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**3984. Ms B S Masango (DA) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

(1) (a) In which year was her department’s Social Work Scholarship Programme for students pursuing studies in Social Work at universities launched and (b) how much has the specified programme cost her department (i) in each specified financial year and (ii) at each university enrolling such students since its inception;

(2) whether her department has (a) tracked the number of graduates produced by the specified programme each year, (b) centred its planning on how many more students it would be able to sponsor through the specified programme in the next few financial years, (c) made provisions in terms of securing employment for the specified students with each of her provincial departments and (d) planned how many new first-year students it would sponsor in the 2016 academic year; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details in each case? NW4852E

**Reply:**

The hounourable member should get this information from the Department’s annual report tabled in Parliament.