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Mr F Bhengu (ANC) to ask the Minister of Tourism:

- (1) What percentage of the tourism support programme funds will be used for historically disadvantaged persons;
- (2) Whether his department will embark on a campaign to inform the public of this programme; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NO3627E

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THE MINISTER OF TOURISM ANSWERS:

1. The DTI has a Tourism Support programme. This programme will end its operations under the DTI during this financial year. The Department of Tourism will now implement a similar programme.

We are currently reviewing and redesigning the programme to ensure that we cover stakeholders who need it the most without diminishing the investment incentive aspect of it. The programme as a lever for transformation will be used to support tourism enterprises from designated groups and be a stimulus for job creation in the sector.

2. There will be a national awareness campaign to communicate the new programme once it is ready for launching. The Department will work with Provincial and Local Government to roll out the programme.

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