**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION NO. 3317 - 2022**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NUMBER 36 OF 2022 DATED 23 SEPTEMBER 2022**

**Mr. D Joseph (DA) To Ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture:**

(1). what (a) number of anti-doping tests were carried out by the SA institute for drug-free sports (SAIDS) during 2022 rugby craven week held at Rondebosch in cape town and (b) were the results.

(2). what number of players in each region participated in the 2022 Rugby Craven week

(3). whether any players were tested by SAIDS in the qualifying and / or preparation games prior to the rugby craven week; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? **NW4122E**

**REPLY**

The South African Institute for Drug – Free Sport (SAIDS) in their response indicated that (a) 995 of the players participating in the 2022 Craven Week were tested in both out-of-competition and in-competition tests (b) No players tested positive for banned substance during the 2022 Rugby Craven week.

(2). The South Africa Rugby Union (SARU) in their response indicated that a total of 2843 players participated in the 2022 Craven Week. Of the total number 2153 players participated in the Boys Youth weeks and 690 participated in the Girls Youth Weeks.

(3). Yes, players were tested, and no one tested positive for a banned substance.