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Trade, Industry and Competition
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO 4220

Mr E J Marais (DA) to ask the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition:

What (a) is the current financial status of the Saldanha Bay Industrial Development Zone (SBIDZ) and (b) total budget will be allocated to the SBIDZ in the 2024-25 financial year to promote investment in green energy to enhance sustainable energy, excluding the mooted collaboration or deal with a certain company (name furnished)? NW5503E

REPLY:

The SBIDZ is managed by the Western Cape Provincial Government.

According to the Western Cape Provincial Government and the SBIDZ, the entity is not yet independently financially sustainable and is still reliant upon the Provincial Government as the owner of the SEZ, for operational funding.

Below is a table with the provincial allocation for the financial years 2022-2026.

Specific Budget policy programmes	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
	(R '000)	(R '000)	(R '000)	(R '000)
Operational Funding	41 977	-	-	-
New Integrated Port PPF request for SBIDZ	-	9,400*	-	-
Investment – Green Hydrogen development (Earmarked priority allocations)	-	3,300	18,150	18,150
Total	41 977	12,700	18,150	18,150

**To note, R9,4 million appropriated in the 2023/24 main budget for the Project Preparation facility for the integrated port upgrade in Saldanha is to be reclassified in the 2023 Adjusted Estimated for use as operational expenditure by the entity to assist with the entity's sustainability.*

In terms of funding from the SEZ fund, managed by **the dtic** the SBIDZ zone has received the following funding:

Bulk infrastructure	R 741 858 000
Top structure	R 391 130 000
Skills development	R 4 495 000
Total	R1 137 483 000

The total amount the SBIDZ received from **the dtic** SEZ fund is R1 137 483 000 over seven years, between 2016/2017 – 2023/2024.

In respect of green energy, the SBIDZ would require operational funding from the Provincial Government. **the dtic**, IDC and the SBIDZ are working together to attract private investment in green energy.

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