

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FOR WRITTEN REPLYQUESTION 4129

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(INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO 44-2022)

4129. Ms Z Majazi (IFP) to ask the Minister of Police:

With reference to his reply to oral question 637 on 27 October 2022, which contains proposed estimates, what (a) was the exact pay-out amount for each claim lodged in the (i) 2020-21 and (ii) 2021-22 financial years based on the merits of each case, (b) measures has his department put in place to update the training of police officers so as to prevent similar claims in the future and (c) are the consequences that will be faced by the guilty police officers to hold them accountable and/or responsible for their actions?

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REPLY:

(a)(i)(ii) The details regarding the claims that were paid, are reflected in the table below:

2020/2021		
Summary Responsibility	Number of Payments	Amount Paid
Gauteng	654	R81 896 599,53
North West	639	R95 776 576,20
KwaZulu-Natal	577	R50 421 042,21
Eastern Cape	388	R48 484 521,67
Mpumalanga	255	R32 369 191,97
Limpopo	169	R25 791 313,61
Western Cape	87	R6 193 951,75
Free State	85	R9 743 903,28
Northern Cape	24	R3 492 861,11
Head Office Divisions	21	R13 077 970,82
Grand Total	2 899	R367 247 932,15

2021/2022		
Summary Responsibility	Number of Payments	Amount Paid
North West	825	R143 673 343,49
Gauteng	699	R82 888 294,47
KwaZulu-Natal	776	R81 831 395,92
Eastern Cape	334	R43 209 557,83
Mpumalanga	328	R56 524 353,54
Limpopo	229	R29 490 716,64
Free State	98	R12 173 270,01
Western Cape	96	R15 478 921,83
Northern Cape	29	R1 938 151,72
Head Office Divisions	18	R3 291 122,93
Grand Total	3 432	R470 499 128,38

It must be noted that the amounts paid do not necessarily emanate from incidents that occurred in the current financial year, but may emanate from claims instituted in previous financial years, but finalised and paid in the current financial year.

- (b) The South African Police Service (SAPS) has implemented the civil claims presentation that was approved by the National Steering Committee on Contingent Liability and Downward Management of Civil Claims, which is implemented for the Basic Police Development (BPD) training of SAPS recruits. The presentation consists of contributing factors of civil claims and the consequences of these actions in the SAPS.

To date, 495 recruits have been trained on the civil claims presentation and 16 Basic Trainers have been orientated on the presentation to implement it to the remaining trainees currently attending the Basic Police Development Learning Programme. It is envisioned that all the remaining trainees will be trained on the presentation on/or before 2022-12-09.

The Steering Committee identified vehicle accidents as a high contributor to civil claims and the learning programme "*Authorisation to Drive a State Vehicle*" was developed, which each member who needs to drive state vehicles must first attend. The programme has been finalised by the SAPS for implementation in January 2022. Since the implementation of the Authorisation to Drive a State Vehicle Learning Programme, 219 members have been trained.

- (c) An employee of the SAPS who is found guilty of an offence is charged departmentally, in terms of the SAPS Discipline Regulations, 2016.

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**MINISTER OF POLICE
GENERAL BH CELE, MP**

Date: 22/11/2022

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

FOR ORAL REPLY**QUESTION 637**

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637. Ms Z Majozi (IFP) to ask the Minister of Police:

Considering that there have been claims of police brutality lodged against SA Police Service officers throughout the year, what (a) total amount in civil claims has been lodged against the Civil Secretariat for Police Service since the COVID-19 outbreak and (b) proactive measures has his department put in place to curb police brutality and the resulting civil claims?

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REPLY:

- (a) No civil claims are lodged against the Civilian Secretariat for Police Service. All claims are lodged against the South African Police Service (SAPS). The total number of civil claims registered against the SAPS and the amounts claimed, are reflected in tables below:

2020/2021	
Number of Claims	Amount Claimed
10 689	R16 782 612 292,45

2021/2022	
Number of Claims	Amount Claimed
13 262	R67 615 742 066,77

It must be noted that the claim amounts are not necessarily what will be paid eventually, in the event that the SAPS is found to be liable.

- (b) A National Steering Committee on the Down-Management of Civil Claims was established to down-manage civil claims in an integrated approach. This Committee developed an action plan to ensure compliance with prescripts and legislation, which includes a specific focus on the correct application of consequence management. Specific timeframes for the various deliverables and key actions that are embedded within the action plan, are being attended

to, so as to ensure implementation in all environments but particularly within the operational capabilities within the SAPS, at all levels. The implementation of the action plan is monitored by the National Steering Committee and reporting on its implementation is provided to the top management and the Accounting Officer of the SAPS.

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GENERAL BH CELE, MP

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