

## ZIMSEC records 93,7 percent 'A' Level pass rate

THE ZIMBABWE Schools Examination Council (ZIMSEC) this week released the 2016 A' Level results indicating a 93,7 percent pass rate.

The 2016 pass rate is slightly higher than the 2015 pass rate which was 93,3 percent.

An analysis by ZIMSEC indicate that the total number of candidates who sat for the November 2016 A' level Examination was 41 549 compared to 41 653 in November 2015.

The candidature decreased by 104, a slight decrease of 0,25 per-

In 2015, the number of candidates who obtained a grade E or better in one or more subjects was 38 873.

This gives a percentage of 93,3 percent, while in 2016, the number of candidates who obtained Grade E or better in one or more subjects was 38 924. This translates to 93,7 percent pass rate.

The number of school candidates for the November 2016 was 33 400. Of these, 33 139 wrote two or more subjects and 29 383 obtained Grade E or better in two or more subjects, yielding an 88,7 percent pass rate.

The number of private candidates was 8 149.

Of these, 7 337 wrote two or more subjects and 4 685 obtained

	Candidates who wrote 2 or more subjects	Candidates who passed 2 or more subjects	
2016	33 139	29 383	88.7
2015	32 550	28 510	87.6
2016	7 3 3 7	4 685	63.9
2015	7 962	5 069	63.7
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#### November 2016 A' Level national pass rate compared to 2015.

a Grade E or better in two or more subjects, which also translates to a percentage pass rate of 63,9 percent.

In 2015, the number of school candidates was 32 764.

Of these, 32 550 wrote two or more subjects and 28 510 obtained Grade E or better in two or more subjects, yielding an 87,6 percent pass rate.

The number of private candidates was 8 889.

Of these, 7 962 wrote two or more subjects and 5 069 obtained a Grade E or better in two or more subjects, which also translates to a percentage pass rate of 63,7

The majority of school candidates sat for three subjects, followed by candidates who wrote two subjects only.

The total number of school female candidates who sat for November 2015. A' Level examinations was 14 610. Of these, 14 489 wrote two or more subjects and 13 266 passed with two or more subjects.

The total number of school male candidates who sat for the same examinations was 18 790, which is 4 180 more than their female counterparts.

18 650 male school candidates wrote two or more subjects and 16 117 passed with two or more

subjects.

Of the candidates who obtained 15 points and above, the highest were three male candidates with 29 points. One had a combination of Mathematics (A: 5 points), Physics (A: 5 points), Further Mathematics (A: 5 points), Chemistry (A: 5 points), Business Studies (A: 5 points) and Biology (B: 4 points).

The second one had Mathematics (A: 5 points), Further Mathematics (A:5 points), Physics (A: 5 points), Economics (A:5 points), Business Studies (A: 5 points) and Chemistry (B:4 points).

The third candidate had Mathematics (A: 5 points), Chemistry (A:

5 points), Computing (A: 5 points), Economics (A: 5 points), Physics (A: 5 points), and Further mathematics (B: 4 points).

At the top of the female candidate list are seven with 20 points each, their performance is as fol-

•Mathematics (A: 5 points), Accounting (A: 5 points), Business Studies (A: 5 points), and Economics (A: 5 points)

•Mathematics(A:5 Chemistry (A: 5 points), Accounting (A: 5 points), and Biology (A: 5 points)

•Shona (A: 5 points), Lit in English (A: 5 points), Divinity (A: 5 points), and History (A: 5 points),

•Business Studies (A: 5 points), Economics (A: 5 points), Computing (A: 5 points) and Accounting (A: 5 points)

•Mathematics (A: 5 points), Chemistry (A: 5 points), Physics (A: 5 points) and Biology (A: 5 points)

·Sociology (A: 5 points), Ndebele (A: 5 points), Divinity (A: 5 points), and History (A: 5 points),

•Mathematics (A: 5 points), Physics (A: 5 points), Computing (A: 5 points) and Chemistry (A: 5 points),

•Mathematics (A: 5 points), Further Mathematics (A: 5 points), Chemistry (A: 5 points), Physics (A:

# Insights conference on next wee

THE inaugural Diaspora Insights breakfast meeting will be held next week on January 25 at the Global Business Innovation Business HuB.

The event is expected to start at 9 am to 12 noon at 49 Cork Road, Avondale in Harare.

Global Business Innovations (GBI) is an all women founded social enterprise that is positioned globally to serve the diaspora niche customers within Zimbabwe pocket communities around the

What this means is we are focused and determined as an organisation to apply commercial strategies to maximise social impact and overall improvement in human and environmental wellbeing of the people we serve.

GBI founder Phillipa Sibanda has since partnered with Nyaradzo Purvis to accelerate GBI in Zimbabwe and around the global community dias-

Sibanda and Purvis are part of the diaspora with over 20 years in the United States of America and have returned home and witnessed gaps in the marketplace that we are passionate to close through our innovative ecommerce solutions.

GBI's vision is to be the most visible, innovative social enterprise company in southern Africa by providing timely, technological solutions through ecommerce and mobile platforms that bridge gaps for the diaspora customer to become a more active consumer back home.

How GBI works is through its innovation hubs where ideas are incubated and tested prior to going to market to ensure their viability and ability to quickly accelerate into the global diaspora market

In November 2016, GBI launched a Zimbabwean online marketplace registered as gbimarketplace.

This online platform's thrust is to bring all products and services to the fingertips of the diaspora across the globe. On gbimarketplace.com we are ready to collaborate with all the Zimbabwean corporates, manufacturers, suppliers through a drop shipping system and partnerships to provide their products to be directly purchased by the diaspora online. We see ourselves as the amazon.com for

Our goal being that affordability meets convenience on gbimarketplace.com

The Diaspora Insights is a crowd sourcing platform and therefore an opportunity for serious engagement of the diaspora market with the product January 19-25 2017

and service providers from Zimbabwe. This platform renders an opportunity for companies wishing to sell to the diaspora to answer concerns and questions on how their products can better serve the diaspora given the gap that now exists between the paying customer and the end user or consumer who most often is a family member back at home.

It also gives Zimbabwean product and service providers a chance to understand the needs of this niche market and ensure they deliver on a better product offering that suites the needs of this mar-

The breakfast meeting in Harare is followed by a North America tour covering 15 cities between the US and Canada meeting and engaging Zimbabwean diaspora in the first quarter.

This will in turn be followed by a European tour focusing mainly on the UK, but also touring Scotland, Germany and France.

Our last quarter will tour Australia, New Zealand and end the year closer to home with South Africa being our ending highlight.

This is a bold task we have embarked on; however, we understand the importance of such an engagement and realise further the need for the corporate community to be leaders in this realm as the diaspora desperately need to have their voices heard and have concerns about products and services answered.

Come join us at this amazing breakfast event



Phillipa Sibanda

and learn more on how your company can collaborate with gbimarketplace.com and the Diaspora Insights as well as its partners in the UK to chart a new path for your brand as it truly becomes global. This market has already shown its viability through the US\$1,5 billion in remittances.

Imagine growing this number to its full potential, leverage the costs of running your global diaspora marketing strategy and get brand visibility and market share on a budget without worrying about visa's and travel, let Diaspora Insights be your voyager in 2017.



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