###### National Assembly

Question Number: 2754

**Mr S J Masango (DA) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

What (a) are the (i) estimated and (ii) actual costs incurred by the Government in respect of drunken driving and (b) has been the economic impact of drunken driving in each (i) province and (ii) local authority for the (aa) 2012-13, (bb) 2013-14 and (cc) 2014-15 financial years? NW3186E

**Response**:

The Road Accident Fund (RAF) is funded by a levy on fuel sold, which serves as an indirect tax used to fund the payment of compensation and to rehabilitate qualifying persons injured in road crashes. The fuel levy is also used to pay for the loss of support and funeral costs of those qualifying dependents that lost breadwinners in road crashes.

Although drunken driving has an impact on the incidence of road crashes and therefore on the cost of providing compensation, rehabilitation, support and funeral cover; the RAF does not currently maintain information or statistics (a)(i) of the estimated cost, and (ii) actual cost incurred by the RAF as a result of drunken driving and (b) does not have information or statistics of the economic cost of drunken driving in each (i) province and (ii) local authority for the (aa) 2012-13, (bb) 2013-14 and (cc) 2014-15 financial years.