**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 358 / NW370E**

**MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES:**

**Mr H C C Krüger (DA) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries:**

**QUESTION**

With reference to President Jacob G Zuma’s undertaking in his State of the Nation Address delivered on 12 February 2015, that the Government will set aside 30% of appropriate categories of state procurement for purchasing from Small, Medium and Micro-sized Enterprises (SMMEs), co-operatives, as well as township and rural enterprises, what percentage of the total procurement of (a) his department and (b) every entity reporting to him went to (i) SMMEs and (ii) co-operatives from 1 April 2015 up to the latest specified date for which information is available? NW370E

**REPLY**

The Policy of set aside has not been implemented as yet by the National Treasury. Therefore, it is not possible to supply information with regards to (i) SMMEs and (ii) co-operatives from 1 April 2015 up to the latest specified date.

However, the Department does keep record of quotations awarded from R10 000 to R500 000 and bids awarded above R500 000 in terms of B-BBEE. Attached herewith is Annexure A with regards to bids awarded from 1 April 2015 to 31 December 2015 and Annexure B quotations awarded from 1 April 2015 to 31 December 2015.

