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**MINISTER**

**QUESTION NO. 1095 FOR WRITTEN REPLY: NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

A draft reply to **Mr T Z Hadebe (DA)** to the above-mentioned question is enclosed for your consideration.

**MS NOSIPHO NGCABA**

**DIRECTOR-GENERAL**

**DATE:**

**DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED**

**DR B E E MOLEWA, MP**

**MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS**

**DATE:**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**(For written reply)**

**QUESTION NO. 1095 {NW1234E}**

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**Mr T Z Hadebe (DA) to ask the Minister of Environmental Affairs:**

(a) What is the annual income generated from day visitors at each of the entrance gates of Kruger National Park, (b) what number of vehicles enter at each gate annually, (c) how are these monies and vehicle numbers audited and recorded, (d) what number of non-paying vehicles (details furnished) enter at these gates annually, (e) where are the monies with regard to day visitors reflected in the annual financial statements and (f) why were entrance fees not lowered to original levels as promised after a temporary increase during the 2010 Fifa World Cup soccer tournament? NW1234E

**1095. THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS REPLIES:**

**(a)** The Annual Income generated from Day visitors entering through all gates of the Kruger National Park for 2016-17 totalled R120, 772,581.00.

**(b**) The number of vehicles that enter Kruger during the 2016-17 financial year through all of the gates collectively is 539 088

**(c)** Gates are the control point for entering and departing guests accessing the Park by road. Guests arriving by air is recorded at the Conservation Office located at the Skukuza Airport. All guests and vehicles as well as Conservation Fees collected are recorded in an online system (Roomseeker) from where vehicle permits (indicating the number of guests, and approved entry and exit dates) and receipts for monies received are issued. The number of visitors and tourism income forms part of the Predetermined Objectives of SANParks and are accordingly audited by SANParks Internal Audit and the Auditor-General.

**(d)** There is no “vehicle” fee for SANParks. Entrée fees are per person and free entrant persons are recorded.

**(e)** The monies are reflected under Conservation fees in the Annual Financial Statements.

**(f)** Entrance Fees were never specifically (temporarily or otherwise) increased for the 2010 Soccer World Cup.

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