

**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, 25 AUGUST 2023

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

(a) What (i) is the number and (ii) are the details of the taxi routes that are operational in the municipalities in the province and (iii) are the details of the associations that are operating these routes, (b) what is the number of taxi operating permits and/or operating licences that have been issued to the taxi industry and are legal for routes in the province in (i) 2019, (ii) 2020, (iii) 2021, (iv) 2022 and (v) 2023 to date, (c) what is the backlog of taxi operating permits per route in the province and (d)(i) what is the number of taxi operating permits that have been revoked per route in the province in for the same period as in (b) above and (ii) what are the reasons for such action?

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

What (a) is the number and (b) are the details of the road crashes involving minibus taxis that took place in each municipal district since the beginning of the year?

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3. Mr P Marran to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:

In respect of the performance measured against the performance targets set between 2019 and 2023 of his former Department of Human Settlements:

(a) What is the Department's core mandates, (b) what are the annual targets attached to each core mandate, (c) how has the Department performed against its performance targets in (i) 2019, (ii) 2020, (iii) 2021, (iv) 2022 and (v) 2023 to date, (e) what is the detailed breakdown of each performance target per programme, (f) what are the challenges that the Department faced in achieving its targets, (g) what are the plans that the Department has put in place to improve its performance, (h) what (i) is the number of housing opportunities and (ii) are the detailed breakdown of top structures that have been delivered per subsidy in the same period as in (c) above?

(500)

4. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Ms M M Wenger, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

(a) What are the details of the municipalities that have energy master plans, (b) can a copy of each of the energy master plans be made available, (c) what are the estimated costs for the implementation of these strategies, (d)(i) what are the details of the municipalities that do not have energy master plans and (ii) what are reasons thereof and (e) what is her Department's interventions to ensure that every municipality has this plan?

(501)

5. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:

(a) What is the scope of the work that PwC as the lead consultant is performing for the provincial government, (b) what are the details of all the provincial government contracts that PwC is currently undertaking, (c) what is the detailed breakdown of the (i) total cost or budget for PwC's services and (ii) departments for whom PwC currently performs work, (d) what is the difference between the role of PwC and that of transaction advisers and (e) what is the total cost or budget for transaction advisers?

(502)

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

(a) How many cases were opened against serving members of the South African Police Service at Western Cape police stations in (i) 2020, (ii) 2021, (iii) 2022 and (iv) 2023 to date and (b) what are the details of each case?

(503)

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

(a) What amount was allocated to the South African Police Service in the province as an operational budget in (i) 2020, (ii) 2021, (iii) 2022 and (iv) 2023 and (b) how much funding has been made available to stations in each of the Western Cape's police districts in the 2023 budget?

(504)

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

- (1) (a) How many (i) provincial and (ii) municipal law enforcement officers were deployed in response to the Western Cape taxi strike organised by Santaco and (b) what (i) was the cost of this deployment and (ii) are the details of this amount;
- (2) whether any law enforcement officers have been injured while performing their duties during the response; if so, what are the relevant details of each case?

(505)

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

With regard to the R88,8 million allocated to municipalities for the purchasing of generators:

(a) How much has thus far been spent by each municipality and (b) how many generators have been purchased to date by each municipality?

(506)

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

How much has (a) Kannaland, (b) Beaufort West and (c) Laingsburg spent on (i) catering, (ii) accommodation and (iii) entertainment in the past five financial years?

(507)

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

Whether there have been any irregular appointments in (a) Kannaland, (b) Beaufort West and (c) Laingsburg over the past five financial years; if so, (i) who was appointed to what position, (ii) why was the appointment deemed illegal or irregular, (iii) what is the total salary package associated with each appointment and (iv) what steps has his Department taken in each case?

(508)

12. Ms L M Maseko to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:

With regard to the National Upgrading Support Programme:

(a) How many informal settlements in the province are set to be upgraded with this programme, (b) at what cost are these settlements being upgraded, (c) where are these projects situated and (d) how many people are set to benefit?

(509)

13. Ms L M Maseko to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:

With regard to the R505,998 million being spent in this financial year on upgrading services at informal settlements as part of the Department of Infrastructure's 2023/24 Informal Settlements Upgrade Partnership Grant (ISUP-G):

(a) How much will be spent in the upcoming three financial years and (b) how many projects are aimed to be undertaken in the upcoming three financial years?

(510)

14. Ms L M Maseko to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:

With regard to the Middelpoort Primary School Project:

(a) When is this project set to be completed and (b) how much is being spent on this project?

(511)

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

(a) What are the characteristics of and risks associated with African horse sickness for equine owners in the province, (b)(i) what measures can owners take to protect their horses from African horse sickness and (ii) to what extent has a shortages of vaccines been experienced over the last few years and (c)(i) which entity has provided the bulk of vaccines against horse sickness in the past and (ii) what is this entity's relationship with the national Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development?

(512)

16. Ms C A T Murray to ask Ms M M Wenger, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

- (1) Whether her Department has undertaken any research to determine the estimated economic impact of the taxi strike in July on the province's economy; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) what interventions, programmes or legislative reforms from the Western Cape Government could be taken in the future to minimise the economic impact of this past strike and similar strike action in the future?

(513)

17. Ms C A T Murray to ask Ms M M Wenger, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

With regard to green hydrogen development in the Western Cape:

- (1) At what stage of development is the Saldanha Bay green hydrogen production hub, following the MOU with Sasol last year;
- (2) whether her Department has any concerns regarding the prioritisation of green hydrogen development in South Africa by the Transnet National Ports Authority (TNPA); if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) what would be the benefits of prioritising Saldanha Bay, in comparison to Boegoebaai, for green hydrogen with regard to (a) timelines and (b) job creation?

(514)

18. Mr G Pretorius to ask Ms M M Wenger, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

With regard to the funding transferred from the Global TB Fund to the National Treasury:

- (1) Whether any of this funding has been transferred to the Provincial Treasury; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether any mechanisms are in place to track the use of these funds; if so, what are the relevant details?

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PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions in this Question Paper are due on 8 September 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.