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**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 2419**

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**Ms N N Chirwa (EFF) to ask the Minister of Higher Education, Science and Innovation:**

Noting the ongoing crisis in relation to student accommodation, (a) what total number of projects are currently underway that are facilitated and/or paid for by his department to provide sufficient accommodation for students in higher education and (b) which institutions are included in the specified projects?

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**REPLY:**

There are currently 76 student housing projects underway. The total funding allocated to these projects amount to R4.547 billion which is made of R3.842 billion from the Infrastructure and Efficiency Grant (IEG), R523 million from the Budget Facility for Infrastructure (BFI), and R182 million from the Sibusiso Bengu Development Grant. From the total funding of R4.547 billion, 56% (R2.544) billion went to the 8 institutions under the Sibusiso Bengu Development Programme. These universities constitute 31% of the total number of public universities in the country.

The institutions involved in these projects are as listed below:

* Cape Peninsula University of Technology
* Central University of Technology
* Durban University of Technology
* Mangosuthu University of Technology
* Nelson Mandela University
* North-West University
* Rhodes University
* Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University
* Stellenbosch University
* Tshwane University of Technology
* University of Fort Hare
* University of Johannesburg
* University of KwaZulu-Natal
* University of Limpopo
* University of Pretoria
* University of the Western Cape
* University of Venda
* University of Zululand
* Vaal University of Technology
* Walter Sisulu University