# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 456**

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**(INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO. 04)**

**Mrs M O Clarke (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:**

Whether, with reference to the Auditor-General’s report, his department will supply a breakdown of (a) the R49 million unauthorised expenditure in terms of noncompliance in the 2020-21 financial year, (b) R922 million irregular expenditure for the 2020-21 financial year and (c) R849 million for the 2019-20 financial year; if not, why not, in each case; if so, what disciplinary procedures have taken place in each case?

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**REPLY:**

1. Breakdown of R49 million unauthorised expenditure

Programme 4: Primary Health Care: (R37,886 million)

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| **Per economic classification** | **Amount in R’000** |
| Compensation of Employees | (43 763) |
| Goods and Services | 4 936 |
| Transfers and Subsidies | - |
| Capital Assets | 941 |
| **Net Results** | **(37 886)** |

Programme 6: Health Systems Governance: (R11,841 million)

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| **Per economic classification** | **Amount in R’000** |
| Compensation of Employees | 151 |
| Goods and Services | 13 708 |
| Transfers and Subsidies | (30 568) |
| Capital Assets | 4 868 |
| **Net Results** | **(11 841)** |

**Grand total: R49,727 million**

1. The National Department of Health **did not** incur irregular expenditure to the value of R922 million for the 2020/21 financial year. The irregular expenditure disclosed in the Annual Financial Statements for the 2020/21 financial year amounts to R297,888 million and is composed as follows:

Actual Irregular expenditure incurred in 2020/21 R131,752 million

Irregular expenditure incurred in previous financial years R166,136 million

**Accumulative amount as at 31 March 2020/21 R297,888 million**

1. The National Department of Health **did not** incur R849 million for the 2019/20 financial year. The irregular expenditure disclosed in the Annual Financial Statements for the 2019/20 financial year amounts to R166,136 million and is composed as follows:

Actual Irregular expenditure incurred in 2019/20 R 58,784 million

Irregular expenditure incurred in previous financial years R107,352 million

**Accumulative amount as at 31 March 2019/20 R166,136 million**

With regards to disciplinary procedures, cases have been sent for assessment in terms of the Irregular Expenditure Framework as published by National Treasury, dated 16 May 2019 to determine whether the transactions are indeed irregular or not. Some of these transactions have been sent to the Office of the Accountant-General to determine if indeed the findings of AGSA are valid or not in terms of the Mechanism for Resolving Disagreement Between the Auditor (AGSA) and Auditee dated 01 June 2021, the auditee in this cases is (NDOH). Some of the officials implicated in the cases mentioned had been suspended and disciplinary hearings are underway/ in progress.

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