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Community of Practice for the Teaching & Learning of African Languages (CoPAL)

CoPAL (NIHSS) Task Team – Status Report

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Status Report - Task Team on NIHSS

- ❑ Second Call was released and closed on 30 September 2025.
- ❑ Some universities reported that they do not have any theses written in African Indigenous languages.
- ❑ Team met virtually.

∴ The following is the breakdown of the theses received:



BATCH #1

Qualification Type	Language	University
MA	isiXhosa	NMU
MA	isiXhosa	UFH
<i>Total of MA theses = 2</i>		
PhD	isiXhosa	UWC
PhD	isiXhosa	UWC
PhD	isiXhosa	UFH
PhD	isiXhosa	NMU
<i>Total of PhD theses = 4</i>		
<i>Overall Total = 6</i>		



BATCH #2

Qualification Type	Language	University
MA	isiXhosa	NMU
MA	isiXhosa	WSU
MA	isiZulu	UKZN
MA	isiZulu	UNIZULU
Total of MA theses = 4		
PhD	isiZulu	UKZN
PhD	isiZulu	UNIZULU
PhD	isiXhosa	RU
Total of PhD theses = 3		
Overall Total = 7		





Theses Received Overview



Total theses received: **13**



From: **7** universities



Next step: CoPAL to provide the way forward



Ke a leboha

Ke a leboga

Enkosi

Ngiyabonga

Ngiyathokaza

Ndo livhuwa

Inkomu

