###### National Assembly

Question Number: 619

**Dr P J Groenewald (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Transport**:

1) What is the reason why the roadworks to the R24, also called the P16/1, from Olifantsnek to Rustenburg were discontinued;

(2) when (a) construction work to the road will be resumed and (b) is the planned completion date for the roadworks;

(3) whether she will make a statement about the matter? NW732E

**REPLY**

**Reply:**

1. The R24 (P16/1) from km 12, 5 (Olifantshoek) to km 0.0 (Buiten ST, Rustenburg) was split into two sections. Section One km 0.0 to km 4.9 (Project One) and km 4.9 to km 12 ,5 (Project Two). These projects were procured approximately 24 months apart.

2(a) Project One was awarded to DIP Civils in April 2013. In February 2014 the pace of construction slowed down considerably and it was evident that the Contractor was experiencing some financial problems that led into the contractor seeking for a and entered into Business Rescue in April 2014. Unfortunately the Business Rescue was not successful and a new contractor was appointed together with the Liquidator in October 2014. This project is scheduled to be completed by end April 2016.

(b) The Second Project commenced in March 2015 and is scheduled to be completed in September 2017. Currently progress is on schedule.

(3) As part of government’s key delivery programme being implemented by SANRAL, the Minister has no plans to single out this programme through any form of statement on this road.