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Mr J J Londt (Western Cape: DA) to ask the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment: Whether each of the winners of the Greenest Municipality Competition from 2016 to 2021 has received all the necessary (a) prizes and/or (b) prize money; if not, (i) what is still outstanding, (ii) to which municipalities and (iii) when can they expect to receive what is due to them; if so, what are the relevant details?

271. THE MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT REPLIES:

- a) Yes. The Department does not give cash to the winning municipalities. On pronouncement of the winners, the winning municipalities are expected to submit project proposals addressing the environmental challenges in the municipality, which amounts to the prize money. On receipt of the project proposal, the project goes through the project registration, planning, implementation and handing over to the municipality.
- b) Not applicable.
 - i. Nothing is outstanding from the Department; however, project proposals are still outstanding from four (4) municipalities.
 - ii. The project proposals that are still outstanding are from the following municipalities:

- · Umzimvubu Local Municipality (2019);
- City of Johannesburg Metropolitan Municipality (2019);
- · Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality (2019); and
- City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality (2019).
- iii. Not applicable.

It must be noted that Greenest Municipality Competition (GMC) has 6 winners annually. GMC was not conducted in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic and inadequate funding.

Regards

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