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664. The Leader of the Opposition (DA) asked the Minister of Public Works:

(a) What is the current status of the (i) 44 criminal cases, (ii) 15 civil cases and (iii) 64 disciplinary processes recommended by the Special Investigating Unit to be instituted against the officials in his department for their involvement in the Nkandla scandal, (b) what are the names and positions of each of the specified officials, (c) what is the total number of officials who are still employed by (i) his department and (ii) any other government department (d) what is the total number of officials who received bonuses in each of the past five financial years and (e) what was the total amount received in each case?

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The Minister of Public Works:

REPLY:

- (a)
- (i) The Special Investigating Unit (SIU) referred evidence for possible criminal action against three (not 44) former senior officials of the Department of Public Works and one contractor involved in the Nkandla matter to the relevant Prosecuting Authority. The latter declined to prosecute the three officials and the enquiry against the contractor is apparently still pending.
 - (ii) The SIU instituted a civil claim (not 15 cases) against Makhanya Architects, the principal architect in the Nkandla matter, in the KwazuluNatal High Court. The proceedings are pending.

- (iii) The Special Investigating Unit referred evidence for possible disciplinary action against 12 (not 64) employees of the Department of Public Works who were involved in the Nkandla matter to the Department. The Department instituted disciplinary actions against all 12 of the employees. One employee pleaded guilty and he was found guilty of misconduct. The penalty was suspension without pay and a final written warning. One of the employees passed away. The disciplinary hearings against the remaining ten employees have commenced.

- (b) The names of twelve officials that were subjected to disciplinary hearings cannot be disclosed until the cases have been finalised.

- (c) (i) and (ii) 11 employees are still employed by the Department.

- (d) Six employees received performance bonuses

- (e) Total amount received in each case during the period from 1 April 2012 to March 2017:

R28 702 87

R11 205.66

R60 766.85

R42 097.35

R57 210.65

R22 759.97