###### National Assembly

###### Question Number: 2478

**2478. Mr B R Topham (DA) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

(a) Why has the R600 road between Winterton and the Drakensberg mountains in the Okhahlamba Local Municipality in KwaZulu-Natal not been maintained, resulting in severe deterioration, (b) what are the full relevant details of (i) maintenance and/or (ii) rebuilding plans that are planned for the specified road, (c) on what date will the maintenance and/or rebuilding plans be implemented, (d) what amount will it cost to rehabilitate the road and (e) which contractors will be contracted to rehabilitate the road? NW2735E

**RPLY**

1. R600 is Main Road P212 which is 34km under Okhahlamba Local Municipality; the

bi) Departmental has been maintaining the road by means of the following activities:

* Verge Maintenance is being done on regular basis;
* Pothole Patching has been done by the Departmental internal team when it is required; and
* During the 2016/17 financial year seal rejuvenation has been done on the road between km 0.5 to km 13.

1. Main Road P212 is due for Heavy Rehabilitation and design is schedule to commence in the first quarter of 2018/19 financial year in order to start Phase1 Construction in the third quarter of the 2018/19 financial year.
2. The Rehabilitation of Phase 1 is anticipated to commence in the third quarter of 2018/19 financial year.
3. The project cost estimate is R 161.8 million for Rehabilitation of 34kilometres in three financial year.
4. The Department will advertise the contract through open tender to get contractor to rehabilitate the road.