**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION 1224**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO: 20-2020, DATE OF PUBLICATION 12-06- 2020: “Inkosi B N Luthuli (IFP) to ask the Minister of Sports, Arts and Culture”**

What (a) number of applications has his department received for the Covid-19 relief fund to date, (b) number of these applications have been paid out, (c) is the name of each person who has been paid, (d) number of applications were unsuccessful and (e) are the reasons they were unsuccessful? **NW1531E**

**REPLY:**

1. The total number of applications received is 3 919 (470 Sport and 3449 for Arts and Culture applications)
2. The total number of applications paid is 1 163 (307 Sport and 856 Arts and Culture)
3. List of (Names) of persons who have been paid is attached.
4. The total number of applications that were declined is 1 505 (163 Sport and 1 342 Arts and Culture). Noteworthy is that the adjudication process has not yet been completed.
5. The reasons for unsuccessful applications vary from applicant to applicant. These include:

* Applications received after closing date ( 06/04/2020),
* Applications that did not adhere to the Sport, Arts and Culture Relief Fund criteria,
* Applications that were not related to the Sports and Creatives sector,
* Applicants who have sources of income, employed, have a business,
* Applicants who cannot be confirmed as national athletes, coaches or technical personnel (more appropriate for Provincial Relief),
* No indication of cancelled or postponed events.