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4932. Ms N R Mashabela (EFF) to ask the Minister of Tourism:

Whether her department will share substantive details regarding the Project Management Unit and its success so far in monitoring the implementation of infrastructure projects; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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REPLY

The Department has established a Programme Support Unit (PSU) comprised of a team of built environment professionals, namely:

- 1x Head: Programme Support Unit (full time);
- 2x Quantity Surveyors (1 full time and 1 part-time);
- 1x Civil / Structural Engineer (part time);
- 1x Architect (part time).

The recruitment of two construction project managers, one project accountant and one tourism and hospitality expert is underway to complete the composition of the PSU.

The Programme Support Unit (PSU) is assisting the Department with project oversight, completion and handing over projects currently implemented by both the Development Bank of South Africa and various other entities. The Unit has developed a workplan for each project which is kept up to date on a weekly basis to address challenges identified in each project. The time frame for the workplan is until March 2027. Summarised below are tasks that the Unit has assisted the Department with to date:

- Completion of condition assessments for various world heritage sites;
- Review of final accounts and closeout reports;
- Verification of audit responses and supporting information from project implementers prior to submission to the Auditor-General South Africa (AGSA);
- Updating and where necessary develop new project management processes and policies as identified by AGSA;
- Convened one-on-one meetings with project managers to understand challenges faced by each project and then design solutions to assist project managers to deal with the challenges;
- Conduct site visits to projects as part of oversight;
- Review of variation orders.

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