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**1272. Mrs G Opperman (DA) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

(1) (a) Which towns in the Northern Cape do not have walk-in service points of the SA Social Security Agency (SASSA) and (b) what are the reasons in each case;

(2) what (a) are the names and (b) is the number of rural towns in the Republic that still do not have SASSA walk-in offices and/or service points? NW1530E

**REPLY:**

1(a) Annexure A reflects the list of the towns in Northern Cape which do not have SASSA local offices or services points

2. The only provinces which have a SASSA presence in all towns are Eastern Cape and Gauteng. For Eastern Cape, the towns of Bedford, Dimbaza, Adelaid and Sterkstroom had local offices, but these have been converted to periodic mobile services due to very low intake which did not warrant the continuation of the full time services.

For all other provinces, the attached annexures indicate the towns which do not have a fixed presence, with an indication of how those citizens are able to access SASSA services.