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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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636. Ms N R Mashabela (EFF) to ask the Minister of Human Settlements:

(a) On what basis were RDP houses allocated at the Mokgoba squatter camp in Ward 29 Greater Letaba Local Municipality in Limpopo and

(b) What are the

(i) names,

(ii) house numbers and

(iii) allocation details of all recipients of RDP houses in the specified area?

REPLY:

(a) Based on information provided by the Province the site to be developed was already occupied by households residing in informal dwellings. The households were approached to completed subsidy application forms. The completed subsidy applications were captured on the Housing Subsidy System (HSS) against the project. The captured subsidy applications were validated against the various datasets as prescribed in the National Housing Code. The households that passed the validation process were approved to benefit from a housing opportunity. The households that were approved on the HSS were allocated house by the municipality after the completion of the family units and houses.

(b) The Province approved 250 beneficiaries to benefit from housing opportunities in the area. Of the 250 beneficiaries who were earmarked for the housing project , an Additional 77 hostel dwellers were also assisted in the building family units for their families in the area. On completion of the construction of the houses and family units, the Municipality allocated the houses and family units. Post the allocation process it was discovered that the list used to allocate families into the project contained the details of the approved households from the Province, that were not allocated into the project.

The Province as well as the Municipality then embarked on a formalization programme in 2014 to correct the houses and family units, which were not correctly allocated. The formalization programme is currently being undertaken on a phased approach and has not been concluded to date. A current status report on the formalisation process is attached marked as Annexure A, and includes the names and house numbers of the allocated beneficiaries.