; and
- (b) the number of complaints sorted into broad classifications, such as transport, classroom, teacher availability, student related issues, and so on.

(a) the number of complaints received per year per Division

Per Division		Total
Central Division	Suva	148
-	Nausori	
Western Division		
	(Lautoka/Nadi/Yasawa)	
	(Ba/Tavua District)	11898
	(Ra District)	11070
	(Nadroga/Navosa)	
Northern Division		
	(Cakaudrove District)	8538
	(Macuata/Bua)	
Eastern Division		
		79
Total		20663

Per Division		Total
Central Division	Suva	5392
Central Division	Nausori	
	(Lautoka/Nadi/Yasawa)	
Western Division	(Ba/Tavua District)	10803
	(Ra District)	
	(Nadroga/Navosa)	
Northern Division	(Cakaudrove District)	4663
	(Macuata/Bua)	
Eastern Division		
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Total		20962

Per Division		Total
Central Division	Suva	12316
Central Division	Nausori	
	(Lautoka/Nadi/Yasawa)	
Western Division	(Ba/Tavua District)	11010
	(Ra District)	11010
	(Nadroga/Navosa)	
Northern Division	(Cakaudrove District)	
	(Macuata/Bua)	5515
Eastern Division		
		150
Total		28991

(b) the number of complaints sorted into broad classifications, such as transport, classroom, teacher availability, student related issues, and so on.

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Per Division		Transportation	Class	Teacher Availability	Student related issues	Any other complaint s	Total of issues	Government Toll free	Teacher Helpline	Total
Central	Suva	4	3	2	23	4	36	6		
Division	Nausori	3	0	0	13	0	16	6	90	148
***	(Lautoka/Nadi/Ya sawa)	10245	5	10	1392	3	11655			
Western Division	(Ba/Tavua District)	91	0	15	7	0	113	10	75	
	(Ra District)	4	4	2	3	0	13			
	(Nadroga/Navosa)	15	1	15	0	1	32			11898
Northern Division	(Cakaudrove District)	8251	5	41	0	3	8300			
	(Macuata/Bua)	160	0	0	0	10	170	3	65	8538
Eastern										
Division		5	0	35	0	0	40	0	39	79
Total		10527	13	79	1438	18		19	269	20663

Per Division		Transportation	Classroom	Teacher Availability	Student related issues	Any other complaints	Total of issues	Government toll free	Teacher Helpline	Total
Central	Suva	4	3	2	14	3974	3997			
Division	Nausori	3	0	2	3	1274	1282	33	80	5392
***	(Lautoka/Nadi/Yasawa)	10228	5	10	282	5	10530			
Western	(Ba/Tavua District)	114	0	24	4	0	142			
Division	(Ra District)	4	5	2	3	0	14			
	(Nadroga/Navosa)	4	1	11	3	2	21	11	85	10803
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Northern Division	(Cakaudrove District)	4424	5	35	2	1	4467			
DIVISION	(Macuata/Bua)	121	0	0	5	3	129	4	63	4663
Eastern										
Division		7	0	43	0	0	50	4	50	104
Total		10485	14	94	314	5258		52	278	20962

Per Division		Transportation	Classroom	Teacher Availability	Student related	Any other complaints-	Total of	Government toll free	Teacher Helpline	Total
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Central	Suva	3	3							10016
Division	Nausori	1	1	7	16	4259	4284	67	90	12316
***	(Lautoka/Nadi/Yasawa)	10265	10	40	341	24	10680			
Western	(Ba/Tavua District)	123	2	19	8	0	152			
Division	(Ra District)	4	3	3	3	7	20			
	(Nadroga/Navosa)	15	2	22	2	4	45	27	86	11010
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Northern	(Cakaudrove District)	5208	2	27	2	0	5239			
Division	(Macuata/Bua)	176	4	0	0	6	186	10	80	5515
Eastern	11-200									
Division		12	0	103	0	0	115	0	35	150
Total		10599	27	196	381	12154		104	291	28991

The Way Forward

1. Monitoring and Record Keeping

The Ministry will ensure that customer complaints query books are closely monitored across the nine districts. All officers will be trained on a standardized format for documenting queries and complaints in the register books to maintain consistency. This will help avoid missing or incomplete records and ensure a clear process is followed.

2. Timeliness and Follow-up

The Ministry will establish clear timelines for responding to all queries, with a maximum response time of 5 working days. Follow-up will be conducted to ensure resolution and to gather customer feedback on service quality.

3. Centralized Monitoring and Reporting

A central monitoring team will be appointed to oversee the accurate recording of complaints and queries at each district. Monthly summary reports will be compiled and forwarded to MOE HQ for review. Trends in complaints will be analyzed to address issues and improve processes.

4. Accountability and Performance Reporting

Clear accountability will be assigned to officers in each district, with quarterly reports generated outlining issues raised, resolutions provided, and customer satisfaction feedback. These reports will be reviewed to ensure transparency and consistent service delivery.