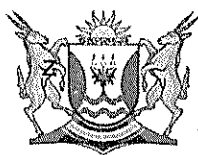


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Dear Honourable Speaker

SUBMISSION OF RESPONSES TO IQP 33 WITH QUESTION 815 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

I hereby on behalf of the Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (**CoGTA**) submit the responses to the Internal Question Paper (IQP) 33 with Questions 815 for written reply in terms of Rule 184 (1) of the standing rules of the Eastern Cape Provincial Legislature for your consideration.

I hope that you find the above in order.

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TO : HANSARD AND HOUSE BUSINESS
FROM : MEC FOR COOPERATIVE GOVERNANCE AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS
SUBJECT : RESPONSES TO IQP 33 WITH QUESTION 815 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

815. Mr R Odendaal to ask the MEC responsible for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

QUESTION	RESPONSE
1. Which municipalities in the province have received a) clean audits, b) unqualified audits and c) qualified audits from the office of the Auditor-General for the 2018/19 financial year as at the latest specified date for which information is available;	Schedule attached.
2. (a) if any, what were the respective reasons for the qualification in each of the respective audits in (1) above and (b) can he kindly advise what other matters of emphasis were raised in each of the respective audits;	The most common qualification matters in the municipalities are: 1. Irregular Expenditure 2. Property Plant and Equipment 3. Expenditure 4. Receivables 5. Payables and Accruals 6. Revenue
3. whether any municipalities have regressed from unqualified audit opinion to qualified audit opinion; if so, what were the reasons for such regression;	The attached schedules have the municipalities that has regressed.
4. what was the total expenditure incurred by all local government for the 2018/19 financial year in respect of i) irregular expenditure, ii) wasteful expenditure, iii) fruitless expenditure and iv) unauthorized expenditure as at the latest specified date for which information is available;	The department is not in receipt of all municipal audit reports as some audits are still outstanding however the MFMA section 131 report will be made available to the provincial legislature that will detail the audit issues raised by the AG and the information regarding UIF&W will be available at that time.
5. what support program or assistance is given by his Department and/or Provincial Treasury to local government in the province to endeavour to help these municipalities in improving their audit opinions?	Cogta and Treasury have a joint support programme to support disclaimed municipalities and other regressed municipalities in assessing the adequacy of the responses to the audit findings and provide technical support on the clearance of the issues.