

**MINISTRY FOR COOPERATIVE GOVERNANCE AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS**

**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Ms A Steyn (DA) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

(1) What (a) was the total budget allocated by his department to disaster management (i) in each of the past three financial years and (ii) since 1 April 2016 and (b) amounts were (i) requested by each province in each of the specified financial years and (ii) paid out in each case;

(2) whether any outstanding funds must still be paid out to the provinces; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (a) what amount of outstanding funds must still be paid to the provinces and (b)(i) since what date has each of the specified payments been outstanding and (ii) what is the reason in each case? NW2968E

**Reply:**

1. (a) (i) The total budget as per the Grant Allocation was as follows

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| **FINANCIAL YEARS** | **MUNICIPAL GRANT** | **PROVINCIAL GRANT** | **MUNICIPAL DISASTER RECOVERY GRANT** |
| 2013/14 | R346 500 000 | R188 000 000 | R11 300 000 |
| 2014/15 | R363 600 000 | R197 000 000 | R8 600 000 |
| 2015/16 | R374 000 000 | R204 000 000 | R124 000 000 |

(ii) Yes, no amounts were directly made available by the department since April 2016

(b) (i) Amount requested by each province in the specified financial years and (ii) paid outs.

*Note: The amount stated in these tables reflects funding transferred from the Disaster Grants to affected sectors and municipalities. The post disaster recovery funds for sectors are facilitated by the Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, directly transferred from National Treasury within the Contingency Reserve to relevant sectors.*

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| **PROVINCE** | **Type of disaster** | **2013/14** | |
| **Requested** | **Paid out** |
| Easter Cape | Floods | R1 348 397 495 | R111 350 000 |
| Free State |  | 0 | 0 |
| Gauteng |  | 0 | 0 |
| KwaZulu-Natal | Floods | R309 265 636 | R34 162 030 |
| Limpopo | Floods | R737 035 841 | R87 925 200 |
| Mpumalanga |  | 0 | 0 |
| Northern Cape | Drought | R360 000 000 | R50 000 000 |
| North West | Drought | R3 000 804 000 | R43 630 000 |
| Western Cape | Floods | R266 589 672 | R55 617 000 |

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| **PROVINCE** | **Type of disaster** | **2014/15** | |
| **Requested** | **Paid out** |
| Eastern Cape | Floods | R579 180 687 | R 8 610 800 |
| Free State | Fires | R50 000 000 | R15 791 000 |
| Gauteng | Floods | R701 200 770 | R14 878 446 |
| KwaZulu-Natal | Drought, Floods and Fires | R181 563 069 | R89 083 000 |
| Limpopo | Floods | R213 450 000 | R14 884 000 |
| Mpumalanga | Floods | R535 600 000 | R97 170 000 |
| Northern Cape |  | 0 | 0 |
| North West | Earth Quake | R163 500 131 | R148 508 00 |
| Western Cape | Floods | R1 074 746 408 | R82 796 000 |

*NB: It is important to note that national and provincial sector departments, including municipalities agreed to reprioritise internal funding that is anticipated and estimated savings within their equitable shares and conditional grants to address the drought situation to ensure non-duplication of financial resources. The Disaster Grants were to be utilised once provinces have fully spent the reprioritised funding. Again, the funding allocated for floods are the funds that were allocated in 2014/15, within the Medium Term Expenditure Framework to repair the damages as a result of the 2013 floods disasters.*

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| **PROVINCE** |  | **2015/16** | |
| **Requested** | **Paid out** |
| Easter Cape | Drought | R385 732 991 | No disaster grants paid out until April 2016, only reprioritised funding as indicated above. |
| Free State | Drought | R102 442 000 | No disaster grants paid out until April 2016, only reprioritised funding as indicated above. |
| Gauteng | Floods for 2013 | R35 588 184 | R 35 588 184 |
| KwaZulu-Natal | Floods for 2013/14 | | R87 096 000 |
| Drought | R487 884 098 | No disaster grants paid out until April 2016, only reprioritised funding as indicated above. |
| Limpopo | Floods for 2013/14 | | R20 836 000 |
| Drought | R51 000 000 | No disaster grants paid out until April 2016, only reprioritised funding as indicated above. |
| Mpumalanga | Floods for 2013/14 | | R30 000 000 |
| Drought | R162 500 000 | No disaster grants paid out until April 2016, only reprioritised funding as indicated above. |
| Northern Cape | Drought | R163 281 173 (per month) | No disaster grants paid out until April 2016, only reprioritised funding as indicated above. |
| North West | Drought | R3 461 545 284 | No disaster grants paid out until April 2016, only reprioritised funding as indicated above. |
| Western Cape | Floods 2013/14 | | R86 919 000 |
| Drought | R105 000 000 | No disaster grants paid out until April 2016, only reprioritised funding as indicated above. |

1. No outstanding amounts are to be paid out to the provinces.