# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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**Ms N N Chirwa (EFF) to ask the Minister of Health:**

(a) How is his department planning to match the increase of approximately 300 beds at the George Mukhari Hospital with an increase in the number of medical staff to care for the extra patients, (b) by what number of beds has his department increased the bed-capacity in each province and (c) what number of healthcare workers have been added to provide for the increased bed-capacity in each province?

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**REPLY:**

1. The Department is planning to increase the number of medical staff to care for the extra patients to match the increase of approximately 300 beds at Dr George Mukhari Academic Hospital. The information regarding the breakdown of the medical staff that will be employed to care for the extra patients is attached as **(annexure A)**.
2. The total numbers of increased bed capacity in each province is as shown in the table below:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Province** | 1. **Normal Capacity beds** | | 1. **Additional beds capacity** | |
|  | **Non-ICU beds** | **ICU beds** | **Non-ICU beds** | **ICU beds** |
| EC | 12 777 | 410 | 10260 | 1796 |
| FS | 6 573 | 235 | 5586 | 477 |
| GP | 30 152 | 2343 | 22819 | 3204 |
| KZN | 26 358 | 1092 | 19524 | 1668 |
| LP | 7 905 | 113 | 6338 | 938 |
| MP | 6 848 | 203 | 4768 | 753 |
| NW | 4 624 | 187 | 4273 | 748 |
| NC | 2 239 | 42 | 1378 | 189 |
| WC | 11 327 | 991 | 9209 | 868 |
| Sub Totals | 108 803 | 5616 | 84155 | 10641 |
| **Total** | **114419** | | **94796** | |

1. The breakdown of the total number of healthcare workers that have been added to provide for the increased bed capacity in each province is attached as **(Annexure B)**

END.