Vote 10

Electricity and Energy

Adjusted budget summary

R thousand	2025/26 Appropriation	Special appropriation	Adjustments appropriation Decrease	Adjustments appropriation Increase	Adjusted appropriation
Amount to be appropriated	**6 669 290**	**–**	**–**	**6 162**	**6 675 452**
of which:					
Current payments	873 630	–	–	6 162	879 792
Transfers and subsidies	5 790 770	–	–	–	5 790 770
Payments for capital assets	4 890	–	–	–	4 890
Executive authority	Minister of Electricity and Energy				
Accounting officer	Director General of Electricity and Energy				
Website	www.dmre.gov.za				

Vote purpose

Formulate energy policies, regulatory frameworks and legislation, and oversee their implementation, to ensure energy security, sustainability and access to affordable and reliable energy.

Performance

Indicator	Programme	MTDP outcome	Annual performance: Projected for 2025/26 as published in the 2025 ENE	Achieved in the first half of 2025/26 (April to September)	Changed target for 2025/26
Number of annual energy statistics reports published	Energy Planning and Policy Development	Outcome 5: Energy security and a just energy transition	4	0	–
Kilometres of existing medium-voltage power lines upgraded per year	Energy Programmes and Projects		50	0	–
Amount of energy savings realised and verified from energy efficiency and demand-side management grant per year (terawatt-hours)	Energy Programmes and Projects		0.5 TWh	0.089 TWh	–
Number of additional households electrified with grid electrification per year	Energy Programmes and Projects		100 000	38 805	–
Number of bulk substations built per year	Energy Programmes and Projects		2	2	–
Number of additional substations upgraded per year	Energy Programmes and Projects		3	0	–
Kilometres of new medium-voltage power lines constructed per year	Energy Programmes and Projects		50	51	–
Number of additional households electrified with non-grid electrification per year	Energy Programmes and Projects		15 000	0	–
Number of shareholder compacts signed per year	State-owned Companies Support Services	Outcome 9: Economic transformation for a just society	1	0	2
Number of corporate plans reviewed per year	State-owned Companies Support		1	2	2
Number of state-owned companies' quarterly financial reviews conducted per year	State-owned Companies Support		4	4	8

Progress

By mid-year, no progress had been made on the target for annual energy statistics reports as these reports are completed annually, not quarterly. No medium-voltage power lines were upgraded in the first half of 2025/26 as a redesign and rerouting of lines is required due to disputes over wayleaves. No additional substations were upgraded over this period due to delayed environmental approvals and the availability of long-lead materials. Progress towards achieving these targets is expected in the second half of the financial year.

No non-grid connections were achieved in the first half of 2025/26 due to delays in the contracting of service providers. Performance is expected to improve in the second half of the year through accelerated implementation and monitoring.

The number of corporate plans reviewed during the first half of 2025/26 exceeded the annual target due to the inclusion of the South African Nuclear Energy Corporation's plan in addition to Eskom's. Similarly, the target for the review of state-owned companies' quarterly financial statements was revised to reflect reviews for both Eskom and the South African Nuclear Energy Corporation.

Adjusted estimates

Programme	2025/26								
		Adjustments appropriation							
R thousand	Appropriation	Expenditure announced in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll-overs	Self-financing	Other adjustments[1]	Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
Administration	248 866	–	–	10 499	4 994	–	–	15 493	264 359
Energy Planning and Policy Development	78 440	–	–	(5 144)	–	–	–	(5 144)	73 296
Energy Programmes and Projects	4 755 087	–	–	486	1 168	–	–	1 654	4 756 741
Nuclear Energy Regulation and Management	1 543 639	–	–	(2 398)	–	–	–	(2 398)	1 541 241
State-owned Companies Support Services	43 258	–	–	(3 443)	–	–	–	(3 443)	39 815
Total	**6 669 290**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**6 162**	**–**	**–**	**6 162**	**6 675 452**
Economic classification									
Current payments	**873 630**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**6 162**	**–**	**–**	**6 162**	**879 792**
Compensation of employees	370 943	–	–	(12 300)	–	–	–	(12 300)	358 643
Goods and services	502 687	–	–	12 300	6 162	–	–	18 462	521 149
Transfers and subsidies	**5 790 770**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**5 790 770**
Provinces and municipalities	1 943 358	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1 943 358
Departmental agencies and accounts	179 445	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	179 445
Foreign governments and international organisations	26 992	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	26 992
Public corporations and private enterprises	3 640 503	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	3 640 503
Households	472	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	472
Payments for capital assets	**4 890**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**4 890**
Machinery and equipment	4 890	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	4 890
Total	**6 669 290**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**6 162**	**–**	**–**	**6 162**	**6 675 452**

1. Other adjustments include the shifting of funds between votes, the shifting of funds within a vote following a function shift, declared unspent funds, significant and unforeseeable economic and financial events, and expenditure of an exceptional nature in terms of section 6(1)(b) of the Appropriation Act (2025).

Programme 1: Administration

Subprogramme	2025/26								
		Adjustments appropriation							
R thousand	Appropriation	Expenditure announced in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll-overs	Self-financing	Other adjustments	Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
Ministry	44 310	–	–	(2 278)	–	–	–	(2 278)	42 032
Departmental Management	13 799	–	–	4 935	4 994	–	–	9 929	23 728
Internal Audit	8 545	–	–	820	–	–	–	820	9 365
Finance Administration	34 175	–	–	(564)	–	–	–	(564)	33 611
Corporate Services	109 141	–	–	7 586	–	–	–	7 586	116 727
Office Accommodation	38 896	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	38 896
Total	**248 866**	**–**	**–**	**10 499**	**4 994**	**–**	**–**	**15 493**	**264 359**
Economic classification									
Current payments	**241 217**	**–**	**–**	**10 499**	**4 994**	**–**	**–**	**15 493**	**256 710**
Compensation of employees	140 128	–	–	(4 370)	–	–	–	(4 370)	135 758
Goods and services	101 089	–	–	14 869	4 994	–	–	19 863	120 952
Transfers and subsidies	**2 759**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**2 759**
Provinces and municipalities	22	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	22
Departmental agencies and accounts	2 265	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2 265
Households	472	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	472
Payments for capital assets	**4 890**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**4 890**
Machinery and equipment	4 890	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	4 890
Total	**248 866**	**–**	**–**	**10 499**	**4 994**	**–**	**–**	**15 493**	**264 359**

Programme 2: Energy Planning and Policy Development

Subprogramme	2025/26								
		Adjustments appropriation							
R thousand	Appropriation	Expenditure announced in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll-overs	Self-financing	Other adjustments	Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
Nuclear, Electricity and Gas Policy	27 538	–	–	(2 150)	–	–	–	(2 150)	25 388
Energy Planning	38 707	–	–	(1 450)	–	–	–	(1 450)	37 257
Intergovernmental Relations, International Collaborations and Transformation	12 195	–	–	(1 544)	–	–	–	(1 544)	10 651
Total	**78 440**	**–**	**–**	**(5 144)**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**(5 144)**	**73 296**
Economic classification									
Current payments	**78 440**	**–**	**–**	**(5 144)**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**(5 144)**	**73 296**
Compensation of employees	61 650	–	–	(4 660)	–	–	–	(4 660)	56 990
Goods and services	16 790	–	–	(484)	–	–	–	(484)	16 306
Total	**78 440**	**–**	**–**	**(5 144)**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**(5 144)**	**73 296**

Programme 3: Energy Programmes and Projects

Subprogramme	2025/26								
		Adjustments appropriation							
R thousand	Appropriation	Expenditure announced in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll-overs	Self-financing	Other adjustments	Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
Energy Programmes and Project Management	4 343	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	4 343
Integrated National Electrification Programme	4 287 237	–	–	1 281	1 168	–	–	2 449	4 289 686
Programmes and Projects Management Office	24 413	–	–	(315)	–	–	–	(315)	24 098
Electricity Infrastructure and Industry Transformation	7 414	–	–	(70)	–	–	–	(70)	7 344
Clean Energy	431 680	–	–	(410)	–	–	–	(410)	431 270
Total	**4 755 087**	**–**	**–**	**486**	**1 168**	**–**	**–**	**1 654**	**4 756 741**
Economic classification									
Current payments	**455 019**	**–**	**–**	**486**	**1 168**	**–**	**–**	**1 654**	**456 673**
Compensation of employees	92 454	–	–	2 230	–	–	–	2 230	94 684
Goods and services	362 565	–	–	(1 744)	1 168	–	–	(576)	361 989
Transfers and subsidies	**4 300 068**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**4 300 068**
Provinces and municipalities	1 943 336	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1 943 336
Departmental agencies and accounts	80 638	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	80 638
Foreign governments and international organisations	1 693	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1 693
Public corporations and private enterprises	2 274 401	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2 274 401
Total	**4 755 087**	**–**	**–**	**486**	**1 168**	**–**	**–**	**1 654**	**4 756 741**

Programme 4: Nuclear Energy Regulation and Management

Subprogramme	2025/26								
		Adjustments appropriation							
R thousand	Appropriation	Expenditure announced in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll-overs	Self-financing	Other adjustments	Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
Nuclear Energy Management	11 403	–	–	(500)	–	–	–	(500)	10 903
Nuclear Safety and Technology	1 515 679	–	–	(800)	–	–	–	(800)	1 514 879
Nuclear Non-Proliferation and Radiation Security	16 557	–	–	(1 098)	–	–	–	(1 098)	15 459
Total	**1 543 639**	**–**	**–**	**(2 398)**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**(2 398)**	**1 541 241**

Programme 4: Nuclear Energy Regulation and Management (continued)

Economic classification R thousand	2025/26 Appropriation	Adjustments appropriation Expenditure announced in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll-overs	Self-financing	Other adjustments	Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
Current payments	**55 696**	**–**	**–**	**(2 398)**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**(2 398)**	**53 298**
Compensation of employees	45 615	–	–	(2 210)	–	–	–	(2 210)	43 405
Goods and services	10 081	–	–	(188)	–	–	–	(188)	9 893
Transfers and subsidies	**1 487 943**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**1 487 943**
Departmental agencies and accounts	96 542	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	96 542
Foreign governments and international organisations	25 299	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	25 299
Public corporations and private enterprises	1 366 102	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1 366 102
Total	**1 543 639**	**–**	**–**	**(2 398)**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**(2 398)**	**1 541 241**

Programme 5: State-owned Companies Support Services

Subprogramme R thousand	2025/26 Appropriation	Adjustments appropriation Expenditure announced in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll-overs	Self-financing	Other adjustments	Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
Energy Resources	22 984	–	–	(2 443)	–	–	–	(2 443)	20 541
State-owned Companies Financial Assessment and Investment	4 746	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	4 746
State-owned Companies Risk, Governance and Legal Assurance	15 528	–	–	(1 000)	–	–	–	(1 000)	14 528
Total	**43 258**	**–**	**–**	**(3 443)**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**(3 443)**	**39 815**
Economic classification									
Current payments	**43 258**	**–**	**–**	**(3 443)**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**(3 443)**	**39 815**
Compensation of employees	31 096	–	–	(3 290)	–	–	–	(3 290)	27 806
Goods and services	12 162	–	–	(153)	–	–	–	(153)	12 009
Total	**43 258**	**–**	**–**	**(3 443)**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**(3 443)**	**39 815**

Details of adjustments to the 2025 ENE

Virements and shifts within the vote

Programmes

1. Administration
2. Energy Planning and Policy Development
3. Energy Programmes and Projects
4. Nuclear Energy Regulation and Management
5. State-owned Companies Support Services

From:			To:		
Programme by economic classification	**Motivation**	**R thousand**	**Programme by economic classification**	**Motivation**	**R thousand**
Programme 1		**(4 370)**	**Programme 1**		**4 370**
Compensation of employees	Vacant posts	(800)	Goods and services	Business and advisory services, venues and facilities	800
	Vacant posts	(1 000)		Business and advisory services	1 000
	Vacant posts	(1 100)		Audit committee fees	1 100
	Vacant posts	(1 470)		Business and advisory services, computer services	1 470
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget		1.8%			
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget		**0%**			
Programme 2		**(5 144)**	**Programme 1**		**5 144**
Goods and services	Travel and subsistence	(484)	Goods and services	Venues and facilities	484
Compensation of employees	Vacant posts	(1 060)		ICT projects	1 060
	Vacant posts	(3 600)		Computer services	3 600
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget		0%			
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget		**6.6%**			
Programme 3		**(1 744)**	**Programme 1**		**1 744**
Goods and services	Travel and subsistence	(1 744)	Goods and services	Venues and facilities	1 744
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget		0%			
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget		**0%**			
Programme 4		**(2 398)**	**Programme 1**		**2 398**
Goods and services	Travel and subsistence	(188)	Goods and services	Venues and facilities	188
Compensation of employees	Vacant posts	(2 210)		ICT projects	2 210
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget		0%			
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget		**0.2%**			
Programme 5		**(3 443)**	**Programme 1**		**1 213**
Goods and services	Travel and subsistence	(153)	Goods and services	Venues and facilities	153
Compensation of employees	Vacant posts	(1 060)		ICT projects	1 060
			Programme 3		**2 230**
	Vacant posts	(2 230)	Compensation of employees	Alignment of budget with organisational structure	2 230
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget		0%			
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget		**8%**			
Total		**(17 099)**			**17 099**

Rollovers – R6.162 million

Programme 3: Energy Programmes and Projects

R1.2 million is rolled over, of which R575 000 is for the payment of invoices for non-grid electrification projects, and R593 000 is for their oversight, monitoring and evaluation.

Programme 1: Administration

R5 million is rolled over for the payment of the Cape Town and Sun City venues for the G20 second and third energy transitions working group meetings.

Expenditure outcome for 2024/25 and actual expenditure for 2025/26

Programme	2024/25					2025/26			
		Outcome						Actual expenditure	
R thousand	Adjusted appropriation	Apr 24 - Sep 24	Apr 24 - Sep 24 % of adjusted appropriation	Apr 24 - Mar 25	Apr 24 - Mar 25 % of adjusted appropriation	Adjusted appropriation	Adjusted appropriation/ Total (%)	Apr 25 - Sep 25	Apr 25 - Sep 25 % of adjusted appropriation
Administration	209 627	74 555	35.6	243 352	116.1	264 359	4.0	97 034	36.7
Energy Planning and Policy Development	67 070	24 392	36.4	37 561	56.0	73 296	1.1	23 040	31.4
Energy Programmes and Projects	4 660 864	1 629 752	35.0	4 618 486	99.1	4 756 741	71.3	1 796 699	37.8
Nuclear Energy Regulation and Management	1 089 097	993 703	91.2	1 081 723	99.3	1 541 241	23.1	1 413 577	91.7
State-owned Companies Support Services	43 102	–	–	–	–	39 815	0.6	7 177	18.0
Total	**6 069 760**	**2 722 402**	**44.9**	**5 981 122**	**98.5**	**6 675 452**	**100.0**	**3 337 527**	**50.0**
Economic classification									
Current payments	**762 678**	**237 449**	**31.1**	**663 264**	**87.0**	**879 792**	**13.2**	**207 000**	**23.5**
Compensation of employees	301 751	111 145	36.8	280 387	92.9	358 643	5.4	156 766	43.7
Goods and services	460 927	126 300	27.4	382 877	83.1	521 149	7.8	50 234	9.6
Interest and rent on land	–	4	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Transfers and subsidies	**5 302 307**	**2 484 307**	**46.9**	**5 315 024**	**100.2**	**5 790 770**	**86.7**	**3 130 368**	**54.1**
Provinces and municipalities	1 982 157	665 706	33.6	1 982 137	100.0	1 943 358	29.1	856 209	44.1
Departmental agencies and accounts	171 882	146 135	85.0	181 882	105.8	179 445	2.7	150 300	83.8
Foreign governments and international organisations	25 854	5 200	20.1	27 146	105.0	26 992	0.4	–	–
Public corporations and private enterprises	3 118 535	1 666 955	53.5	3 118 535	100.0	3 640 503	54.5	2 123 780	58.3
Households	3 879	311	8.0	5 324	137.3	472	0.0	79	16.7
Payments for capital assets	**4 688**	**646**	**13.8**	**2 209**	**47.1**	**4 890**	**0.1**	**159**	**3.3**
Machinery and equipment	4 688	646	13.8	2 209	47.1	4 890	0.1	159	3.3
Payments for financial assets	**87**	**–**	**–**	**625**	**718.4**	**–**	**–**	**–**	**–**
Total	**6 069 760**	**2 722 402**	**44.9**	**5 981 122**	**98.5**	**6 675 452**	**100.0**	**3 337 527**	**50.0**

Expenditure trends

Total expenditure in 2024/25 was R6 billion, 98.5 per cent of the adjusted appropriation for the year. Mid-year expenditure in 2024/25 was R2.7 billion, 44.9 per cent of the adjusted appropriation, whereas expenditure in the first half of 2025/26 was R3.3 billion, 50 per cent of the adjusted appropriation of R6.7 billion. Compared to the first half of 2024/25, expenditure over the same period in 2025/26 increased by R615 million, 22.6 per cent. This was mainly due to an increase in the transfer to the South African Nuclear Energy Corporation for the multipurpose reactor research project.

Departmental receipts

	2024/25					2025/26				
		Outcome							Actual receipts	
R thousand	Adjusted estimate	Apr 24 - Sep 24	Apr 24 - Sep 24 % of adjusted estimate	Apr 24 - Mar 25	Apr 24 - Mar 25 % of adjusted estimate	Budget estimate	Adjusted estimate	Adjusted receipts estimate/ Total (%)	Apr 25 - Sep 25	Apr 25 - Sep 25 % of adjusted estimate
Departmental receipts	**908**	**414**	**45.6**	**310**	**34.1**	**901**	**252**	**100.0**	**96**	**38.1**
Sales of goods and services produced by the department	236	78	33.1	155	65.7	237	105	41.7	27	25.7
Sales of scrap, waste, arms and other used current goods	–	–	–	30	–	2	1	0.4	–	–
Interest, dividends and rent on land	14	7	50.0	19	135.7	50	11	4.4	5	45.5
Transactions in financial assets and liabilities	658	329	50.0	106	16.1	612	135	53.6	64	47.4
Total	**908**	**414**	**45.6**	**310**	**34.1**	**901**	**252**	**100.0**	**96**	**38.1**

Revenue trends

Mid-year revenue in 2024/25 was R414 000, 45.6 per cent of the adjusted estimate, whereas revenue for the first half of 2025/26 was R96 000, 38.1 per cent of the adjusted estimate of R252 000. Compared to the first half of 2024/25, revenue over the same period in 2025/26 decreased by R318 000, 76.8 per cent. This was mainly due to a decrease in the recovery of debt.