**National Assembly**

**Question No 1140**

**Mr K P Sithole (IFP) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

Whether her department has any programmes in place to assist with conflict resolution within the minibus taxi sector, including between (a) service providers, (b) the public and (c) different spheres and/or entities of government; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details of the (i) impact and (ii) challenges faced by the specified programmes? NW1280E

**REPLY:**

1. The Department is guided by the provisions of the National Land Transport Act No. 5 of 2009 which empowers provinces to take decisions and/or steps to deal with and address any conflict situation. Section 79(2) and 91 of the NLTA empowers MECs to consider a number of interventions and remedial steps, which includes the withdrawal of operating licenses or closure of routes in extra ordinary circumstances of conflict or violence. These powers are legally bestowed to provinces and the Minister may only intervene and exercise any of these powers in consultation with the MEC and relevant planning authorities.
2. Same as in (a) above
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