

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO 2364**

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**2364. Ms A Steyn (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

With reference to her reply to question 1023 on 5 July 2016, (a) how many boreholes did her department (i) drill, (ii) repair and/or (iii) upgrade since 1 October 2015, (b) what is the exact GPS location of each of the specified boreholes, (c) what were the costs of (i) drilling per meter and/or (ii) refurbishment in each case and (d) was water found at each of the boreholes? NW2699E

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**REPLY:**

(a) A total of 626 boreholes were drilled and a total of 519 Repaired/Upgraded/Refurbished (refer to table 1 below for details).

(b) Refer to **Annexure A** for the GPS location of each specified borehole.

(c)(i) The cost were from R 250 - R 1 455 depending on geological formation and other variables.

(c)(ii) The cost of refurbishment in each case was R 53, 6 million.

(d) No, water was found in all the boreholes excerpt for a few cases in KwaZulu-Natal (KZN).

 **Table 1. List of boreholes per province including costs:**

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| **Province** | 1. **Number of Boreholes**
 | **Costs (Rands)** | **(d)****Water Found** |
|  | **(i) Drilled** | **(ii)Repaired** | **(i) Per m drilled** | **(ii) Refurbished** |  |
| **Eastern Cape** | 14 | 11 |  | R 20,4 M | Yes |
| **Western Cape** | - | - | - | - | - |
| **Northern Cape** | 23 | 47 | R750-R 1455 | R 21,7M | Yes |
| **North West** | 322 | 105 | R320 |  | Yes |
| **Gauteng** | - | - | - | - | - |
| **Limpopo** | - | - | - | - | - |
| **Mpumalanga** | 8 | 40 | R 900 | R 4,0M | Yes |
| **KZN** | 188 | 281 | R 250 –R350 | R 7,5M | Yes |
| **Freestate** | 71 | 35 | R 711 |  | Yes |
| **TOTALS:** | **626** | **513** |  | **R 53,6 M** |  |

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