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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Mr N K Sharif (DA) to ask the Minister in The Presidency for Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities:**

In each of the past four financial years, what (a) amount was spent on (i) technical assistance interventions and (ii) training by the National Youth Development Agency (NYDA), (b) number of small and medium enterprises (SMEs) were (i) assisted through technical interventions and (ii) trained by NYDA, (c) number of jobs were created by the specified SMEs and (d) number of the SMEs still exist and are still trading?    NW2903E

**REPLY:**

**SMEs assisted through technical interventions and trained**

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| **Description** | **2015/2016** | **2016/2017** | **2017/2018** | **2018/2019** | **TOTAL** |
| No. of SME’s assisted through technical assistance | 7975 | 12 170 | 14 513 | 17 711 | **52 369** |
| SME’s trained | 7665 | 9367 | 7295 | 6231 | **30 558** |
| Amount spent on technical assistance | R1 769 000 | R17 182 000 | R6 878 000 | R8 388 000 | **R34 217 000** |
| Amount spent on training | R6 936 000 | R8 398 000 | R5 234 000 | R4 770 000 | **R25 338 000** |
| Jobs created through technical intervention | 959 | 1990 | 1698 | 4192 | **8839** |

The NYDA conducts repaid assessments every two years and has done two on its entrepreneurship programs. In rapid assessment 1, 72% of businesses were sustainable post two years after technical assistance. In rapid assessment 2, 100% of businesses were sustainable post two years after technical assistance.