

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY
QUESTION NUMBER: 2390 [NW2763E]

2390. Mr E M Buthelezi (IFP) to ask the Minister of Finance:

- (1) With regard to the role played by the National Treasury in drafting sound economic policies for the Republic, how does the National Treasury justify the move towards a family poverty grant when it is anti-poor given that its targeting of households and not individuals will most likely exclude millions from having a basic income support;
- (2) what is the budget for piloting the proposed family poverty grant;
- (3) whether the proposed piloting of the specified grant will run concurrently with the Social Relief of Distress Grant; if not, what relief will be provided for the unemployed who might be excluded from the family poverty grant; if so, what are the relevant details?

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REPLY

- (1) National Treasury is not drafting a policy on a family poverty grant.
- (2) There will be no pilot as National Treasury is not drafting the policy.
- (3) Refer to (2).