**NationalAssembly**

**Question No: 1724**

**1724. Mr T B Mabhena (DA) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

Whether his department has distributed any sanitisers to (a) taxi associations and/or (b) taxi ranks throughout the Republic; if so, (i) what total number of sanitisers, (ii) at what total cost to his department and (iii) how long does he envisage the specified programme will last? NW2114E

**REPLY**

1. **The Department has not distributed any sanitizers directly to taxi associations and taxi ranks.** To assist Provincial Authorities the Department procured and delivered the below listed quantities of sanitizer bottles and refills during April 2020 and May 2020. All items procured were delivered and handed over to Provincial Offices for distribution. National Treasury has approved and mandated Provinces and Local Authorise to utilise a percentage of allocated Grant Funding to procure PPE’s for the transport industry. As such procurement of masks and other PPE’s are done at provincial and local level.
2. Sanitizers 1litre refillable bottles for each taxi for use by drive and passengers- 153 257 delivered and paid.

Sanitisers 20 litre refill-2609 delivered and paid.

(ii) Sanitisers 1litre refillable bottles for each taxi for use by driver and passengers- total cost was

R4 616 634.72 (R29.84 per unit)

Sanitisers 20litre refill- total cost was R3 988 620.00 (R1 661,93 for 20 litre)

(iii) The Department’s programme was an initial (during level 5 lockdown) assistance, as to assist

Provicial Authorities National Treasury has mandated Provinces and Local Authorities to utilise a percentage of allocated Grant Funding to procure PPE’s for the transport industry. As such ongoing procurement and implementation of the programme is done at provincial and local level