**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION NO. 768-2022**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

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**“Mr. B S Madlingozi (EFF) to ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture:**

Noting that his department allocated R14, 9 million to establish the Silapha Wellness Intervention Programme, which was given to an unknown company (name furnished), to target the well-being of artists, how (a) was the specified company awarded the tender and (b) does he intend to ensure that artists know about the initiative? **NW944E**

**Reply**

(a).The Department released a tender in December 2019 advertised in the following newspapers Sunday Independent of 01 December and the Sowetan of the 02 December 2019, for the Silapha Wellness programme. Indingliz Advertising & Marketing was appointed to implement the wellness programme and this was done in June 2020. We are continuing with the provincial launches, to date we have completed the following provinces Mpumalanga, Limpopo and Free State.