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**3911. Mr D R Ryder (DA) asked the Minister of Public Works:**

With reference to the Expanded Public Works Programme, (a) what is the definition of a work opportunity and (b) what number of hours must an individual work to qualify for a work opportunity? **NW4458E**

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**The Minister of Public Works:**

**REPLY:**

1. A work opportunity is defined as “paid work for an individual working on an EPWP project for any period of time”. The same person can be employed on different projects and each period of employment is counted as a work opportunity.
2. As per the EPWP Ministerial Determination 4 of 2012, eight (8) hours of work constitute a work day. A training day is constituted by seven (7) hours of training. Any of these two is counted as a person day, a total of which make up a work opportunity.