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**Ms H S Winkler (DA) to ask the Minister of Tourism:**

What (a) is the allocated budget for the Tourism Chefpreneur Programme, (b) number of applicants can the programme accommodate, (c) is the content of the programme and (d) is the time frame of the programme? NW2917E

**REPLY:**

1. The budget allocated to the Food Services Tourism Incubator which is being implemented in partnership with SEDA is R 6 million over two years.

(b) The programme can accommodate 100 participants.

(c) The purpose of the Tourism Food Services Incubator is to empower trained food services candidates to become owners and operators in the food services business. In view of the rising unemployment figures particularly in the tourism and hospitality industry, the Department saw it fit to maximise its investment in the food services training and skills development by supporting youth wanting to engage in new venture creation in areas where there are viable markets.

(d) The programme will be implemented over two financial years: 2021/22 and 2022/23.