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**Ms H S Winkler (DA) to ask the Minister of Tourism:**

How does her department monitor recipients of the Green Tourism Incentive Programme to ensure that the funds allocated by her department are being utilised in terms of the specified programme? NW2605E

**REPLY:**

Implementation progress of the Green Tourism Incentive Programme (GTIP) is monitored on a quarterly basis through quarterly implementation reports submitted by the Industrial Development Corporation (IDC) as the Department’s implementation partner for the GTIP, as well as quarterly Project Steering Committee meetings led by the Department.

Recipients of the GTIP that have concluded grant agreements and commenced installation are monitored through site visits conducted by officials from both the Department and the IDC. In addition, auditors that form part of the GTIP panel of resource efficiency assessors appointed by the IDC are contracted to audit energy and water consumption in the first 12 months after installation to verify actual efficiency improvements and saving against projected targets.