# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO. 661**

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**Ms H Ismail (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:**

(1) What number of (a)(i) screenings and (ii) tests has the Government conducted in each municipality to test for the coronavirus disease caused by the severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 since 1 January 2020, (b) health professionals have tested positive and (c) persons (i) recovered from and (ii) died as a result of the contraction of COVID-19 in each municipality;

(2) what (a) number of COVID-19 mobile testing units have not been delivered to the designated municipalities yet and (b) are the reasons that they have not been delivered in each case;

(3) whether any backlog is being experienced in the processing of test samples; if so, what are the relevant details;

(4) (a) what number of (i) quarantine and (ii) testing facilities are available in each municipality and (b) where is each specified facility situated?

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**REPLY:**

1. (a) (i) The number of screenings as of 1 June 2020 across all 9 provinces in each municipality stands at 20,170,837;

 (ii) The numbest of tests as 2 June 2020 across all 9 provinces in each municipality stands at 785,979;

 (b) The number of health professionals as of 1 June 2020 that tested positive for COVID-19 is 2,084;

 (c) (i) The number of health professionals as of 1 June 2020 that recovered from COVID-19 is 808;

 (ii) and that died from COVID-19 is 18.

1. (a) All sixty-seven (67) NHLS mobile testing units have been delivered to all nine provinces. The testing mobile units rotate through the province depending on the schedule determined by the provincial department of health.
2. Not applicable;
3. The backlog is experienced in the process of test samples due to inadequate supply of extraction kits to perform PCR tests and the high through put test kits for integrated testing platform like GeneXpert and Roche instruments;
4. (a) (i) A total of 136 out of 396 sites have been activated as of 1 June 2020 across all 9 provinces in each municipality;
5. testing facilities are available in each municipality;
6. Refer to the table below

Table 1.

| Province | 1. (ii) Laboratory location
 | (c) Municipality |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Eastern Cape | Port Elizabeth Provincial Hospital | Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality |
| Nelson Mandela Academic/Walter Sisulu University | OR Tambo Municipality |
| East London Laboratory, Frere Hospital | Buffalo City Municpality |
| Free State | Universitas Academic Hospital | Mangaung Metro |
| Pelonomi Hospital | Mangaung Metro |
| Manapo Hospital | Thabo Mofutsanyana |
| Gauteng | Charlotte Maxeke Johanessburg Academic Hospital | City of Johannesburg Metro |
| Tshwane Academic Division,University of Pretoria | City of Tshwane Metro |
| Dr George Mukhari Hospital | City of Tshwane Metro |
| Tambo Memorial Hospital | Ekurhuleni Metro |
| Braamfontein TB Laboratory | City of Johannesburg Metro |
| KwaZulu Natal | Inkosi Albert Luthuli Central Academic Hospital | Ethikwini Metro |
| Addington Hospital | Ethekwini Metro |
| Limpopo | Mankweng Provincial Hospital | Polokwane Municipality |
| Polokwane | Polokwane Municipality |
| Mpumalanga | Rob Ferreira | Mbombela |
| North West | Tshepong Hospital | Dr KK Municipality |
| Rustenburg Hospital | Bojanala Municipality |
| Western Cape | Greenpoint | City of Cape Town Metro |
| Groote Schuur Academic Hospital | City of Cape Town Metro |
| Tygerberg Academic Hospital | Belville Municipality |

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