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**342. Mrs V van Dyk (DA) asked the Minister of Public Works and Infrastructure:**

(a) What monetary amount was invested or spent by the Expanded Public Works Programme to assist entities within the Department of Arts and Culture in each province in the past five years, (b) what (i) projects were funded and (ii) is the breakdown of the total amount invested or spent in terms of what projects were funded and (c) what number of jobs were created? **NW1311E**

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**REPLY:**

**The Minister of Public Works and Infrastructure:**

1. No funding was provided by the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure (DPWI) in assisting the Department of Arts and Culture (DAC) entities to create the Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) work opportunities in the past five years (2014/15 – 2018/19) in any province.

The Department of Public Works and Infrastructure (DPWI) is the overall coordinating department for Government’s Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP). The EPWP is comprised of four (4) sectors, namely: Social; Environment and Culture; Infrastructure and Non-State Sectors. Each of the sectors are coordinated by specific national Lead Sector Departments as per the Cabinet approval. The Department of Arts and Culture (DAC) is one of the departments within the Environment and Culture Sector (E&C) which is coordinated by the Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries.