# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 1880**

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**Dr H C Volmink (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:**

Since 1 January 2015, has his department installed generators at any of (a) its offices or (b) the offices of the entities reporting to him as a result of load shedding; if so, what is the total cost of the (i) installation and (ii) running of these generators?

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**REPLY:**

**CIVITAS BUILDING:**

(i) No. The National Department of Health has not installed any generator since 1 January 2015.

(ii) The existing generator installation costs were included in the overall major upgrading of the building four which was completed in 2010. The running costs are included in the monthly rental payment to Public Works.

**Forensic Chemistry Laboratories buildings (4)**

(i) No generators were installed at the three forensic chemistry laboratories ( Pretoria; Johannesburg and Cape Town) since 1st January 2015.. The National Department of Health has not installed any generator since 1 January 2015.

A new generator has been installed at the newly operational Forensic Chemistry Laboratory in Durban (85 Magwaza Maphalala street) on 31 March 2015 at a cost of R294,120.00 as a standard feature for any of our forensic laboratories.

(ii) The maintenance costs are included in the monthly rental payment to the Department of Public Works.

**Medical Bureau for Occupational Disease (MBOD) /Compesation Commissioner for Occupational Diseases (CCOD)**

(i) No. The National Department of Health has not installed any generator since at the MBOD/ CCOD building since 1 January 2015.

(ii) The generator installation costs were included in the overall major upgrading of the building four which was completed in 2007. The running costs are included in the monthly rental payment to Public Works.

**PUBLIC ENTITIES:**

**The South African Medical Research Council**

(i) In the process of replacing the generator at an estimated cost of R1 500 000.00.

(ii) There is no actual fuel consumption data to provide cost nor associated maintenance cost as the installation has not been started. The specifications for fuel consumption for the generator that will be installed are 199 g/kwh to 206 g/kwh at 100% capacity.

**The Council for Medical Schemes**

(i) In the current year the old generator was replaced at a total cost of R569, 621. The amount includes a trade in / rebate amount on the old generator set.

The Council for Medical Schemes has a service level agreement with the supplier to test and maintain the generator at a contractual rate. Actual running costs of the generator for the period 1 January 2015 to 30 May 2015, including total cost paid to the supplier for servicing and replacing parts amounts to R19, 618. R27, 221 was spent on diesel. (The estimated running costs of diesel are estimated at R1, 575 per load shedding event.)

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