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“Mr E M Mlambo (ANC-Gauteng) to ask the Minister of Tourism:

Whether the Social Responsibility Implementation Programme which is intended to create jobs and alleviate poverty through tourism development has achieved its goals; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?”

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REPLY:

The department has achieved the main goals of its the Social Responsibility Implementation programme, which is an Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP). The goals are job creation, skills development, and tourism development.

The skills programme, which aimed to make youth more employable and bring them into the economy, benefitted 1,361 young people in 2010/11; 2,480 in 2011/12; 4475 in 2012/13 and 3417 in 2013/14.

Since its inception in 2010 to the end of the last financial year, the programme created 15 342 full time equivalent jobs.

In the 2013/14 financial year the initial target of 5173 FTE jobs was revised to 2300 FTE jobs. The target was provided by the Department of Public Works and is based on the budget available to cover labour costs relative to other development costs. The number of FTE jobs created in this period was 2797, which exceeded the revised target.