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To: Deputy Directors-General, Chief Directors, Directors, Chief Education Specialists, Heads: Curriculum Support, Circuit Managers, Heads: Management and Governance, Deputy Chief Education Specialists, Assessment and Examination Coordinators, Subject Advisers and Heads of institutions that prepare candidates for the National Senior Certificate and Senior Certificate examinations

Subject: Prescribed literature for the November 2022 and June 2023 Grade 12 examinations

1. The Department of Basic Education (DBE) issued Circular E23 of 2021, dated 08 September 2021 (attached as **Annexure A**), relating to the prescribed literature for all official languages at Home, First Additional and Second Additional Language levels for the November 2022 and June 2023 Grade 12 examinations.
2. Given the ongoing challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, the catalogue for new prescribed literature could not be finalised. The DBE has taken a decision to postpone the introduction of new literature until 2023, which will be done incrementally.
3. The DBE will introduce new poems and short stories (from the anthologies currently prescribed) in 2023, for the November 2023 and June 2024 examinations. No new dramas, novels and folklore will be introduced in 2023.
4. With the exception of South African Sign Language Home Language (SASL HL), the Grade 12 literature question papers (Paper 2) for all official languages for the November 2022 and June 2023 examinations will be based on the literature that is prescribed for the November 2021 and June 2022 examinations.

5. Therefore, it must be noted that, with the exception of SASL HL, the list of prescribed literature for the November 2022 and June 2023 examinations are the same as per DBE Circular E19 of 2018, dated 12 July 2018 (attached as **Annexure B**).
6. The prescribed literature for **SASL HL** for the November 2022 and June 2023 Grade 12 examinations is the same as per DBE Circular E16 of 2020, dated 09 September 2020 (attached as **Annexure C**).
7. Please bring the contents of this minute to the attention of all institutions and candidates that offer the November 2022 and June 2023 Grade 12 examinations.

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