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**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Ms M D Hlengwa (IFP) to ask the Minister of Health:**

With regard to the alarming concern that has been raised about the impact of loadshedding on the ability of public healthcare facilities to provide critical care to the most vulnerable, what (a) is the percentage of public healthcare facilities in each province that has alternative electricity sources, such as generators, to assist during loadshedding and (b) urgent steps has his department taken to (i) address the problem and (ii) ensure that vital and critical life-saving services are not interrupted by electricity outages? **NW3210E**

**REPLY:**

1. All the hospitals have back-up generators including Uninterrupted Power Supply products.
2. The Department is in the process of installing solar panels to all the community health centres (CHC’s) and clinics.

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