

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO 138**

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**138. Mr M M Swathe (DA) to ask the Minister of Water Affairs and Forestry:**

(a)(i) What projects and (ii) which dams have been identified for expenditure in terms of the Dam Safety Rehabilitation Programme instituted in April 2005 and (b)(i) what amount was allocated to each of these projects in each year of its existence and (ii) what amount of this allocation was spent?

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**REPLY:**

(a)(i) and (ii)

In total 165 dams have been identified for expenditure in terms of the Dam Safety Rehabilitation Programme instituted in April 2005.

(b)(i) and (ii)

Out of the total of 165 dams, 46 dams were prioritised for implementation. No specific amount was allocated for each dam. A lump sum was allocated for the Dam Safety Rehabilitation Programme and funds are prioritised according to the criticality of the dams.

The amount spent up to the end of the 2007/08 financial year is R309 456 803. Work on seven dams has been completed to date, while the balance is at various stages, ranging from planning to design and construction. The table below illustrates the actual expenditure up to the end of the 2007/08 financial year and projected expenditure until 2009/10 for the 46 prioritised dams.

<b>FUNDS</b>	<b>2005/06</b>	<b>2006/07</b>	<b>2007/08</b>	<b>2008/09</b>	<b>2009/10</b>
Allocated: Rand	4 000 000	131 000 000	307 000 000	307 000 000	307 000 000
Spent/Planned: Rand	3 500 250	60 756 161	245 200 392	369 312 843	307 819 912