

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

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**QUESTION PAPER**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

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Note: \* Indicates translated version.

**FRIDAY, 5 MAY 2023**

**1. Mr F C Christians to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:**

What is his Department's plan to bring dignity to (a) citizens living in shacks, (b) the homeless, (c) backyard dwellers and (d) citizens on the housing waiting list?

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**2. Mr F C Christians to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:**

- (1) How does his Department determine at which intersections to install traffic lights;
- (2) whether a study has been conducted to determine which intersections are dangerous and require the installation of traffic lights; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**3. Mr F C Christians to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:**

Whether his Department has plans to undertake a study to determine which single carriageways can be changed to dual carriageways; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**4. Mr A P van der Westhuizen to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:**

- (1) (a) What were the last three dates on which the gravel section of the road between Citrusdal and Op-die-Berg over the Middelberg Pass were graded and (b) what is his Department's assessment of the current condition of this road;
- (2) whether there are any short-term plans to undertake the grading and/or maintenance of this section of road; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) (a) what are the factors that his Department considers in determining the priority list of sections of gravel road to be upgraded into surfaced roads and (b) which are the

top five sections of gravel roads that appear on the Department's priority list for future surfacing;

- (4) whether economic impact is considered as a criterion to determine the priority list of sections of gravel road to be upgraded into surface roads; if not, why not; if so, how is the economic impact determined?

(206)

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

With regard to the Western Cape Cannabis Framework and Implementation Plan (CanPlan):

- (a) How will the cannabis plan affect small-scale informal dagga producers and sellers and (b) how will his Department assist informal producers and sellers to become part of the formal cannabis economy?

(207)

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

With regard to abalone poaching in the province:

- (a) What measures is his Department taking to curb abalone poaching, (b) how has his Department engaged with the national government to address this issue and (c) to what extent has the support received from the national government been sufficient?

(208)

**7. Mr D America to ask Mr R D Mackenzie, Minister of Mobility:**

Whether his Department is currently in talks to expand the Go George bus service; if so, (a) how much will be spent and (b) what are the timelines for expansion?

(209)

**8. Ms C Murray to ask Ms M M Wenger, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:**

- (a) What support will her Department be giving to SMMEs to mitigate the effect of load-shedding, (b) what is the cost breakdown of the interventions and (c) how many SMMEs will be supported?

(210)

**9. Ms C Murray to ask Ms M M Wenger, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:**

With regard to the creation of a Venture Capital Credit Enhancement Fund in the Western Cape:

- (a) Why has a feasibility study on this possibility been commissioned, (b) what are the possible benefits to SMMEs from such a fund and (c) under which circumstances would her Department support the creation of such a fund?

(211)

**10. Mr I Sileku to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:**

What measures have been accepted by the Western Cape Government to form part of the Province's 15-year plan to manage water (a) supply and (b) demand?

(212)

**11. Mr I Sileku to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:**

- (1) Whether the Western Cape Government has approved or worked on any campaigns to raise awareness about water consumption and water scarcity the province; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) what awareness campaigns about water consumption and water scarcity are currently underway in municipalities?

(213)

**12. Mr I Sileku to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:**

- (a) How does load-shedding damage our water infrastructure and (b) how much has each municipality spent on repairing infrastructure that has been damaged by load-shedding since 2018?

(214)

**13. Mr G Pretorius to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health and Wellness:**

With regard to the solar photovoltaic panels to be installed at 12 hospitals in the 2023/24 financial year:

- (a) Which facilities will receive these panels and (b) what will the cost be of each installation?

(215)

**14. Mr D America to ask Mr R D Mackenzie, Minister of Mobility:**

What steps are being taken to ensure that load-shedding does not affect Metrorail passenger trains?

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**15. Mr D America to ask Mr R D Mackenzie, Minister of Mobility:**

- (a) How many cases of (i) corruption and (ii) bribery have been reported at traffic and licensing centres, (b) what steps have been taken against the accused individuals and (c) what measures have been put in place to ensure that no corruption and bribery at these centres take place in future?

(217)

**16. Mr G Bosman to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport:**

- (a) How many government-organised or -sponsored cultural and sports events are planned for the next two years and (b) what are the details of each?

(218)

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

- (a) (i) How many CCTV cameras are currently operated by law enforcement agencies in the province and (ii) what are the details of these and (b) how many (i) of these cameras are rendered inoperable during interruptions to the power supply and (ii) hours

of CCTV footage have been lost as the result of power cuts in the province from 1 January 2023 to 1 May 2023?

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

With regard to the outages of the SAPS financial system from 1 April to 24 April 2023:

(a) (i) How many SAPS stations were affected by this outage and (ii) what was the reason for this outage in service and (b) how many (i) firearm competency and licence applications and (ii) police clearance applications were disrupted as a result of this outage?

(220)

**19. Mr G Pretorius to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health and Wellness:**

In the last 12 months:

How many (a) ambulances have waited for longer than 30 minutes for an escort by the SAPS into red zones and (b) patients have suffered adverse health effects, including death, as a result of EMS units being delayed because of security concerns?

(221)

**20. Mr G Pretorius to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health and Wellness:**

How many nurses (a) in the province have left their posts as a result of being deregistered in (i) 2021 and (ii) 2022 and (b) have been trained by her Department in (i) 2021 and (ii) 2022?

(222)

**21. Ms C Murray to ask Ms M M Wenger, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:**

With regard to the Port Stakeholder Forum held on 20 January 2023:

(1) (a) Which stakeholders were present, (b) what successes have been achieved to address the identified inefficiencies to date and (c) what are the objectives of the forum going forward;

(2) regarding Transnet's infrastructure plan report on the Port of Cape Town, whether any port infrastructure development plans were discussed; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;

(3) what steps have been implemented to date to (a) corporatise and (b) privatise components of the Port of Cape Town?

(223)

**22. Ms D M Baartman to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health and Wellness:**

In relation to home-based care delivered by the Department of Health and Wellness:

(a) What different types of home-based care are delivered by her Department, (b) how many patients benefit from home-based care and (c) how much money did her Department spend on home-based care in the 2022/23 financial year?

(224)

**23. Ms D M Baartman to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:**

What are the (a) local government procedures and (b) costs to register an ECD centre in each of the Western Cape's municipalities?

(225)

**24. Mr C M Dugmore to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:**

With regard to the ongoing Cabinet outreach programme in the Overstrand Municipality from 1 May to 4 May 2023:

(a) What (i) is the budget, (ii) are the plans and (iii) are the expected outcomes of the outreach programme and (b)(i) what is the total cost breakdown for this outreach programme, (ii) which department or departments were responsible to fund it and (iii) from which programme or programmes were the funds made available?

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**25. Mr C M Dugmore to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:**

(a) What is the number of outreach programmes that his Cabinet has held in (i) 2019, (ii) 2020, (iii) 2021 and (iv) 2022, (b)(i) which Cabinet departments were hosting or attending activities each day (by day and date), (ii) how many attendees were there on each day, (iii) what was the (aa) event budget and (bb) outcomes of each event or activity and (c)(i) how many officials accompanied the Cabinet on each outreach programme, (ii) from which departments were they deployed and (iii) where were they accommodated?

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**26. Mr M Kama to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:**

With regard to his public statement that his government through its funded LEAP officers would arrest Mr Vladimir Putin, President of Russia, if he sets his foot in the Western Cape when he visits South Africa later this year:

(1) Whether his government has any mandate on international relations and our country's foreign policy; if not, under whose mandate and policy were the Premier's utterances made; if so, (a) what are the relevant details and (b) what are the powers and mandate of the LEAP officers in so far as the arrest of President Putin and/or any other international dignitary is concerned;

(2) whether the Premier has attended any diplomatic events in the last six months, if so, (a) what are the relevant details and (b) whether the conflict between Ukraine and Russia arose in any discussions at these events?

(228)

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

With regard to the grievances raised with the WCED by the Principal of the Hexvallei Secondary School:

(1) (a) When did his Department first receive the grievances from the Principal and (b) what are the details of all the action steps taken to respond to and address the matters raised;

(2) with regard to an email from a certain person, whose name has been furnished to his Department for the purpose of his reply, to a second certain person, whose name has also been furnished to his Department for the purpose of his reply, wherein she threatened that drastic actions would follow and that he will face consequences for "sending an email in his professional capacity on matters of the WCED without

WCED approval, or insight”, (a)(i) what drastic actions will his Department take against the second certain person, whose name has been furnished to his Department for the purpose of his reply, and (ii) under which circumstances will these actions be taken and (b) what measures are in place to protect principals against intimidation and purging from WCED officials in circuits, districts and at the head office?

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**PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions in this Question Paper are due on 19 May 2023. 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.**