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**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NUMBER: 1296**

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**Mr T J Brauteseth (DA) to ask the Minister of Communications:**

(1)(a) What marketing and viewer education campaigns are in place and/or are being contemplated to promote the uptake of government-funded set-top boxes, (b) what is the National Treasury’s approved cost of the specified programmes for the (i) 2016-17, (ii) 2017-18 and (iii) 2018-19 financial years and (c) from which budgets will the costs be paid in each of the specified years; (2)(a) how many households have applied for government-funded set-top boxes in each province since the inception of the programme and (b) how many of the specified households had valid TV licences on application? NW1444E

**REPLY: MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS**

1. (a) Door to door registration campaigns by the Public Awareness team and Mitigation Izimbizo Campaigns.

 (b) (i) 2016-17: R892,000 for Public Awareness, R232,000 for Project Management Office

(ii) 2017-18: R908, 000 for Public Awareness and R241,500 for Management Office

(iii) 2018-19: R5,651,660 for Public Awareness and R1,502,340 for Management Office

(c) The budget is in Programme 3: Industry and Capacity Development, under Sub-Programme Broadcasting Digital Migration Awareness

(2)      (a) as at 30 June 2016

 Northern Cape          = 14 591

            Free State                  = 6, 502

            Limpopo                   = 2, 956

            Mpumalanga             = 508

            **TOTAL                      = 24, 557**

 It should however be noted that there are many completed forms in the post offices waiting to be captured.

(b) The number of specified households that had a valid TV license was

 estimated at 12, 128 up 30 June 2016.

**MR NN MUNZHELELE**

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS**

**DATE:**

**MS AF MUTHAMBI (MP)**

**MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS**

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