

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

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QUESTION PAPER

WRITTEN REPLY

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Note: * Indicates translated version.

THURSDAY, 8 AUGUST 2024

1. Mr G Brinkhuis to ask Mr J J Londt, Minister of Social Development:

- (1) What (a) support does his Department offer to the existing safe homes for abused women, (b) is the total number of safe homes in the province and (c) is the status of each safe house;
- (2) whether the safe homes are able to accommodate the increasing number of abused women; if not, why not;
- (3) whether any skills programmes are offered at these safe homes; if so, what are the relevant details?

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2. Mr B N Herron to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:

With reference to his address at the opening of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament in which he said that LEAP officers had made more than 34 000 arrests since the launch of the programme:

- (1) What is the (a) number of arrests, by crime category, for each of the LEAP priority areas and (b) impact of LEAP officers on communities where the murder rate has increased over the past four years since LEAP officers had been deployed in those areas;
- (2) seeing that the Western Cape Safety Plan states that “addressing spatial inequality and the lack of social cohesion in our communities are further important dimensions of the Western Cape Safety Plan”, how has the Western Cape Government addressed (a) spatial inequality and (b) social cohesion;
- (3) in terms of the ministerial responsibilities to address “safety priorities”, as set out in Chapter 7 of the Western Cape Safety Plan, what was achieved to date by each of the Ministers measured against the identified “safety priorities”;

- (4) given that the Western Cape Safety Plan's interventions are "knowledge-driven",
 - (a) what work has each department conducted to plan, document and evaluate the various interventions upon which they embark to assess whether the metrics associated with each safety priority are on track towards being met and (b)(i) why, (ii) where and (iii) how;
- (5) whether there is a document with the work in (4) above available; if so, can a copy be made available;
- (6) given the Western Cape Safety Plan's recognition that data and information may "necessitate a change of focus, interventions and/or operational framework" and is "open to adaptation based on results", what data and information have been recorded since the implementation Western Cape Safety Plan;
- (7) whether this data and information have necessitated any change in focus, interventions or operational framework; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (8) whether the Western Cape Safety Plan has been adapted or updated since it was adopted; if not, why not; if so, can a copy be made available?

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3. Mr B N Herron to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:

With reference to the Premier' claim (also included in a speech delivered on 6 April 2024) that "more than 78% of all jobs in South Africa have been created in the Western Cape":

- (a) What is the source of the data that informs this claim, (b) what are the details of the data that is the evidence for the statement that 78% of all jobs in South Africa have been created in the Western Cape and (c) in which sectors of the economy were these jobs created?

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4. Mr D G Jacobs to ask Ms M M Wenger, Minister of Health:

Whether her Department has any plans to increase the provincial fleet of ambulances during the next five financial years; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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5. Mr N P Masipa to ask Dr I H Meyer, Minister of Agriculture, Economic Development and Tourism:

Regarding the inclusion of Karoo lamb in the South African register as a geographical indicator under the regulations for the protection of geographical indicators and the designation of origin:

What measures are in place to ensure that farmers in the Karoo region of the Western Cape benefit from this designation?

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6. Mr N P Masipa to ask Dr I H Meyer, Minister of Agriculture, Economic Development and Tourism:

In relation to the Citrusdal farmers and the farming community that has been affected by the recent floods:

What specific support is being provided to these farmers to ensure that their harvest reaches both the international and local markets?

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7. Ms W F Kaizer-Philander to ask Mr J J Londt, Minister of Social Development:

With regard to the Western Cape Government's Gender-Based Violence Implementation Plan:

(a) How much has been spent on implementation since the inception of the plan, (b) what are the (i) interventions and (ii) services offered by his Department and (c) what progress has been made by his Department in combating gender-based violence?

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8. Ms W F Kaizer-Philander to ask Mr J J Londt, Minister of Social Development:

With regard to the recent devastating floods in the province:

(a) How many families were affected, (b) what support is his Department offering to these affected families and (c) what is the cost involved?

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9. Ms W F Kaizer-Philander to ask Mr J J Londt, Minister of Social Development:

With regard to attacks on social workers:

(a) How many attacks on social workers have been recorded over the past five financial years, (b) how many of these cases are being investigated by the South African Police Service, (c) in which areas did these attacks take place and (d) how many social workers have resigned after being attacked?

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10. Mr D J Wessels to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:

With regard to extortion at departmental construction sites:

(a) How many construction sites are currently the target of extortion, (b) how many of these incidents are being investigated by the police, (c) what are the names of the sites being targeted, (d) what is the value of these construction projects and (e) how are timelines being affected by this?

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11. Mr D W Bryant to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

(a) What is the current status of underperforming municipalities in the province, (b) which municipalities are currently under administration and (c) what steps are being taken to improve municipalities' reaction to the challenges that they face?

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12. Mr L D van Wyk to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

(a) How much has his Department spent over the past five financial years on school transportation per region, (b) how many schools participate in school transportation programmes per region and (c) how many learners make use of school transportation per region?

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13. Mr L D van Wyk to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

With regard to school feeding programmes:

- (1) (a) How much money was spent over the past five financial years per region, (b) how many schools participate in feeding programmes and (c) how many learners rely on these feeding programmes;
- (2) whether the private sector is assisting in any way; if so, what are the relevant details?

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14. Mr L D van Wyk to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

- (a) How much money was spent on early childhood development (ECD) centres over the past five financial years and (b)(i) what are the main expenses at ECD centres and (ii) what is the total cost per ECD centre for these expenses and (c) how many children per region make use of ECD centres?

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15. Mr D J Wessels to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:

What are the reasons for the indefinite closure of the (a) Montagu Pass and (b) Seven Passes Road?

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16. Mr T C R Walters to ask Mr R D Mackenzie, Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport:

- (a) How is his Department addressing the impact of budget cuts on (i) cultural institutions and (ii) sport development programmes, (b) what programmes is his Department introducing to increase participation in sport and cultural activities among the youth and (c) what programmes is his Department introducing to encourage sport at (i) primary school level and (ii) high school level?

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17. Mr M K Sayed to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:

In respect of the Western Cape Energy Resilience Programme (WCERP):

- (1) (a) What are the (i) short-term and (ii) long-term objectives of the Western Cape Energy Resilience Programme (WCERP), (b)(i) what targets have been achieved to date and (ii) which targets have not been achieved and (c)(i) what are the details of all the service providers that have been contracted for the rollout of the programme and (ii) what is the detailed breakdown of the (aa) amounts received by each service provider and (bb) their broad-based black economic empowerment (B-BBEE) rankings;
- (2) what is the detailed breakdown of all the recipients who have received load-shedding relief packs in terms of the Load-Shedding Relief Programme (LSRP), including (a) individuals, (b) non-profit organisations (NPOs) and (c) government institutions?

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18. Mr M K Sayed to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:

In his recent opening address in the Western Cape Provincial Parliament, the Premier stated:

“We are on track to make at least one small town in the province load-shedding free. With Riversdale, we want to show that energy security is possible outside of the major metros with their larger budgets.”

(a) What are the updates regarding the tender for the Renewable Energy Project of the Hessequa Municipality to make the town of Riversdale load-shedding free, (b) what (i) is the value of the contract and (ii) are the specifics of the tender, (c) what (i) is the detailed list of all the service providers who submitted their bids for the tender and (ii) are the respective scores received by each company, (d) to which companies have the tender been awarded and (e)(i) what measures are in place to ensure that SMMEs will benefit from the tender, (ii) when did the project start and what is the (iii) nature and (iv) scope of the project?

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19. Mr M K Sayed to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:

(a) What are the details of the service provider who was appointed to roll out the Renewable Energy Project in the Saldanha Bay Municipality, (b) what process was followed to select the service provider, (c) what (i) is the value of the contract and (ii) are the specifics of the tender and (d) what are the details of all the service providers who submitted their bids for the project?

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20. Mr M B Ngqentsu to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

(a) What is the number of homicides that have occurred in each of the police precincts in the province between January and July 2024 and (b) what is the breakdown of the victims by (i) age, (ii) race and (iii) gender?

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PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions in this Question Paper are due on 23 August 2024. 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.