

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES  
QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY  
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**4. Mr F Essack (Mpumalanga: DA) to ask the Minister of Finance:**

What is the annual loss to fiscus that is caused by corruption and state capture, considering that the previous Minister of Finance, Mr Pravin Gordhan announced on 3 August 2017 that they cost the country R100 billion or more?

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**REPLY:**

National Treasury is not able to provide an estimate the annual loss, as those indulging in such criminal and dubious actions do not report such activities to the Treasury or anyone other department or agency in Government. Such information has to be gleaned from audit and investigative reports, and particularly from evidence emerging at the Commission on State Capture (Zondo) and through other judicial processes. Whilst we believe the amounts are significant, National Treasury does not want to speculate on the quantum involved until there is more specific information from the Zondo Commission and other processes now in progress.

To the extent that any official information is requested on any losses to the fiscus as established in any court of law, we would refer the Honourable Member to the office of the Director of the National Director of Public Prosecution.