



## GAUTENG PROVINCE

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The Acting Secretary  
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Dear Mr. Mwale

### **RESPONSE TO LEGISLATURE QUESTION 5.INF009 POSED BY MEMBER SJ DOS SANTOS OF THE DEMOCRATIC (DA) ALLIANCE FOR YOUR WRITTEN REPLY.**

**5. INF009. With regards to the Gauteng government expenditure on rental, could the MEC please indicate:**

- (i) **what is the total amount that the Gauteng Provincial Government spends on rental for office for client departments each month.**

**Response:**

The Department of Infrastructure Development is responsible for payment of Gauteng Provincial Gauteng Office rental for head offices only. The total amount that DID spends on head office rentals for client departments each month is approximately R 34,104,005.07

- (ii) **how has the expenditure changed over the past five years? Please provide a break down by year.**

**Response:**

Below is the 5-year expenditure by the Department of Infrastructure Development on head office rentals:

Five Year Period	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
Head office Expenditure Breakown Per Annum	R393,542,000	R398,322,000	R490,815,000	R468,139,000	R458,854,000

- (iii) given that the province owns several government buildings, why does it continue to spend millions on rented space;**

**Response:**

Insufficient funding for maintenance and refurbishment of GPG owned buildings has led to a prolonged period of non-compliance with Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) Standards. The lack of maintenance resulted in deterioration of GPG owned assets primarily office buildings, compromising their overall condition and usability. As the custodian responsible for providing compliant office buildings to GPG User Departments, DID explored alternative solutions including leasing from third parties to ensure the provision of required office accommodation, thereby fulfilling its mandate. The leasing of office accommodation from private landlords is a temporary solution pending the long-term revitalisation of GPG owned buildings through the Gauteng Precinct Development Project (previously known as Kopanong Project)

- (iv) how many government-owned buildings are currently vacant and why are they not being utilized instead of renting private office space; and**

**Response:**

There is a total of 41 vacant office buildings under the custodianship of GPG.

The 12 (twelve) of these vacant office precinct buildings are in the Johannesburg Central Business District. They are currently in poor condition which does not comply with Occupational Health and Safety Standards and are not habitable. The buildings in the Johannesburg CBD are part of the long-term project of Gauteng Precinct Development. There is a similar initiative to refurbish and develop government precincts in the regional offices.

The balance of the 29 (twenty-nine) vacant office buildings are in the Pretoria Central Business District. These buildings forms part of the assets where DID is concluding an exchange agreement with the National Department of Public Works and Infrastructure (NDPW&I). There are office buildings in the Johannesburg CBD which are owned by NDPW&I of which the Gauteng province want to utilise as part of the Gauteng Precinct Development Project, hence the exchange of buildings.

- (v) please provide a full list of rental properties, their costs and lease agreements.

**Response:**

Below is the full list of Head Office leased properties where DID is responsible for payment of rental:

Building	Client Department	Monthly Rental (February 2025)
18 Rissik Imphopoma	Department of Infrastructure Development	R 2,447,836.90
Surrey House	Department of Sports Arts and Culture	R 2,553,913.22
I Central Place	Department of Infrastructure Development	R 1,034,912.56
6 Hollard House	Department of Education	R 4,186,976.58
45 Commissioner	Department of Roads and Transport	R 3,611,092.70
26&30 Loveday	Department of Education	R 3,378,554.27
55 Fox Street	Department of Education	R 2,950,407.87
56 Eloff Street (DED)	Department of Economic Development	R 3,083,750.30
56 Eloff Street (GDARD)	Department of Agriculture	R 4,093,138.41
131 Commissioner	Department of Infrastructure Development	R77,670.40
25 Pixley Kalsaka Seme Street	Department of Community Safety	R2,628,436.86
55 Marshall Street	Office of the Premier	R4,057,315.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>R 34,104,005.07</b>

Sincerely,



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