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Can we get the exact number of learners with disability who are waiting to be placed in special schools?

When we refer to a waiting list, we are referring to learners who applied for admission but who are supported in the school where they are enrolled. SIAS (2018) policy only allow for the placement of learners with very high-level support needs in special schools; the total number of learners in the waiting list is 806 in the following categories

- Intellectual Impairment 150,
- Autism Spectrum 423
- Blind 0,
- Deaf 0,
- Physical 0
- Mild to Moderate Intellectually Disabled is 233 (school of skills)

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<p>In the answer that says only 74 therapists and specialists are required at special schools, is this the total need or only the target of the department? Also break it down as per the need per school.</p>	<p>74 is the target of the Department This target can be realized by recruiting additional 26 specialists. The actual PPN is 121 which cannot be realized within the MTEF based on affordability of the current COE budget</p>
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