QUOTE

### NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO : 3711**

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**Ms SV Kalyan (DA) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation:**

Whether any steps has been taken to ensure that officials adhere to (a) supply chain management and (b) procurement processes; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NW4144E

Reply:

The Department of International Relations and Cooperation has taken the following steps to ensure officials adhere to

1. supply chain management;
2. Revised the Supply Chain Management Framework alignment with the various National Treasury SCM Instructions.
3. Developed Financial Misconduct Policy and Procedure.
4. Revised the Financial Delegation of Authorities consistent with the National Treasury approved threshold.
5. Established an Internal Control Unit to monitor compliance and further enhance effectiveness of the internal controls.
6. procurement process;
7. Established three bid committee to facilitate procurements for threshold of above R500 000.
8. Centralised procurement of above R30 000 but not exceeding R500 000 to leverage on economics of scale.
9. Trained all supply chain practitioners, both at Head Office and missions abroad.
10. Trained all end-user officials involved with procurement of goods and services.
11. Signed a declaration of interest, including the code of conduct as well as Financial Misconduct Policy.

Unquote.