**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION No. 996**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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Inkosi B N Luthuli (IFP) to ask the Minister of Sports, Arts and Culture:

Given the trend in some countries around the world to resume sporting activities without spectators, what is his department’s position regarding the implementation of the same in the Republic, especially with non-contact sport?           NW1285E.

**REPLY**

The Regulations published in Government Gazette Notice No. 608 of 28 May 2020 made under section 27(2) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002) has made provision for the easing of the lockdown to permit the return to play in the Sporting Sector at Level 3.

The Minister has consulted the sector and has received their proposed plans on the resumption of play.

As required by the regulations, the Minister has finalised directions and has submitted them to the relevant structures. Once approved, the directions will be signed by the Minister and gazetted for implementation by the sporting sector.