**MINISTRY FOR HUMAN SETTLEMENTS**

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**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO.: 2819**

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**Ms A Steyn (DA) to ask the Minister of Human Settlements:**

(1) (a) What is the total number of houses that has been built by the Walter Sisulu Local Municipality, previously known as Gariep and Maletswai Municipalities, (i) in each of the past ten financial years and (ii) since 1 April 2017, (b) what amount did each house cost and (c) what are the names of each contractor appointed for each project;

(2) (a) what is the total amount of money that was allocated to the specified municipality’s human settlements department in each of the specified financial years and period and (b) of the specified allocation, what is the total amount that was not spent in each case;

(3) (a) what amount was spent during each of the specified financial years on rebuilding or repairs of the houses, (b) how many houses were affected, (c) in which town and community is each house situated and (d) who were the contractors in each case? **NW3126E**

**REPLY:**

(1) (a) The information provided to me in response to the Honourable Members’ question is indicated in the table below:

 (i) Houses built in the Walter Sisulu Local Municipality in the past ten years:

| **FINANCIAL YEAR** | **HOUSES BUILT IN GARIEP LM** | **HOUSES BUILT IN MALETSWAI LM** | **TOTAL HOUSES BUILT (WSLM)** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 2007/08 | - | 854 | 854 |
| 2008/09 | - | 227 | 227 |
| 2009/10 | 243 | 362 | 605 |
| 2010/11 | 295 | 18 | 313 |
| 2011/12 | 43 | 33 | 76 |
| 2012/13 | 127 | 68 | 195 |
| 2013/14 | 285 | 59 | 344 |
| 2014/15 | 45 | 14 | 59 |
| 2015/16 | 160 | 175 | 335 |
| 2016/17 | 88 | 43 | 131 |

(ii) Houses built since April 2017 (01 April 2017 to 31 July 2017)

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **FINANCIAL YEAR** | **HOUSES BUILT IN GARIEP LM** | **HOUSES BUILT IN MALETSWAI LM** | **TOTAL HOUSES BUILT (WSLM)** |
| 2017/18 | - | 86 | **86** |

Each of the houses built during the period of ten years cost between R54 650 and R110 947, informed by the approved national subsidy quantum to be used in the relevant project implementation period.

(2)(a) (b) The funding allocated, spent and not spent per applicable financial year:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **FINANCIAL YEAR** | **(a) Amount****allocated** | **Amount spent** | **(b) Unspent Funds** |
| 2010/11 |  | 77 297 |  |
| 2011/12 | 60 514 | 9 192 | 51 322 |
| 2012/13 | 59 855 | 28 833 | 31 022 |
| 2013/14 | 57 953 | 29 597 | 28 356 |
| 2014/15 | 22 075 | 31753 | -9 678 |
| 2015/16 | 30 616 | 35 857 | -5 241 |
| 2016/17 | 31 025 | 45 870 | -14 845 |
| 2017/18 | 45 122 | 23 162 | 21 960 |

(c) In accordance with the established practise applicable to parliamentary questions and guidelines contained in the document titled, *“Guide to Parliamentary Questions in the National Assembly”,* I will not provide names of each contractor appointed for each project. The document referred to specifically states the following:

***“****Questions are to be framed as concisely as possible. All unnecessary adjectives, references and quotations are omitted.* ***Names of persons, bodies and, for example, newspapers are only used in questions if the facts surrounding the case have been proven. As the mere mention of such names could be construed as publicity for or against them, it should be clear that this practice is highly undesirable.*** *If a question will be unintelligible without mentioning such names, the Departments concerned are notified of the name (-s) and this phrase is used:* ***".......a certain person (name furnished)”.***

(3)(a)(b) & (c) The table below refers to the number of houses that required rebuilding or residual repairs, the amount spent on the repairs and the communities in which the houses are located and the contractors who undertook the repairs.

Houses that required rebuilding and the amount spent on rebuilding houses in Burgersdorp.

| **Financial Year** | **Amount Spent(a)** | **How many houses were affected(b)** | **In which town or community(c)** | **Contractors(d)** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 2014/15 | 1 523 781 | 1 000 | Burgersdorp | NHBRC,Provincial and Municipal |
| 2015/16 | 79 250 | 1000 | Burgersdorp | NHBRC,Provincial and Municipal |
| 2016/17 | 5 035 525 | 1000 | Burgersdorp | NHBRC,Provincial and Municipal |
| 2017/18 | 6 482 983 | 1000 | Burgersdorp | NHBRC,Provincial and Municipal |

Houses that required rebuilding and the amount spent on rebuilding houses in Steynsburg:

| **Financial Year** | **Amount Spent(a)** | **How many houses were affected(b)** | **In which town or community(c)** | **Contractors(d)** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 2014/15 | 13 016 837 | 600 | Steynsburg | In terms of applicable policy the information should be requested from the Municipality and/or Province |
| 2015/16 | 7 205 121 | 600 | Steynsburg |  |
| 2016/17 | 219 600 | 600 | Steynsburg |
| 2017/18 | 43 050 | 600 | Steynsburg |

Houses that required rebuilding and the amount spent on rebuilding houses in Venterstad:

| **Financial Year** | **Amount Spent(a)** | **How many houses were affected(b)** | **In which town or community(c)** | **Contractors( d)** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 2014/15 | 2 849 242 | 500 | Venterstad | NHBRC,Provincial and Municipal |
| 2015/16 | 193 649 | 500 | Venterstad | NHBRC,Provincial and Municipal |
| 2016/17 | 6 784 177 | 500 | Venterstad | NHBRC,Provincial and Municipal |
| 2017/18 | 7 740 133 | 500 | Venterstad | NHBRC,Provincial and Municipal |

Houses that required rebuilding and the amount spent on rebuilding houses in James Town:

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Financial Year** | **Amount Spent(a)** | **How many houses were affected(b)** | **In which town or community(c)** | **Contractors(d)** |
| 2011/12 | 3 985 512 | 244 | James town | In terms of applicable policy the information should be requested from the Municipality and/or Province |
| 2012/13 | 7 076 612 | 244 | James town |  |
| 2013/14 | 4 825 948 | 244 | James town |
| 2014/15 | 2 007 720 | 244 | James town |
| 2015/16 | 5 874 028 | 244 | James town |
| 2016/17 | - | 244 | James town |
| 2017/18 | - | 244 | James town |