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**Mr C Mackenzie (DA) to ask the Minister of Telecommunications and Postal Services:**

(a) How will the R270 million allocated to the broadband sub-programme in the Information and Communications Technology infrastructure support programme be spent in the 2015-16 financial year, (b) what tenders have been invited for the projects to be funded by this sub-programme and (c)(i) on what date were the tenders published and (ii) what is the number of the Government Gazette in which the tenders were published?

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**REPLY:**

I have been advised by the Department as follows:-

1. R 21 million has been allocated for Broadband Planning; and

R 200 million has been allocated for South Africa Connect.

The department will be buying services for the 8 identified districts from a service provider.

(b) No tenders have been issued for the implementation of the programme.

(c) N/A