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**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

 **PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION NO MISA PQ 2018/123**

**QUESTION MISA PQ 2018/123**

**Ms H S Boshoff (DA) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

(a) What amount of funding was budgeted for the maintenance and repair of (i) roads, (ii) stormwater and (iii) electricity infrastructure in each ward of Lydenburg, Sabie and Graskop in the Thaba Chweu Local Municipality in Mpumalanga in the (aa) 2014-15, (bb) 2015-16 and (cc) 2016-17 financial years and

(b) how much of the budgeted amounts were spent on the maintenance and repair of (aaa) roads, (bbb) stormwater and (ccc) electricity infrastructure in each of the specified financial years?

**REPLY**

A response from Thaba Chweu Local Municipality is narrated here under:

Thaba Chweu Local Municipality doesn’t budget for operation and maintenance per ward, it instead budgets per services sector, such of roads and stormwater, and electricity and its network including street lights that cover all the wards. The three settlements of Lydenburg, Sabie and Graskop fall within wards 1, 2, 3, 7 and 10.

The following is the operation and maintenance budget for each service sector, according to the Municipality, for the financial years (aa) 2014-15, (bb) 2015-16 and (cc) 2016-17.

(a) Budget

(i) and (ii) Roads and stormwater: The adjusted budget for the financial years 2014-15 was R 7,84 Million, 2015-16 was R 10,00 Million, and 2016-17 was R2,61 Million.

(iii) Eletricity: The adjusted budget for the financial years 2014-15 was R6,18 Million, 2015-16 was R8,87 Million, and 2016-17 was R10,83 Million.

(b) Expenditure

(aaa) and (bbb) Roads and stormwater: Reported expenditures for 2014-15 was R2,75 Million, 2015-16 was R2,41 Million, and 2016-17 was R4,37 Million.

(ccc) Electricity: Reported expenditures for 2014-15 was R1,32 Million, 2015-16 was R14,74 Million, and 2016-17 was R9,41 Million.

The budget and actual expenditure report as provided by Thaba Chweu Local Municipality is attached as **Annexure A.**

**ANNEXURE A**

**DETAILED OPERATIONAL BUDGET AND EXPENDITURE FOR 2014/15, 2015/16 AND 2016/17 FINANCIAL YEARS**

