

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**FOR ORAL REPLY**

**QUESTION 5**

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**5. Mr A M Shaik Emam (NFP) to ask the Minister of Police:**

What measures does he intend to put in place to combat corruption in the SA Police Service, as such corruption is a major hurdle in fighting crime?

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**REPLY:**

The following measures have been put in place to combat corruption in the South African Police Service (SAPS):

- The South African Police Service (SAPS) implemented an Ethics and Anti-Corruption Strategy and the National Instruction 18 of 2019, which contributed to the enhancement of initiatives to prevent and detect, investigate and resolve unethical conduct, fraud and corruption.
- The SAPS Management implemented the SAPS Employment Regulations 2018, the Public Service Regulations 2016 and the Department of Public Service and Administration (DPSA) guidelines on Ethics and Conducting of Remunerative Work Outside Employment, which regulates ethics and Anti-Corruption related matters, within the SAPS.
- The SAPS has various programmes to encourage whistle-blowers to report unethical behaviour, fraud and corruption. Unethical behaviour, fraud and corruption are reported through the Complaints Hotline, Public Service Commission hotline and Crime Stop. The SAPS also implemented a "My SAPS" Application for electronic devices, to enhance reporting.
- The facilitation of ethics and fraud risk assessments were initiated, to determine the relevant risks within the SAPS, so that the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Strategy

and Fraud Prevention Plan can be reviewed and amended, to enhance the mitigation of these risks.

- Ethics advocacy programmes were rolled out to address high risk environments. Numerous video conferences, virtual meetings and face-to-face workshops, were conducted throughout the country. The programme, Integrity at Work, is aimed at institutionalising the values of the organisation, which are contained in the Code of Ethics for the SAPS. Other advocacy programmes include Anti-Corruption Awareness, Leadership Ethics and Work Ethics. The internal communication networks are also used extensively to communicate issues, related to Ethics and Anti-Corruption. Specific articles, such as those pertaining to Conflict of Interest, were published internally.
- In terms of the SAPS National Instruction, 18 of 2019, employees are required to regularly declare the receipt of gifts. This is done to ensure that gifts, donations and sponsorships occur in a controlled environment and to minimise risks and conflicts of interests.
- All SAPS employees are compelled to sign a certificate, annually, to pledge their commitment to the Code of Conduct.
- The institutionalisation of the Code of Conduct has already proven effective as statistics reflected a decrease in cases related to conflict of interest and an increase, in terms of compliance with the Financial Disclosure Framework.
- The SAPS has various investigative units to investigate allegations of corruption and these include a capacity in the Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation (DPCI), the Division: Detective and Forensic Services, The Component: Internal Audit and the Component: Risk and Integrity Management.

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**MINISTER OF POLICE  
GENERAL BHCELE, MP**

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