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**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Ms PT van Damme (DA) to ask the Minister of Communications:**

1.What total number of (a) national and/or provincial departments, (b) municipalities and (c) state entities owe money to the SA Broadcasting Corporation (SABC);

2. what is the name of each specified (a) department, (b) municipality and/or (c) state entity that owes money to the SABC;

3. (a) what total amount is owed in each case, (b) what is the nature of each specified debt, (c) for how long has each debt been outstanding and (d) what plans are in place to recover each debt owed? **NW3032E**

**REPLY:**

**I have been advised by the SABC as follows:**

1. Government departments owe money to two divisions of the SABC that is TV Licences and Advertising. The following is in accordance with the TV Licence database:

(1)(a) A total of 20 National departments have outstanding TV licence fees balances. 126 Provincial departments have outstanding licence fees,

(1)(b) A total of 249 municipality accounts owe television licence fees

(1)(c) A total of 57 SOEs have outstanding TV licence fees on their accounts.

The following with regard to SABC Sales (Advertising):

National Department: 3

Provincial Departments: 24

Municipalities: 6

SOEs: 8

(2)(a) National/Provincial Departments

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| **Department** | **Segments** | **Province** |
| Government Communications | National | National |
| National Department of Health | National | National |
| Department of Trade and Industry | National | National |
| Department of Education Polokwane | Provincial | Limpopo |
| Free State Department of Health | Provincial | Free State |
| KZN Department of Health | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal |
| Department of Education and North West | Provincial | North West |
| Eastern Cape Provincial Legislature | Provincial | Eastern Cape |
| Free State Department of Provincial Treasury | Provincial | Free State |
| Department of Health North West | Provincial | North West |
| KZN Department of Transport | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal |
| Department of Public Works Polokwane | Provincial | Limpopo |
| Department of Community Safety and Liaison | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal |
| Department of Co-operative Governance - KZN | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal |
| Kwa-Zulu Natal Education Department | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal |
| Department of Health Mmabatho | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal |
| The office of the Premier KZN | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal |
| KZN Provincial Treasury | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal |
| Premiers Office Mpumalanga | Provincial | Mpumalanga |
| Eastern Cape Provincial Treasury | Provincial | Eastern Cape |
| North West Legislature | Provincial | North West |
| Department Sport, Art and Culture - Mpumalanga | Provincial | Mpumalanga |
| Department of Human Settlements KZN | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal |
| Department of Agriculture KZN | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal |
| Department of Social Development KZN | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal |
| Department of Agriculture Mpumalanga | Provincial | Mpumalanga |
| Department of Human Settlements Mpumalanga | Provincial | Mpumalanga |

(b) Municipalities

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| Department | Segments | Province |
| Ethekwini Municipality | Municipality | Kwa-Zulu natal |
| Mopani District Municipality | Municipality | Limpopo |
| Thabo Mofutsanyana District | Municipality | Free State |
| Umzinyathi District Council | Municipality | Kwa-Zulu Natal |
| Maluti A Phofung Local Municipality | Municipality | Free State |
| Nkangala District Municipality | Municipality | Mpumalanga |

(c) State Owned Entities

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| Names | Segments | Province |
| Compensation Funds Pty Ltd | SOE | National |
| Legal Aid South Africa | SOE | National |
| South African Social Security Agency | SOE | National |
| Sassa Province of the Eastern | SOE | Eastern Cape |
| Western Cape Conservation Board | SOE | Western Cape |
| Small Enterprise Finance Agency Ltd | SOE | National |
| Ithala Soc Ltd | SOE | Kwazulu Natal |
| Auditor-General | SOE | National |

3. (a) **TV License**

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| Departments | Amount Owe |
| National Departments | R1 688 295.30 |
| Provincial Departments | R18 694 129.47 |
| Municipalities | R6 302 170.10 |
| SOEs | R1 595 601.76 |

**Sales Advertising**

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| Departments | Amount Owe |
| National Departments | R13,139,832 |
| Provincial Departments | R 9,221,629 |
| Municipalities | R 2,343,711 |
| SOEs | R 4,535,975 |

(b) The debt is for TV licence and sales (Advertising)

(c) Sales Advertising

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| **Department** | **Segment** | | **PROVINCE** | **TERMS** | | | **Total Outstanding** |
| Ethekwini Municipality | Municipality | | Kwa-Zulu Natal | 30 days | | | 1,179,182 |
| Mopani District Municipality | Municipality | | Limpopo | 30 days | | | 950,000 |
| Thabo Mofutsanyana District | Municipality | | Free State | 30 days | | | 89,944 |
| Umzinyathi District Council | Municipality | | Kwa-Zulu Natal | 30 days | | | 58,538 |
| Maluti A Phofung Local Municipality | Municipality | | Free State | 30 days | | | 54,165 |
| Nkangala District Municipality | Municipality | | Mpumalanga | 30 days | | | 11,881 |
| **Total Municipality** |  | |  |  | | | **2,343,711** |
| Government Communication And | National | | National | 30 Days | | | 12,272,622 |
| National Department of Health | National | | National | 30 Days | | | 840,823 |
| Department of Trade and Industry | National | | National | 30 Days | | | 26,388 |
| **Total National Departments** |  | |  |  | | | **13,139,832** |
| Department of Education Polokwane | Provincial | Limpopo | | | 30 days | 1,904,762 | | |
| Free State Department of Health | Provincial | Free State | | | 30 days | 862,500 | | |
| KZN Department of Health Communication | Provincial | Kwazulu Natal | | | 30 days | 708,996 | | |
| Department of Education and North West | Provincial | North West | | | 30 days | 701,247 | | |
| Eastern Cape Provincial Legislature | Provincial | Eastern Cape | | | 30 days | 659,749 | | |
| Free State Department Of Provincial Treasury | Provincial | Free State | | | 30 days | 575,000 | | |
| Department of Health North West | Provincial | North West | | | 30 days | 453,282 | | |
| KZN Department of Transport | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal | | | 30 days | 421,274 | | |
| Department of Public Works Polokwane | Provincial | Limpopo | | | 30 days | 416,566 | | |
| Department of Community Safety and Liaison | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal | | | 30 days | 405,375 | | |
| Department of Co-operative Governance - KZN | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal | | | 30 days | 381,967 | | |
| Kwa-Zulu Natal Education Department | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal | | | 30 days | 373,371 | | |
| Department of Health Mmabatho | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal | | | 30 days | 215,296 | | |
| The Office of the Premier KZN | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal | | | 30 days | 186,818 | | |
| KZN Provincial Treasury | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal | | | 30 days | 163,254 | | |
| Premiers Office Mpumalanga | Provincial | Mpumalanga | | | 30 days | 158,107 | | |
| Eastern Cape Provincial Treasury | Provincial | Eastern Cape | | | 30 days | 126,500 | | |
| North West Legislature | Provincial | North West | | | 30 days | 105,727 | | |
| Department Sport, Art And Culture - Mpumalanga | Provincial | Mpumalanga | | | 30 days | 97,257 | | |
| Department of Human Settlements KZN | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal | | | 30 days | 91,931 | | |
| Department of Agriculture KZN | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal | | | 30 days | 82,189 | | |
| Department of Social Development KZN | Provincial | Kwa-Zulu Natal | | | 30 days | 65,723 | | |
| Department of Agriculture Mpumalanga | Provincial | Mpumalanga | | | 30 days | 51,957 | | |
| Department of Human Settlements Mpumalanga | Provincial | Mpumalanga | | | 30 days | 12,782 | | |
| **Total Provincial Departments** |  |  | | |  | **9,221,629** | | |
| Compensation Funds Pty Ltd | SOE | National | | | 30 days | 3,760,219 | | |
| Legal Aid South Africa | SOE | National | | | 30 days | 359,649 | | |
| South African Social Security Agency | SOE | National | | | 30 days | 172,638 | | |
| SASSA Province Of The Eastern | SOE | Eastern Cape | | | 30 days | 96,773 | | |
| Western Cape Conservation Board | SOE | Western Cape | | | 30 days | 56,870 | | |
| Small Enterprise Finance Agency Ltd | SOE | National | | | 30 days | 36,819 | | |
| Ithala SOC Ltd | SOE | Kwazulu Natal | | | 30 days | 29,360 | | |
| Auditor General | SOE | National | | | 30 days | 23,649 | | |
| **Total SOE** |  |  | | |  | **4,535,975** | | |
| **TOTAL ALL GOVERNMENT** |  |  | | |  | 29,241,147 | | |

Note: For more information of sales (advertising) attached is the spreadsheet

Attached is a PDF documents with regards to how long is the TV license debt outstanding

(d) The SABC continues to follow its collection processes to collect outstanding debts by communicating these balances to the departments and SOEs. However, “special” additional campaigns commenced in the month of October with priority on SOEs. Intervention through the Group Chief Executive Officer’s communique is planned for distribution in the months to follow to all the departments and municipalities.

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