# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 1839**

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**Ms H Ismail (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:**

(1) What (a) is the total amount incurred by his department from tender irregularities with regard to the procurement of personal protective equipment that are currently being investigated by the Special Investigating Unit (SIU), (b) is the breakdown of the irregularities investigated in each province and (c) is the total irregular expenditure investigated by the SIU that has been returned to his department;

(2) whether any (a) officials, (b) companies and/or (c) businessmen have been charged with and/or held accountable for such tender irregularities, fraud and corruption; if not, why not; if so, (i) who has been charged and/or held accountable and (ii) what is the breakdown of the persons charged in each province in his department?

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**REPLY:**

**NATIONAL DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

1. (a) No tender irregularities with regard to the procurement of personal protective equipment was recorded in the National Department of Health.

(b) and (c) Not applicable.

1. (a), (b), (c) Not applicable.

**EASTERN CAPE**

1. (a) No tender irregularity findings have been reported to the department to date.

(b) and (c) Not applicable.

1. (a), (b), (c) Not applicable.

**FREE STATE**

1. (a) No tender irregularities with regard to the procurement of personal protective equipment were found and/or investigated by the Special Investigating Unit (SIU).

(b) and (c) Not applicable.

1. (a), (b), (c) Not applicable.

**GAUTENG**

1. (a) The Department incurred costs to the value of R2,394,514,261.70 (Two billion three hundred ninety-four million five hundred fourteen thousand two hundred sixty-one rand and seventy cents) for procurement of goods relating to PPE.

(b) The SIU is performing the said investigation by order of the President in terms of Presidential Proclamation R23 of 23 July 2020. As soon as the report are made readily available a determination will be made available.

(c) The SIU is performing the said investigation by order of the President in terms of Presidential Proclamation R23 of 23 July 2020. As soon as the report are made readily available a determination will be made available.

1. (a) , (b) and (c)

Officials and other persons have been charged pertaining to the SIU investigation. The SIU is performing the said investigation by order of the President in terms of Presidential Proclamation R23 of 23 July 2020, the SIU reports directly to the President and for that reason, any questions pertaining to the SIU investigation should be addressed to the Presidency.

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**KWAZULU-NATAL**

1. (a) R86,064,628.50 (Eighty-six million and sixty-four thousand six hundred and twenty-eight rand and fifty cents).

(b) Not applicable.

(c) None.

1. (a), (b), (c) None. Special Investigating Unit (SIU) started investigations in June 2021. The investigation is currently still on-going.

**LIMPOPO**

1. (a) R240 000 (Two hundred and forty thousand rand) has been found to be irregular expenditure.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) None

1. (a) Four officials are undergoing disciplinary processes.

(b) and (c) None.

**MPUMALANGA**

1. (a) The total amount paid by the Department for tender irregularities is amounting to R18,863,628.50 (Eighteen million eight hundred sixty-three thousand six hundred twenty-eight rand and fifty cents), as investigated by Special Investigating Unit (SIU).

(b) The Department is still awaiting the Final Investigation Report from SIU for the period from August 2020 to 31 March 2021.

(c) There was no amount recovered from the above tender irregularities as there was no element of fraud identified however, there were non-compliance during the procurement processes.

1. (a) Department has suspended two senior officials relating to the same tender irregularities.

(b) and (c) None.

**NORTHERN CAPE**

1. (a) R77,558,766.53 (Seventy-seven million five hundred fifty-eight thousand seven hundred sixty-six rand and fifty-three cents) are still being investigated for any irregularities.

(b) The breakdown of transactions under investigation are as follows:

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| **No.** | **Supplier name** | **Total amount** |
| 1. | DNS Supplies | 528 195,00 |
| 2 | C-Med Medicals | 7 447 681,00 |
| 3 | Revolt Headboy | 2 947 200,00 |
| 4 | Asijiki Sound Bytes | 13 918 100,00 |
| 5 | Macronym 37 (Pty) Ltd | 26 960 025,00 |
| 6 | MKV Investments | 16 906 667,50 |
| 7 | Logan Medical | 8 850 898,03 |
| **Grand total** | | **R77,558,766.53** |

(c) Investigation is still in progress.

1. (a) On 23rd August 2021, the former Acting Head of Department and the Chief Financial Officer were arrested by the HAWKS.

(b) and (c) None.

**NORTH WEST**

1. (a) None.

(b) and (c) Not applicable.

1. (a), (b), (c) Not applicable.

**WESTERN CAPE**

1. (a) None.

(b) and (c) Not applicable.

(2) (a), (b) , (c) Not applicable.

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