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Mr P G Moteka (EFF) to ask the Minister of Tourism:

How far is the investigation into tourism destinations that were reported to be completed in Barberton, Mpumalanga, to which the Auditor-General found and reported that nothing was done in spite of R24 million spent?

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Reply:

The Final Report of the Auditor-General indicated that there was a misstatement on the Barberton project. An amount of R24 784 279 was classified as capital work in progress instead of infrastructure project asset completed.

The department also appointed an independent quantity surveyor to establish the value of the asset and the report indicated the following:

Project Barberton Tourism and

Biodiversity Corridor DEAT1/2000/1705

Project Number DEAT1/2000/1705 Implementer Barberton Chamber of

Business

Construction Period 04/06/2010 - 30/06/2014 **Location** Barberton Mpumalanga

Business Plan Value R 24 784 279,00 **Assessed Value** R 27 784 279,00