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Transferring department Grant schedule	Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (Vote 4)
	Schedule 7, Part B
Strategic goal	To enable a timely response to immediate needs after a disaster has occurred
Outcome statements	To provide for the immediate release of funds for disaster response
Outcome statements	Immediate consequences of disasters are mitigated
Outputs	Emergency repair of critical infrastructure
Priority outcome(s) of	Emergency provision of goods and services
government that this grant	Outcome 9: Responsive, accountable, effective and efficient developmental local government
primarily contributes to	
Details contained in the	Applications for funding from this grant use the National Disaster Management Centre (NDMC) disaster
business plan	grant guideline which includes the following: copy of the applicable contingency plan and emergency procedures in use by the municipality (Section 49(1)(d) of the Disaster Management Act) copy of the classification letter in terms of the Disaster Management Act copy of the declaration of a state of disaster in terms of the Disaster Management Act number of people affected and the extent of damage and losses sectors affected total funds required for disaster response
	 resources (both financial and in-kind) allocated by the municipality to respond and mitigate the effects of the disaster resources (both financial and in-kind) committed by other role players, including provinces, the private sector, national departments and non-government organisations consolidated project cash flow as an annexure intervention and mitigation strategies as per the disaster management plan cost-benefit analysis of the projects to be implemented An implementation plan with the following:
	 details of the projects to be repaired including Global Positioning System (GPS) coordinates costs of the project consolidated projects cash flow over a three-month period as an annexure to the implementation plan An application for a funding contribution may be based on the rapid assessment and verification (draft versions of the supporting documentation required above may be accepted for the initial application)
Conditions	Copies of the disaster declaration and classification letter in terms of the Disaster Management Act must be submitted to the NDMC
	 This grant may only be used to fund expenditure in the event that the municipality responsible for the provision of the affected basic service is unable to deal with the effects of the disaster utilising own legislation/guidelines and resources Municipalities must fund a portion of the costs of the disaster response from their own budget, if unable
	 to do so, proof must be provided Funds from this grant may be utilised to reimburse municipalities for expenditure incurred which could
	not be accommodated within the municipality's own budget. In cases where municipalities require reimbursement of funds spent, municipalities are to consult the NDMC through the relevant Provincial Disaster Management Centre (PDMC) for approval prior to spending the funds. Proof of expenditure in the form of invoices must be availed to the relevant PDMC and NDMC in case reimbursement is required. Items purchased must fall within the competency of municipalities
	 Funds may only be used in line with the approved implementation plan. Any amendments to the implementation plan must be approved by the NDMC and copies of the approved amendments shared with National Treasury Funds from this grant must be utilised within six calendar months following the date of the transfer of
	 the funds to the municipality A municipality may request the NDMC through the PDMC to apply to the National Treasury to approve that an allocation be utilised more than six calendar months after the date of transfer, in terms of section 26(3)(d) of the 2019 Division of Revenue Act
	 The emergency procurement system provided for in Treasury Regulations should be invoked to ensure immediate assistance by the affected municipalities A copy of the contingency plan for the relevant hazard is to be submitted with the funding request
Allocation criteria	 The grant is allocated for declared and classified disasters, based on reports from assessments conducted by the NDMC and PDMC and affected sectors of immediate disaster relief needs. Additionally, it must be established that there are immediate disaster relief needs that cannot be met by the municipality through the contingency arrangements already in place. The Accounting Officer for the relevant organ of state must indicate in their application that the total funds required from the grant for disaster response exceed the available resources and or resources already allocated for disaster relief Funding may however be released in tranches, with the first tranche being based on an initial assessment
	and verification of the disaster relief needs

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Reasons not incorporated in equitable share	This grant provides funding for responding to and providing relief for unforeseeable and unavoidable disasters
Past performance	2017/18 audited financial outcomes
	R300 million was allocated and R327 million was transferred to the municipalities in the Eastern Cape
	Northern Cape and Western Cape for drought intervention measures in the affected municipalities. A
	conversion of funds from the Provincial Disaster Relief Grant to the Municipal Disaster Grant wa
	gazetted by National Treasury to cover the shortfall
	2017/18 service delivery performance
	Funding for emergency relief was provided as follows:
	Eastern Cape Province
	o Dr Beyers Naude Local Municipality - condition assessment and recommissioning of boreholes in
	Vondeling, Fullarton and Miller to address drought conditions
	 Kou-kamma Local Municipality – condition assessment and recommissioning of 10 boreholes to address drought conditions in the municipality
	 Kouga Local Municipality – condition assessment and recommissioning of four boreholes to address drought conditions in the municipality
	 Sundays River Valley Local Municipality – investigation, drilling and equipping of seven boreholes to address drought conditions in the municipality
	Makana Local Municipality – condition assessment and recommissioning of six boreholes to address drought conditions in the municipality
	Blue Crane Route Local Municipality – condition assessment and recommissioning of four boreholes to address drought conditions in the municipality
	Ndlambe Local Municipality – condition assessment and recommissioning as well as equipping four
	boreholes to address drought conditions in the municipality
	Amathole District (Mbashe Local Municipality) – drill and equip three boreholes to address drough
	conditions in the municipality
	 Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality – implementation of ground water schemes: Coega
	Kop Production boreholes, Uitenhage wellfields, Moregrove, Churchill wellfields and health
	facilities to address drought conditions in the metro
	Western Cape Province
	 City of Cape Town Metropolitan Municipality – supported Cape Flats and Atlantis Aquifer projects
	to address drought conditions in the municipality
	Bitou Local Municipality – drilling and equipping of boreholes to address drought conditions in the municipality
	 Cederberg Local Municipality – drilling and equipping of six boreholes to address drought conditions in the municipality
	 Theewaterskloof Local Municipality – drilling and equipping of boreholes to address drought conditions in the municipality
	 Matzikama Local Municipality – drilling and equipping of nine boreholes to address drought conditions in the municipality
	 Drakenstein Local Municipality – drilling and equipping of production boreholes to address drought conditions in the municipality
	Northern Cape Province
	 Kareeberg Local Municipality – equipping of two boreholes to address drought conditions in the municipality
	 Richtersveld Local Municipality – groundwater verification and equipping of boreholes to address drought conditions in the municipality
	 Namakhoi Local Municipality – Buffelsrivier Bulk Water Augmentation: rotary percussion project to address drought conditions in the municipality
	 Hantam Local Municipality – ground water exploration and equipping of boreholes to address drought conditions in the municipality
	 Kamiesberg Local Municipality – equipping of boreholes to address drought conditions in the municipality
Projected life	This grant is expected to continue over the medium term, and will be subject to review
MTEF allocations	• 2019/20: R335 million; 2020/21: R354 million and 2021/22: R373 million
Payment schedule	Transfers are made in accordance with a payment schedule approved by National Treasury
Responsibilities of the	Responsibilities of the National Disaster Management Centre
ransferring officer and	Advise and guide municipalities and PDMCs about the existence of the grant and how grant funding can
eceiving officer	be applied for and the criteria to qualify for the grant
	• Conduct a preliminary cost verification and submit this to the National Treasury for disasters that meet
	criteria for funding within 14 days following receipt of the written initial funding request from the PDMC and municipalities
	 Together with the affected municipalities and provinces, conduct assessments of disaster impacts to verify the applications for funding within 35 days following the receipt of written funding requests and as per the requirements of the Disaster Management Act

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- Submit funding request to National Treasury for consideration within 35 days following the receipt of the written funding request from the municipalities through the PDMCs
- Confirm what support national sector departments are providing and ensure there is no duplication of support
- Provide written advice on the timing of disbursements to municipalities and transfer these funds to municipalities within five days of drawing the funds from the National Revenue Fund
- Notify the relevant municipality of a transfer at least one day before the transfer is made and transfer the funds no later than five days after notification
- Notify the relevant PDMC together with the relevant sector departments, National Treasury and the
 relevant provincial treasury of a transfer and reason for transfer within five days of the transfer of funds
 to municipalities
- Build relationships and establish the necessary communication channels with relevant national and provincial departments to ensure the country has a coordinated approach to disaster response
- Provide National Treasury and the relevant provincial treasury with written notification of the transfer within 14 days of a transfer of this grant
- Provide expenditure reports to National Treasury in line with the 2019 Division of Revenue Act and the Public Finance Management Act (PFMA) within 20 days after the end of each month
- Provide a performance report to National Treasury in the disaster allocation monitoring template agreed
 to with the National Treasury within 45 days after the end of the quarter in which funds are spent, with
 invoices as annexures to the report
- Together with the relevant PDMC monitor the implementation of disaster projects

Responsibilities of the Provincial Disaster Management Centres

- Together with the affected municipalities and the relevant sector departments, conduct initial
 assessments to verify the impact of the disaster for applications for funding within 14 days following the
 occurrence of the incident
- Together with the NDMC and the affected municipalities, conduct assessments of disaster impacts to verify the final applications for funding within 35 days following the occurrence of the disaster and as per the requirements of the Disaster Management Act
- Confirm what support provincial sector departments are providing and ensure there is no duplication of support
- Assist municipalities with requests for disaster funding, and monitor projects to ensure that the funds are
 used for intended purposes and provide reports to the NDMC and relevant provincial treasury
- Coordinate, analyse and submit expenditure reports signed-off by the head of the PDMC on progress
 regarding the implementation of the projects to NDMC within 15 days after the end of each month in
 which funds are spent, with invoices as annexures to the reports
- Coordinate, analyse and submit performance reports signed-off by the head of the PDMC, which include
 evidence, on progress with implementation of the projects to the NDMC within 35 days after the end of
 the quarter in which funds are spent
- The PDMC should establish a project task team comprising of affected municipalities and sector departments
- Monitor the implementation of disaster funds

Responsibilities of the municipalities

- Cooperate with the NDMC, relevant PDMC and provincial and national sector departments to conduct damage assessment and cost verification
- Submit disaster assessment reports and funding requests signed-off by the Accounting Officer to the PDMC within 14 days following the declaration and classification of a disaster
- Municipalities must invoke emergency procurement processes provided for within the Treasury Regulations when spending the funds allocated, to ensure immediate assistance to the affected areas and must provide proof that measures were put in place to mitigate the occurrence in the form of a contingency plan for the specific hazard
- Municipalities must implement all projects approved and ensure that the funds allocated are spent for the intended purposes
- Establish project task teams during the implementation of disaster projects
- Submit expenditure reports signed-off by the Accounting Officer which include evidence (such as purchase invoices) of implementation progress on the projects to the relevant PDMC within 10 days after the end of each month in which funds are spent
- Submit a performance report signed-off by the Accounting Officer which includes evidence of
 implementation progress on the projects to the PDMC within 30 days after the end of the quarter in which
 funds are spent

Process for approval of 2020/21 business plans

Not applicable