**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 3994**

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**3994. Mr G R Davis (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

(1) What amount did her department spend on hotel stays for her in the past three financial years, in each case indicating the (a)(i) name, (ii) location and (iii) star grading of the specified hotel, (b) cost of each stay, (c) duration of each stay and (d) purpose of the visit which necessitated the use of the specified hotel;

(2) what amount did her department spend on hotel stays for the Deputy Minister in the past three financial years, in each case indicating the (a)(i) name, (ii) location and (iii) star grading of the specified hotel, (b) cost of each stay, (c) duration of each stay and (d) purpose of the visit which necessitated the use of the specified hotel? NW4862E

**ANSWER:**

The Minister of Basic Education did spend as follows on hotel stays for her and her Deputy Minister:

(1) The Minister spent R594 999.54 on hotel stays in the past 3 financial years:

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| **Date** | **(a)(i) Name** | **(ii) Location** | **(iii) Star grading** | **(b) Cost** | | **(c) Duration (nights)** | | | | **(d) Purpose** | |
| 2012/13 |  |  |  |  | |  | | | |  | |
| 14/03/2012 | Fusion Boutique Hotel | Polokwane | 5 | R4918.99 | | 1 | | | | Intervention | |
| 24/04/2012 | Premier Hotel ELICC | East London | 4 | R8988.98 | | 3 | | | | Intervention | |
| 05/07/02012 | Garden Court Mthatha | Mthatha | 3 | R5280.89 | | 2 | | | | Intervention | |
| 15/07/2012 | Protea Hotel Mafikeng | Mafikeng | 4 | R1392.99 | | 1 | | | | Official meeting | |
| 17/07/2012 | Garden Court Mthatha | Mthatha | 3 | R2399.94 | | 2 | | | | Intervention | |
| 24/07/2012 | Fusion Boutique Hotel | Polokwane | 5 | R3487.14 | | 1 | | | | Intervention | |
| 04/08/2012 | Tsogo Sun Bloemfontein | Bloemfontein | 4 | R2887.99 | | 1 | | | | Official meeting | |
| 14/08/2012 | Fusion Boutique Hotel | Polokwane | 5 | R8195.99 | | 2 | | | | Intervention | |
| 12/09/2012 | Fusion Boutique Hotel | Polokwane | 5 | R4316.99 | | 1 | | | | Intervention | |
| 17/09/2011  Pd in 2012 | Protea Hotel Mafikeng | Mafikeng | 4 | R3350.89 | | 2 | | | | Official meeting | |
| 20/09/2012 | Hilton Durban | Durban | 5 | R3086.99 | | 1 | | | | Official meeting | |
| 26/09/2012 | Premier Hotel ELICC | East London | 4 | R4915.99 | | 2 | | | | Intervention | |
| 01/10/2012 | Garden Court Mthatha | Mthatha | 3 | R9169.99 | | 3 | | | | Intervention | |
| 25/11/2012 | Irene Country Lodge (African pride) | Centurion | 5 | R13441.71 | | 1 | | | | Meeting Stakeholders | |
| 14/12/2012 | Tsogo Sun Bloemfontein | Bloemfontein | 4 | R44175.36 | | 7 | | | | Official meetings | |
| 11/01/2013 | Hilton Durban | Durban | 5 | R4997.99 | | 1 | | | | Official meeting | |
|  |  |  |  | R125008.82 | |  | | | |  | |
| 2013/14 |  |  |  |  | |  | | | |  | |
| 19/03/2013 | Garden Court East London | East London | 3 | R3777.03 | | 1 | | | | Intervention | |
| 26/03/2013 | Riverdell B&B | Hillcrest | 4 | R1162.28 | | 1 | | | | BRICS Conference | |
| 29/03/2015 | Fairview River Lodge | Tzaneen | 4 | R3057.28 | | 2 | | | | SGB Meetings | |
| 02/04/2013 | Garden Court Mthatha | Mthatha | 3 | R7935.11 | | 3 | | | | Stakeholder Meetings and School Visits | |
| 12/04/2013 | Premier Hotel ELICC | East London | 4 | R2192.28 | | 1 | | | | Intervention | |
| 15/04/2013 | 26 on Chamberlain Guest House | Queenstown | 4 | R1258.28 | | 1 | | | | Attend intervention meetings | |
| 20/05/2013 | Fusion Boutique Hotel | Polokwane | 5 | R5636.28 | | 1 | | | | Meeting with LDOE officials | |
| 21/05/2013 | Garden Court Mthatha | Mthatha | 3 | R2710.13 | | 1 | | | | Opening of a school | |
| 25/05/2013 | Irene Country Lodge (African pride) | Centurion | 5 | R12340.56 | | 2 | | | | Meeting stakeholders | |
| 27/05/2013 | Tsogo Sun Bloemfontein | Bloemfontein | 4 | R4333.63 | | 1 | | | | Official meeting | |
| 01/06/2013 | Fusion Boutique Hotel | Polokwane | 5 | R4348.28 | | 1 | | | | Intervention | |
| 19/06/2013 | Zimbali Lodge | Umhlali | - | R14395.28 | | 2 | | | | Official meeting | |
| 06/07/2013 | Oyster Box Hotel | Umhlanga Rocks | 5 | R6609.03 | | 1 | | | | Official meeting | |
| 16/07/2013 | Garden Court Mthatha | Mthatha | 3 | R5357.98 | | 2 | | | | Intervention | |
| 24/07/2013 | Fusion Boutique Hotel | Polokwane | 5 | R7162.28 | | 1 | | | | Intervention | |
| 26/07/2013 | Irene Country Lodge (African pride) | Centurion | 5 | R6304.28 | | 1 | | | | Official meeting | |
| 08/08/2013 | Protea Hotel Kruger Gate | KNP | 4 | R2041.05 | | 1 | | | | Official meeting | |
| 21/08/2013 | Protea Hotel Clarens | Clarens | 4 | R2304.23 | | 1 | | | | Opening of a School in QwaQwa | |
| 12/09/2013 | Hotel De Convencoes De Talatona | Luanda | 5 | R34880.00 | | 2 | | | | Attending a Women’s Workshop | |
| 24/09/2013 | Garden Court Mthatha | Mthatha | 3 | R2811.08 | | 1 | | | | Intervention | |
| 26/09/2013 | Premier Hotel ELICC | East London | 4 | R2332.28 | | 1 | | | | Intervention meetings | |
| 05/10/2013 | Irene Country Lodge (African pride) | Centurion | 5 | R4887.28 | | 1 | | | | Official meeting | |
| 10/10/2013 | Fusion Boutique Hotel | Polokwane | 5 | R7054.28 | | 1 | | | | Intervention | |
| 1/11/2013 | Hyatt Paris Madeleine | Paris | 5 | R63693.98 | | 7 | | | | Official visit to Paris via DIRCO | |
| 23/11/2013 | Premier Hotel ELICC | East London | 4 | R3677.28 | | 2 | | | | Intervention | |
| 29/11/2013 | Irene Country Lodge (African pride) | Centurion | 5 | R8975.28 | | 2 | | | | Attending meetings | |
| 13/12/2013 | Garden Court East London | East London | 3 | R14417.68 | | 4 | | | | Intervention meetings | |
| 30/12/2013 | Royal Hotel Durban | Durban | 4 | R2476.99 | | 1 | | | | Official meetings | |
| 10/01/2014 | The Cycad Lodge | Nelspruit | - | R2042.28 | | 1 | | | | Minister’s Mpumalanga deployment | |
| 16/01/2014 | Garden Court Mthatha | Mthatha | 3 | R2917.08 | | 1 | | | | Intervention | |
| 07/03/2014 | Boschdal Guest House | Rustenburg | - | R1717.28 | | 1 | | | | Attending meetings | |
| 10/03/2014 | Imperani Guest House | Ficksburg | - | R1407.28 | | 2 | | | | Attending meetings in Bloemfontein | |
| 15/03/2014 | Protea Hotel Clarens | Clarens | 4 | R1805.68 | | 1 | | | | Attending meetings | |
|  |  |  |  | R248021.00 | |  | | | |  | |
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| 2014/15 |  |  |  |  | |  | | | |  | |
| 18/01/2014 | The Royal Horseguards | London | 5 | R71895.99 | | 5 | | | | Official visit to London via DIRCO | |
| 01/04/2014 | Garden Court Kimberley | Kimberley | 3 | R2996.08 | | 1 | | | | Minister to attend meetings in Kuruman | |
| 02/04/2014 | Jubilee Guest House | Upington | - | R1187.28 | | 1 | | | | Minister to attend meetings in Kuruman | |
| 07/04/2014 | Hilton Durban | Durban | 5 | R14558.28 | | 2 | | | | Attending meetings | |
| 09/04/2014 | Oyengweni Guest House | Ladysmith | - | R4097.26 | | 3 | | | | Attending meetings | |
| 14/04/2014 | Southern Sun Emnotweni Hotel | Nelspruit | 4 | R11840.48 | | 2 | | | | Attending meetings in Nelspruit | |
| 22/04/2014 | Fusion Boutique Hotel | Polokwane | 5 | R19926.28 | | 4 | | | | Ministerial duties | |
| 28/04/2014 | Radisson Blu Hotel | Port Elizabeth | 5 | R3265.18 | | 1 | | | | Ministerial duties | |
| 30/04/2014 | Premier Hotel Cascades | East London | 4 | R20599.28 | | 3 | | | | Ministerial duties | |
| 30/05/2014 | Irene Country Lodge (African pride) | Centurion | 5 | R7540.70 | | 1 | | | | Ministerial responsibility | |
| 20/06/2014 | Irene Country Lodge (African pride) | Centurion | 5 | R7013.28 | | 2 | | | | Minister attending meetings | |
| 01/08/2014 | Zimbali Lodge | Umhlali | - | R7968.78 | | 2 | | | | Minister to attend meetings | |
| 03/08/2014 | Irene Country Lodge (African pride) | Centurion | 5 | R4392.03 | | 1 | | | | Official meeting | |
| 30/08/2014 | Southern Sun Hemmingways | East London | 5 | R9926.56 | | 2 | | | | Ministerial duties | |
| 25/09/2014 | Fusion Boutique Hotel | Polokwane | 5 | R5157.28 | | 1 | | | | Ministerial duty | |
| 20/10/2014 | Fusion Boutique Hotel | Polokwane | 5 | R4819.28 | | 1 | | | | Intervention | |
| 22/11/2014 | Irene Country Lodge (African pride) | Centurion | 5 | R2936.42 | | 1 | | | | Ministerial duties | |
| 30/11/2014 | Southern Sun Elangeni and Maharani | Durban | 4 | R5830.28 | | 1 | | | | Ministerial duties | |
| 06/12/2014 | Pheasant Hill | Doornkloof East | - | R887.28 | | 1 | | | | Attending meetings | |
| 11/12/2014 | Birchwood Hotel | Boksburg | 4 | R4671.28 | | 4 | | | | Ministerial duties | |
| 02/01/2015 | Protea Hotel Kimberley | Kimberley | 4 | R2559.88 | | 1 | | | | Ministerial duties | |
| 16/01/2015 | Fusion Boutique Hotel | Polokwane | 5 | R6733.28 | | 1 | | | | Intervention | |
| 19/02/2015 | Pheasant Hill | Doornkloof East | - | R1167.28 | | 1 | | | | Attending meetings | |
|  |  |  |  | R221969.72 | |  | | | |  | |
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1. The Deputy Minister spent R313 360.20 on hotel stays in the past 3 financial years:

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| **DOT** | **(a)(i) Name** | | | **(ii) Location** | **(iii) Star grading** | | | **(b) Cost** | | | **(c) Duration** | | **(d) Purpose** |
| 2012/13 |  | | |  |  | | |  | | |  | |  |
| 10/01/2012  Pd in ’12fy | Cremorne Estate | | | Port St Johns | - | | | R864.99 | | | 1 | | School visits in Mthatha |
| 27/03/2012  Pd in ‘12fy | Hemmingways Hotel | | | East London | 4 | | | R5063.94 | | | 1 | | ECD Conference |
| 24/04/2012 | Premier Hotel ELICC | | | East London | 4 | | | R2206.99 | | | 1 | | Official duties |
| 08/05/2012 | Tsogo sun Elangeni | | | Durban | 4 | | | R5426.99 | | | 1 | | Official duties |
| 26/05/2012 | Garden Court Marine Parade | | | Durban | 3 | | | R2678.99 | | | 1 | | Official duties |
| 09/07/2012 | Premier Hotel ELICC | | | East London | 4 | | | R4021.49 | | | 1 | | Official duties |
| 15/07/2012 | Protea Hotel Nelspruit | | | Nelspruit | 4 | | | R1395.74 | | | 1 | | Official duties |
| 20/08/2012 | Premier Hotel ELICC | | | East London | 4 | | | R1820.99 | | | 1 | | Official duties |
| 26/08/2012 | Kob Inn Guest House | | | East London | - | | | R856.99 | | | 1 | | Official duties |
| 26/09/2012 | Premier Hotel ELICC | | | East London | 4 | | | R5331.99 | | | 2 | | Official duties |
| 19/11/2012 | Premier Hotel ELICC | | | East London | 4 | | | R2224.69 | | | 1 | | Official duties |
| 02/12/2012 | 26 On Chamberlain Guest House | | | Queenstown | - | | | R1841.99 | | | 2 | | Official duties |
| 14/12/2012 | Senzeni Event Management | | | Johannesburg | - | | | R44961.98 | | | 8 | | Official duties |
| 09/01/2013 | Mont D’or Hotel & Conference centre | | | Clarens | 3 | | | R1818.99 | | | 1 | | Official duties |
| 11/01/2013 | Southern Sun Elangeni | | | Durban | 4 | | | R4331.69 | | | 2 | | Official duties |
| 16/01/2013 | Margate Hotel | | | Margate | 3 | | | R1331.99 | | | 1 | | School visits |
| 02/02/2013 | Tsogo Sun North Beach | | | Durban | 4 | | | R4869.99 | | | 1 | | Official duties |
|  |  | | |  |  | | | R91050.42 | | |  | |  |
| 2013/14 |  | | |  |  | | |  | | |  | |  |
| 12/03/2013 | NH Barbizon Palace | | | Amsterdam | 5 | | | R12450.00 | | | 3 | | Attending the 3rd International Summit on the teaching profession |
| 18/04/2013 | Walmont At Graceland | | | Secunda | - | | | R2192.28 | | | 1 | | Official duties |
| 25/04/2013 | Protea Hotel Montrose | | | Harrismith | 3 | | | R1804.28 | | | 1 | | Official duties to Phuthaditjhaba |
| 19/06/2013 | Zimbali Lodge | | | Umhlali | - | | | R15021.86 | | | 2 | | CEM meeting |
| 21/07/2013 | Garden Court Mthatha | | | Mthatha | 3 | | | R2893.13 | | | 1 | | Ceremonial handover of Ndlovayiphathwa Primary School |
| 22/08/2013 | Garden Court Mthatha | | | Mthatha | 3 | | | R11475.08 | | | 1 | | Opening of Mqokolweni Primary School |
| 19/09/2013 | Southern Sun Elangeni | | | Durban | 4 | | | R5906.23 | | | 1 | | Attending Sastri College Alumni Colloquium Dinner |
| 20/09/2013 | Radisson Blu Hotel | | | Maputo | 5 | | | R8687.32 | | | 4 | | Official visit to Maputo via DIRCO |
| 04/10/2013 | Hilton Durban | | | Durban | 5 | | | R6297.28 | | | 1 | | Attending ELRC Teachers Day celebration |
| 1/11/2013 | Hyatt Paris Madeleine | | | Paris | 5 | | | R63693.98 | | | 7 | | Official visit to Paris via DIRCO |
| 11/10/2013 | Garden Court Mthatha | | | Mthatha | 3 | | | R3040.08 | | | 1 | | Handing over of ASIDI school |
| 21/11/2013 | Garden Court Mthatha | | | Mthatha | 3 | | | R3017.08 | | | 1 | | ASIDI school opening |
| 12/12/2013 | Garden Court East London | | | East London | 3 | | | R7994.08 | | | 4 | | Attending the funeral of Late Former President Nelson Mandela |
| 29/01/2014 | Premier Hotel ELICC | | | East London | 4 | | | R1972.28 | | | 1 | | Visit to the ECDOE |
| 30/01/2014 | Cosy Posy Guest House | | | Lusikisiki | 3 | | | R1329.24 | | | 1 | | Visit to the ECDOE |
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| 2014/15 |  | | |  |  | | |  | | |  | |  |
| 06/03/2014 | Birchwood Hotel | | | Boksburg | 4 | | | R1882.88 | | | 1 | | Attending the National Teaching Awards and Addressing the Discipline |
| 08/03/2014 | Out of Africa Carnavon | | | Northern Cape | - | | | R1412.28 | | | 1 | | Addressing the launch of the Women’s Legacy services publication and participating in the door-to-door campaign |
| 22/03/2014 | Annie’s House | | | Cradock | - | | | R737.28 | | | 1 | | Door-to-door campaign |
| 23/03/2014 | Raddisson Blu Hotel | | | Port Elizabeth | 4 | | | R3036.93 | | | 1 | | Door-to-door campaign |
| 24/04/2014 | Arcadia Guest House | | | Kroonstad | - | | | R887.28 | | | 1 | | Attending Kagiso Shanduka Trust Project Launch |
| 24/06/2014 | Hotel Nikko Tokyo | | | Tokyo | 5 | | | R29775.44 | | | 4 | | Official visit to Tokyo via DIRCO |
| 16/07/2014 | Southern Sun Elangeni | | | Durban | 4 | | | R2406.38 | | | 1 | | Addressing the South African Schools Choral Eisteddfod |
| 17/07/2014 | Garden Court Mthatha | | | Mthatha | 3 | | | R3695.03 | | | 1 | | Handover of ASIDI school |
| 24/08/2014 | Ruby Stone Boutique Hotel | | | Polokwane | 4 | | | R1837.28 | | | 1 | | Attending Limpopo Education Dialogue |
| 23/09/2014 | Premier Hotel ELICC | | | East London | 4 | | | R6108.78 | | | 2 | | Official duties |
| 24/09/2014 | Protea Hotel Waterfront Richards Bay | | | Richards Bay | 3 | | | R13125.58 | | | 2 | | National Advocacy Programme |
| 02/12/2014 | Garden Court East London | | | East London | 3 | | | R4148.03 | | | 1 | | Addressing the DBE World AIDS Day event and visit the ECDOE |
| 09/12/2014 | Southern Sun Elangeni | | | Durban | 4 | | | R2481.38 | | | 1 | | Attending and addressing the SANZAF event |
| 14/01/2015 | Garden Court Polokwane | | | Polokwane | 3 | | | R3001.03 | | | 1 | | School visit to Limpopo |
|  |  | | |  |  | | | R74535.58 | | |  | |  |
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