



# INSPIRING MINDS

*Presentation  
to  
Commission of Inquiry into HET*

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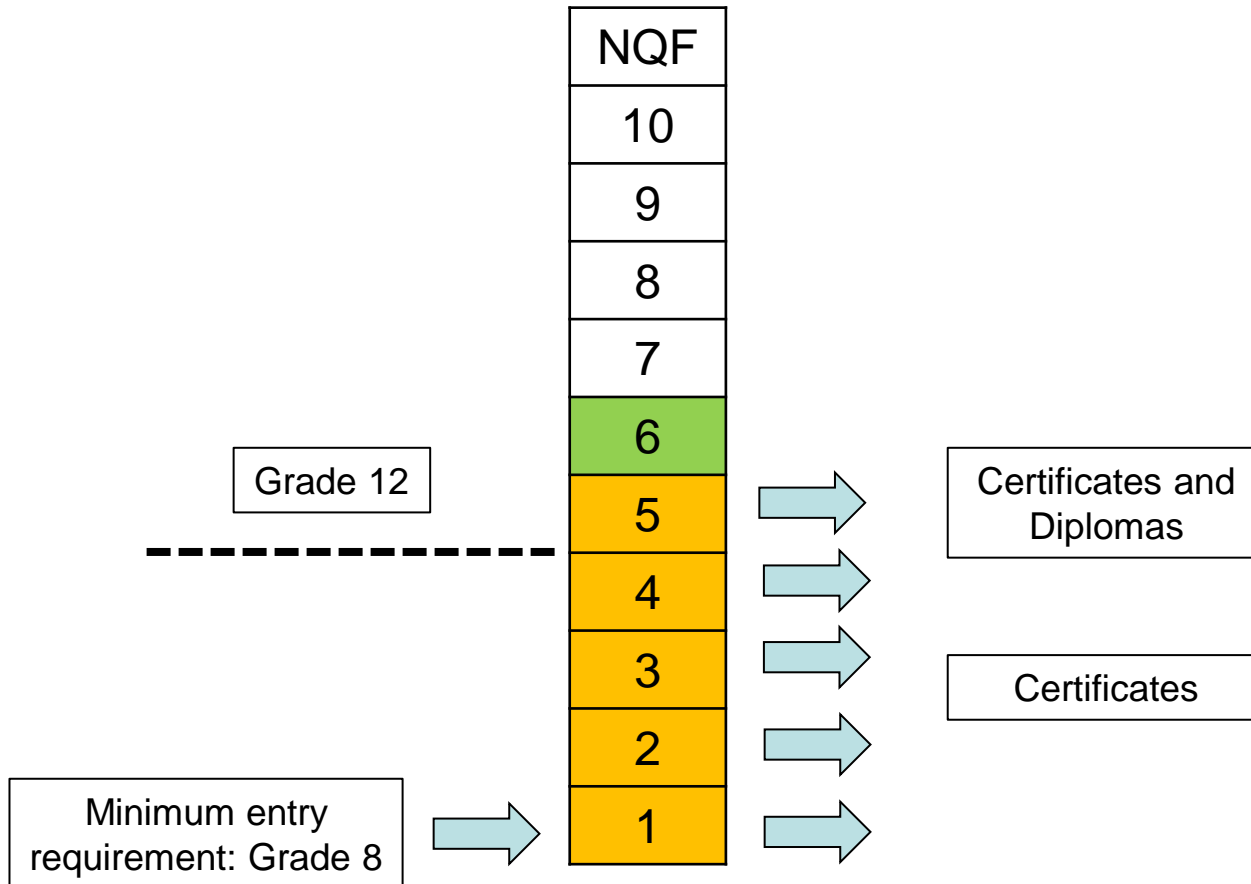
# Overview

- Opening Remarks;
- The position of TVET Colleges in the Education System;
- Present Funding Model to TVET Colleges;
- Basis for recommendations;
- Recommendations;
- Closing Remarks.

## Opening Remarks

- The current DHET TVET Colleges Bursary Scheme is assisting a large number of students that would not have been able to attend a TVET college;
- The aim of this presentation is to present a more encompassing student support system that will increase access to TVET colleges in line with the NDP; and
- Given the current financial situation of South Africa, a differentiated fee model should be considered.

# The Position of TVET Colleges in the Education System



# Programmes Offered

- **State-funded Programmes (DHET)**
  - National Certificate (Vocational)
  - Report 191 (N-Programmes)
- **Non-DHET Funded Programmes**
  - Apprenticeships, Learnerships and Skills programmes
  - Other

# Current Funding Model

- **State-Funded Programmes**
  - Funding Norms
    - 80% State
    - 20% College fees - Student
  - DHET TVET Colleges Bursary Scheme (NSFAS - means test):
    - Tuition fee
    - Transport
      - R 7 405
    - Accommodation
      - R 19 746

## Current Funding Model (Cont.)

- **Non-funded Programmes**
  - Wide range
    - From full cost to zero
  - Financial support very limited

## Basis for Recommendations

- Increase the student population at TVET colleges;
- The student population is diverse and a future funding model should recognise it;
- It should address shortcomings of the present;
- A financial needy student is in all aspects needy; and
- The academic performance should be promoted.



## Programmes

Financial support should be expanded to other programmes not currently being supported; and

### **A three level student support:**

1. The financially needy;
2. The financially stretched (the missing middle);  
and
3. The financially sound.

## Recommendation (Cont.)

- **The financially needy**
  - Bursary
    - Tuition
    - Living allowance
  - Promote academic excellence
- **The financially stretched**
  - Student loan
    - Tuition fees
    - Living allowance
- **The financially sound**
  - Full paying

## Closing Remarks

- College SRC comment;
- If we are serious about expanding the TVET colleges sector:
  - The allocation to the TVET college sector must be revisited;
  - The basket of programmes supported by a financial aid scheme must be expanded; and
  - A broader range of our people must have access to some or other form of financial support.

Thank You