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1. The work that the Ministry is involved in

In the period under review, the Minister in The Presidency, Dr Essop Pahad, in addition to his delegated responsibilities (see below), served as a member of the Board and Executive Committee of the SA 2010 FIFA World Cup Organising Committee, chairperson of the SA Democracy Education Trust and as chairperson of the SA Mali Timbuktu Trust.

As a member of the Executive, the Minister in The Presidency serves and attends meetings of the Cabinet and the Cabinet committees for the Economic Sector, Social Sector, Governance and Administration, Investment and Employment Sector and International Relations, Peace and Security.

As a member of Parliament, the Minister attended regular plenary sittings of the National Assembly and also responded to both written and oral questions in the National Assembly and National Council of Provinces. The Minister in The Presidency does his constituency work in the Lejweleputswa District in the Free State and in this regard maintains a constituency office in Welkom.



2. Institutions reporting to the Executive Authority

The Minister in The Presidency acts as Executive Authority for:

- Government Communications
- the Media Development and Diversity Agency
- the International Marketing Council (IMC).

3. Bills submitted by the Executive Authority to the legislature during the financial year

None.



4. The Executive Authority's official visits abroad, indicating the dates and purposes of each visit

Place	Date	Purpose
Germany.	July 2006.	Attended 2006 FIFA World Cup finals as part of the SA 2010 Organisation Committee delegation.
United Kingdom.	September 2006.	Official visit for meetings with selected media correspondents and groupings.
India	November 2006.	Delivered Annual Bhagwat Singh Lecture in Panipat and addressed the Uttar Pradesh State Legislature.
Syria.	December 2006.	Paid an official visit to Syria on invitation of the Syrian Minister of Information to deepen co-operation between South Africa and Syria.
India.	December 2006.	Planning meetings for the launch of the IMC's India Country Office and representative and selected media interactions.
India.	January 2007.	Attended the International Conference on Peace, Non-violence and Empowerment - Ghandhian Philosophy in the 21 st Century in Delhi as well as the IMC India launch in Mumbai.