**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION 4164-2015**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

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**“Mr MW Madisha (COPE) to ask the Minister of Arts and Culture”**

**Whether he has taken action against officials who were (a) responsible for the growth of irregular expenditure from R74,3 million in the 2013-14 financial year to R80,6 million in the 2014-15 financial year, considering how constrained the fiscus is currently and (b) implicated in the fruitless and wasteful expenditure of R5,5 million in the 2013-14 and R330 000 during the 2014-15 period; if not, why not, in each case; if so, what are the details of the consequences the transgressing officials had to bear for their transgression, failures or misdemeanours? NW5040E**

**REPLY:**

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| 1. Disciplinary action has been taken against the official who was responsible for part of the growth of irregular expenditure from R74,3 million in the 2013-14 financial year to R80,6 million in the 2014-15 financial year   (b) Disciplinary action has been taken against the official who was implicated in some of the fruitless and wasteful expenditure of R5,5 million in 2013-14 and R330 000 during the 2014-15 period  My department has since appointed the service provider to investigate the irregular expenditure and fruitless and wasteful expenditure in order to establish the extent of transgression and deal with consequent management.  Since the investigation report has not yet been released, the recommendations to take disciplinary action against the transgressors have not yet been implemented. |
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