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| **PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**  **NATIONAL ASSEMBLY** |

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION 516**

**DATE OF QUESTION: 20 MARCH 2020**

**DATE OF SUBMISSION: 03 APRIL 2020**

**Mr W Horn (DA) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:**

(1) What total number of (a) prisoners that have been sentenced to life imprisonment for (i) rape, (ii) murder, (iii) kidnapping and (iv) culpable homicide have received parole from each parole board in each province, (b) years have the specified prisoners served before being put on parole and (c) the parolees have become reoffenders;

(2) how often does his department monitor persons on parole once they have been reintegrated into society;

(3) (a) what programmes are there and (b) how much of the budget is allocated to reintegrate offenders back into society to ensure that they are properly rehabilitated?

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**REPLY**

(1)(a)(i)(ii)(iii)

| **Crime Category** | **Regions** | | | | | | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **EC** | **GP** | **KZN** | **LMN** | **FSNC** | **WC** | **Total** |
| (Culpable Homicide and Related offences) (Murder and related offences) |  | **3** |  | **1** | **1** | **2** | **7** |
| (Culpable Homicide and Related offences) (Murder and related offences) (Offences against freedom of movement) |  | **1** | **1** |  |  |  | **2** |
| (Culpable Homicide and Related offences) (Murder and related offences) (Sexual offences) | **1** |  |  |  |  |  | **1** |
| (Culpable Homicide and Related offences) (Offences against freedom of movement) (Sexual offences) |  |  |  | **1** |  |  | **1** |
| (Culpable Homicide and Related offences) (Sexual offences) |  | **1** |  |  |  | **1** | **2** |
| (Murder and related offences) | **144** | **338** | **299** | **118** | **66** | **41** | **1 006** |
| (Murder and related offences) (Offences against freedom of movement) | **7** | **13** | **8** | **4** | **3** | **4** | **39** |
| (Murder and related offences) (Offences against freedom of movement) (Sexual offences) | **3** | **5** | **2** | **1** | **2** | **1** | **14** |
| (Murder and related offences) (Sexual offences) | **8** | **13** | **11** | **5** | **5** |  | **42** |
| (Offences against freedom of movement) |  | **1** |  |  |  |  | **1** |
| (Offences against freedom of movement) (Sexual offences) | **4** | **3** | **4** | **2** |  |  | **13** |
| (Sexual offences) | **19** | **16** | **28** | **30** | **11** | **9** | **113** |
| **Grand Total** | **186** | **394** | **353** | **162** | **88** | **58** | **1 241** |

(iv)

\*Note that Parole Boards only have recommendation powers in respect of lifers since the approval rests with the Minister.

| **Region/Management Area/Parole Board** | **Number who received parole** |
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| **EASTERN CAPE** | **186** |
| Amathole Area | 27 |
| East London Area | 11 |
| Kirkwood Area | 17 |
| Mthatha Area | 64 |
| Sada Area | 8 |
| St. Albans Area | 59 |
| **GAUTENG** | **394** |
| Baviaanspoort Area | 3 |
| Boksburg Area | 48 |
| Johannesburg Area | 85 |
| Krugersdorp Area | 15 |
| Leeuwkop Area | 126 |
| Modderbee Area | 20 |
| Pretoria Area | 93 |
| Zonderwater Area | 4 |
| **KWAZULU-NATAL** | **353** |
| Durban Area | 115 |
| Empangeni Area | 36 |
| Glencoe Area | 11 |
| Kokstad Area | 8 |
| Ncome Area | 21 |
| Pietermaritzburg Area | 146 |
| Waterval Area | 16 |
| **LIMPOPO, MPUMALANGA AND NORTH WEST (LMN)** | **162** |
| Barberton Area | 40 |
| Bethal Area | 10 |
| Klerksdorp Area | 9 |
| Polokwane Area | 26 |
| Rooigrond Area | 20 |
| Rustenburg Area | 28 |
| Thohoyandou Area | 22 |
| Witbank Area | 7 |
| **NORTHERN CAPE AND FREE STATE (FS&NC)** | **88** |
| Goedemoed Area | 1 |
| Groenpunt Area | 38 |
| Grootvlei Area | 16 |
| Kimberley Area | 10 |
| Kroonstad Area | 16 |
| Upington Area | 7 |
| **WESTERN CAPE** | **58** |
| Allandale Area | 1 |
| Brandvlei Area | 1 |
| Drakenstein Area | 14 |
| George Area | 10 |
| Helderstroom Area | 5 |
| Malmesbury Area | 6 |
| Pollsmoor Area | 13 |
| Voorberg Area | 2 |
| Worcester Area | 6 |
| **GRAND TOTAL** | **1 241** |

(b)

| **Year served by offenders serving life sentence, before released on parole** | **Number of offenders serving life sentence, released on parole, after serving from 13 to 33 years in a correctional facility.** |
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| **13 Years** | **14** |
| **14 Years** | **54** |
| **15 Years** | **131** |
| **16 Years** | **189** |
| **17 Years** | **205** |
| **18 Years** | **184** |
| **19 Years** | **107** |
| **20 Years** | **106** |
| **21 Years** | **94** |
| **22 Years** | **58** |
| **23 Years** | **36** |
| **24 Years** | **23** |
| **25 Years** | **17** |
| **26 Years** | **11** |
| **27 Years** | **4** |
| **28 Years** | **3** |
| **29 Years** | **3** |
| **30 Years** | **1** |
| **33 Years** | **1** |
| **GRAND TOTAL** | **1 241** |

\*Please take note: The totals in this table is for revocation**,** which includes offenders who committed crime and/or violated their parole conditions**.**

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| **(c) LIFER REVOCATIONS** | | | | | | |
| **REGION** | **2015/2016** | **2016/2017** | **2017/2018** | **2018/2019** | **2019/2020** | **TOTAL** |
| **EC** | **2** | **1** | **2** | **3** | **1** | **9** |
| **GAUTENG** | **2** | **2** | **2** |  | **1** | **7** |
| **FS/NC** |  | **1** |  |  | **2** | **3** |
| **KZN** |  |  |  |  | **2** | **2** |
| **WC** |  |  |  | **1** |  | **1** |
| **LMN** |  | **2** |  |  |  | **2** |
| **TOTAL** | **4** | **6** | **4** | **4** | **6** | **24** |

(2) In ensuring compliance to conditions of monitoring, offenders are monitored through telephonic contact, physical visits at work if discussed and agreed upon by offender and employer and physical visit at home, during the week, weekends and public holidays (after hours visits included)

Compulsory visits by offender to the community corrections offices / sub-office /service points and where physical monitoring cannot be done due to certain circumstances; alternative measures are made or taken by the Head of Community Corrections to ensure that the offender is monitored.

All offenders placed under the system of community corrections are subjected to the Admission Risk Reclassification tool to determine the level of supervision unless stated otherwise by Court/ CSPB. Monitoring is therefore conducted in line with the offender’s categories and monitored as follows:

| **Condition** | **High Risk category** | **Medium Risk category** | **Low Risk Category** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Minimum Number of contacts** | Eight (08) contacts per month | Four (04) contacts per month | Two (02) contacts per month |
| **Physical visit at home** | A minimum of one face-to-face visits per week to the offender by the **Reintegration Case Official** | A minimum of one face-to-face visit per month | A minimum of one face-to-face visit every two months |
| **Physical visit at work** | A minimum of one monthly face-to-face visit | A minimum of one face-to-face visit every two months | Minimum of one quarterly face-to-face visit |
| **Physical visit at community service** | A minimum of one face-to-face visits per month | A minimum of one face-to-face visits per month | A minimum of one face-to-face visits per quarter |
| **Compulsory visit by offender to the community corrections office** | Minimum of one monthly face-to-face contact (office consultation) | A minimum of one face-to-face contact every two months (office consultation | A minimum of one face-to-face visit every two months (office consultation |

(3)(a) The following are programmes available:

**Correctional Programmes:**

There are thirteen (13) Correctional Programmes aimed at addressing specific offending behaviour of offenders, aimed at creating awareness and improving the life skills of offenders. The programmes are namely:

1. New Beginnings Orientation (orientation programme to offenders newly admitted to a Correctional Centre)
2. Anger Management
3. Cross Roads (focusing on life skills)
4. Restorative Justice Orientation
5. Sexual Offences
6. Substance Abuse
7. Behaviour Modification Programme on Gangsterism
8. Economic Crime Programme (fraud related)
9. Economic Crime Programme (theft related)
10. Programme on Murder and related offences
11. Programme on Robbery and related offences
12. Correctional Programme for Female Offenders
13. Pre-Release

Correctional Programmes are non-therapeutic in nature and are rendered in the group mode.

**Social Work Programmes:**

The Social Workers render the following therapeutic programmes to offenders in individual or groups settings:

1. Anger Management Programme
2. Sexual Offender Treatment Programme
3. Substance Abuse Programme
4. Youth Resilience Enhancement Programme
5. Youth Resilience Enhancement Programme
6. Cool and Fit for Life (Youth Programme)
7. Elderly Offender Programme
8. Sisonke Family and Marriage Care Programme
9. Parenting Skills Programme

**Psychological Services:**

Psychologists render individual therapeutic services to sentenced offenders. These services are based on the offender’s risks and needs identified. A treatment plan is compiled to outline the specific intervention that will be best suited to the offender. When needed, a psychotherapeutic process will be initiated to address the identified risks and needs with the aim of developing better mental health, correcting offending behaviour, and assisting with movement towards successful rehabilitation.

Some offenders whose profiles are being compiled for parole purposes sometimes need to have a psychological report on their profile. These offenders are usually offenders who pose higher risks, offenders with longer sentences, and offenders who committed serious aggressive and sexual crimes (robbery, rape and murder).

(3)(b) For 2019/20 financial year an amount of R51, 155 mil is allocated for Community Reintegration programmes.

**END**