# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 2420**

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**Mr P A van Staden (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Health:**

Whether he will furnish Mr P A van Staden with the (a) total number of (i) state mortuaries and (ii) state crematoriums in each province and (b) names, (c) locations and (d) maximum capacity of each specified facility; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? **NW2770E**

**REPLY:**

(a) (i) Table 1 below indicate the response.

Table 1:

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| **Province**  | **Total Number of state mortuaries** |
| **Eastern Cape** | 22 |
| **Free State** | 11 |
| **KwaZulu Natal** | 25 |
| **Gauteng** | 11 |
| **Limpopo** | 12 |
| **Mpumalanga** | 20 |
| **Northern Cape** | 11 |
| **Northwest** | 7 |
| **Western Cape** | 17 |
| **National**  | **136** |

(ii) There are no crematoriums operated by the state, as state hospitals do not cremate corpses on site. From the information received from Provinces, Persons that pass on in hospitals are transferred to private mortuaries or crematoriums by family members, and other human remains such as stillborn babies are disposed off as anatomical waste and the disposal thereof is handled as part of the health risk waste contracts outsourced to various private companies in all 9 (nine) provinces.

(b)(c)(d) Names, locations and capacity of state mortuaries are attached as ***Annexure*** ***A.***

**ANNEXURE A**

**State Mortuaries Names, locations and capacity are reflected below**

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| **EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE** |
|  | **Facility(b)** | **Town(c)** | **Capacity(d)** |
| 1 | New Brighton | New Brighton  | 60 |
| 2 | Mount Road | Mount Road | 44 |
| 3 | Gelvandale | Gelvandale  | 18 |
| 4 | Grahamstown | Grahamstown  | 48 |
| 5 | Graaff-Reinet | Graaff -Reinet | 40 |
| 6 | Woodbrook | Woodbrook  | 35 |
| 7 | Mdantsane | Mdantsane  | 33 |
| 8 | Bizana | Bizana | 12 |
| 9 | Butterworth | Butterworth  | 32 |
| 10 | Bhisho | Bhisho | 12 |
| 11 | Queenstown  | Queenstown  | 32 |
| 12 | Adelaide  | Adelaide | 9 |
| 13 | Aliwal North | Aliwal North  | 32 |
| 14 | Middelburg | Middelburg | 9 |
| 15 | Mthatha | Mthatha | 96 |
| 16 | Mount Fletcher  | Mount Fletcher  | 10 |
| 17 | Mount Frere | Mount Frere | 32 |
| 18 | Molteno | Molteno | 12 |
| 19 | Lusikisiki | Lusikisiki | 32 |
| 20 | Port Alfred | Port Alfred  | 9 |
| 21 | Uitenhage  | Uitenhage | 12 |
| 22 | Joubertina | Joubertina | 6 |
|  **FREE STATE PROVINCE** |
| **No** | **Facility(b)** | **Town(c)** | **Capacity(d)** |
| 1 | Bloemfontein | Bloemfontein | 248 |
| 2 | Botshabelo | Botshabelo | 9 |
| 3 | Jagersfontein  | Jagersfontein | 16 |
| 4 | Bethlehem | Bethlehem | 16 |
| 5 | Harrismith | Harrismith | 9 |
| 6 | Ficksburg | Ficksburg | 9 |
| 7 | Smithfield | Smithfield | 16 |
| 8 | Phuthaditjhaba | Phuthaditjhaba | 21 |
| 9 | Welkom | Welkom | 72 |
| 10 | Kroonstad | Kroonstad | 22 |
| 11 | Sasolburg | Sasolburg  | 40 |
| **GAUTENG PROVINCE** |
| **No** | **Facility(b)** | **Town(c)** | **Capacity(d)** |
| 1 | Johannesburg  | Johannesburg  | 3000-4500 |
| 2 | Roodepoort | Roodepoort | 1000-2000 |
| 3 | Germiston  | Germiston | 3000-4500 |
| 4 | Carlentonville | Carletonville | 250-500 |
| 4 | Springs | Springs | 1000-2000 |
| 5 | Heidelberg | Heidelburg  | 250-500 |
| 6 | Diepkloof  | Diepkloof | 2000-2500 |
| 7 | Sebokeng | Sebokeng |  2000-2500 |
| 8 | Pretoria  | Pretoria | 2000-2500 |
| 9 | Bronkhorstspruit | Bronkhorspruit | 250 – 500 |
| 10 | Garankuwa | Garankuwa | 1000-1500 |
| **KWAZULU NATAL PROVINCE** |
| **No** | **Facility(b)** | **Town(c)** | **Capacity(d)** |
| 1 | Phoenix | Phoenix | 540 |
| 2 | Pinetown | Pinetown | 124 |
| 3 | Park Rynie | Park Rynie | 177 |
| 4 | Port Shepstone | Port Shepstone | 112 |
| 5 | Harding | Harding | 12 |
| 6 | KwaDukuza | KwaDukuza | 102 |
| 7 | Pietermaritzburg | Pietermaritzburg | 433 |
| 8 | New Hanover | New Hanover | 22 |
| 9 | Howick | Howick | 18 |
| 10 | Richmond | Richmond | 15 |
| 11 | Ladysmith | Ladysmith | 25 |
| 12 | Estcourt | Estcourt | 51 |
| 13 | Dundee | Dundee | 100 |
| 14 | Greytown | Greytown | 53 |
| 15 | Newcastle | Newcastle | 85 |
| 16 | Madadeni | Madadeni | 56 |
| 17 | Dannhauser | Dannhauser | 6 |
| 18 | Kokstad | Kokstad | 48 |
| 19 | Ixopo | Ixopo | 12 |
| 20 | Umzimkulu | Umzimkulu | 9 |
| 21 | Bulwer | Bulwer | 12 |
| 22 | Nongoma | Nongoma | 24 |
| 23 | Paulpietersburg | Paulpietersburg | 06 |
| 24 | Vryheid | Vryheid | 12 |
| 25 | Pongola | Pongola | 12 |
| 26 | Richards Bay | Richards Bay | 136 |
| 27 | Eshowe | Eshowe | 150 |
| 28 | Richards Bay | Richards Bay | 136 |
| 29 | Mkhuze | Mkhuze | Hospital facility |
| 30 | Mosvold | Mosvold | Hospital facility |
| 31 | Manguzi | Manguzi | Hospital facility  |
| 32 | Nkandla | Nkandla | Hospital facility |
| 33 | Ulundi | Ulundi | Undertaker holding facility  |
| **LIMPOPO PROVINCE** |
| **No** | **Facility(b)** | **Town(c)** | **Capacity(d)** |
| 1 | Polokwane | Polokwane | 72 |
| 2 | Lebokwakgomo | Lebowakgomo | 48 |
| 3 | Bela Bela | Bela Bela  | 60 |
| 4 | Elim  | Elim | 54 |
| 5 | Maphutha Malatjie, Phalaborwa | Phalaborwa | 54 |
| 6 | Nkhensani, Giyane | Giyani | 24 |
| 7 | Kgapane, Tzaneen | Tzaneen | 78 |
| 8 | Tshilidzini | Thohoyandou | 66 |
| 9 | Letaba, Tzaneen | Tzaneen | 54 |
| 10 | St Ritas | Glen Cowie | 54 |
| 11 | Mokopane | Mokopane  | 60 |
| 12 | Groblersdal | Groblersdal | 102 |
| **MPUMALANGA PROVINCE** |
|  | **Facility(b)** | **Town(c)** | **Capacity(d)** |
| 1 | Standerton | Standerton | 18 |
| 2 | Balfour | Balfour | 15 |
| 3 | Carolina | Carolina | 18 |
| 4 | Bethal | Bethal | 24 |
| 5 | Witbank | Witbank  | 36 |
| 6 | Delmas | Delmas | 15 |
| 7 | Belfast | Belfast | 15 |
| 8 | Mmamethlake | Mmametlhake | 36 |
| 9 | KwaMhlanga | KwaMhlanga | 21 |
| 10 | Middelburg  | Middelburg | 32 |
| 11 | Tonga | Tonga | 24 |
| 12 | Themba | Themba | 66 |
| 13 | Mapulaneng | Mapulaneng | 12 |
| 14 | Tintswalo | Acornhoek | 18 |
| 15 | Barberton | Barberton | 18 |
| 16 | Lydenburg  | Lydenburg | 18 |
| 17 | Volksrust | Volksrust | 18 |
| 18 | Evander | Evander | 30 |
| 19 | Ermelo | Ermelo | 30 |
| 20 | Embhuleni | Elukwatini | 18 |
| 21 | Piet Retief | Piet Retief | 30 |
| **NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE** |
| **No** | **Facility (b)** | **Town(c)** | **Capacity(d)** |
| 1 | Kimberley | Kimberly | 30 |
| 2 | Upington | Upington | 36 |
| 3 | De Aar | De Aar | 18 |
| 4 | Kuruman | Kuruman | 36 |
| 5 | Calvinia  | Calvinia  | 15 |
| 6 | Springbok | Springbok | 13 |
| 7 | Postmasburg  | Postmansburg | 12 |
| 8 | Hartswater | Hartswater | 6 |
| 9 | Douglas  | Douglas | 6 |
| 10 | Prieska  | Prieska | 6 |
| 11 | Victoria West  | Victoria West | 6 |
|  **NORTHWEST PROVINCE** |
| **No** | **Facility(b)** | **Town(c)** | **Capacity(d)**  |
| 1 | Phokeng | Rustenburg  |  80 |
| 2 | Vryburg | Vryburg |  44 |
| 3 | Klerksdorp  | Klerksdorp |  50 |
| 4 | Lichtenburg | Lichtenburg  |  20 |
| 5 | Brits | Brits |  100 |
| 6 | Potchefstroom | Potchefstroom  |  20 |
| **7** | Mafikeng | Mafikeng |  15 |
| **WESTERN CAPE PROVINCE** |
| **No** | **Facility(b)** | **Town©** | **Capacity(d)**Outstanding |
| 1 | Salt River | Salt River |  |
| 2 | Tygerberg | Tygerberg |  |
| 3 | Paarl | Paarl |  |
| 5 | Vredendal | Vredendal |  |
| 6 | Malmesbury | Malmesbury |  |
| 7 | Vredenburg | Vredenburg |  |
| 8 | Worcester | Worcester |  |
| 9 | Wolseley | Wolseley |  |
| 10 | Hermanus | Hermanus |  |
| 11 | George | George |  |
| 12 | Laingsburg | Laingsburg |  |
| 13 | Mossel Bay | Mossel Bay |  |
| 14 | Knysna | Knysna |  |
| 15 | Oudtshoorn | Oudtshoorn |  |
| 16 | Beaufort West | Beaufort West |   |
| 17 | Riversdale | Riversdale |   |

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