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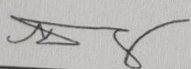
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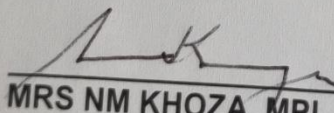
1. A total of R14 639 623.00 was paid to the officials whilst there were on suspension.
2. Yes, in terms of Public Service Act the officials received 13th cheque payments and NOT annual bonus.
3. The total 13th cheque payments amounted to R816 966.00.
4. The SMS member resigned. He was paid R40 420.19 being amount due for unused vacation leave days.
5. Yes, funds have been recovered. The process is managed by the Special Investigating Unit (SIU) and is ongoing.
- 5.1. The SIU has confirmed that they have recovered an amount of R864 000.00 from Rosette Investments and R718 550.00 from Zain Brothers. Recoveries from other companies have not been finalised by the Court. No recoveries were recommended against officials.
6. Yes, the criminal case was opened per CAS Number 228/07/2020 at the SAPS – Pietermaritzburg.
7. The case was investigated by the SIU. On 21 December 2021, the SAPS reported that the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) has declined to prosecute the officials (*Nolle prosecute*). The docket has been closed.
8. The department is doing everything within its powers to expedite the finalisation of the misconduct hearings. Twelve (12) officials were recommended to be charged with misconduct. Cases against the nine (9) have been finalised. The remaining hearing against the three (3) SMS members is schedule for 19 June 2023 to 07 July 2023.



MRS NI VILAKAZI
HEAD OF DEPARTMENT

26 MAY 2023

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MRS NM KHOZA, MPL
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