

Media Statement

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Steering learners towards science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) subjects is a strategic move towards promoting socio-economic development, and closing the lack of skills in the country.

Owing to Armscor's unwavering stance to help learners reach their full potential, Armscor, the acquisition agency for the Department of Defence remains committed to empowering learners through the Defence Engineering and Science University Programme (DESUP). The programme aims to support the improvement of the pass rate for STEM subjects.

Armscor has partnered with Osizweni Science Centre (Mpumalanga), with the purpose of funding grade 12 learners from three schools in the Lekwa East circuit, for spring classes and Saturday's schools' transportation. The official launch was held in Standerton (Mpumalanga) on Saturday, 02 September 2017. The launch was graced, amongst others, by the Lekwa East circuit manager Ms Ndlovu, the General Manager of Osizweni Science Centre, Mr Gumbi, Armscor representatives, principals from the three schools and the learners.

The circuit manager of Lekwa East circuit, Ms Ndlovu expressed her gratitude towards Armscor and Osizweni Science Centre for their contribution, which will assist learners to excel in their studies. She encouraged and motivated learners to work very hard to improve their maths and science results, in order to meet the requirements needed to apply at universities. "Working very hard to improve your maths and science results will afford you an opportunity to choose the future you want", she said. The Saturday classes provide the learners with an opportunity to work through the curriculum at their own pace and capability.

It is envisaged that the partnership will produce the desired results, through an improved pass rate at the end of the year. For enquiries contact our External Communication team at joyl@armscor.co.za/ 012 428 3442.

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