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Department:  
Trade, Industry and Competition  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

## THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

### QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

#### QUESTION NO. 779

**Mr D W Macpherson (DA) to ask the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition:**

What (a) number of applications have been received for funding relief through the (i) Manufacturing Competitiveness Enhancement Programme COVID-19 Fund for Essential Supplies, (ii) Relief Funding for Companies in COVID-19 Distress and (iii) COVID-19 Black Business Funding Solutions in each province to date, (b) number of the specified applications have been (i) approved and (ii) rejected in each case in each province and (c) was the Rand value of each (i) approved and (ii) rejected application in each case in each province? [NW981E]

#### REPLY

I am advised as follows:

The COVID-19 Black Business Fund administered by the National Empowerment Fund (NEF) received over 250 applications totalling R700 million with approximately 30% of the applications from Gauteng, 20% from the Western Cape, 20% from KwaZulu-Natal and the balance from the other 6 provinces. A total of 12 applications valued at R78 million have been approved since inception of the Fund - of which 4 of the applications are from Gauteng; 5 from KwaZulu-Natal; and 3 from the Western Cape. Transactions valued at approximately R400 million have been declined for various reasons including applicants not being manufacturers of essential products.

Table 1 below outlines the performance of the Manufacturing Competitiveness Enhancement Programme (MCEP) COVID-19 Essential Supplies and COVID-19 Distress Funding administered by the Industrial Development Corporation (IDC) since inception up to 08 May 2020.

#### Table 1

		Total Applications Received	Approved	Under Consideration	Rejected
National	Number of COVID-19 Essential Supplies Applications	45	7	12	26
	IDC COVID-19 Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)	1,122,066,203	324,531,730	151,540,000	645,994,473
	MCEP (COVID-19) Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)	142,960,000	80,800,000	48,960,000	13,200,000
	<b>Total COVID-19 Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)</b>	<b>1,265,026,203</b>	<b>405,331,730</b>	<b>200,500,000</b>	<b>685,734,473</b>
	Number of COVID-19 Distress Applications	7	-	7	-
Gauteng	<b>IDC COVID-19 Distress Funding (ZAR)</b>	<b>237,550,000</b>		<b>237,550,000</b>	-
	Number of COVID-19 Essential Supplies Applications	26	3	7	16
	IDC COVID-19 Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)	777,946,200	247,000,000	77,940,000	453,006,200
	MCEP (COVID-19) Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)	78,960,000	60,000,000	18,960,000	-
	<b>Total COVID-19 Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)</b>	<b>856,906,200</b>	<b>307,000,000</b>	<b>96,900,000</b>	<b>453,006,200</b>
Western Cape	Number of COVID-19 Distress Applications	2	-	2	-
	IDC COVID-19 Distress Funding (ZAR)	20,000,000	-	20,000,000	-
	Number of COVID-19 Essential Supplies Applications	8	2	2	4
	IDC COVID-19 Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)	147,540,000	27,740,000	32,000,000	87,800,000
	MCEP (COVID-19) Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)	18,000,000	4,800,000	-	13,200,000
Mpumalanga	<b>Total COVID-19 Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)</b>	<b>165,540,000</b>	<b>32,540,000</b>	<b>32,000,000</b>	<b>101,000,000</b>
	Number of COVID-19 Distress Applications	2	-	2	-
	IDC COVID-19 Distress Funding (ZAR)	209,950,000	-	209,950,000	-
	Number of COVID-19 Essential Supplies Applications	1	-	1	-
	IDC COVID-19 Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)	9,600,000	-	9,600,000	-
KwaZulu Natal	MCEP (COVID-19) Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)	-	-	-	-
	<b>Total COVID-19 Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)</b>	<b>9,600,000</b>	-	<b>9,600,000</b>	-
	Number of COVID-19 Distress Applications	-	-	-	-
	IDC COVID-19 Distress Funding (ZAR)	-	-	-	-
	Number of COVID-19 Essential Supplies Applications	6	2	2	2
Eastern Cape	IDC COVID-19 Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)	110,980,003	49,791,730	32,000,000	29,188,273
	MCEP (COVID-19) Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)	46,000,000	16,000,000	30,000,000	-
	<b>Total COVID-19 Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)</b>	<b>156,980,003</b>	<b>65,791,730</b>	<b>62,000,000</b>	<b>29,188,273</b>
	Number of COVID-19 Distress Applications	-	-	-	-
	IDC COVID-19 Distress Funding (ZAR)	-	-	-	-
Limpopo	Number of COVID-19 Essential Supplies Applications	2	-	-	2
	IDC COVID-19 Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)	14,000,000	-	-	14,000,000
	MCEP (COVID-19) Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)	-	-	-	-
	<b>Total COVID-19 Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)</b>	<b>14,000,000</b>	-	-	<b>14,000,000</b>
	Number of COVID-19 Distress Applications	2	-	2	-
Free State	IDC COVID-19 Distress Funding (ZAR)	7,600,000	-	7,600,000	-
	Number of COVID-19 Essential Supplies Applications	1	-	-	1
	IDC COVID-19 Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)	12,000,000	-	-	12,000,000
	MCEP (COVID-19) Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)	-	-	-	-
	<b>Total COVID-19 Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)</b>	<b>12,000,000</b>	-	-	<b>12,000,000</b>
North West	Number of COVID-19 Distress Applications	-	-	-	-
	IDC COVID-19 Distress Funding (ZAR)	-	-	-	-
	Number of COVID-19 Essential Supplies Applications	1	-	-	1
	IDC COVID-19 Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)	50,000,000	-	-	50,000,000
	MCEP (COVID-19) Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)	-	-	-	-
Northern Cape	<b>Total COVID-19 Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)</b>	<b>50,000,000</b>	-	-	<b>50,000,000</b>
	Number of COVID-19 Distress Applications	-	-	-	-
	IDC COVID-19 Distress Funding (ZAR)	-	-	-	-
	Number of COVID-19 Essential Supplies Applications	-	-	-	-
	IDC COVID-19 Essential Supplies Funding (ZAR)	-	-	-	-

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