**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

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**FOR ORAL REPLY**

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**Ms R C Adams (ANC) to ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture:**

What strategic mechanisms has his department put in place to ensure that the critical analysis noted by the Eminent Persons Group Transformation Status Dashboard (details furnished) is conducted in order to inform the effective and efficient creation of an enabling environment for the thriving participation of women in sport? NO1849E

**REPLY**

DSAC has prioritised the Code Specific training as approved by the International Federations and the National Federations for Women and the effects thereof will be visible as from 2020. As a result, rugby, football and cricket’s national women teams at an under 15 and under 17 levels have shown an increase in all provinces as did the number of women coaches and referees.

Following the 2017/18 EPG report in which women‘s position in sport was compared to that of men in 19 sports in Dashboard format, this indicate that funding continues to be a challenge in women sport, the EPG is in the process of compiling a dashboard on women’s position in the 19 sports codes on its own. This will bring sharper focus and a basis for comparison of women in sport annually.

The National Federations that are part of the Eminent Person Group Report (EPG) are required to outline the programmes aimed at addressing the key findings / shortcomings as identified in the EPG Report. These programmes form part of the Business Plans that are submitted for the release of annual funding.

In addition, the Federations sign the Agreements wherein they commit to the self-set targets (Barometer targets). These targets form the basis of continuous engagements on the performance of the identified National Federations.