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2013 JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION (JCE) RESULTS RELEASED

Botswana Examinations Council (BEC) has released the **2013** Junior Certificate Examination (JCE) results. A total of **38,944 candidates** compared to 38,497 in 2012 wrote the 2013 examination showing an increase of 1.2%. Out of the 38,944 candidates there were **19,490** male candidates and **19,454** female candidates.

The number of candidates obtaining Grade A is **325 (0.8%)** compared to 590 (1.5%) in 2012 showing a decline of **0.7%**. The number of candidates awarded Grade B in 2013 is **3,788 (9.7%)** compared to 4,745 (12.4%) in 2012 representing a decline of 2.7%. The number of candidates awarded Grade C in 2013 is **9,626 (24.7%)** compared to 10,386 (27.1%) in 2012 showing a decline of **2.4%**.

The number of candidates awarded Grade D in 2013 is **13,662 (35.1%)** compared to 13,641 (35.6%) in 2012 showing a slight decrease of **0.5%**. The number of candidates obtaining Grade E is **5,540 (14.2%)** compared to 4,889 (12.7%) in 2012 showing an increase of 1.5%. The number of candidates obtaining Grade U is **5,592 (14.4%)**. There are 412 candidates who have not been awarded an overall grade and these are indicated by symbol **X**.

The analysis of the above results shows that the proportion of candidates obtaining Grade C or better is **35.3%** compared to 41.0% in 2012.

The public is also informed that **Grade U** has changed meaning from last year in which it denoted that a candidate did not meet minimum requirements for Grade E or an overall grade. From this year, **Grade U** only denotes that a candidate did not meet minimum requirements for grade E. Symbol **X** on the results is not a grade but it is used to denote that a candidate did not meet minimum requirements for the award of an overall grade.

Examination Centres will receive copies of their results delivered at the education sub-regional and regional offices through Express Mail Service (EMS). **Regional Education Offices** can access the results through CDs delivered via EMS. **Candidates** can access their results from their schools.

The results can also be accessed from the BEC website at www.bec.co.bw and through SMS.

To access the results through SMS follow the steps below: -

Step 1: Compose new message and type

JCE
Centre Number
Candidate Number
Surname

For example if your candidate number is 812, your centre number is 1 and your surname is Moithuti, type **JCE JC0812 0001 Moithuti** (use space as separator).

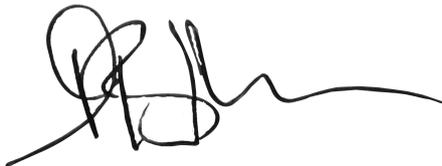
Step 2: Send your message to any of the following numbers:

Mascom	75634390
Orange	76933680
beMobile	75826714

Instructions on how to access results have also been published in the local newspapers.

For further information please contact the BEC Corporate Communications Division office at **3650700/928/910**.

Thank you.



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