

**PARLIAMENT OF THE  
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**QUESTION PAPER**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

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Note: \* Indicates translated version.

**FRIDAY, 7 FEBRUARY 2020**

**1. Mr A P van der Westhuizen to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:**

(a) (i) When and (ii) by whom was the decision taken not to allow vehicle access to the Jonkershoek Nature Reserve from 1 December 2019, (b) what are the details of the public participation process that was followed before this decision was taken, (c) how many (i) vehicles and (ii) visitors have visited the Jonkershoek Nature Reserve for each of the last three years, (d) what has been the income derived for (i) Mountain to Ocean (MTO) and (ii) CapeNature from (aa) vehicles and (bb) visitors in these periods, (e) how many visitors have presented a Wild Card upon entry to the Jonkershoek Nature Reserve, (f) what amounts have been spent on the maintenance of roads for vehicular access in the Jonkershoek Nature Reserve for each of the last three years and (g) which entity was responsible for the maintenance costs?

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**2. Mr A P van der Westhuizen to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:**

- (1) What are deemed to be the best practices internationally for disaster management teams to communicate in bulk with residents (a) during disasters and (b) when electricity supply to such areas may be interrupted for prolonged periods;
- (2) whether these communication practices include official radio messages broadcast by public radio stations on frequencies receivable by car radios; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;

- (3) (a) which bulk communication methods will be used by the provincial disaster centre during periods of prolonged electricity interruptions, (b) how will members of the public be able to distinguish between genuine and fake messages and (c) what is his Department's plan to counter fake messages on social and other media?

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**3. Mr A P van der Westhuizen to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:**

- (1) (a) What were the dates on which the last hikers were accommodated at the various huts at De Tronk in the Groot Winterhoek Nature Reserve before they were closed for refurbishment, (b) what are the specifications for the maintenance and/or upgrading of these huts, (c) what amount has been budgeted for this, (d) when did work commence and (e) when is the work expected to be completed;
- (2) whether the current contract include a retention fee; if not, what steps will be undertaken to ensure that the workmanship will be of such a quality that the structures do not suffer damage again at the first sign of adverse weather;
- (3) whether the contractors are allowed to overnight in the reserve and to light fires during the construction period; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) (a) what locks will be fitted to the huts and (b) what steps will be taken to ensure that hikers do not leave the parking area without first fetching the keys to the huts?

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**4. Ms L J Botha to ask Ms D A Schäfer, Minister of Education:**

- (1) Whether her Department has plans to build new schools in the current year; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) (a) how many schools are being restored or will be undergoing major maintenance or repair work during this year and (b) what are the names of the schools?

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**5. Ms L J Botha to ask Ms D A Schäfer, Minister of Education:**

- (a) What was the outcome of the investigation at the Laingsburg High School into the missing NSC History examination papers and (b) what has her Department done to ensure that learners' applications to tertiary institutions were not hampered due to a delay in the availability of results of the affected learners?

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**6. Ms L J Botha to ask Ms D A Schäfer, Minister of Education:**

How many learners are currently placed on waiting lists in each district of the province?

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**7. Ms W F Philander to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health:**

- (1) How many attacks on EMS staff were recorded during the (a) 2018/19 and the (b) 2019/20 festive period;
- (2) whether any fatalities were recorded in (a) 2018/19 and (b) 2019/20; if so, how many;
- (3) what measures have been put in place to promote and/or ensure the safety of EMS staff?

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**8. Ms W F Philander to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health:**

What is the current doctor–patient ratio at the Paarl Provincial Hospital?

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**9. Mr R I Allen to ask Mr A T Fritz, Minister of Community Safety:**

How many police officers failed to complete firearm competency training during the last three financial years?

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**10. Mr R I Allen to ask Mr A T Fritz, Minister of Community Safety:**

Whether there are any police stations in the province that ran out of ammunition during the last three financial years; if so, which stations?

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**11. Mr R I Allen to ask Mr A T Fritz, Minister of Community Safety:**

With regard to the tavern shooting in Khayelitsha on 22 January 2020 where six suspects entered the premises and shot four victims:

- (1) (a) How many other incidents of a similar nature have taken place in the past 24 months, (b) what were the motives and (c) what is the process of investigation in these cases;
- (2) whether there are any common trends that the SAPS are picking up; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions contained in this Question Paper are due on 21 February 2020. Should the replies not be submitted before or on the deadline, the Members have the right to have the questions transferred to the Question Paper for oral reply in accordance with Rule 206.**