**National Assembly**

**Question Number: 2676**

**Mr M Bagraim (DA) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

(a) What number of status reports were (i) requested by the Railway Safety Regulator from the Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa (Prasa) and (ii) issued by Prasa in each month (aa) in the past three financial years and (bb) from 1 January 2018 to date, (b) what number of maintenance reports were (i) requested and (ii) issued, (c) what number of other reports were (i) requested and (ii) issued and (d) what were the reasons in each instance where reports were (i) not issued or (ii) issued late?

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**REPLY:**

1. Reports are requested in line with the Safety Management System (SMS) and this entails one (1) report per year. Reports are submitted per discipline, i.e. Perway, Level Crossings, Stations, Electrical, Signalling and Telecoms. The status of the submission is outlined as per the attached annexure.
2. See attached annexure
3. See attached annexure

(aa) See attached annexure

(bb) For 2018/19, information was not available or PRASA Rail was awaiting Regional inputs. The Railway Safety Regulator has advised that reports would be submitted by 30 September 2018.

1. (i) & (ii) See attached annexure
2. (i) & (ii) See attached annexure
3. (i) & (ii) Reports were requested. However, due to PRASA’s internal challenges with a lack of continuity in various areas, reports were not submitted. Furthermore, it should be noted, for the same reason that PRASA is lagging in providing the RSR with the requested information, the RSR has now made the reports requirement of the safety permit which was recently issued to PRASA.

**PERWAY**

| **No.** | **(aa)****Year** | **(a)(i)****No. status reports requested by RSR (per Discipline)**  | **(a)(ii)****Report Issued by PRASA** | **(d)(i) & (ii)****Comments report not issued or late submission** | **(b)(i)****No. Maintenance reports requested by RSR** | **(b)(ii)****Report Issues by PRASA** | **Comments report not issued or late submission** | **(c)(i)****Other Report** | **General Comment** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1. | 2013/14 | 16 | 12 | No historical records | 4 | 4 | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| 2. | 2014/15 | 16 | 12 | No historical records | 4 | 4 | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| 3. | 2015/16 | 16 | 12 | No historical records | 4 | 4 | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| 4 | 2016/17 | 16 | 15 | No historical records | 4 | 4 | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| 5. | 2017/18 | 16 | 15 | Awaiting info ration from regions  | 4 | 4 | n/a | n/a | n/a |

**LEVEL CROSSINGS**

| **No.** | **(aa)****Year** | **(a)(i)****No. status reports requested by RSR (per Discipline)**  | **(a)(ii)****Report Issued by PRASA** | **(d)(i) & (ii)****Comments report not issued or late submission** | **(b)(i)****No. Maintenance reports requested by RSR** | **(b)(ii)****Report Issues by PRASA** | **Comments report not issued or late submission** | **(c)(i)****Other Report** | **General Comment** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1. | 2013/14 | 12 | 4 | No records | 4 | 4 | n/a | n/a |  |
| 2. | 2014/15 | 12 | 4 | No records | 4 | 4 | n/a | n/a |  |
| 3. | 2015/16 | 12 | 4 | No records | 4 | 4 | n/a | n/a |  |
| 4 | 2016/17 | 12 | 4 | No records | 4 | 4 | n/a | n/a |  |
| 5. | 2017/18 | 12 | 7 | Awaiting information from Regional offices | 4 | 4 | n/a | n/a |  |

**STATIONS**

| **No.** | **(aa)****Year** | **(a)(i)****No. status reports requested by RSR (per Discipline)**  | **(a)(ii)****Report Issued by PRASA** | **(d)(i) & (ii)****Comments report not issued or late submission** | **(b)(i)****No. Maintenance reports requested by RSR** | **(b)(ii)****Report Issues by PRASA** | **Comments report not issued or late submission** | **(c)(i)****Other Report** | **General Comment** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1. | 2013/14 | 4 | 0 | Not yet available | 4 | 4 | n/a | n/a |  |
| 2. | 2014/15 | 4 | 0 | Not yet available | 4 | 4 | n/a | n/a |  |
| 3. | 2015/16 | 4 | 0 | Not yet available | 4 | 4 | n/a | n/a |  |
| 4. | 2016/17 | 4 | 0 | Not yet available | 4 | 4 | n/a | n/a |  |
| 5. | 2017/18 | 4 | 0 | Not yet available | 4 | 4 | n/a | n/a |  |

**ELECTRICAL**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1. | 2013/14 | 8 | 0 | Asset information not available yet/Historical info not available | 8 | 2 | Substations Information not yet available from Regions | n/a |  |
| 2. | 2014/15 | 8 | 0 | Asset information not available yet/Historical info not available | 8 | 3 | Substations Information not yet available from Regions | n/a |  |
| 3. | 2015/16 | 8 | 0 | Asset information not available ye/Historical info not available  | 8 | 2 | Substations Information not yet available from Regions | n/a |  |
| 4. | 2016/17 | 8 | 1 | Asset information not available yet//Historical info not available | 8 | 2 | Substations Information not yet available from Regions | n/a |  |
| 5. | 2017/18 | 8 | 2 | Asset information not available yet | 8 | 4 | Substations Information not yet available from Regions | n/a |  |

**SIGNALLING**

| **No.** | **(aa)****Year** | **(a)(i)****No. status reports requested by RSR (per Discipline)**  | **(a)(ii)****Report Issued by PRASA** | **(d)(i) & (ii)****Comments report not issued or late submission** | **(b)(i)****No. Maintenance reports requested by RSR** | **(b)(ii)****Report Issues by PRASA** | **Comments report not issued or late submission** | **(c)(i)****Other Report** | **General Comment** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1. | 2013/14 | 4 | 4 | n/a | 4 | 3 | Information not available from the Regions | n/a |  |
| 2. | 2014/15 | 4 | 4 | n/a | 4 | 3 | Information not available from the Regions | n/a |  |
| 3. | 2015/16 | 4 | 4 | n/a | 4 | 3 | Information not available from the Regions | n/a |  |
| 4 | 2016/17 | 4 | 4 | n/a | 4 | 3 | Information not available from the Regions | n/a |  |
| 5. | 2017/18 | 4 | 4 | n/a | 4 | 3 | Information not available from the Regions | n/a |  |

**TELECOMS**

| **No.** | **(aa)****Year** | **(a)(i)****No. status reports requested by RSR (per Discipline)**  | **(a)(ii)****Report Issued by PRASA** | **(d)(i) & (ii)****Comments report not issued or late submission** | **(b)(i)****No. Maintenance reports requested by RSR** | **(b)(ii)****Report Issues by PRASA** | **Comments report not issued or late submission** | **(c)(i)****Other Report** | **General Comment** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1. | 2013/14 | 4 | 0 | Historical records not available | 4 | 1 | Historical records not available | n/a |  |
| 2. | 2014/15 | 4 | 0 | Historical records not available | 4 | 1 | Historical records not available | n/a |  |
| 3. | 2015/16 | 4 | 0 | Historical records not available | 4 | 3 | Information not available | n/a |  |
| 4 | 2016/17 | 4 | 0 | Historical records not available | 4 | 3 | Information not available | n/a |  |
| 5. | 2017/18 | 4 | 4 | n/a | 4 | 3 | Information not available | n/a |  |