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**Memorandum from the Parliamentary Office**

**Minister**

**National Assembly question for written reply: 716**

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**Advocate MJ Maluleke**

Director-General

Date:

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**Prof H Mkhize, MP**

Deputy Minister

Date:

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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Mr L Mphithi (DA) to ask the Minister in The Presidency for Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities:**

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**REPLY:**

* NYDA to speak on the Covid-19 grant programme launched as a result of COVID;
* NYDA to speak to the 1000 businesses in a 100 days, and how success was achieved despite Covid. And what are the plans going forward.
* Department to mention how they managed to consult young people throughout the pandemic

The Department will continue to engage young people and other stakeholders using both physical and virtual means. This will enable us to meet our targets and also meet the constitutional obligation of consulting those affected by policies and laws. The right to consultation has been centermost during the pandemic through using technology to engage youth for them to provide input into policy and legislation being developed by the Department.

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**Approved by Minister**

**Ms M Nkoana-Mashabane, MP**

**Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**