

**PARLIAMENT OF THE
PROVINCE OF THE
WESTERN CAPE**

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**QUESTION PAPER
ORAL REPLY**

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Note: * Indicates translated version.

THURSDAY, 20 APRIL 2023

INTERPELLATIONS

1. Mr A P van der Westhuizen to ask Dr I H Meyer, Minister of Agriculture:

What will be the expected effect of the formalisation of the cannabis industry on agriculture in the Western Cape?

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2. Mr M K Sayed to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

With regard to the number of schools in the province that have acting principals:

(a) What is the impact of not filling these positions permanently and (b) what measures are in place to mitigate this impact?

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3. Mr L L Mvimbi to ask Mr R D Mackenzie, Minister of Mobility:

With regard to the resumption of train services on parts of the central line:

(a) What is the contribution of his Department to the process to date and (b) how will his Department support the national government's efforts to fast track the process?

(171)

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QUESTION FOR ORAL REPLY

New question to the Premier:

1. Mr T M Klaas to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:

With regard to the announced power packs for poor households:

- (1) Whether these power packs are also going to be given to communities in informal settlements that do not have access to electricity; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether he or his department has asked for assistance or contributions of resources from the national government so that this initiative can reach as many poor households as possible; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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Questions standing over from Thursday, 13 April 2023, as agreed to by the House:

2. Ms A P Bans to ask Mr R I Allen, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

- (a) How far is his Department from achieving the target to halve the murder rate by 2029 and (b) how will the R50 million budget reduction for the LEAP programme contribute to this?

(153)

6. Mr G Bosman to ask Mr R I Allen, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

With regard to confiscations of a large number of illegal firearms by LEAP officers in recent months:

- (1) (a) What is the procedure for disposing of these firearms and (b) what procedures, if any, are in place to ensure that these firearms do not find their way back into the hands of criminal;
- (2) whether the current method for disposing of illegal firearms could be improved; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether there are any instances in which the same illegal firearms have been confiscated more than once; if so, what are the relevant details?

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New questions:

2. Mr T M Klaas to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health and Wellness:

With regard to the Presidential Youth Employment Stimulus to the Western Cape and the 1 600 job opportunities that were created by the provincial Department of Health in 2021/22:

- (1) (a) How many of these were permanent posts and (b) how many of these were internships;
- (2) whether her Department deems internships as employment opportunities or training opportunities?

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3. Ms A Cassiem to ask Dr I H Meyer, Minister of Agriculture:

With reference to his reply to question 11 of 27 March 2023:

- (1) What is considered to be a decent salary for a hard-working seasonal farm worker, which will assist them to live a decent life;
- (2) whether the conditional grants provided to farmers by his Department guarantee better salaries for farm workers over and above the minimum wage; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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4. Ms A Cassiem to ask Mr R I Allen, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

With regard to crime hotspots in the province:

- (a) What assistance is offered by his Department to community policing forums in order to maintain peace and order in their communities and (b) how does his Department monitor the success of community policing forums in their respective communities as far as the crime rate is concerned?

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

- (a) What risks do climate change hold for service delivery in the province and (b) how will his Department assist the departments of the provincial government to mitigate these risks?

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6. Mr M Kama to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport:

With regard to those libraries that are not connected to internet:

- (a) What are the plans to connect all libraries to the internet and (b) how many will be connected in the current financial year?

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7. Mr M K Sayed to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

With regard to the recently released Equal Education research report on school safety:

What measures will his Department put in place to improve safety at schools, especially at those in identified crime hotspot areas?

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8. Mr P Marran to ask Dr I H Meyer, Minister of Agriculture:

With regard to the summit his Department organised with leaders in agriculture and of municipalities in August 2022 to discuss crucial matters, such as land reform and rural safety:

- (1) Whether there were any support measures for black farmers that were discussed and agreed upon; if so, (a) what are the relevant details, (b) what were the discussions and resolutions of the summit on land reform and rural safety and (c) how are these implemented by his Department and municipalities;

- (2) what measures have been put in place to improve the safety and transportation of farm workers?

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9. Mr L L Mvimbi to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport:

- (a) What progress has been made with the finalisation of the appointment of the board members of C P Nel Museum and (b) what are the requirements for qualifying board members?

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10. Mr M K Sayed to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

- (1) What measures are in place to prevent corruption facilitated by members of school governing bodies and departmental officials at schools;
- (2) whether, with regard to the alleged corruption and maladministration at the Rosebank Junior School, he plans to institute a forensic investigation into corruption at schools in the province; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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