

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY
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1579. Mr D J Maynier (DA) to ask the Minister of Finance:

Whether any expenditure reviews were completed by the National Treasury (a) in the (i) 2012-13, (ii) 2013-14, (iii) 2014-15 and (iv) 2015-16 financial years and (b) since 1 April 2016; if not, in respect of each specified financial year, why not; if so, in respect of each specified financial year, (aa) what was the purpose of each expenditure review, (bb) what is the title of the report on the expenditure review, (cc) on what date was the expenditure review completed and (dd) what was the (aaa) total cost of producing the expenditure reviews and (bbb) breakdown of the cost of each specified expenditure review?

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REPLY:

The performance and expenditure reviews commenced in August 2013, and is ongoing. Many of the reviews span more than one financial year.

The attached schedule outlines the purpose (aa) of each expenditure review, the title (bb), the date of completion (cc), as well as, the total cost of the performance and expenditure reviews process (aaa) and the costs of each individual expenditure review (bbb).

The work of the expenditure and performance reviews is managed by a unit within GTAC, where the time of 2-3 people is allocated to the project.

Funds spent on PER studies									
	Topic	Purpose	Inception	Date of completion	Service provider	Service provider fees	Contract management	Operational costs	Totals
	Tranche 1								
	Methodology mega-workshop			2013/08/14				R 63 795.00	R 63 795.00
1	In-service training of teachers	Develop a cost model based on the <i>Integrated Strategic Planning Framework for Teacher Education and Development</i> in South Africa.	2013/08/12	2013/12/13	Cornerstone Economic Research	R 683 544.00	R 70 464.67		R 754 008.67
2	NPO and social welfare registration processes	Provide a detailed study of the NPO and social welfare registration processes at national and provincial sphere by examining the registration, conditional registration (where applicable), monitoring of compliance, enforcement and closure procedures for the regulatory processes as required in terms of the relevant legislation and regulations.	2013/08/19	2013/12/03	Cornerstone Economic Research	R 894 672.00	R 70 464.67		R 965 136.67
3	Export promotion in the Industrial Development Zones	Provide an analysis of the implementation choices, identify the main cost drivers and to assess how it contributes to government outcomes.	2013/08/19	2013/12/13	DNA Economics Pty Ltd	R 464 550.00	R 77 091.86		R 541 641.86
4	DIRCO foreign missions	Annual government expenditure at foreign missions amounts to R2,5bn and expenditure growth at missions has been higher than the rand depreciation over the past three years. Analyse the main cost drivers in South African foreign missions.	2013/08/12	2014/01/24	Ernst & Young	R 680 647.31	R 77 091.81		R 757 739.12
5	A review of the critical skills immigration policies	The DHA is considering changes to the scarce skill immigration policy and Treasury wants to assist them by developing a model that considers all expenditure items associated with processing critical skill permits on a country-by-country basis.	2013/08/15	2014/11/26	Corpactive (Pty) Ltd	R 390 751.99	R 23 127.59		R 413 879.58
			2014/04/15		Abacus Advisory	R 474 696.00	R 53 964.27		R 528 660.27
6	Programmatic and Costing Comparison of the Housing	Analyse unit costs and provincial expenditure patterns in respect of six core programmes that are funded through the Human Settlement Development Grant (HSDG).	2013/08/13	2014/01/21	Rhizome Management Services cc	R 896 580.00	R 77 091.81		R 973 671.81
7	National School of Government	In order to answer an urgent Cabinet memorandum proposal, provide a cost model for the NSG.	2013/09/16	2013/09/30	Cornerstone Economic Research	R 197 904.00	R 77 091.81		R 274 995.81
8	The cost effective strategy for the rollout of Broadband	CLASSIFIED: Develop a model that can cost the roll-out of a fibre-optic backbone for the roll-out of broadband to all provincial government department and municipalities.	2013/08/15	2013/12/03	BMI-Techknowledge Group PTY Ltd	R 539 340.00	R 70 464.67		R 609 804.67
	<i>Total for Tranche 1</i>					<i>R 4 683 345.30</i>	<i>R 526 388.49</i>	<i>R 63 795.00</i>	<i>R 5 273 528.79</i>

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	Tranche 2								
	Methodology mega-workshop			2013/10/29				R 69 695.00	R 69 695.00
9	Micro Agricultural Funding Institution of South Africa	Analyse the key cost elements and expenditure drivers of managing and supporting MAFISA and relate it to the policy intent and design of the MAFISA programme.	2013/10/16	2014/05/19	Cornerstone Economic Research	R 591 432.00	R 77 091.81		R 668 523.81
10	Duplication of functions between DAC, PanSalb and CRL	Analyse possible overlapping mandates and costs associated with language services between three entities.	2013/10/14	2014/04/10	PARI	R 584 700.00	R 77 091.82		R 661 791.82
11	Land Restitution	Analyse the systemic and procedural factors that underlie the performance of the Restitution Programme, and provide a costing model for proposed policies and programmes.	2013/11/15	2014/08/19	Genesis Analytics	R 545 490.00	R 77 091.81		R 622 581.81
12	Effective partnering of Science Councils with the private sector	How effective are Science Councils in partnering with the private sector, and what can be done to improve the partnering?	2013/10/17	2014/10/29	Rhizome Management Services cc	R 760 484.88	R 70 464.62		R 830 949.50
13	Public Transport	Provide a detailed analysis of the structure and cost of public expenditure on public transport in 5 Metros.	2013/10/15	2014/11/24	Hunter van Ryneveld	R 2 228 629.49	R 77 091.81		R 2 305 721.30
14	National Skills Fund	Examine the pattern, composition and trends in expenditure of the National Skills Fund and assess the scale and efficiency of current expenditure.	2013/10/14	2014/10/30	DNA Economics Pty Ltd	R 494 550.00	R 77 091.81		R 571 641.81
15	PSETA (not completed)	An understanding of the performance and expenditure of the PSETA.	2013/10/15	completed 50% by 2014/08/06	Grant Thornton	R 415 263.40	R 23 127.54		R 438 390.94
16	Artisan Development	Provide a detailed analysis of the different training modalities for artisans and the projected costs associated with the proposed NDP targets.	2013/10/14	2014/08/31	Mzabalazo	R 687 940.00	R 77 091.81		R 765 031.81
17	SEDA	Analyse the performance and expenditure of the SEDA technology incubator programme.	2014/01/23	2014/07/23	Genesis Analytics	R 595 690.00	R 77 091.81		R 672 781.81
18	Informal Settlements	In order to provide and answer to an urgent Cabinet Lekgotla memorandum, provide a preliminary understanding of number of informal settlement upgradings completed.	2013/12/04	2014/03/19	Rhizome Management Services cc	R 300 355.00	R 77 091.81		R 377 446.81
	<i>Total for Tranche 2</i>					<i>R 7 204 534.77</i>	<i>R 710 326.65</i>	<i>R 69 695.00</i>	<i>R 7 984 556.42</i>

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	Tranche 3								
	Methodology mega-workshop			2014/11/11				R 39 837.00	R 39 837.00
19	Review of the funding model for social housing	In social housing the government subsidy through the capital subsidy and the institutional subsidy is about 70% of the expenditure. The other 30% is private sector input and is raised through debt and equity funding. Analyse the efficiency and effectiveness of the of the institutional subsidy and capital subsidies and provide an understanding of the measures required for the private sector to increase their input.	2014/10/27	2016/03/15	Rebel Group	R 820 634.00	R 77 091.81		R 897 725.81
20	Comparative spending review of provincial road expenditure	Provide an analysis of the unit cost per kilometer of provincial roads, taking into account the different costs between provinces because of topographical, climatic, soil and other conditions.	2014/10/28	2016/03/15	Palmer Development Group	R 596 806.00	R 77 091.81		R 673 897.81
21	Nutrition and food security for children under 5	There are eighteen nutrition intervention programmes undertaken by national and provincial departments of Health, Agriculture and Social Development. A recent evaluation study has been conducted by DPME. The focus of the original work in this study will thus be on the expenditure ascription and costing model component.	2014/11/14	2015/10/29	Cornerstone Consulting	R 647 292.00	R 77 091.81		R 724 383.81
22	School infrastructure delivery	A detailed understanding of unit costs for school infrastructure delivery as well as models predicting the future costs and possible savings, are required. This study should provide clarity on the cost implications of the proposed norms and standards of the DBE.	2014/12/01	Reviewed stopped due to data problems	Phenduka Consulting	R 176 415.40	R 23 127.54		R 199 542.94
23	TVET	FET colleges play an important role in the training of unemployed youth. The full cost implications and resource requirements needs to be understood.	2014/11/13	2016/02/23	DNA Economics	R 853 632.00	R 77 091.81		R 930 723.81
24	Government accommodation - leases	Provide an analysis of national government expenditure on leased accommodation.	2014/11/07	2015/10/13	Turner & Townsend	R 957 794.00	R 77 091.81		R 1 034 885.81
25	Border management agency	CLASSIFIED: What are the costs of the various border management functions as performed by departments and agencies e.g. SAPS, SARS, Department of Home Affairs among others? This study is to inform the work currently underway to investigate options for the establishment of a Border Management Agency	2014/11/10	2015/10/27	Ernst & Young	R 857 575.00	R 77 091.81		R 934 666.81
26	NSFAS	The National Student Financial Aid Scheme is a significant contribution to funding skills development in South Africa. This study has to analyse the costs of administering NSFAS and the optional funding level to achieve specific target outcomes.	2014/12/02	2016/04/01	Cornerstone Consulting	R 822 168.00	R 77 091.81		R 899 259.81
27	Water & sanitation value chain	Providing water to households requires various stages or processes: water from raw water, to bulk water, to potable water. The flow of water is negotiated through a complicated institutional landscape that includes a DWA trading account, fifteen Water Boards, District Municipalities and Local Municipalities. A better understanding of the flow of funds in this complex institutional landscape is sought. Furthermore, the possibility for own revenue vs. on-going fiscal transfers along the value chain	2014/11/13	2016/03/14	Isambuloami (Pty) Ltd	R 1 395 200.00	R 77 091.81		R 1 472 291.81
28	Assessment of the biofuels incentive model	In order to provide and answer to an urgent Cabinet memorandum, provide a preliminary cost model on the biofuels incentive model.	2014/11/21	2014/12/12	DNA Economics	R 131 385.00	R 23 127.54		R 154 512.54
	<i>Total for Tranche 3</i>					<i>R 7 258 901.40</i>	<i>R 662 989.56</i>	<i>R 39 837.00</i>	<i>R 7 961 727.96</i>

