**MINISTRY FOR COOPERATIVE GOVERNANCE AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS**

**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

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**QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**3710.    Mr K J Mileham (DA) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

(1)    What amount was written off as (a) irrecoverable debt, (b) irregular expenditure, (c) fruitless and wasteful expenditure and (d) unauthorised expenditure in each metropolitan municipality in the 2014-15 financial year;

(2)    What amount was condoned by the council as (a) irregular expenditure, (b) fruitless and wasteful expenditure and (c) unauthorised expenditure in each metropolitan municipality in the specified financial year?

(3)   What amount of the municipal infrastructure grant went unspent in each metropolitan municipality in the specified financial year?   NW4392E

**Reply:**

1. and (2) The table below presents the amounts written off as irrecoverable debt; the amounts incurred, condoned and written off as irregular expenditure as well as fruitless and wasteful expenditure for each metropolitan municipality in the 2014/15 financial year. The information was sourced from the National Treasury.

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| **Metropolitan Municipality** | **1(a) Irrecoverable Debt** | **Irregular Expenditure** | **Fruitless and Wasteful Expenditure**  | **Unauthorised Expenditure**  |
| **Amount** **Written-off in 2014/2015** | **1(b) Amount Incurred in 2014/15 FY** | **2(a) Written-off/ Condoned** | **1(c) Amount Incurred in 2014/15 FY** | **2(b) Written-off/ Condoned** | **1(d) Amount Incurred in 2014/15 FY** | **2(c) Written-off/ Condoned** |
| Buffalo City |  R 151,514,667  | **R377,136, 842** | **R-** | **R479,621** | **R-** | **R245,355,953** | **R-** |
| Nelson Mandela Bay  |  R 257,092,457  | **R237,405,522** | **R8,184,320** | **R1,265,661** | **R198,938** | **R32,399,251** | **R640,829,075** |
| Mangaung |  R 687,414,714  | **R8,066,258** | **R-** | **R209,103** | **R-** | **R990,840,558** | **R-** |
| Ekurhuleni |  R 1,391,546,895  | **R30,385,244** | **29,340,359** | **R31,124,642** | **R1,165,930** | **R29,570,789** | **R-** |
| City of Johannesburg |  R -  | **R-** | **R-** | **R45,000** | **R-** | **R-** | **R-** |
| City of Tshwane |  R -  | **R65,323,586** | **R50,611** | **R992,600** | **R329,768** | **R1,023,573,003** | **R1,193,981,952** |
| Ethekwini |  R 111,311,000.00  | **R129,961,000** | **R402,900,000** | **R-** | **R-** | **R-** | **R-** |
| City of Cape Town |  R 691,852,000.00  | **R-** | **R45,000** | **R-** | **R-** | **R-** | **R-** |

(3) Metropolitan municipalities do not receive Municipal Infrastructure Grant (MIG).