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Department:  
Trade, Industry and Competition  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

## THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES

### QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

#### QUESTION NO. 862

#### *Appointment of Consultants*

**Mr H J Van den Berg (Northern Cape: FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition:**

- (1) Whether his department has appointed any consultants (a) in 2023 and 2024 and (b) from 1 January 2025 up to the latest specified date for which information is available; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (i) which consultants, (ii) for what periods of the contract and (iii) at what cost in each year;
- (2) whether any of such consultants were appointed to assist his department in the execution of its mandate as a result of insufficient capacity and vacancies; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (a) which consultants, (b) for what periods of the contract, (c) at what cost in each year and (d) what will it cost to fill such vacancies in each year;
- (3) (a) for what purposes were consultants being appointed other than the filling of vacancies, (b) which consultants were appointed in this regard, (c) for what periods of the contract and (d) at what cost in each year? CW987E

#### **REPLY:**

- (1) (a)

The Department appointed consultants in 2023/2024, and from 1 April 2025 up to date, the details are attached as **Annexure A**.

(b) (i), (ii), (iii)

The consultants appointed, contract period and contract amounts are included in the **Annexure A**.

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The main purpose for appointing consultants was to supplement the existing skills within the Department. While **the dtic** is staffed with qualified personnel, the consultants were brought in to provide specialised knowledge, technical expertise, or additional capacity for specific projects or initiatives.

The consultants were not brought in to replace existing staff, but rather to offer focused support that enhanced the Department's internal capabilities. Their contribution allowed **the dtic** to tap into current industry best practices, gain valuable external perspectives, and advance work on complex or time sensitive projects more efficiently.

#### ***NCOP PQ 862 - ANNEXURE: A***

Details of contracts with consultants for the 2025/2026, 2025/2024, 2024/2023 financial years respectively:

##### 2025/2026 FINANCIAL YEAR (from 1 April 2025)

Supplier Name	Project Title/Purpose	Contract Duration	Contract value(R)
Deloitte and Touche (Pty) Ltd	Research study to map trade and market opportunities for digital trade and related cross-border e-commerce for South Africa for purposes of growing South Africa's export share in the digital trade global market	1 month, 28 days	R799 656,37
Management Integrity Evaluation (Pty) Ltd	Personnel Agency Fee for verification services to the dtic as part of the recruitment and vetting processes	3 months	R180 000,00
Pinpointone Human Resources (Pty) Ltd	Personnel agency fees for verification services handling and screening of applications for advertised positions to the dtic	24 Months	R915 313,75

MM Advisory Services, Forensic Investigation Risk and Ngubane Management Consultants (Pty) Ltd	Appointment of not more than five (5) service providers to conduct investigation and the analysis of financial statements on alleged contraventions of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) Act No. 53 of 2023 as amended by the B-BBEE Act No. 46 of 2013 on behalf of the B-BBEE Commission for period of 36 months	36 months	R12 000 000,00
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#### 2024/2025 FINANCIAL YEAR

Supplier Name	Project Title/Purpose	Contract Duration	Contract value in (R)
DNA Economics (Pty) Ltd	Research a review and socio-economic impact assessment study of export tax on ferrous scrap metals and the steel value chain	3 months	R598 848,12
Mits Institute	Appointment of 1 ECM administrator to provide on-site or remote technical support services for the dtic ECM applications through the sita RFB1183 contract for 3 years	36 months	R4 567 800,00
Foursight It Business Solutions	Business Intelligence Developer for the office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) through the SITA RFB1183 contract	36 months	R3 501 173,76
Mosima It Solutions	Appointment of two Business Analysts for the office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) through the SITA contract RFB1183 for 3 years	36 months	R6 388 649,28
Foursight It Business Solutions	Appointment of three Software Developers for the OCIO through the SITA contract RFB1183 for 3 years	36 months	R10 503 521,28
Mits Institute	Appointment of two Testers for the OCIO	36 months	R7 443 379,08
Genesis Analytics (Pty) Ltd	Advisory consulting services: Benchmarking study to determine the competitiveness of the current support levels for the Global Business Services (GBS) incentive programme to ensure that South African's business process service sector maintain its competitive edge; and the actions which must be taken to improve its global position	3 months	R1 193 600,00
Deloitte and Touche (Pty) Ltd	Study to assess level of utilisation of selected trade agreements in terms of the composition of South Africa with partner countries and their impact on trade performance and the economy	3 months	R798 074,56
Zwonaka MLM Holdings	Evaluation of the Youth Employment Services Programme	3 months	R398 992,50

Redflank Solutions	Conduct investigation services analysis of major B-BBEE transactions on behalf of B-BBEE Commission	4 months	R314 640,00
Genesis Analytics (Pty) Ltd	Conduct regulatory impact assessment on adopting the International Sustainability Standards Board Sustainability Disclosure Standards in South Africa for a period of 3 months	3 months	R1 901 143,00
Lungile Mtiya Consuting CC	Employment Relations (ER) Specialist services to the dtic for a period of 12 months.	12 months	R1 200 000,00
Brandswell	Compilation of the 2023/2024 Annual Industrial Financing Report	Once-off	R531 875,00
Underhill Investments Holdings	Conducting modelling of the economy-wide impact of certain investment scenarios in manufacturing, mining and construction on GDP growth employment, investment and trade	2 months	R689 000,01
Open Water Advanced Risk Solution	Investigation and analysis of financial statements on the alleged contraventions of the Broad Based Black Empowerment Act No 46 of 2013 on behalf of B-BBEE Commission	6 months	R921 600,00
AFMAS Solutions	Research on transformation and the Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment and produce a report on B-BBEE Transformation on behalf of the B-BBEE Commission	4 months	R480 930,00
Government Technical Advisory Centre (GTAC)	Fit for Purpose implementation project plan	24 months	R5 944 617,87

#### 2023/2024 FINANCIAL YEAR

Supplier Name	Project Title/Purpose	Contract Duration	Contract value(R)
S24 business group (Pty) Ltd	Research study on phase 2 of the Itukisen - Internships for unemployed graduates' programme for the duration of the research project	3 Months	R902 720,01
PriceWaterhouseCoopers Incorporated	Investigation services and analysis of financial statements on the alleged contraventions of the broad-based black empowerment act no.46 of 2013 (the B-BBEE Act) on behalf of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Commission (the B-BBEE Commission) for a period of 6 months pursuant to RFQ 2b of bid dtic 03/20-21	6 Months	R1 720 566,75
Genesis Analytics (Pty) Ltd	Research impact assessment of international trade administration commission of South Africa (ITAC) trade tools on the steel sector	4 months	R1 671 300,00

Mukona Consulting (Pty) Ltd	Service; media monitoring relations and communication services to the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Commission for a period of 2 years	24 months	R1 455 037,50
Rakoma and Associates cc	Investigation services and analysis of financial statements on the alleged contraventions of the Broad-Based Black Empowerment Act No.46 of 2013 (the B-BBEE Act) on behalf of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Commission (the B-BBEE Commission) for a period of 6 months pursuant to rfq 2b of bid dtic 03/20-21	6 Months	R915 840,00
Genesis analysis PTY LTD	Research an impact assessment of the equity equivalent investment programme under statement 103 of the Broad-based black economic empowerment codes as amended	5 Months	R1 798 520,00
Abacus financial crime Advisory PTY LTD	Investigation services and analysis of financial statements on the alleged contraventions of the Broad based black economic empowerment Act no.46 of 2013 for the period of 36 months pursuant tp RFQ 2B of bid DTIC 03/20-21	36 Months	R1 788 480,00
Genesis analysis PTY LTD	Advisory assessment of the scrap mental policy proposals	3 Months	R563 960,00
Fundudzi Forensic Services PTY LTD	Forensic auditors and investigations on alleged fraud and corruption cases at the DTIC for a period of three years	2 Months	R563 996,00
DNA Economic PTY LTD	Advisory an analysis of the South African Trade of Bilateral, Regional and Multilateral Agreements and Opportunities arising from Trade Blocks Study	24 Months	R1 994 068,90
DNA Economic PTY LTD	Research to conduct the DTIC Black Economic Outlook Index DNA.	24 Months	R1 997 117,72
DNA Economic PTY LTD	DNA Economic PTY LTD	3 Months	R656 051,60
YODH Engineering PTY LTD	Advisory of engineering services providers to a panel of not more than five service providers per sector/field for due diligence, claims/expenditure verifications for the DTIC technology and human resources for industry programme (THRIP) and support programme for industrial innovation (SPII) incentives administered by the industrial financing branch(IFB)	36 Months	R1 973 684,21
Trivon Project Management Pty Ltd	Advisory of engineering services providers to a panel of not more than five service providers per sector/field for due diligence, claims/expenditure verifications for the DTIC technology and human resources for industry programme (THRIP) and support programme for industrial innovation (SPII) incentives administered by the industrial financing branch(IFB)	36 Months	R2 368 421,05

Delta Built Environment Consultants PTY LTD	Advisory of engineering services providers to a panel of not more than five service providers per sector/field for due diligence, claims/expenditure verifications for the DTIC technology and human resources for industry programme (THRIP) and support programme for industrial innovation (SPII) incentives administered by the industrial financing branch(IFB)	36 Months	R3 157 894,74
KTN Consulting Engineering PTY LTD	Advisory of engineering services providers to a panel of not more than five service providers per sector/field for due diligence, claims/expenditure verifications for the DTIC technology and human resources for industry programme (THRIP) and support programme for industrial innovation (SPII) incentives administered by the industrial financing branch(IFB)	36 Months	R394 736,84
Bakone Consulting Engineers CC	Advisory of engineering services providers to a panel of not more than five service providers per sector/field for due diligence, claims/expenditure verifications for the DTIC technology and human resources for industry programme (THRIP) and support programme for industrial innovation (SPII) incentives administered by the industrial financing branch(IFB)	36 Months	R789 473,68
Keystone Thibedi PTY LTD	Advisory of engineering services providers to a panel of not more than five service providers per sector/field for due diligence, claims/expenditure verifications for the DTIC technology and human resources for industry programme (THRIP) and support programme for industrial innovation (SPII) incentives administered by the industrial financing branch(IFB)	36 Months	R394 736,84
Red coral consulting PTY LTD	Advisory of engineering services providers to a panel of not more than five service providers per sector/field for due diligence, claims/expenditure verifications for the DTIC technology and human resources for industry programme (THRIP) and support programme for industrial innovation (SPII) incentives administered by the industrial financing branch(IFB)	36 Months	394 736.84
Siana Consulting PTY LTD	Advisory of engineering services providers to a panel of not more than five service providers per sector/field for due diligence, claims/expenditure verifications for the DTIC technology and human resources for industry programme (THRIP) and support programme for industrial innovation (SPII) incentives administered by the industrial financing branch(IFB)	36 Months	R2 763 157,89

Rasnco Investment PTY (LTD)	Advisory of engineering services providers to a panel of not more than five service providers per sector/field for due diligence, claims/expenditure verifications for the DTIC technology and human resources for industry programme (THRIP) and support programme for industrial innovation (SPII) incentives administered by the industrial financing branch(IFB)	36 Months	R394 736,84
Sea Spirit	Advisory of engineering services providers to a panel of not more than five service providers per sector/field for due diligence, claims/expenditure verifications for the DTIC technology and human resources for industry programme (THRIP) and support programme for industrial innovation (SPII) incentives administered by the industrial financing branch(IFB)	36 Months	2 368 421.05

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