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 **Memorandum from the Parliamentary Office**

**National Assembly: 2494**

Please find attached a response to Parliamentary Questionfor ***written reply*** asked by **Ms N N Chirwa (EFF) to ask the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy**

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**Director-General: Mineral Resources and Energy**

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**Mr. S.G Mantashe**

**Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy**

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**2494. Ms N N Chirwa (EFF) to ask the Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy:**

With reference to the numerous mines that have been cited as neither meeting their obligations in community projects nor giving back to the communities in which they operate, what (a) are the details of the mines that (i) have not been meeting their community obligations and (ii) are repeat offenders in this regard and (b) steps did his department take in response to the offending mines? **NW2837E**

**Reply:**

(a)(i) The Department conducts monitoring and enforcement inspections on implementation of community development projects by mines as per the annual performance plan. 237 Social and Labour Plan inspections were conducted in the previous financial year (2022/2023) and directives were issued for various reasons of non-compliance.

 (ii) Yes, but if the company continues not to implement SLP, the right can be suspended or cancelled and if they apply for renewal of the mining right, the application can be refused.

(b) See (a)(i) above