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**WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NUMBER: 3792 [NW4289E]**

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**3792. Mr A P van der Westhuizen (DA) asked the Minister of Public Works:**

(1) What was the (a) total consumption of potable water for the parliamentary precinct in the months of (i) August, (ii) September and (iii) October in (aa) 2014, (bb) 2015, (cc) 2016 and (dd) 2017, (b) the total amount that was paid by his department to the City of Cape Town for the water consumption in the specified period and (c) measures have been put in place to save on the consumption of potable water on the parliamentary precint;

(2) how successful have the specified water saving measures been during the drought currently experienced by the Western Cape? **NW4289E**

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**The Minister of Public Works:**

**REPLY:**

1. (a) Please refer to table (i)(aa); (ii)(bb); (iii)(cc); (dd); (b)

**PARLIAMENT COMBINED ACCOUNTS 113487243 & 113572866 (METER NUMBERS)**

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| **NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 3792 (WRITTEN REPLY) Mr AP Van der Westhuizen (DA) ASKED THE MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS:** |

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| **Usage in KL/day** | **2014** | **2015** | **2016** | **2017** |
| **August** | **415** | **529** | **424** | **393** |
| **Cost** | **R301 522.20** | **R313 756.25** | **R213 601.97** | **R541 457.98** |
| **September** | **430** | **505** | **406** | **472** |
| **Cost** | **R213 431.48** | **R633 855.53** | **R275 294.88** | **R582 348.04** |
| **October** | **434** | **418** | **407** | **161** |
| **Cost** | **R393 896.07** | **R568 538.35** | **R547 274.48** | **R503 293.42** |
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c) The Department has used the underground water source at the precinct for irrigation purposes in the gardens and for the cleaning of cobblestones and construction purposes.

2. It is not possible to measure the success rate so far as the readings taken by the City of Cape Town are estimate readings only and is not based on actual consumption.