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**3926. Ms D van der Walt (DA) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

(1) Whether she is aware that the Huis Tekna Children’s Home for physically, mentally and sexually abused children in Bela-Bela in Limpopo, does not receive the specified children’s social grants on time; if not, why not;

(2) will her department intervene immediately to assist the specified facility; if so, what (a) steps does her department intend to take with regard to the specified children and (b) are the further relevant details? NW4791E

**Reply:**

1. Huis Tekna is a registered Child and Youth Care Centre (CYCC) established in accordance with the Children’s Act 38 of 2005. CYCCs do not receive social grants but subsidies from the Department of Social Development.
2. The Limpopo Provincial Department could not transfer funds to all assessed Non-Profit Organizations in the Waterberg district, in the 1st quarter: April-June 2015 as they were conducting investigations conducted in the district. This was a result of a complaint lodged by a concerned community member on how the assessment processes was conducted for the 2015/16 funding. During April 2015, 1096 business plans were audited and comprehensive report compiled. The result of this audit indicated that there were no discrepancies in the assessment process.

Subsequent to the audit, the first and second funding trench was paid out in August 2015 to all affected NPOs in the Waterberg district.

1. Transfers of funds to the non-profit organizations are done quarterly after the reconciliation and relevant organizations are receiving subsidies in line with the business plans and claims submitted to the Department. The Waterberg district office is in regular communication with the organizations to ensure meaningful and continuous working relationship.