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353. Ms S V Kalyan (DA) to ask the Minister of Finance:

(a) What is the total amount that was (i) budgeted for and (ii) spent on his private office (aa) in each of the past three financial years and (bb) since 1 April 2017 and (b) what was the (i) remuneration, (ii) salary level, (iii) job title, (iv) qualification and (v) job description of each employee appointed in his private office in each of the specified periods?

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Reply:

(a)

| (aa) | (i) | (ii) |
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| 2014 / 15 | R34 683 000 | R33 922 702 |
| 2015 / 16 | R34 680 500 | R33 587 321 |
| 2016 / 17 | R39 469 000 | R38 248 417 |
| (bb) | (i) | (ii) |
| 2017 / 18 | *R48 888 000 | **R45 744 771 |

^{*} Reflected until 31 March 2018

(b)(i - v)

Given the Department's responsibility in terms of Section 14 of the Constitution which protects the applicant's right to privacy, the Department is unable to share the details as requested above. The Department however does acknowledge the requirements stipulated in Section 195 of the Constitution stating that the state institutions are accountable to Parliament.

^{**} Reflected until 31 January 2018.