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**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 1577**

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**1577. Ms A Steyn (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:**

(1) How many (a) police stations serve the Joe Gqabi District Municipality in the Eastern Cape, (b) police officers are employed in each of the specified stations, (c) vehicles are assigned to each specified station and (d) vehicles are in a functioning condition at each specified police station;

(2) whether any suspects escaped from police holding cells at each of the specified stations (a) in (i) 2011, (ii) 2012, (iii) 2013, (iv) 2014 and (v) 2015 and (b) from 1 January 2016 up to the latest specified date for which information is available; if so, (i) how many suspects escaped in each of the specified stations in each of the specified years and (ii) what were the specified suspects apprehended for in each case;

(3) whether any of the suspects who escaped were apprehended again; if not, why not; if so, after how long?

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**REPLY:**

1. The South African Police Service is not structured according to the District Municipalities but according to Clusters and Police Stations. The tables below depict the actual personnel that worked at each of the specified stations, the allocated police vehicles and the condition of those vehicles:

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| **Joe Gqabi District Municipality** | |
| **(a) Police Station** | **(b) Total Actual Personnel** |
|
| Aliwal North | 130 |
| Burgersdorp | 60 |
| Elands Height | 15 |
| Floukraal | 15 |
| Jamestown | 33 |
| Katkop | 43 |
| Maclear | 44 |
| Maletswayi | 55 |
| Mbizeni | 21 |
| Mount Fletcher | 110 |
| Steynsburg | 35 |
| Tabase | 29 |
| Ugie | 45 |
| Venterstad | 41 |
| Zamuxolo | 28 |

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| **Joe Gqabi District Municipality** | | | | | | | | |
| **STATION** | **Total Actual Vehicles** | **Vehicles Recommended for board** | | | **Vehicles in Workshop** | | **Grand Total** | |
| Aliwal North | 25 | 2 | | | 13 | | **40** | |
| Burgersdorp | 15 | 2 | | | 4 | | **21** | |
| Elands Height | 5 |  | | |  | | **5** | |
| Floukraal | 2 |  | | | 2 | | **4** | |
| Jamestown | 8 | 1 | | | 3 | | **12** | |
| Katkop | 13 |  | | |  | | **13** | |
| Maclear | 8 | 3 | | | 6 | | **17** | |
| Maletswayi | 11 | 1 | | | 3 | | **15** | |
| Mbizeni | 9 |  | | |  | | **9** | |
| Mount Fletcher | 31 | 1 | | |  | | **32** | |
| Steynsburg | 5 |  | | | 4 | | **9** | |
| Tabase | 11 |  | | |  | | **11** | |
| Ugie | 3 | 1 | | | 8 | | **12** | |
| Venterstad | 5 |  | | | 3 | | **8** | |
| Zamuxolo | 7 |  | | |  | | **7** | |
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(2)(a)(i) Yes

(2)(a)(ii) Yes

(2)(a)(iii) Yes

(2)(a)(iv) Yes

(2)(a)(v) Yes

(2)(b) Yes, from 1 January 2016 to 30 April 2016

(2)(b)(i)

| **Year** | **Police Station** | **Number of escapees** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 2011 | Burgersdorp | 2 |
| Jamestown | 1 |
| Maclear | 5 |
| 2012 | Burgersdorp | 1 |
| Maclear | 8 |
| 2013 | Burgesdorp | 5 |
| Maclear | 5 |
| Ugie | 5 |
| 2014 | Aliwal North | 2 |
| Burgersdorp | 5 |
| Maclear | 6 |
| Mount Fletcher | 3 |
| Mount Fletcher | 1 |
| Ugie | 4 |
| 1 January 2016 to 30 April 2016 | Not applicable | None |

(2)(b)(ii)

| **Year** | **Police Station** | **Reason for apprehension** | |
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|  | | **Charge** | **CAS** |
| 2011 | Burgersdorp | Murder | CAS 90/05/2011 |
| Jamestown | Burglary at business | CAS 25/01/2011 |
| Maclear | Armed Robbery; Theft of motor vehicle; Rape | CAS 67/08/2011; CAS 152/03/2011 |
| Maclear | Car Hijacking | CAS 39/07/2011 |
| 2012 | Burgersdorp | Murder | CAS 58/05/2012 |
| Maclear | Armed Robbery; Possession of presume stolen property; Assault GBH; Housebreaking and theft | CAS 152/03/2011; CAS 126/12/2011; CAS 5/04/2012;  CAS 129/06/2012 |
| 2013 | Burgersdorp | Robbery; Assault GBH | CAS 113/12/2013; CAS 131/12/2013 |
| Maclear | Robbery; Possession of presumed stolen property; Murder; Housebreaking and theft | CAS 2/08/2013;  CAS 65/05/2013;  CAS 51/07/2013;  CAS 79/04/2013 |
| Ugie | Robbery ; Murder; House Robbery | CAS 80/10/2012; CAS 81/09/2013; CAS 13/11/2013; CAS 22/05/2013 |
| 2014 | Aliwal North | Shoplifting | CAS 129/05/2014 |
| Aliwal North | Theft | CAS 74/08/2014 |
| Burgersdorp | Assault GBH | CAS 81/11/2014 |
| Maclear | Robbery and Rape; Murder and Rape; Rape; Possession of unlicensed firearm | CAS 22/03/2014; CAS 57/07/2013; CAS 2/01/2014; CAS 4/01/2014 |
| Mount Fletcher | Stock Theft | CAS 131/10/2013 |
| Mount Fletcher | Theft of copper | CAS 90/03/2014 |
| Mount Fletcher | Housebreaking and theft | CAS 2/01/2015 |
| 1 Jan to 30 April 2016 | None | Not applicable | Not applicable |

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| **Year** | **Police Station** | **Suspect apprehended again; if not, why not; if so after how long** |
| 2011 | Burgersdorp | Yes, within 3 days |
| Jamestown | Yes, within 24 hours |
| Maclear | Yes, 1 within 48 hours and 3 within 3 years |
| Maclear | No, police are still tracing the escapee |
| 2012 | Burgersdorp | Yes, within 48 hours |
| Maclear | Yes, 4 within a week and 3 within 5 months |
| 2013 | Burgersdorp | Yes, 4 within 48 hours and 1 within 2 months |
| Maclear | Yes, 1 within 5 days and 1 within 2 years, police are still tracing the other 3 escapees. |
| Ugie | Yes, 4 within 24 hours and 1 within 2 months |
| 2014 | Aliwal North | Yes, within 24 hours |
| Aliwal North | Yes, within 48 hours |
| Burgersdorp | Yes, within 3 days |
| Maclear | Yes, 4 within 6 days and 2 within a month |
| Mount Fletcher | Yes, within 5 months |
| Mount Fletcher | Yes, 1 within 7 months and 1 within 8 months |
| Mount Fletcher | Yes, within 6 days |
| 1 January to 30 April 2016 | None | Not applicable |