

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 2112**

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**2112. Ms S J Graham (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:**

- (1) (a) On what date was the sewerage system for the SA Police Service (SAPS) Station in Graaff-Reinet, Eastern Cape (i) built and (ii) last maintained and/or repaired, (b) what number of the holding cells are affected by the overflowing toilet system and (c) what impact has the overflow of the toilets had on those who are held overnight in the cell block;
- (2) whether he has found that there are sufficient toilets for the (a) public and (b) SAPS members at the specified police station; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether there are any plans to upgrade the toilet system at the police station; if not, why not; if so, what (a) is the budget and (b) are the time frames?

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**REPLY:**

- (1)(a)(i) The sewerage system for the South African Police Service (SAPS) Station, in Graaff-Reinet, Eastern Cape, was built in 1976.
- (1)(a)(ii) It was last repaired/maintained, on 7 July 2021.
- (1)(b) No holding cells are affected by the overflowing toilet system, however, there is not an adequate flushing system, due to parts not being available for the current sewerage system, as the system is old and outdated.
- (1)(c) No persons can currently be detained in three of the holding cells due to the matter reflected in paragraph (1)(b), above.
- (2)(a)(b) Yes, there are sufficient toilets for the public and SAPS members at the police station.

(3) Yes, there is an urgent need for a complete upgrade of the sewerage system.

(3)(a) It is expected to amount to more than R100 000,00 for the upgrade to be done.


(3)(b) It will be done in the 2022/2023 financial year.

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