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PRESS RELEASE

Botswana Examinations Council (BEC) has released the **2010** Junior Certificate Examinations (JCE) results. A total of **39444** candidates wrote the examination. Of this number, 36933 were school candidates and **2491** were private candidates.

The 2010 candidature decreased by **1181** compared to 2009 although the number of private candidates increased by **425** from last year's figure of **2066**.

Out of the total number of candidates who wrote the examination, **44 candidates (0.1%) obtained MERIT, 629 (1.6%) obtained Grade A, 8825 (22.3%) obtained Grade B, 19902 (50.4%) obtained Grade C, and 10044 (25.5%) obtained Grade D.**

Out of the **44** merits, **11** are from private centres. The overall performance (Merit –C) of the 2010 candidates shows a slight decline of **0.4%** compared to the 2009 results. The change is not significant and therefore overall performance of the 2010 candidates is the same as that of 2009 candidates.

The results also show that the highest levels of achievement represented by Merit and Grade A is reached by only **1.7%** of the candidates.

The results show that females performed better than males with the widest difference in Setswana followed by Moral Education and English.

Performance by Educational Regions shows a similar trend to that of the previous year with South Central, North and Central regions performing above the national average of **74%**.

Candidates can get their results through the SMS technology by sending the following:

JCE space CENTRE NUMBER space STUDENT NUMBER to 71312285.

Centre Number and Student Number should each be in three digits.

The results are also available from BEC website (www.bec.co.bw).

School Heads should collect results for their centres from their respective Regional Education Offices. The results should have reached the regions by Monday, 21st February 2011.

Candidates and members of the public are informed that the results cannot be obtained in person or by telephone from the Botswana Examinations Council.

School candidates should contact their respective School Heads for their results. Private Candidates who registered with BEC will receive their results through the post.

For further information please contact the BEC Public Relations Office at **3650700**.

Thank you.

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