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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Dr A Lotriet (DA) to ask the Minister of Communications:**

Whether any entities received funding from the Media Development and Diversity Agency (MDDA) failed to comply with (a) grant funding conditions and/or (b) reporting time frames since the establishment of the MDDA in 2004; if so, what are the relevant details in each such case? NW1499E

**REPLY: MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS**

(a)The general non-compliance issues dealt on a day to day by the Projects Team and as identified through monitoring ranges from

* Valid Tax Clearance Certificate (common amongst the Non-Governmental Organisations that drive the Community Radio and Community Television Sectors), to
* Late reporting due to change in leadership and other community dynamics that impact of the organisational work, and
* Mismanagement of approved funds, through allocating funds to line items that are not in the grant funding agreement, without sourcing necessary approval from the Agency.

(b)Reporting timeframes on all MDDA funded projects since its establishment are linked to and guided by the tranches allocated to each project. Each project is expected to submit a report after spending occurs on each tranche allocated.

The following table provides details of project non-compliance since 2004.

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| **Project Name** | | **Additional Comments & Action** |
|  | | **2004/05 Financial Year** |
| Vukani Community Radio | | Balance remaining on the contract due to under spending (balance to be written back) |
| Takalani Community Radio | | Contract extended and 2nd tranche report is under review. |
| Eastern Cape Community Radio Hub (NCRF) | | Balance remaining on the contract due to under spending (balance to be written back) |
|  | | **2005/06 Financial Year** |
| Barberton CR | | Contract expired due to lack of reporting as a result of ongoing management changes (balance to be written back) |
| Newcastle CR | | Contract expired due to lack of reporting as a result of ongoing management changes (balance to be written back) |
| Thetha /Orange Farm FM | | Contract expired due to lack of reporting (balance to be written back) |
| Mokopane CR | | Balance remaining on the contract due to under spending (balance to be written back) |
|  | | **2006/07 Financial Year** |
| Bushbuckridge CR | | Contract expired. Savings from under spending. To be written back |
| Radio Sunny South | | Contract expired due to lack of reporting as a result of ongoing management changes (balance to be written back) |
| Alex FM | | Contract expired due to lack of reporting as a result of ongoing management changes (balance to be written back) |
| Alfred Nzo CR | | Contract expired due to lack of reporting as a result of ongoing management changes (balance to be written back) |
| Essentials of Newspaper Management (SPI) | | To be written back |
| Exchange Program | | To be written back |
|  | | **2007/08 Financial Year** |
| Ekhephini CR | | Contract expired due to lack of reporting. To be written back |
| Maputaland CR | | Contract expired due to lack of reporting. To be written back |
| Tubatse CR | | Contract expired due to lack of reporting. To be written back |
| Kasie Fm/Kathorus CR | | Contract expired due to lack of reporting. To be written back |
| Makhado FM | | Contract expired due to lack of reporting. To be written back |
| Botlokwa CR | | Tax clearance issues resolved, contract extended and payment of remaining balance is in process. |
| Shine FM | | Contract expired due to lack of reporting. To be written back |
| Zululand CR | | Contract expired due to lack of reporting. To be written back |
|  | | **2008/09 Financial Year** |
| Khanya College (Print) | | Contract expired, project experienced TCC compliance challenges. |
| Moletjie (Program Production) | | Contract savings. To be written back. |
| Mohodi CR (Program Production) | | Delays in reporting, contract renewed and implementation underway |
| Voice of Tembisa CR (Program Production) | | Contract expired, project experienced TCC compliance challenges. To be written back |
| Alfred Nzo (Program Production) | | Contract expired, project experienced TCC compliance challenges. To be written back |
| Cape Town TV, (CTV) | | Contract expired, project experienced TCC compliance challenges. Discussions underway to review TCC progress |
| Bay TV-KZN, (CTV) | | Contract expired, project experienced reporting challenges. To be written back |
| Bush Radio | | Contract expired, project experienced TCC compliance challenges. To be written back |
| Franschoek CR | | Contract expired, project experienced TCC compliance challenges. To be written back |
| Graaf Reinet CR | | Contract expired, project experienced reporting challenges. To be written back |
| Forte CR | | Contract expired, project experienced TCC compliance challenges. To be written back |
| Star FM | | Contract expired, project experienced TCC compliance challenges. To be written back |
| Thabazimbi CR | | Contract expired, project experienced reporting challenges. To be written back |
| Umgungundlovu CR Mentor | | Contract expired, project experienced reporting challenges. To be written back |
|  |  | **2009/10 Financial Year** |
| Behind the Mask (Print) | | Delayed reporting due to compliance challenges. The project has been written back. |
| Cape Flats/Maraly Honikman – Mentor (Print) | | The project was written back. |
| Bushbuckridge CR, (Program Production) | | Contract savings. To be written back |
| ABC Ulwazi, (Program Production) | | ABC Ulwazi went into liquidation. Discussions currently underway with the liquidators to finalise the matter. |
| Zibonele CR (Program Production) | | Delayed reporting due to compliance to be submitted for write back |
| TUT (Program Production) | | Tax clearance issues resolved and contract has expired. Contract extension underway. |
| Moletjie CR (Program Production) | | Contract savings. To be written back |
| Eden FM | | Delayed reporting due to compliance .To be submitted for write back |
| Radio Gamkaland | | Delayed reporting due to compliance .To be submitted for write back |
| Radio Unique | | Delayed reporting due to compliance .To be submitted for write back |
| Lukhanji FM | | Delayed reporting due to compliance .To be submitted for write back |
|  |  | **2010/11 Financial Year** |
| Proudly Manenberg (Print) | | Delayed reporting due to compliance to be submitted for write back |
| Satyagraha (Print) | | Delayed reporting due to compliance to be submitted for write back |
| Zenzele Community Media (Print) | | Delayed reporting due to compliance to be submitted for write back |
| AIDC/Amandla Publishes (Print) | | Delayed reporting due to compliance to be submitted for write back |
| Takalani CR (Program Production) | | Tax clearance issues resolved, contract extended and 2nd tranche report is underway. |
| Radio Turf (Program Production) | | Delayed reporting due to compliance to be submitted for write back |
| Zebediela FM (Program Production) | | Delayed reporting due to compliance to be submitted for write back |
| Move To Music (Program Production) | | Delayed reporting due to compliance to be submitted for write back |
| Rhodes Music Radio (Program Production) | | Delayed reporting due to compliance to be submitted for write back. |
| Vukani CR | | Contract savings. To be submitted for write back |
| Cosatu Archives | | Delayed reporting due to changes in the project team. To be submitted for write back |
|  |  | **2012/13 Financial Year** |
| Mmegadikgang | | Compliance issues, remaining amount to be written back |
| Botlokwa CR | | Tax clearance issues resolved and contract drafting underway  Project Number is incorrect – this is a new programme production project |
| Star FM | | Tax clearance issues un-resolved. Project Number is incorrect – this is a new programme production project |
|  | | **2013/14 Financial Year** |
| Greater Alex today (Print) | | Contract has expired. |

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