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**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 3089**

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**(INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO 36-2017)**

**3089. Mr M R Bara (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:**

(1) (a) how many SA Police Service (SAPS) members in each province have had their driving licences suspended (i) in the 2016-17 financial year and (ii) since 1 April 2017 and (b) in each case (i) what is the period of time for which the driving licence was suspended and (ii) what is the offence for which the driving licence was suspended;

(2) was there any disciplinary action taken against the relevant SAPS member; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**REPLY:**

(1)(a)(i)(b)(i)(ii) and (2)

|  | **(1)(a)(i)** | **(b)(i)** | **(b)(ii)** | **(2)** |
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| **Province** | **Number of SAPS members who have had their driving licences suspended in 2016 and 2017** | **Period of time for which the driving licence was suspended** | **Offence for which the driving licence was suspended** | **Disciplinary action taken against the relevant SAPS member** |
| North West | 0 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| Western Cape | 0 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| Eastern Cape | 0 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| Northern Cape | 0 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| KwaZulu-Natal | 9 | One year  (one member)  One year  (one member)  Three months each (five members)  Six months  (two members) | Reckless and Negligence Driving  Reckless and Negligence Driving  Reckless and Negligence Driving  Misuse of Vehicle and Reckless and Negligence Driving | Disciplinary steps were taken and a verbal warning was issued.  Disciplinary steps were taken and a verbal warning was issued.  Disciplinary steps were taken and a verbal warning was issued.  No disciplinary steps were taken. It was found that the members were not at fault. The suspensions were based on the fact that they had had previous accidents. |
| Free-State | 0 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| Mpumalanga | 0 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| Gauteng | 0 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| Limpopo | 0 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| **Total** | **9 members** |  |  |  |
| (a)(ii)(b)(i)(ii) and (2) | | | | |
|  | **(1)(a)(ii)** | **(b)(i)** | **(b)(ii)** | **(2)** |
| **Province** | **Number of SAPS members who have had their driving licences suspended from 1 April to 13 October 2017** | **Period of time for which the driving licence was suspended** | **Offence for which the driving licence was suspended** | **Disciplinary action taken against the relevant SAPS member** |
| North West | 0 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| Western Cape | 0 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| Eastern Cape | 0 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| Northern Cape | 0 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| KwaZulu-Natal | 10 | Three months  (one member)  Six months  (one member).  Six months  (one member).  Seven months  (one member).  Three months  (one member).  Indefinite (Member has an eye problem).  Six months  (one member).  Indefinite  (one member).  Six months  (one member).  Six months  (one member). | Reckless and Negligence Driving  Reckless and Negligence Driving.  Reckless and Negligence Driving.  Reckless and Negligence Driving.  Reckless and Negligence Driving.  Failing to report damage.  Drunk Driving.  Using motor vehicle without owner’s consent.  Reckless and Negligence Driving.  Reckless and Negligence Driving. | Disciplinary steps were taken, case is still pending.  Disciplinary steps were taken, case is still pending.  Disciplinary steps were taken, case is still pending.  Disciplinary steps were taken, case is still pending.  Disciplinary steps were taken, case is still pending.  No disciplinary steps. There was a dispute on who damaged the vehicle. Damage was discovered whilst state vehicle was in the member’s possession.  Disciplinary steps were taken. The member was found guilty and suspended from driving state vehicles for six months.  No disciplinary steps were taken because the member resigned.  No disciplinary steps taken, the member was hospitalised and died.  Disciplinary steps were taken. The member was issued with a written warning. |
| Free-State | 0 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| Mpumalanga | 0 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| Gauteng | 0 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| Limpopo | 0 | Not applicable | Not applicable | Not applicable |
| **Total** | **10** |  |  |  |