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2014 BOTSWANA GENERAL CERTIFICATE FOR SECONDARY EDUCATION (BGCSE) RESULTS RELEASED

Botswana Examinations Council (BEC) has released the **2014** Botswana General Certificate for Secondary Education (BGCSE) results. A total of **37 384** candidates wrote the 2014 examination showing an increase in candidature of **9.73%** compared to 2013 cohort of **34 069**. There were **15 754 (42.14%)** male candidates and **21 630 (57.86%)** female candidates sitting for the 2014 BGCSE Examination.

There were **25 186 (67.37%)** candidates from government and government-aided schools and **12 198 (32.62%)** private candidates. The private candidates category included **6 988 (18.69%)** Back-to-School candidates, **2 278 (6.09%)** individual private candidates and **2 932 (7.84%)** candidates from private schools.

Since the BGCSE is a subject-based qualification with no aggregation, the measure used to gauge the performance of candidates is the proportion of candidates who were awarded Grade C or better in 5 syllabi. This year **5 843 (23.20%)** candidates from government and government-aided schools were awarded Grade C or better in 5 syllabi compared to **5 946 (24.27%)** in 2013. This shows a slight decline of 1.07%, indicating that the two cohorts were of more or less the same quality.

Symbols used in the Results

- **U** denotes that a candidate failed to meet minimum requirements for Grade G.
- **X** denotes that a candidate failed to meet the requirements for the award of a syllabus grade.

The distribution of the results will be done as follows:

1. **Individual Candidates:** Candidates will be able to access the results through the BEC Website as well as through SMS.
2. **Distribution to centres:** The results will be sent to the centres by Express Mail Service (EMS). Centres will also be granted access to view and print the results reports through the Malepa application.
3. **Distribution to Regional Offices:** Regional Offices will access the results through CDs which will be delivered through EMS. The Regional and Sub-Regional Heads will also be able to access the results through Malepa.

For further enquiries please contact the BEC toll free number **0800 601 025**.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Fingile Makgalemele'.

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