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Department:
Trade, Industry and Competition
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO. 408

Mrs D van der Walt (DA) to ask the Minister of Trade and Industry:

With regard to the approved funding to provide much-needed sanitation at Limpopo and Eastern Cape schools, (a) how were the contracts awarded to certain companies (names and details furnished), (b) which schools in each province were beneficiaries of the projects, (c) who were the members of the bid adjudication panel, (d) what were the details of the tender documents, (e) what were the contractual details in each case regarding the number of toilets to be built at each school, budget amount for each toilet and each school, (f) who are the owners of the specified companies, (g) what is the experience and qualifications that each company hold in this industry, (h) how is a certain person (name furnished) involved in both companies and (i) who was awarded the contracts that was successfully completed and signed off? NW587E

REPLY

I have been furnished with the following reply by the Commissioner of the National Lotteries Commission. The apparent discrepancy on the number of schools in the section dealing with Limpopo will be followed up.

The full reply attributed to Ms Mampane, NLC, follows:

(a) how were the contracts awarded to certain companies (names and details furnished),

“Two NPCs were appointed to implement the project, Zibsifusion NPC for Limpopo and Dinosys NPC for the Eastern Cape Province. The NPCs were appointed in terms of Section 2A (3) of the Lotteries Act as amended”

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(b) which schools in each province were beneficiaries of the projects,

“Limpopo Province

Ngwanabahlalerwa School

Nthabalala School

Rehlahla School

Tshikhovhokhovho School

Tshilapfene School

Ncheleleng School

Tibanfontein School

Watervaal School (renovation completed to be followed by construction of the additional block of ablution facilities)

The 10th school to be confirmed by the Provincial Department of Education

Eastern Cape Province

New Ablution Facilities

Makapusi School

Ngwxalane School

Dongwe School

Nowawe School

Renovation of existing ablution facilities

Elliotdale School

Nomandla School

Qaka School

Welese School

Mqokolweni School

Ntsoyini School

Sizane School

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Ngindini School

Ndluzula School

Gqweza School

Gungubele School

Lower Mpako School

Ludeka School

Ludikidiki School

Mahahane School

Manzabila School”

(c) who were the members of the bid adjudication panel,

“The process of funding through the National Lotteries Distribution Trust Fund (NLDTF) does not require the issuing of the tender and tabling of the bids to the Bid Adjudication Committee as outlined in the act and relevant regulations. The process entails grant allocation for worthy good causes and does not equate to a tender and/or supply chain process. The project was implemented in terms of Section 2A (3) of the Lotteries Act as amended.”

(d) what were the details of the tender documents,

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(e) what were the contractual details in each case regarding the number of toilets to be built at each school, budget amount for each toilet and each school,

“The amount of ten million rands was allocated per province for the provision of ablution facilities. The project was implemented in partnership with the Provincial Departments of Education who were responsible for identifying public schools that are in dire need of the ablution facilities. The initial scope of work was to construct

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ten ablution facilities per province, however the engagement with the Provincial Department of Education led to increase in the number of ablution facilities in the Eastern Cape Province as some of the schools that were identified by the department needed renovations of the existing structures. Given the fact that this was an infrastructure project, the NLC allocated an engineer to each province so that they can assist in providing quality assurance through-out the project.”

(f) who are the owners of the specified companies,

“In terms of the NLC processes, once money is allocated to a particular legal entity, be it an NPO or NPC for the rolling out of the project, the NLC allows the entity the autonomy to fully implement the project without interference. The entities funded are independent legal entities and they are afforded that responsibility because even though funded, they are not ‘extensions of the NLC’ and they remain independent and responsible for their own governance processes. Technically therefore, the NLC would not be aware of or have contact with service providers contracted by these entities. Strictly in terms of the process, the NLC ensures that the project is completed and progress reports are submitted with continuous monitoring and evaluation by engineers appointed by the NLC. Impact is what the NLC is broadly focussing on.”

(g) what is the experience and qualifications that each company hold in this industry,

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(h) how is a certain person (name furnished) involved in both companies and

“The NLC is not aware of the involvement of lawyer Refilwe Moloto as the name does not appear in the founding and application documents of the NPC.”

(i) who was awarded the contracts that was successfully completed and signed off?

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