**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 494**

**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER [No 4-2022 SIXTH PARLIAMENT]  
DATE OF PUBLICATION: 25 FEBRUARY 2022**

**494. Mr N P Masipa (DA) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development:**

1. Whether she will furnish Mr N P Masipa with a breakdown of (a) the source of the funds and (b) the (i) total amount and (ii) service providers used to refurbish the (aa) office, (bb) canteen and (cc) reception office of the Onderstepoort Biological Products over the past 10 financial years;

(2) whether the amount(s) was/were approved by the board; if not, will she furnish Mr N P Masipa with the deviation details and/or sanction taken against the persons and (b) the processes going forward; if so, what are the relevant details? **NW559E**

**THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT:**

(1)(a),(b),(i),(ii),(aa),(bb),(cc),(2)(b)

Yes. The Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD) has consulted with the Onderstepoort Biological Products (OBP) and agreed that due to the nature of the information required, an investigation and mining of data needs to be undertaken. The process will assist to ensure correctness of the information in order for DALRRD to be able to respond with certainty and accuracy. DALRRD undertakes to investigate and respond to the question as soon as possible.