# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 3096**

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**(INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO. 51)**

**Mr W F Faber (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:**

(1) Whether, with reference to the capacity-building exercise in Thailand, Turkey, and the United Kingdom which was attended by12 Members of the Executive Council (MEC), nine Provincial Managers, nine District Managers and three National Officials, as stated in his department’s Annual Report for the 2019-20 financial year, he will furnish the relevant details as to which (a) MECs, (b) Provincial Managers, (c) District Managers and (d) National Officials attended the capacity-building programme; if not, why not; if so, (i)(aa) on what dates and (bb) by which persons was the programme planned and undertaken and (ii) who approved the plans and programme;

(2) whether a full report was submitted on the outcomes of the trip and/or programme; if not, why not; if so, by what date will the specified report be submitted to the Portfolio Committee on Health?

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**REPLY:**

1. The details of the dates and names of persons that travelled are outlined in the table below. However only nine Members of the Executive Councils (MECs) attended and not 12 as stated in the question.

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|  | **TURKEY** | **THAILAND** | **UNITED KINGDOM** | **TOTAL** |
| **DATE** | **2nd - 6th Dec 2019** | **27th Jan - 3rd Feb 2020** | **25th -29th Nov 2019** |  |
| **MEC** | Dr Bandile Masuku (GP)  Ms Sasekani Manzini (MPU)  Dr Phophi C Ramathuba (LP) | Ms Nomafrench Mbombo (WC)  Ms Montseng Tsiu (FS)  Ms Nomagugu Simelane- Zulu (KZN)  Mr Madoda Sambatha (NW) | MEC Mase Manapole (NC)  MEC Sindiswa Gomba (EC) | 9 |
| **HOD** | Ms Jeanette Hunter (NW)  Ms Priscilla Monyobo(FS) (Acting)  Dr Sandile Tshabalala (KZN) | Dr Thobile Mbengashe (EC)  Dr Keith Cloete (WC) (Acting HoD)  Dr Steven Jonkers (NC) | Prof. Mkhululi Lukhele (GP)  Dr Beth Engelbrecht (WC) | 8 |
| **DISTRICT MANAGEMENT** | Ms Puleng Malefakgotla (NW)  Mr Papi Maarohanye (FS)  Mr A Hlongwane (KZN)  Mr Simon Kaye (WC)  Dr Alastair Kantani (NC) | Ms Nomathemba Mazibuko (NC)  Dr Zolela Ngcwabe (GP) (Travel cancelled and replaced by Dr Adiel Chikobvu)  Ms Sindiswa Gede (EC)  Ms Nanana Hlatshwayo (MPU)  Dr NM Ndwambi (LP) (Travel not approved at last minute by HoD) | Dr Ariel Torres ( Free State)  Dr Lenyatso Modisane (GP)  Dr David Leburu (NW) | 13 |
| **NDOH OFICIALS** | Mr Mbulelo Cabuko  Ms Nellie Malefetse | Dr Aquina Thulare  Ms Nellie Malefetse  Mr Mbulelo Cabuko (Health Information System) | Ms Nellie Malefetse | 3 |
| **SPECIAL ADVISORS** |  | Dr Qiniso Langisa (Special Advisor to KZN MEC) | Dr Bayeni Special Advisor to MEC Eastern Cape | (2) |

(ii) The programme and plans were considered by the National Health Council on the 25th July 2019 and finally approved for implementation on 15th August 2019.

(2) The study tour report was submitted to the National Department of Health as per standard operating procedures. The report is of an operational nature and still has to be fully considered by the National Health Council. It will be shared with the Portfolio Committee as soon as it has been presented to the National Health Council.

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