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Mr G R Krumbock (DA) to ask the Minister of Tourism:

Has his department considered redirecting some of its funds towards developing new rural products not linked to the Expanded Public Works Programme in the South African rural offering; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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REPLY:

Yes, in the financial year 2014/2015 the Department committed R1,25 million to improve Tourism Signage in 5 World Heritage Sites (WHS): Mapungubwe WHS, Richtersveld WHS, uKhahlamba Drakensberg WHS, Robben Island WHS and Cape Floral Kingdom (Baviaanskloof) WHS.

In the current financial year 2015/2016 the Department will pledge R750 000 to improve Tourism Signage in the 3 remaining World Heritage Sites, namely, the Vredefort Dome WHS, Cradle of Humankind WHS and iSimangaliso WHS.

In addition to this the Department has also funded the Tourism Enterprise Partnership (TEP) to the sum of R13.5 million for the 2015/16 financial year to provide support to 100 rural enterprises in various areas.