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PRESS STATEMENT ON THE REDUCED FEES FOR COLLEGES OF EDUCATION AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The Ministry of General Education has reduced fees for Colleges of Education and Public Schools that fall under the Ministry of General Education.

The Ministry of General Education has given guidance on user fees to be charged in the learning institutions by using guidelines provided in the Education Act of 2011.

The Minister of General Education first announced the reduced school fees in Parliament on 2nd April 2019. Prior to opening Schools and Colleges of Education, the Minister of General Education held a press briefing on 8th May, 2019 to inform the public of the reduced fees once again and to announce reduced fees for all Colleges of Education under the Ministry of General Education.

The reduced fees which will be shared in detail using other different communication fora are as follows:

I. PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BOARDING SCHOOLS

- (a) **Boarding Fees:** Boarders will pay **K1, 000.00** per term.
- (b) **User Fees:** All learners shall pay **K200.00** per term.

II. DAY SCHOOLS

User Fees:

- (a) Remote Schools: All learners shall pay user fees of **K150.00** per term.
- (b) Urban Schools: All learners shall pay user fees of **K200.00** per term.

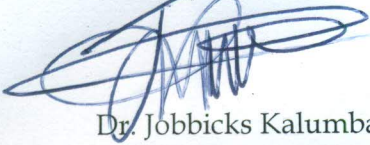
III. COLLEGES OF EDUCATION

- (a) **Boarding Fees:** Boarders will pay **K1, 000.00** per term.
- (b) **General Purpose Fund (GPF) :** All students i.e boarders and day scholars will pay **K800.00** ; and
- (c) **Teaching Experience / Practice:** Students shall pay a one off payment of **K500.00** in the year of Teaching Practice.

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The Ministry has guided that the Fees were effective at the beginning of the second term; 13th May, 2019 and that any undertaking in terms of projects or maintenances that may require levying the learners beyond the stipulated thresholds had to be requested for through the office of the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of General Education. As earlier guided, payments shall also be made in kind and installments. This is aimed at making sure that all learners access Education.

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