**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 1907**

**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER [No 20-2018 FIFTH PARLIAMENT]**

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**1907. Dr P J Groenewald (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Rural Development and Land Reform:**

1. Whether all members of the senior management service (SMS) in her department had declared their interests for the past year as required by the Public Service Regulations; if not, (a) why not, (b) how many of the specified members did not declare their interests and (c) what are the (i) names and (ii) ranks of the specified noncompliant members of the SMS;
2. whether noncompliant SMS members have been charged; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;

(3) what number (a) of employees in her department at each post level are currently suspended on full salary and (b) of the specified employees at each post level have been suspended for the specified number of days (details furnished);

(4) what is the total amount of cost attached to the days of service lost as a result of the suspensions in each specified case? **NW2064E**

**THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND LAND REFORM:**

1. Yes.

 (a),(b),(c)(i),(ii) Falls away.

(2) Falls away.

(3) (a),(b)

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| **Level** | **6** | **6** | **8** | **8** | **10** | **12** | **13** | **14** | **14** | **14** | **15** | **Total** |
| **No** | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | **11** |
| **Days** | 245 | 120 | 245 | 244 | 30 | 545 | 395 | 365 | 306 | 120 | 360 | **2975** |

(4) R6 098 857.39 as at 31 May 2018. Please refer to the table below.

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|  | **SALARY LEVEL** | **TYPE OF MISCONDUCT** | **DAYS OF SUSPENSION** | **INDIVIDUAL COST OF SUSPENSION** |
| **2016/17** | 12 | Irregularities in the handling of projects | 545 | R994 114.98 |
| **2017/18** | 13 | Theft | 395 | R980 415.75 |
| 14 | Irregularities in the handling of projects | 365 | R1 043 370.60 |
| 15 | Irregularities in the handling of projects | 360 | R1 269 986.76 |
| 14 | Irregularities in the handling of projects | 306 | R758 388.30 |
| 6 | Fraud | 245 | R138 168.00 |
| 8 | Fraud | 245 | R203 494.00 |
| 8 | Soliciting money from clients | 244 | R196 184.00 |
| 6 | Harassment of a conveyancer | 120 | R68 923.00 |
| 14 | Prejudicing the administration, discipline and efficiency of the Department | 120 | R404 825.00 |
| **2018/19** | 10 | Fraud | 30 | R40 987.00 |