



**MINISTRY IN THE PRESIDENCY: WOMEN, YOUTH & PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR ORAL REPLY**

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**Ms N P Sonti (EFF) to ask the Minister in The Presidency for Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities:**

In view of the SA Police Service's crime statistics report over the past 12 months indicating that reported cases of rape are averaging about 10 000 every quarter, and that many of the rapes happen at homes of the victims, what interventions has she put in place to monitor the provision of safe-homes and shelters for victims of rape over the past 12 months?  
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**REPLY:**

The department monitors the implementation of the 6 Pillars of the National Strategic Plan on Gender-Based Violence and Femicide (NSP on GBVF). The Department of Social Development is responsible for Pillar Four (4) on Response, Care, Support and Healing which deals with provision of safe houses, shelters and interim housing.

Based on reports received, we noted that Social Development has funded civil society organisations providing sheltering services; and there has also been funding through the GBVF Response Fund 1. Further the Department of Social Development has a unit that focuses on families

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**Approved by Minister**

**Ms M Nkoana-Mashabane, MP**

**Date:** 12/09/2022



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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

**Yes**, the department has developed an efficient system for monitoring progress and enforcing accountability and compliance with reporting on implementation of the National Strategic Plan on Gender-Based Violence and Femicide (NSP on GBVF). This includes assessment of reports submitted by the Department of Social Development (DSD) and the Department Public Works and Infrastructure (DPWI).

In the 2021/22 financial (FY), both Departments reported that twelve buildings i.e., six (6) in Gauteng and six (6) in the Western Cape, renovated by the Department of Works and Infrastructure (DPWI) were handed over to the Department of Social Development (DSD) to be used as shelters and an interim housing measure.

In partnership with the Saartjie Baartman Women Centre, the Department of Social Development is finalizing the establishment of a Khuseleka One Stop Centre Model in Western Cape.

The Sheltering service plays a fundamental, mitigating role in responding to, and addressing gendered violence.

The Year Two Reflective Report on implementation of the National Strategic Plan on Gender-Based Violence and Femicide (NSP on GBVF) is in progress. The report will provide in-depth information on the progress made in the provision of safe houses, shelters and interim housing.

The response to GBVF has a strong focus on tackling structural drivers of GBVF. The report will also detail the progress in terms of pillar five on economic empowerment of victims and survivors of GBVF.

While we focus on response, care and support, turning the GBVF tide is prevention and rebuilding the social fabric is critical. In order to do so, we have developed a Comprehensive



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National GBVF Prevention Strategy (NCPS) for us to advance towards evidence based prevention efforts.