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**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Dr H C Volmink (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:**

Has there been a moratorium placed on health posts; if so, (a) when was this moratorium put into place in the Eastern Cape Department of Health, (b) how many posts have been affected by this moratorium in respect of each staffing category and (c) when is it envisaged that this moratorium will be lifted?

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**REPLY:**

1. No, there is no moratorium on health posts. The moratorium is on administration posts from 06 June 2015. The posts that are however exempted from this moratorium are on the appointments made against all the conditional grants.

(b) All vacant and funded non-clinical posts are affected by the moratorium. In cases, where these non-clinical posts are critical (e.g hospital managers/ CEO's), special motivation is made to the Head of Department for approval.

(c) The moratorium is reviewed by the Head of Department on quarterly basis, and will be uplifted when the Head of Department is satisfied that the financial position has stabilized and the potential over expenditure is averted.

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