**National Assembly**

**Question No. 619**

**Ms B Mathulelwa (EFF) to ask the Minister of Transport:**

By what date does he intend to commence with the building of a tarred road between Matatiele and Mount Frere in the Eastern Cape? NW735E

**REPLY**

The road in question between Matatiele and Mount Frere is T15 and a portion of it was upgraded to surface standard. There is approximately 60km of this road that is gravel and is being maintained in its current form i.e. gravel. It is important to note that the Eastern Cape Department of Transport appointed a contractor in November 2020 for re-gravel the first 30km and the contractor is still on site. Furthermore, there are long term plans to upgrade the remaining 30km as phase 2 of this project however, the actual implementation date of the project depends on budget availability.