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QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY
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384. Mr O de Beer (COPE-WC) to ask the Minister of Finance:

Whether, to meet expansion programmes for infrastructure and government development investment initiatives, the Government will consider introducing new forms of tax revenue to finance the huge increase in public investment (details furnished); if not, why not; if so, (a) from which tax revenue base will the finance be sourced for this programme (details furnished) and (b) what are the further relevant details?

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REPLY:

All spending is in terms of the Budget. Those infrastructure programmes that were allocated funds in the 2013 Budget will be funded within the framework of the tax and borrowing proposals outlined in the Budget. With regard to any new infrastructure proposals, the funding of any approved infrastructure programmes will be dealt with in future budgets. Where appropriate, user charges may also contribute to such funding, e.g. electricity, water and toll roads. There may also be scope for the private sector to fund or co-fund certain projects.