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**QUESTION 1072**

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**1072. Mrs Steyn (DA) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development:**

1. Whether her department and/or any entity reporting to her paid any funds to SA Development Association (SAFDA) since 2015; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (a) what total amount in each year, (b) under what programme and (c) What was the fully details of the purpose of the funding.
2. whether her department signed any agreements with SAFDA to provide work on behalf of her department; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (a) what are the relevant details of each specified agreement and (b) who is responsible to monitor and evaluate the work provided;
3. whether she will furnish Mrs A Steyn with copies of all agreements between her department and SAFDA; if not, why not: if so, what are the relevant details?                                                                         **NW1300E**

**THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT:**

1. Yes.

(a),(b),(c) Please refer to the table below.

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| **Year** | **Programme** | **Amount R** | **Details** |
| 2015/16 | Recapitalisation &  Development | 64 974 477 | Support to small scale farmers during drought |
| Proactive Land Allocation Strategy (PLAS) | 6 025 523 | Support to PLAS farmers affected by drought |
|  | 3 550 000 | Management fee |
| 2018/19 | Rural Enterprise & Industrial Development | 96 089 280 | Ratoon management |
| 2019/2020 | Restitution | 18 096 000 | Restitution farmers |
| Rural Enterprise & Industrial Development | 36 992 000 | Ratoon management for small scale farmers |
| 2020/21 | Rural Infrastructure Development | 20 937 010 | Rebuilding & operationalisation of Mkhuze Rail siding |
| **Total** | | **R246 664 290.00** |  |

1. Yes.
   1. The Department has an MoU signed on 02 March 2016, as well as a Service Level Agreement also signed on 09 March 2016. The agreements are meant to have provided assistance to small scale farmers/ sugar cane growers with production inputs, as well as the utilisation of machinery, equipment, provision of farm infrastructure, training and mentorship.
   2. The Provincial offices of the Department are responsible for monitoring the implementation.
2. Yes. Please refer to **Annexures A and B**.