

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY
QUESTION NUMBER: 971 [NW1260E]

971. Ms B M van Minnen (DA) to ask the Minister of Finance:

(a) What is the quantum of the Financial Management Grant that is administered by the National Treasury to strengthen the financial management capacity of the Madibeng Local Municipality, (b) what is the time period of the specified grant, (c) how is the grant administered and (d) what safeguards are in place to ensure that the grant is properly spent?

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REPLY:

- a) The quantum of the Financial Management Grant to Madibeng Local Municipality amounted to R2 235 000 for the 2019/20 financial year, as published in the Division of Revenue Act.
- b) This is a conditional grant and in terms of the framework covers a next three-year period.
- c) The grant is administered through transfers to the municipality, reports received from the municipality, and is in terms of their municipal support plan.
- d) Section 12 of the Division of Revenue Act provides the checks and balances as well as the framework within which the grant is implemented. It also stipulates the roles and responsibility of the receiving officer. Municipalities must submit to NT regular reports on spending, which are aligned to their support plans. Moreover, the grant and its utilization is submit to the external audit process undertaken by the Office of the Auditor-General.