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ASSESSMENT INSTRUCTION 54 OF 2025

**TO: DEPUTY DIRECTORS-GENERAL
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DATE: 01 NOVEMBER 2025

AMMENDMENT OF THE 2025 MTbBE END-OF- THE -YEAR -TIMETABLE.

1. This Assessment Instruction must be read in conjunction with Assessment instruction 43 44/2025. The Department of Basic Education (DBE) has amended the National Assessment Circular S11 of 2025 related to the common Grade 4 timetable.
2. **The new timetable is as follows:**

Date (2025)		Subject	Time	Duration
24 November	Monday	Natural Science and Technology	08:30 – 09:50	1 hour 20 min
25 Nov	Tuesday	Mathematics	08:30 – 09:30	1 hour

3. The timetable has been changed because of the concerns raised relating to content coverage issues.
Schools are advised to amend their internal timetables accordingly.
4. **Heads of Examinations in each district must please communicate the contents of this Assessment instruction to all Grade 04 schools,**

5. Enquiries on the MTbBE Assessments can be directed to Mrs PE Japhta at 0605238658 or email: Penelope.Japhta@ecdoe.gov.za

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MR R. TYWAKADI
DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL: CURRICULUM
MANAGEMENT AND DELIVERY

04 Nov 2025
DATE

CIRCULATION SHEET: ASSESSMENT INSTRUCTION 54 OF 2025

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MS N MBELEKI
DIRECTOR: EXAMINATION AND ASSESSMENT
MANAGEMENT SERVICES

03/11/2025
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Comments:

It is critical for this Assessment Instruction to be distributed urgently. It is urgently amending the writing dates.

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Comments:

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