

**MINISTRY FOR COOPERATIVE GOVERNANCE AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS**

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**QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NUMBER 3256**

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**QUESTION**

**3256. Mr K J Mileham (DA) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

(1) Whether, with reference to the amalgamation of municipalities at the time of the 2016 Local Government Elections, capacity assessments for each amalgamation were conducted by the Municipal Demarcation Board; if not, in each case, why not; if so, in each case, what was the recommendation of the capacity assessment;

(2) whether each recommendation was followed-up by the board; if not, why not? NW3588E

**REPLY:**

**The below response is based on the information provided by the Municipal Demarcation Board:**

1. No.
2. The Municipal Demarcation Board conducted “formal investigations” in terms of the Local Government: Municipal Demarcation Act, 1998 on all the cases, which included the consideration of the capacity of municipalities.