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 **Memorandum from the Parliamentary Office**

**National Assembly: 2178**

Please find attached a response to Parliamentary Questionfor***written reply*** asked**byMr N Singh (IFP)** to ask the **Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy**

**Mr. Jacob Mbele**

**Deputy Director General: Energy Programmes and Projects**

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**Adv. T.S Mokoena**

**Director General: Department of Mineral Resources and Energy**

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**Mr. S.G Mantashe**

**Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy**

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**2178. Mr N Singh (IFP) to ask the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy:**

(1) What total number of households (a)(i) nationally and (ii) provincially have benefited from the Integrated National Electrification Programme (INEP) over the past five financial years and (b) who initially benefited from infrastructure under the mixed development category, no longer qualify for subsidisation of INEP and free basic electricity;

(2) what is (a) total number of electricity meters have been installed under the INEP programme in the past financial year and (b) total amount is still outstanding for the installation of the electricity meters? NW2742E

**Reply:**

1. (a)

(i) The total number of households electrified over the past five financial years is 1,266,240.

 (ii) Provincial breakdown of number of indigent households electrified in last 5 years:



(b) The Mixed Developer Policy Guideline was introduced in October 2018. Before this date, all applications received by the Department on mixed developer projects were treated as normal Bulk and Households applications. Funding for infrastructure under the mixed development category is provided for on a pro-rata basis based on the percentange consumption of indegent customers within the development. If the percentage power consumption of indegent customers within the development is 70% and above, the bulk infrastructure qualifies for fullfunding through the INEP Grant.

All indigent customers qualify for free basic electricity as per the Free Basic Electricity policy.

(2)

(a) A total of 214 517 households were electrified in the past financial and these households have electricity meters installed.

(b) No outstanding meter installations have been reported by our electrification programme implementing agents (Eskom and Municipalities).