###### National Assembly

Question Number: 2614

**Mr S J Masango (DA) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

(a) What investigations have been conducted into motor vehicle testing stations (i) in the (aa) 2012-13, (bb) 2013-14 and (cc) 2014-15 financial years, (b) who conducted the specified investigations, (c) what were the conclusions in respect of each investigation, (d) how many persons have been charged in respect of each month in each province as a results of each specified investigations, (e) what were the specified persons charged in each case with and (f) when were the specified persons charged in each case? NW2989E

**REPLY**

The information regarding investigations of testing stations and their operation lies at Provincial and local level, therefore the Department has requested such information from the relevant authorities, which is herewith submitted in response to the question.

Table 1 deals with response to questions (i) aa), bb) and cc), d) and f)

Table 2 and 3 deals with the responses to questions in (c) and e). Table 4 deals with the response to question (b)

**EASTERN CAPE**

**EC Table 1**

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| **Nature of investigations** | **Financial year** | **Number of Investigations per year** | **Number of investigations pending for year** | **Number of persons charged as result of investigations per year** |
| Vehicles passed without being present at testing station | 2012-13 | None | None | N/A |
| 2013-14 | None | None | N/A |
| 2014-15 | None | None | N/A |
| Testing stations that passed a vehicle that was failed by another testing station | 2012-13 | None | None | N/A |
| 2013-14 | None | None | N/A |
| 2014-15 | None | None | N/A |
| Examiners of vehicles that pass a vehicle that is not roadworthy | 2012-13 | None | None | N/A |
| 2013-14 | None | None | N/A |
| 2014-15 | None | None | N/A |
| Other investigations | 2012-13 | None | None | N/A |
| 2013-14 | None | None | N/A |
| 2014-15 | None | None | N/A |

**EC Table 2**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Conclusion of Investigations** | **Number of instances per Financial year** | | |
| **2012-13** | **2013-14** | **2014-15** |
| Testing station registration suspended | None | None | None |
| Testing station registration cancelled | None | None | None |
| Examiner registration suspended | None | None | None |
| Examiner registration cancelled | None | None | None |
| Examiner resigned before completion of investigation | None | None | None |
| Other testing station staff - fired | None | None | None |
| Vehicles retested | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Other: | - | - | - |

**EC Table 3**

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| **No** | **Nature of Charges (Short summary)** |
| 1 | N/A |

**EC Table 4**

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| --- | --- | --- |
| **Persons/Organisations that conducted investigations** | **Involved in Investigation Yes / No** | **Number of Instances** |
| Special Investigations Unit (SIU) | N/A | - |
| South African Police Service | N/A | - |
| HAWKS | N/A | - |
| Inspectorate of Testing stations | N/A | - |
| Provincial Monitoring Units | N/A |  |
| Other (specify): | - | - |

FREE STATE

**FS Table 1**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Nature of investigations** | **Financial year** | **Number of Investigations per year** | **Number of investigations pending for year** | **Number of persons charged as result of investigations per year** |
| Vehicles passed without being present at testing station | 2012-13 | **-** | - | - |
| 2013-14 | **-** | - | - |
| 2014-15 | **-** | - | - |
| Testing stations that passed a vehicle that was failed by another testing station | 2012-13 | **-** | - | - |
| 2013-14 | **-** | - | - |
| 2014-15 | **-** | - | - |
| Examiners of vehicles that pass a vehicle that is not roadworthy | 2012-13 | **-** | - | - |
| 2013-14 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 2014-15 | **-** | - | - |
| Other investigations | 2012-13 | **-** | - | - |
| 2013-14 | **-** | - | - |
| 2014-15 | **-** | - | - |

**FS Table 2**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Conclusion of Investigations** | **Number of instances per Financial year** | | |
| **2012-13** | **2013-14** | **2014-15** |
| Testing station registration suspended | **-** | - | - |
| Testing station registration cancelled | **-** | - | - |
| Examiner registration suspended | **-** | - | - |
| Examiner registration cancelled | **-** | - | - |
| Examiner resigned before completion of investigation | **-** | - | - |
| Other testing station staff - fired | **-** | - | - |
| Vehicles retested | **-** | - | - |
| Other: | **-** | - | - |
|  | **-** | - | - |

**FS Table 3**

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| No | **Nature of Charges (Short summary)** |
| 1 | Examiners of vehicles Mr. TA Tau & MR Minnie of Welkom VTS was departmentally charged for declaring unroadworthy vehicle at Welkom VTS during August 2013. The matter was reported to Departmental Employee Relations Section on the 1st of September 2013 but nothing materialised ever since. |

**FS Table 4**

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| **Persons/Organisations that conducted investigations** | **Involved in Investigation Yes / No** | **Number of Instances** |
| Special Investigations Unit (SIU) | **-** | - |
| South African Police Service | **-** | - |
| HAWKS | **-** | - |
| Inspectorate of Testing stations | **-** | - |
| Provincial Monitoring Units/Provincial Inspectorate Unit | Provincial Inspectorate Unit: Free State | 1 |

**GAUTENG**

**GP Table 1**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Nature of investigations** | **Financial year** | **Number of Investigations per year** | **Number of investigations pending for year** | **Number of persons charged as result of investigations per year** |
| Vehicles passed without being present at testing station | 2012-13 | 10 | 0 | 26 |
| 2013-14 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2014-15 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Testing stations that passed a vehicle that was failed by another testing station | 2012-13 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2013-14 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2014-15 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Examiners of vehicles that pass a vehicle that is not roadworthy | 2012-13 | 10 | 0 | 26 |
| 2013-14 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2014-15 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Other investigations | 2012-13 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2013-14 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2014-15 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

**GP Table 2**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Conclusion of Investigations** | **Number of instances per Financial year** | | |
| **2012-13** | **2013-14** | **2014-15** |
| Testing station registration suspended | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Testing station registration cancelled | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Examiner registration suspended | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Examiner registration cancelled | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| Examiner resigned before completion of investigation | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other testing station staff - fired | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vehicles retested | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other: | 0 | 0 | 0 |

**GP Table 3**

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| **No** | **Nature of Charges (Short summary)** |
| 1 | Fraud – certified vehicles road worthy while the vehicles were not at the testing station |

**GP Table 4**

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| **Persons/Organisations that conducted investigations** | **Involved in Investigation Yes / No** | **Number of Instances** |
| Special Investigations Unit (SIU) | - | - |
| South African Police Service | Yes | 26 |
| HAWKS | - | - |
| Inspectorate of Testing stations | - | - |
| Provincial Monitoring Units | Yes | 2 |
| Other (specify):National Task Team | Yes | 26 |

**KWAZULU-NATAL**

**KZN Table 1**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Nature of investigations** | **Financial year** | **Number of Investigations per year** | **Number of investigations pending for year** | **Number of persons charged as result of investigations per year** |
| Vehicles passed without being present at testing station | 2012-13 | - | - | - |
| 2013-14 | - | - | - |
| 2014-15 | - | - | - |
| Testing stations that passed a vehicle that was failed by another testing station | 2012-13 | 1 | 1 |  |
| 2013-14 | - | - | - |
| 2014-15 | - | - | - |
| Examiners of vehicles that pass a vehicle that is not roadworthy | 2012-13 | 5 | 1 | - |
| 2013-14 | 7 | 3 | - |
| 2014-15 | 1 | 3 | - |
| Vehicle Testing Stations that pass a vehicle that is not roadworthy | 2012-13 | 2 | - | - |
| 2013-14 | 5 | - | - |
| 2014-15 | 1 | 1 | - |
| Other investigations | 2012-13 | - | - | - |
| 2013-14 | 1 | 1 | - |
| 2014-15 | - | 1 | - |

**KZN Table 2**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Conclusion of Investigations** | **Number of instances per Financial year** | | |
| **2012-13** | **2013-14** | **2014-15** |
| Testing station registration suspended | - | - | 1 |
| Testing station registration cancelled | - | - | - |
| Examiner registration suspended | - | - | - |
| Examiner registration cancelled | - | 2 | 1 |
| Examiner resigned before completion of investigation | - | - | - |
| Other testing station staff - fired | - | - | - |
| Vehicles retested | - | - | - |
| Other: | - | - | - |

**KZN Table 3**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **No** | **Nature of Charges (Short summary)** |
| **1** | Examiner of vehicles not present at VTS when vehicles were being passed – CAS886/9/2013 |
| **2** | Entrapment operation – CAS 504/12/2013 & CAS 506/12/2013 |

**KZN Table 4**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Persons/Organisations that conducted investigations** | **Involved in Investigation Yes / No** | **Number of Instances** |
| Special Investigations Unit (SIU) | - | - |
| South African Police Service | - | - |
| HAWKS | - | - |
| Inspectorate of Testing stations | **YES** | **9** |
| Provincial Monitoring Units | **YES** | **5** |
| Other (specify):**RTMC** | **YES** | **1** |

**LIMPOPO**

**LIM Table 1**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Nature of investigations** | **Financial year** | **Number of Investigations per year** | **Number of investigations pending for year** | **Number of persons charged as result of investigations per year** |
| Vehicles passed without being present at testing station | 2012-13 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2013-14 | 0 | 0 | **1** |
| 2014-15 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Testing stations that passed a vehicle that was failed by another testing station | 2012-13 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2013-14 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2014-15 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Examiners of vehicles that pass a vehicle that is not roadworthy | 2012-13 | **2** | **2** | **2** |
| 2013-14 | **2** | **2** | **2** |
| 2014-15 | **3** | **2** | **3** |
| Other investigations | 2012-13 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2013-14 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2014-15 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

**LIM Table 2**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Conclusion of Investigations** | **Number of instances per Financial year** | | |
| **2012-13** | **2013-14** | **2014-15** |
| Testing station registration suspended | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Testing station registration cancelled | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Examiner registration suspended | 0 | 0 | **2** |
| Examiner registration cancelled | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Examiner resigned before completion of investigation | 0 | **1** | **2** |
| Other testing station staff - dismissed | 0 | 0 | **1** |
| Vehicles retested | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other: | 0 | 0 | 0 |

**LIM Table 3**

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| --- | --- |
| **No** | **Nature of Charges (Short summary)** |
| 1 | **2012-13**: - 2 (two) Examiners of vehicles were suspended for issuing roadworthy certificates without testing the vehicles. Their cases are still under investigation by the Anti-Corruption Unit under the Limpopo Department of Transport (LDoT). |
| **2013-14**: - 2 officials, both Management Representatives (Management Reps.) were charged with the case of issuing roadworthy certificates without testing the vehicles under Polokwane CAS 145/09/2013 Fraud: Issuing of certificate of road worthiness without testing the vehicle and Project Organised Crime SAPS as per Enquiry Number 02/05/2014 Disciplinary enquiry. |
| **2014-15**: - 2 officials, 1 (one) Examiner and 1 (one) Management Rep. were charged with the case of issuing certificates of roadworthiness vehicles without such vehicles being in a roadworthy condition or ever being presented for roadworthy tests CAS Number 142/03/2015 Northam SAPS and CAS Number 145/03/2015 Northam SAPS. The two officers resigned but the station proceeded with disciplinary hearings resulting in the Examiner receiving a no guilt verdict and the Management Rep. a guilty verdict and dismissed. The case of the third official, i.e. an examiner who is alleged to have issued a certificate of road worthiness without testing the vehicle is still under investigation. |
| 2 | Contravening Regulations 140(1) and 141of the National Road Traffic Act, 1996 (Act No. 93 of 1996) read together with the Code of Practice SABS 10047. |

**LIM Table 4**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Persons/Organisations that conducted investigations** | **Involved in Investigation Yes / No** | **Number of Instances** |
| Special Investigations Unit (SIU) | No | 0 |
| South African Police Service | No | 0 |
| HAWKS | No | 0 |
| Inspectorate of Testing stations | No | 0 |
| Provincial Monitoring Units | Yes | 1 |
| Other (specify): National Traffic Anti-Corruption Unit (NTACU) | Yes | 1 |
| Anti-Corruption Unit under Limpopo Department of Transport | Yes | 5 |

**MPUMALANGA**

**MPL Table 1**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Nature of investigations** | **Financial year** | **Number of Investigations per year** | **Number of investigations pending for year** | **Number of persons charged as result of investigations per year** |
| Vehicles passed without being present at testing station | 2012-13 | **0** | 0 | 0 |
| 2013-14 | **1** | 0 | 1 |
| 2014-15 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Testing stations that passed a vehicle that was failed by another testing station | 2012-13 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2013-14 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2014-15 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Examiners of vehicles that pass a vehicle that is not roadworthy | 2012-13 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2013-14 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| 2014-15 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Other investigations | 2012-13 | - | - | - |
| 2013-14 | - | - | - |
| 2014-15 | - | - | - |

**MPL Table 2**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Conclusion of Investigations** | **Number of instances per Financial year** | | |
| **2012-13** | **2013-14** | **2014-15** |
| Testing station registration suspended | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Testing station registration cancelled | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Examiner registration suspended | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Examiner registration cancelled | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Examiner resigned before completion of investigation | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other testing station staff - fired | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Vehicles retested | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other: ***Two eNaTis end users resigned before investigation was completed*** | 0 | 1 | 0 |

**MPL Table 3**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **No** | **Nature of Charges (Short summary)** |
| 1 | Piet Retief Cas: 33/09/2013 (Fraud) Withdrawn by the court as a results of insufficient evidence.. |
| 2 | Contravening Regulation 140(1) of the National Road Traffic Act 93 of 1996 |

**MPL Table 4**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Persons/Organisations that conducted investigations** | **Involved in Investigation Yes / No** | **Number of Instances** |
| Special Investigations Unit (SIU) | No | - |
| South African Police Service | Yes | 2 |
| HAWKS | No | - |
| Inspectorate of Testing stations | No | - |
| Provincial Monitoring Units | Yes | 3 |
| Other (specify): | None | - |

**NORTH WEST**

**NW Table 1**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Nature of investigations** | **Financial year** | **Number of Investigations per year** | **Number of investigations pending for year** | **Number of persons charged as result of investigations per year** |
| Vehicles passed without being present at testing station | 2012-13 | **1** | 1 | - |
| 2013-14 | **1** | - | - |
| 2014-15 | 2 | - | 6 |
| Testing stations that passed a vehicle that was failed by another testing station | 2012-13 | - | - | - |
| 2013-14 | - | - | - |
| 2014-15 | - | - | - |
| Examiners of vehicles that pass a vehicle that is not roadworthy | 2012-13 | 1 | 1 | - |
| 2013-14 | 1 | - | - |
| 2014-15 | 2 | - | - |
| Other investigations | 2012-13 | - | - | - |
| 2013-14 | - | - | - |
| 2014-15 | - | - | - |

**NW Table 2**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Conclusion of Investigations** | **Number of instances per Financial year** | | |
| **2012-13** | **2013-14** | **2014-15** |
| Testing station registration suspended | - | - | - |
| Testing station registration cancelled | - | - | - |
| Examiner registration suspended | - | - | - |
| Examiner registration cancelled | 1 | - | - |
| Examiner resigned before completion of investigation | 1 | - | 1 |
| Other testing station staff - fired | - | - | - |
| Vehicles retested | - | - | - |
| Other: | - | - | - |

**NW Table 3**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| No | **Nature of Charges (Short summary)** |
| 1 | Issuing a roadworthy certificate without testing the vehicle |
| 2 | Vehicles passed without being present at testing station |

**NW Table 4**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Persons/Organisations that conducted investigations** | **Involved in Investigation Yes / No** | **Number of Instances** |
| Special Investigations Unit (SIU) | Yes | 1 |
| South African Police Service | Yes | 1 |
| HAWKS | - | - |
| Inspectorate of Testing stations | Yes | 2 |
| Provincial Monitoring Units | Yes | 1 |
| Other (specify): | - | - |

**NORTHERN CAPE**

**NC Table 1**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Nature of investigations** | **Financial year** | **Number of Investigations per year** | **Number of investigations pending for year** | **Number of persons charged as result of investigations per year** |
| Vehicles passed without being present at testing station | 2012-13 | - | - | - |
| 2013-14 | - | - | - |
| 2014-15 | 1 | - | - |
| Testing stations that passed a vehicle that was failed by another testing station | 2012-13 | - | - | - |
| 2013-14 | - | - | - |
| 2014-15 | - | - | - |
| Examiners of vehicles that pass a vehicle that is not roadworthy | 2012-13 | - | - | - |
| 2013-14 | - | - | - |
| 2014-15 | 1 | - | - |
| Other investigations | 2012-13 | - | - | - |
| 2013-14 | - | - | - |
| 2014-15 | - | - | - |

**NC Table 2**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Conclusion of Investigations** | **Number of instances per Financial year** | | |
| **2012-13** | **2013-14** | **2014-15** |
| Testing station registration suspended | - | - | - |
| Testing station registration cancelled | - | - | - |
| Examiner registration suspended | - | - | - |
| Examiner registration cancelled | - | - | 1 |
| Examiner resigned before completion of investigation | - | - | - |
| Other testing station staff - fired | - | - | - |
| Vehicles retested | - | - | - |
| Other: | - | - | - |
|  | - | - | - |

**NC Table 3**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| No | **Nature of Charges (Short summary)** |
| 1 | FRAUD |

**NC Table 4**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Persons/Organisations that conducted investigations** | **Involved in Investigation Yes / No** | **Number of Instances** |
| Special Investigations Unit (SIU) | - | - |
| South African Police Service | YES | 1 |
| HAWKS | - | - |
| Inspectorate of Testing stations | - | - |
| Provincial Monitoring Units | YES | 1 |

**WESTERN CAPE**

**WC Table 1**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Nature of investigations** | **Financial year** | **Number of Investigations per year** | **Number of investigations pending for year** | **Number of persons charged as result of investigations per year** |
| Vehicles passed without being present at testing station | 2012-13 | Cannot confirm | - | - |
| 2013-14 | - | - | - |
| 2014-15 | - | - | - |
| Testing stations that passed a vehicle that was failed by another testing station | 2012-13 | Do not have stats. Report on eNaTIS? | - | - |
| 2013-14 | - | - | - |
| 2014-15 | - | - | - |
| Examiners of vehicles that pass a vehicle that is not roadworthy | 2012-13 | 2 | - | - |
| 2013-14 | 3 | - | - |
| 2014-15 | Cases under investigation | - | - |
| Other investigations | 2012-13 | - | - | - |
| 2013-14 | - | - | - |
| 2014-15 | - | - | - |

**WC Table 2**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Conclusion of Investigations** | | **Number of instances per Financial year** | | |
| **2012-13** | **2013-14** | **2014-15** |
| Testing station registration suspended | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Testing station registration cancelled | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Examiner registration suspended | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Examiner registration cancelled | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Examiner resigned before completion of investigation | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other testing station staff - fired | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Vehicles retested | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other: | 2 cases pending | 25 cases pending | 3 cases pending |

**WC Table 3**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| No | **Nature of Charges (Short summary)** |
| 1 | MOST CASES ARE CORRUPTION |

**WC Table 4**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Persons/Organisations that conducted investigations** | **Involved in Investigation Yes / No** | **Number of Instances** |
| Special Investigations Unit (SIU) | - | - |
| South African Police Service | Y | 13 |
| HAWKS | Y | 16 |
| Inspectorate of Testing stations | - | - |
| Provincial Monitoring Units | - | - |
| Other (specify): | - | - |