

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY
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3727. Ms J F Terblanche (DA) to ask the Minister of Finance:

- (1) With reference to paragraph 51 of the Report of the Auditor-General on the North West Department of Health for the 2014-15 financial year, where it is stated that (a) the National Assembly has instructed the National Department of Health and the National Treasury to conduct an investigation on all capital projects of the North West Department of Health and (b) the detailed findings of this report were not submitted to the auditors, therefore the Auditor-General was unable to consider the impact of these findings on its report, (i) when was the specified investigation commissioned and (ii) who conducted the specified investigation;
- (2) was the specified investigation completed; if not, when will it be (a) completed and (b) tabled in Parliament; if so, (i) when was it tabled in Parliament and (ii) what was the total cost of the specified investigation?

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REPLY:

1 (a)

Yes, the National Department of Health requested National Treasury (NT) to investigate expenditure under the Hospital Revitalisation Grant in the North West Provincial Department of Health for the financial year 2011/12.

1 (b)

Yes, the NT completed its investigation, and provided detailed reports with findings and recommendations to the National Department of Health on 21 February 2014. Detailed copies of the reports were provided to National Department of Health, Office of the Premier in the North West Provincial Government and the MEC of the Department of Health in North West.

1 (b) (i)

The Investigation was commissioned on 18 January 2013 to the National Treasury by the National Department of Health.

1 (b) (ii)

The National Treasury's Office of Accountant-General investigation team together with its co-sourced forensic investigation firm, JGL Forensic Services.

2 (a)

The Investigation was completed by the 21 February 2014.

2 (b) (i)

The National Department of Health is responsible for tabling the report, as NT executed the investigation at the request of National Department of Health.

2 (b) (ii)

The total forensic investigation costs were R4.4 Million.