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Dear Ms Maluleke

REPORTING ON THE CONTRACT SCOPE EXPANSION FOR RAKOMA AND ASSOCIATES TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION INTO ALLEGATIONS OF LEARNING AND TEACHING SUPPORT MATERIALS (LTSM) ON ANY POSSIBLE IRREGULARITIES REGARDING THE LIGHT HOUSE PUBLISHERS

The Department of Basic Education (DBE) had appointed Rakoma and Associates for an amount of R341 780.00 to conduct an investigation into allegations of Learning and Teaching Support Material (LTSM) on any possible irregularities regarding the Light House Publishers.

According to paragraph 5.4.b of the Public Finance Management Act Supply Chain Management Instruction No.03 of 2021/22 stated that "If a contract for all goods or services or both, is expanded or varied by more than 15% or R15 million (including all applicable taxes), whichever is lesser, the AO/AA must, in a format determined by the National Treasury, submit a monthly report, including the reasons for the expansion or variation, to the relevant treasury and the Auditor-General South Africa".

The additional scope of work quoted by Rakoma and Associates amounts to R636 916.00 which will increase the overall amount awarded to R978 696.00 and this indicates **186.35%** increase on the original quotation amount.

Attached is the report for this contract expansion.

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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'HM Mweli', written in a cursive style.

**MR HM MWELI
DIRECTOR-GENERAL
DATE: 24 JUNE 2026**