

## 2. Mr Y Cassim to ask the Premier:

*Noting that 43 youth-owned businesses allegedly benefited from the Isiqalo Youth Fund since its inception in 2019:*

QUESTION	RESPONSE
<p>1) Whether he can kindly advise with regard to the number of applications received for the (i) 2019/20, (ii) 2020/21 and (iii) 2021/22 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available.</p>	<p>The number of applications that have been received as per the requested financial years is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2019/20 – 47 applications were received.</li> <li>• 2020/21 – 45 applications were received.</li> <li>• 2021/22 – 1330 applications were received.</li> </ul>
<p>2) Whether he can kindly advise with regard to the number of unsuccessful applications for the aforementioned financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available;</p>	<p>The number of unsuccessful applications in the requested financial years is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2019/20 – 40 were unsuccessful.</li> <li>• 2020/21 – 35 were unsuccessful.</li> </ul> <p>There is no determination of unsuccessful applications for the 2021/22 financial year as they are still being processed.</p>
<p>3) Whether he can kindly confirm the number of businesses that benefited from the fund who were in the (a) pre-start-up and development phase (level 1), (b) start-up and development phase, (c) growth and expansion phase (level 3) and (d) franchise and co-funding phase (level 4) during the</p>	<p>In the 2019/20 Financial year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One was at pre-start-up and development phase;</li> <li>• Six were growth and expansion.</li> </ul> <p>In 2020/21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• two pre-start-up</li> <li>• seven were growth and expansion;</li> </ul> <p>Lastly, in 2021/22</p>

<p>financial years mentioned above as at the latest specified date for which information is available;</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 18 were start-up and early development</li> <li>• Four were growth and expansion.</li> </ul>
<p>4) Whether he can kindly advise with regard to the number of businesses in the (a) pre-start-up and development phase (level 1), (b) start-up and early development phase (level 2), growth and expansion phase (level 3) and (d) franchise and co-funding phase (level 4), if they are currently still operational after having benefited from the fund;</p>	<p>Of the funded businesses in 2019/20, one business that was at pre-start-up and development phase is non- operational.</p> <p>Of the funded businesses in 2020/21 – one is also non-operational, whilst of the two that were pre-start up and development, one of these is non- operational.</p> <p>All the business supported under batch 3 are still operational to date.</p> <p>There are oversight monitoring visits conducted by both the Office of the Premier and Provincial Treasury to evaluate these funded projects.</p>
<p>5) Whether he can kindly confirm the total amount of working capital, in rands and cents, that was disbursed during the abovementioned financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available?</p>	<p>None of the enterprises funded in the 2019/20 and 2020/21 financial years received working capital.</p> <p>In 2021/22 the following is the breakdown of the disbursed working capital to youth-owned enterprises:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>TNJ Media:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- R74 562.00 Rental for 36 months</li> </ul> </li> <li>❖ <b>Bomza:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- R142 800.00: Salaries; rent; delivery costs</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>❖ <b>Hlelukhanye:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- R 46 800.00 Electricity &amp; Salary</li></ul></li><li>❖ <b>Zukiseka Trading:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- R 10 500 for 6 months rental</li><li>- R 25 200 for 3 employees x 3 months</li></ul></li><li>❖ <b>Virtual Frontier</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- R762 000.00 rent , utilities ; salaries</li></ul></li></ul>
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