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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY

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<p>(1) How many Reconstruction and Development Programme (RDP) houses were scheduled to be completed in the 2016/17 financial year but have yet to be completed as at the latest specified date for which information is available;</p> <p>(2) (a) Where are these houses located and (b) How much has been budgeted for their completion in this financial year;</p>	<p>(1) The department had planned to deliver during the 16/17 FY the following Government Subsidy Housing Units:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="676 860 1541 969"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Planned</th> <th>Actual</th> <th>%</th> <th>Deviation</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>12 426</td> <td>12 453</td> <td>100%</td> <td>>27</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>(2)</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="679 1182 1525 1738"> <thead> <tr> <th>REGION (a)</th> <th>UNITS DELIVRED</th> <th>EXPENDITURE (b)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>AMATHOLE</td> <td>212</td> <td>R 107 930 384</td> </tr> <tr> <td>BUFFALO CITY METRO</td> <td>1677</td> <td>R 184 800 725</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SARAH BAARTMAN</td> <td>242</td> <td>R 57 613 442</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NELSON MANDELA METRO</td> <td>2542</td> <td>R 299 228 164</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CHRIS HANI</td> <td>1353</td> <td>R 230 954 117</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OR TAMBO</td> <td>2592</td> <td>R 378 251 726</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ALFRED NZO</td> <td>3179</td> <td>R 490 987 449</td> </tr> <tr> <td>JOE GQABI</td> <td>656</td> <td>R 97 450 479</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>12453</td> <td>R 1 994 903 477</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Planned	Actual	%	Deviation	TOTAL	12 426	12 453	100%	>27	REGION (a)	UNITS DELIVRED	EXPENDITURE (b)	AMATHOLE	212	R 107 930 384	BUFFALO CITY METRO	1677	R 184 800 725	SARAH BAARTMAN	242	R 57 613 442	NELSON MANDELA METRO	2542	R 299 228 164	CHRIS HANI	1353	R 230 954 117	OR TAMBO	2592	R 378 251 726	ALFRED NZO	3179	R 490 987 449	JOE GQABI	656	R 97 450 479	TOTAL	12453	R 1 994 903 477
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(3) What (a) are the reasons for non-completion of these houses and (b) steps her Department is taking with a view to ensuring that the houses are completed?

146. Mr S Magaqa to ask the MEC responsible for Human Settlements:

(a) How many government-subsidized houses that were built in each of the past five financial years remain (i) unoccupied and (ii) partially unoccupied in the province (please provide details per municipality), (b) how long has each of the specified houses been unoccupied and partially unoccupied in each case, (c) why are the houses unoccupied and partially unoccupied and (e) what plans her Department has put in place with a view to addressing non-occupation of the houses?

(3) All the planned units were completed as per the 16/17 FY target and therefore no steps are required to be taken.

- (a) (i) There are 258 units that remained partially unoccupied in the province and,
(ii) Those units were partially unoccupied in the following areas
- Buffalo City Metro Municipality: Potsdam Project 154 unoccupied houses.
 - (Maletswai) now Walter Sisulu municipality: Jamestown 858 project. 25 unoccupied houses since 2009.
 - Elundini municipality: Ugie 1456 project. 79 unoccupied houses since 2009.
- (b) The units in question were partially unoccupied in Buffalo City Metro Municipality: Potsdam Project **154 unoccupied houses been vacant since 2013.**
- (Maletswai) now Walter Sisulu municipality: Jamestown 858 project. **25 unoccupied houses since 2009.**
 - Elundini municipality: Ugie 1456 project. **79 unoccupied houses since 2009.**
- (c) The unoccupancy was caused by the beneficiaries which were relocated to bigger cities in search of decent employment with their families.
- (d) The department has been calling on all approved beneficiaries to claim their houses in the different areas before the de-registration process could start. The department has been doing this campaign together with municipalities.

147. Mr S Magaqa to ask the MEC responsible for Human Settlements:

(1) How many Reconstruction and Development Programme (RDP) houses have been structurally rectified by the National Home Builders Registration Council (NHBRC) as a result of poor workmanship in the province in (i) 2015/16, (ii) 2016/17 and (iii) 2017/18 financial year as at the latest specified date for which information is available;

(2) What was the total cost of these rectifications in the province in the above specified financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available;

(3) How many RDP houses in the province still require rectification as at the latest specified date for which information is available?

(1)

2015/16 (i)	2016/17 (ii)	2017/18 (iii)
2 987	2 653	660 (as at end July)

All the units were rectified by the Provincial Department and were dating back from the Pre 1994 and Post – 1994 – 2002, which were badly constructed without the Norms and Standards. During the years as indicated in the question no housing units were identified to be structurally defective that would have required Rectification as all contractors are compelled to comply with the Human Settlement Norms and Standards. Furthermore the NHBRC has been appointed nationally to ensure strict compliance with the building regulations and the Norms and Standards.

(2)

2015/16	2016/17	2017/18
R488, 1 million	R295, 5 million	R135, 2 million

(3)

- NHBRC Assessed in 2007 approximately +70,000 defective houses in the Province of which it has now reduced to 35 827, which the department has already rectified 27 833. In 2008
- The department submitted to National Minister this report as well as the costs associated to intervene in this matter.
- Department is currently rectifying 1 465 for the current financial year, which is already contracted and committed based on Ministerial Directive stopping the funding of rectification programme.

REGION	Rectification	
	Rectification	Actual
O R Tambo	192	55
Amathole	249	100

Buffalo City Metro	20	-
Chris Hani	337	222
Sarah Baartman	135	7
Joe Gqabi	186	40
Nelson Mandela Metro	346	236
TOTAL	1 465	660