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MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 1391 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

A draft reply to the above mentioned question asked by Dr M J Cardo (DA) is attached for your consideration.

DIRECTOR-GENERAL

DATE: 11/6/15

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED

**MRS NP MOKONYANE
MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION**

DATE: 01.06.15

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QUESTION NO 1391

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1391. Dr M J Cardo (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

(a) What number of (i) financial, (ii) forensic and/or (iii) other investigations that were commissioned by her department have been completed since 1 April 2013 and (b) in each case, what are the relevant details on the (i) investigation including a synopsis of the facts and findings of each case, (ii) persons or third parties responsible for each investigation, (iii) total cost to date of each investigation and (iv) appropriate steps taken against officials and third parties implicated of wrongdoing in the findings of the investigations?

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REPLY:

- (a) Sixty-one (61) cases have been dealt with by the Internal Audit.
- (a)(i) No financial investigations were commissioned by the Department.
- (a)(ii) Sixty-one (61) forensic investigations were commissioned by the Department.
- (a)(iii) No other form of investigation was commissioned by the Department.
- (b) Only one (1) case was outsourced to the Price Water House Coopers (PwC) at a cost of R1700,000, case no 53 on the list. Refer to **Annexure A** for additional information.

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| No | Case reference number | Description of Allegation (i) | Unit | Branch | Source | Date report issued | Investigation results | Recommendation (summary) | Financial year | Cost (iii) | Implementation status | Status according to Labour Relations (iv) | Persons/ Companies Involved (ii) |
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| 1 | '9920110223105213 | Alleged corruption officials working with travel agent to submit fraudulent claims | North West | Chief Operations Officer | OPSC | 12 April 2013 | Refuted | Case closed | 2013/14 | 0.00. | N/A | N/A | Ms M Dhlomo, Travel with Flair |
| 2 | 3/6/3/2/1/1213/08 | Investigation into the alleged procurement irregularities regarding tender number WQ9732 at Hartbeespoort dam and surrounding areas | Northern Cluster | National Water Resource Infrastructure | In-house | 17 April 2013 | Confirmed | Legal Action | 2013/14 | 0.00. | Implemented | Not Labour Relations matter. Feedback provided confirming that the company agreed to complete the work. | Re Ba Thari Trading Enterprise |
| 3 | '3/6/3/2/1/1112/15 | Investigation into the alleged irregular appointment of personnel at the Gauteng Region | Gauteng | Chief Operations Officer | In-house | 06 May 2013 | Confirmed | Disciplinary action | 2013/14 | 0.00. | In progress | Investigator appointed and charges being drafted. | Ms N Manzana, Assistant Director: Training, Ms K Mathole, former Deputy Director: Corporate Services, Mr P Gayaparsad, Deputy Director: Labour Relations |
| 4 | '992011222104002 | Alleged Theft. Official is reported for theft of paint from department | Free State | National Water Resource Infrastructure | OPSC | 13 May 2013 | Refuted | Case closed | 2013/14 | 0.00. | N/A | N/A | Mr L Vries, Chief Artisan |
| 5 | 9920120223125440 | Alleged misuse of funds and procurement irregularities | Northern Cape | Chief Operations Officer | OPSC | 13 May 2013 | Refuted | Case closed | 2013/14 | 0.00. | N/A | N/A | Mr L Snyder, former Chief Director: Northern Cape and Mr E Kubayi, Regional Project Manager |

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| 13 | 3/6/3/2/1/12/13/19 | Investigation into the fraudulent water use authorization | Northern Cape | Chief Operations Officer | In-house | 12 Aug 2013 | Confirmed | Criminal Action | 2013/14 | 0.00. | Implemented | Not Labour Relations matter. Case opened against Mr JE Mann and Mr GSJ Le Roux of Melkcow (Pty) Ltd | Mr JE Mann and Mr GSJ Le Roux of Melkcow (Pty) Ltd |
| 14 | 9920121024022100 | Alleged Unethical Behaviour | Human Resources | Corporate Services | OPSC | 15 Aug 2013 | Refuted | Case closed | 2013/14 | 0.00. | N/A | N/A | Mr P Banda, Deputy Director: Recruitment and Selection |
| 15 | 992011129052329 | Alleged irregular procurement of promotional materials at KwaZulu Natal Regional Office | Kwazulu Natal | Chief Operations Officer | OPSC | 26 August 2013 | Refuted | Case closed | 2013/14 | 0.00. | N/A | N/A | Mr V Kubheka, former Chief Director: KwaZulu Natal Region |
| 16 | 3/6/3/2/1/1314/01 | Investigation into the alleged nepotism and procurement irregularities at Groblersdal Area Office (Northern Operations) | Northern Cluster | National Water Resource Infrastructure | In-house | 06 Sep 2013 | Confirmed | Disciplinary action | 2013/14 | 0.00. | In progress | Disciplinary hearing against Mr Matsabe has taken place and we are awaiting confirmation of sanction from Presiding officer. | Mr TS Murunzi, Assistant Director: Human Resources Ms M Makama, Senior Administration Clerk Mr M Langa, Senior Personnel Officer Ms R Peens, Senior Administration Officer Ms P Komati, Senior Administration Clerk Mr M Hendricks, Control Water Control Officer Mr W Matsabe, Control Water Control Officer |

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| 22 | 9920130308020913 | Alleged corruption by Mr Robert Mboweni | Construction North | National Water Resource Infrastructure | OPSC | 29 October 2013 | Refuted | Case closed | 2013/14 | 0.00. | N/A | N/A | Mr R Mboweni, Administration Clerk and Mr NB Shipalana, owner of Dzingoti Supply Services and Enterprise |
| 23 | 9920101221094027 | Investigation into the alleged procurement irregularities and the alleged irregular appointment of an official at Construction East | Construction | National Water Resource Infrastructure | OPSC | 18 November 2013 | Confirmed | Disciplinary action | 2013/14 | 0.00. | In progress | Disciplinary action. An initiator/employer rep was appointed and his action is awaited and a formal response will be addressed your office asap. | Ms D van Dyk, Chief Provisioning Clerk Ms M Matthee, Site Agent Mr AC van Heerden, Deputy Contract Manager Mr CF van Heerden, Senior H.R Mr KD Malatji, Principal H.R Ms MMJ Mahlangu, Administrative Clerk |
| 24 | 3/6/3/2/1/1314/11 | Investigation into the alleged irregular expenditure regarding the relocation of official | Risk Management: WTE | National Water Resource Infrastructure | In-house | 20 November 2013 | Confirmed | Condonement of irregular expenditure | 2013/14 | 0.00. | In progress | | Ms V Pillay, Director: Risk Management |
| 25 | 3/6/3/2/1/1213/17 | Investigation into the alleged corruption and tender irregularities (Security Tenders) | Limpopo | Chief Operations Officer | In-house | 27 Nov 2013 | Confirmed | Disciplinary action & Criminal Action | 2013/14 | 0.00. | In progress | Hearings took place on 18 and 19/11/2014. Employer to continue leading evidence on a date to be agreed with Presiding Officer | Mr JM Maeneta, Chief Security Officer |
| 26 | 9920111010020506 | Investigation into the alleged fraud and misappropriation of fund at Directorate: Resource Planning Systems | Directorate: Resource Planning | Planning and Information | OPSC | 11 December 2013 | Refuted | Case closed | 2013/14 | 0.00. | N/A | N/A | Dr B Mwaka, Director: Water Resource Planning System |

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| 31 | 9920130308020913 | Alleged discrimination and racism at Vaal Dam | Central Cluster | National Water Resource Infrastructure | OPSC | 10 Mar 2014 | Refuted | Case closed | 2013/14 | 0.00. | N/A | N/A | Mr M de Wilde, Area Manager: Vaal Dam |
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| 32 | 3/6/3/2/1/1314/14 | Investigation into the alleged irregular appointment of Mophetabili to render security services at Hartbeespoort Dam | Northern Cluster | National Water Resource Infrastructure | In-house | 11 Mar 2014 | Confirmed | Disciplinary action | 2013/14 | 0.00. | In progress | Mr Williams passed away. Disciplinary action against MsSebola is in progress. | Mr M Williams, former Director: Northern Operations and Mr L Sebola, Driver |
| 33 | 9920131104122257 | Investigation conducted into the alleged submission of fraudulent travel claims | Limpopo | Chief Operations Officer | OPSC | 24 Apr 2014 | Confirmed | Disciplinary action & recovery of funds | 2014/15 | 0.00. | Implemented | Official found not guilty | Mr R Moropene, Control Industrial Technician |
| 34 | 3/6/3/2/1/1314/18 | Investigation into the alleged misuse of the Women in Water prize money at Kwazulu Natal | Kwazulu Natal | Chief Operations Officer | In-house | 14 May 2014 | Confirmed | Recovery of funds | 2014/15 | 0.00. | In progress | Not ER matter. Matter referred to Legal Services | Ms MM Mathebula, Director of EyamiEyako Project |
| 35 | 3/6/3/2/1/1213/15 & 18 | Investigation into the suspected theft of fuel on government vehicles | Southern Cluster | National Water Resource Infrastructure | In-house | 23 May 2014 | Confirmed | Disciplinary action | 2014/15 | 0.00. | In progress | Hearings concluded and the employees have been found guilty and given suspensions without pay and coupled with final written warnings. | Mr M Nkole, General Worker Mr B Majali, Driver Operator Mr SE Mrumo, Driver Operator Mr P Mamase, General Worker Mr S Gana, Driver Operator MrMaflika, Driver Operator |
| 36 | 3/6/3/2/1/1314/08 | Investigation into the alleged irregular expenditure incurred regarding the repairs of plant, small tools and electrical tool | Construction East | National Water Resource Infrastructure | In-house | 23 May 2014 | Confirmed | Disciplinary action & condemnation of irregular expenditure | 2014/15 | 0.00. | In progress | Employer representative is busy drafting the charge sheet. | Mr P March, Asset Manager |

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| 44 | 3/6/3/2/1/1/1415/01 | Investigation into the alleged unauthorised registration of users on Blue and Green Drop System | Water Service Regulations | Bergville | National Water Resource Infrastructure | OPSC | 08 Sep 2014 | Refuted | Case closed | 2014/15 | 0.00. | N/A | N/A | Mr G Molloy, Employee of Rand Water and Mr J Dube, former Water Plant Superintendent |
| 45 | 9920131127011433 | Investigation into the alleged irregular appointment of personnel at Tugela Vaal | | | National Water Resource Infrastructure | OPSC | 09 Sep 2014 | Confirmed | Disciplinary action | 2014/15 | 0.00. | In progress | In progress. Legal Opinion requested from Legal Services | Mr JJ Du Plessis, Artisan Superintendent, Mr AJ Klaasen, Chief Artisan and Mr G Stassen, Chief Artisan |
| 46 | 9920130508105337 | Investigation into the alleged procurement irregularities at Somerset East | Southern Cluster | | National Water Resource Infrastructure | OPSC | 18 Sep 2014 | Refuted | Case closed | 2014/15 | 0.00. | N/A | N/A | Mr D Coetzee, Director: Southern Cluster and Mr K Viljoen, Deputy Director: Southern Operations |

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| 52 | 9920140507120254 | investigation into the alleged non-compliance with the housing policy at Jericho Dam by Mr Nico Vermaak | Mpumalanga | National Water Resource Infrastructure | OPSC | 25 Nov 2014 | Refuted | Case closed | 2014/15 | 0.00. | N/A | N/A | Mr N Vermaak, Control Engineer Technician |
| 53 | 3/6/3/2/1/1415/12 | Investigation to determine the extent of fraudulent activities within Financial Management | Financia Management | Finance: Main Account | In-house | 15 Dec 2014 | Confirmed | Disciplinary action | 2014/15 | 1 700 000.00 | In progress | Disciplinary action in progress | Mr T Matshibi, Senior Accounting Clerk, Ms M Mahlangu, Chief Accounting Clerk, Ms S Malaza, Senior Accounting Clerk, Ms J Letsau, Senior Accounting Clerk, Mr I Motau, Assistant Director: Accounts Payable |
| 54 | 9920140504024301 | Investigation into the alleged abuse of state vehicle at Jericho Dam (vehicle registration No FXV 138 MP) | Central Cluster | National Water Resource Infrastructure | OPSC | 23 Dec 2014 | Confirmed | Disciplinary action | 2014/15 | 0.00. | In progress | Disciplinary action in progress | Mr T Monalisa, former Area Manager: Jericho Dam |
| 55 | 9920131128083556 | Investigation into the alleged theft of Bullets at Free State | Central Cluster | National Water Resource Infrastructure | OPSC | 30 Jan 2015 | Confirmed | Disciplinary action | 2014/15 | 0.00. | Not implemented yet | Not implemented yet | Mr S Mokoena, Chief Security Officer and Mr B Soldaat, Security Officer |
| 56 | 3/6/3/2/1/1314/21 | Investigation into the alleged irregular appointment of staff at SCM Section: Main Account | Head Office | Finance: Main Account | In-house | 25 Feb 2015 | Confirmed | Disciplinary action | 2014/15 | 0.00. | Not implemented yet | Not implemented yet | Ms P Mathiso, Deputy Director: Logistics Management |
| 57 | 9920140110025716 | Investigation in the alleged corruption by official at Limpopo regional Office | Limpopo | Chief Operations Officer | OPSC | 25 Feb 2015 | Refuted | Case closed | 2014/15 | 0.00. | N/A | N/A | Unknown Individuals |

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