



## water affairs

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### MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

### NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 1404 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

A draft reply to the above question asked by Mr Mr M W Rabotapi (DA) is attached for your consideration.

**DIRECTOR-GENERAL (Acting)**

DATE: 21/06/2013

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED

**MRS B E E MOLEWA, MP**  
**MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS**

DATE: 2013/06/24

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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QUESTION NO 1404

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**1404. Mr M W Rabotapi (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs:**

What amount did her departments spend on (a) promotional items and (b) cocktail receptions on the occasion of her 2013 Budget Vote debates? NW1746E

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**REPLY:**

The Question has been responded to by GCIS and I quote:

“Government commends all departments for proactively organizing and implementing pre Budget Vote communications to key stakeholders including communities and members of the media. These included, media briefings, meeting with key stakeholders, cocktails and dinners, direct engagements with members of the public and exhibitions.

This information-sharing process enables government to articulate key programmes for the coming year and demonstrates government’s commitment to serving the needs of South African public through concrete and measurable objectives.

The pre-Budget Vote engagements created an opportunity for interactions between government and stakeholders to communicate information which enables citizens to exercise their democratic right to hold government accountable. The engagements varied from department to department and some may have been accompanied by promotional material aimed at promoting the work and brand of government.

The amount spent by the departments will appear in the audited financial statements at the end of the financial year.”