

# THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

## QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY

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### Mrs E.R Wilson (DA) to ask the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition:

(1) Whether his department and/or any of the entities reporting to him funded and/or contributed to the supply and/or installation of the production line for the manufacture of protective masks at a certain factory (name furnished); if so, (a) to what value and (b) on what date? [NW1495E]

### REPLY

I am advised by the department and the IDC as follows:

1. The IDC provided the company with several loans between 2002 and 2009. All loan facilities are fully repaid.

2. The company participated in the dtic Clothing and Textile Competitiveness Programme (CTCP) grant scheme administered by the IDC. The CTCP provided support to the Industry through a modernisation and upskilling program. A total of R50.4 million was approved and R47.9 million was disbursed to the company under the CTCP scheme between 2010 and 2019.

3. The IDC and the CTCP Scheme did not provide loan or grant funding during the COVID-19 pandemic to the factory to facilitate the manufacturing of PPE.

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