

**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, 20 SEPTEMBER 2024**

**1. Mr B N Herron to ask Mr J J Londt, Minister of Social Development:**

- (1) Whether his Department has conducted any research or assessment to determine the number of people who are homeless and living on the streets in the province and in the City of Cape Town; if not, why not; if so, how many homeless people are living on the streets in the (a) province and (b) City of Cape Town's metropolitan area;
- (2) (a)(i) how does his Department render services to homeless people and (ii) what services are being rendered and (b)(i) which shelters or facilities are available for providing housing (temporary shelter or long-term housing) to homeless people living on the streets in Cape Town, (ii) what is the total capacity of each facility and (iii) how much of the capacity is available for homeless people living on the streets;
- (3) whether any of the shelters or facilities place a time limit on the period for which a resident may remain in residence; if so, (a) what are these time limits and (b) what becomes of a resident who is not able to reunite or reintegrate after that time limit has been reached?

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**2. Mr B N Herron to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:**

With regard to the cooperation agreement signed by the national Minister of Police, the Western Cape Government and the City of Cape Town on 30 August 2024:

- (1) (a) What are the key deliverables of the agreement and (b) how will the agreement integrate with the Western Cape Safety Plan;
- (2) whether the agreement resolves the Western Cape Government's demand for the devolution of police powers either to the Province or to the City; if not, why not; if so, how;

- (3) (a) what specific measures will be implemented by all parties to the agreement that will seek to reduce the prevalence of violent crime in the City of Cape Town and (b) why is this cooperation agreement necessary if the Western Cape Safety Plan is achieving its objectives;
- (4) whether the Western Cape Safety Plan has achieved its objectives; if not; why is it not discontinued;
- (5) (a) what is the total amount transferred to municipalities for the implementation of the Western Cape Safety Plan, in particular to (i) the City of Cape Town and (ii) any other local or district municipality and (b) what was this funding used for?

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**3. Mr B N Herron to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:**

With regard to the Western Cape education budget and the Minister's 2024 budget speech on 27 March 2024 in which he said, "the national government only provides 64% of the wage-agreement funding due to us, which means we were short-changed by R537 million":

- (1) (a) Why does the Minister now claim that his Department has a budget shortfall of R3,8 billion over the next three years, (b) what are the details of the R3,8 billion shortfall for each of the three years and (c) when did the Minister become aware of the R3,8 billion shortfall;
- (2) (a) what is the correlation between the R3,8 billion shortfall and the R537 million "short-changed", (b) why did he table a budget that provided for an increase in the number of employees for "Public Ordinary School Education" from 40 086 in 2023/24 to 41 104 in 2024/25 if his Department intended to cut teacher posts from January 2025, (c) why did his budget speech on 27 March 2024 make no reference to the in-year reduction of teachers' posts from January 2025 and (d) how did he table a budget that provided for an increase in compensation for employees of 6,1%, and that provided for an increase in the number of employees, if his Department had a R3,8 billion shortfall?

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**4. Mr F C Christians to ask Mr I M Sileku, Minister of Mobility:**

With regard to the Blue Dot Taxi service:

Whether his Department has any plans to revive or introduce a similar project; 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:**

With regard to the Port of Cape Town's performance in August 2024:

- (a) What was the (i) average waiting time for berth utilisation and occupancy for container ships and (ii) target for the month, (b) what was the (i) average number of twenty-foot equivalent unit (TEU) containers (aa) loaded and (bb) unloaded and (ii) target for the month, (c) what was the (i) average waiting time for trucks being (aa) loaded and (bb) unloaded at the port and (ii) target for the month, (d) what was the (i) average ship turnaround time and (ii) target for the month, (e) what was the (i) average

anchorage waiting time and (ii) target for the month and (f) what was the (i) average container dwell time and (ii) target for the month?

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

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

(a) How much has his Department spent on various security measures (i) at departmental offices and (i) to protect social workers during home visits since 2019 and (b) what is the breakdown of these costs?

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

In relation to the section of land in Grabouw, previously managed by the national Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, that was unlawfully invaded in 2021 and is now managed and owned by the national Department of Public Works and Infrastructure (DPWI):

- (1) How will his Department be assisting the national Department of Public Works and Infrastructure (DPWI) to address the land invasions at the site;
- (2) whether Disaster Risk Management has identified any potential risks to the surrounding community and adjacent farms; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether his Department is currently engaged in any legal proceedings with the DPWI regarding the invaded site; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**9. Mr D W Bryant to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:**

In relation to a meeting of the national Portfolio Committee on Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment on 25 October 2022 where the SAPS confirmed that a case of fraud was being investigated regarding those responsible for coordinating the land invasions at the Knoflokskraal site in Grabouw, with CAS number: 1/09/2022 lodged at the Grabouw Police Station:

Whether she can provide an update about the investigation into those responsible for coordinating the land invasions at the Knoflokskraal site in Grabouw?

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**10. Ms R Windvogel to ask Ms M M Wenger, Minister of Health and Wellness:**

With reference to the Gauteng Department of Health's establishment of an internal Infrastructure Unit to develop its maintenance and refurbishment programme:

- (1) Whether her Department has a similar internal Infrastructure Unit responsible for maintenance and refurbishment, if not, (a) why not and (b) what would be the benefits of establishing a dedicated internal Infrastructure Unit in the province; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) (a) what is her Department's budget allocated for the maintenance and refurbishment of health facilities and (b)(i) who are the implementing agents responsible for these projects in the province and (ii) what is the a breakdown of their BBBEE status?

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**11. Ms R Windvogel to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:**

In respect of the Department's expenditure between 2019 and 2024 to date:

- (a) What is the detailed breakdown of the expenditure per programme, (b) what are the (i) expenditure items and (ii) amounts, (c) what has been the under expenditure in (i) 2019, (ii) 2020, (iii) 2021, (iv) 2022, (v) 2023 and (vi) 2024 to date, (d) what were the funds earmarked for and (e)(i) what is the detailed list of his Department's unfunded mandates and (ii) what amounts were spent on each?

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

With regard to his statement about "weekend food parcels" made during his opening address on 31 July 2024:

- (a) What has been the provincial Minister of Education's response on the (i) feasibility and (ii) cost implications of his proposal of a "weekend food parcel" as an addition to the feeding scheme for learners in the province, (b)(i) how far is the gap analysis on the current feeding scheme that he referred to and that the Minister of Education, the Minister of Health and Wellness and the Minister of Social Development agreed to, (ii) what is the detailed (aa) report and (bb) findings and (c)(i) when is this "weekend food parcel" support to needy learners envisaged to start and (ii) where will the budget be sourced to fund it?

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**13. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Dr I H Meyer, Minister of Agriculture, Economic Development and Tourism:**

- (1) What are the job targets of each provincial department and entity in the Growth for Jobs Strategy;
- (2) whether these job targets have been signed off by the respective provincial Ministers and heads of departments; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) (a) when is the reporting about the performance of each provincial department and entity on the job targets expected, (b) to whom are these reports submitted for consolidating and auditing or verification and (c) what are the (i) details and (ii) evidence where reporting has started and auditing thereof taken place;

- (4) (a) when is the Township or Small Towns (Dorpias) and Informal Economy Strategy being developed to augment the Growth for Jobs Strategy, (b) which programme is responsible for this and (c) what is the budget allocated to it?

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**14. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Ms D M Baartman, Minister of Finance:**

With regard to the surrendering of funds to the Provincial Revenue Fund and National Treasury between 2019 and 2024 to date:

- (1) (a) How much has been surrendered to the (i) Provincial Revenue Fund and (ii) National Treasury by each of the departments in (aa) 2019, (bb) 2020, (cc) 2021, (dd) 2022, (ee) 2023 and (ff) 2024 to date, (b) what is the detailed breakdown of (i) the funds surrendered for the compensation of employees (COE), (ii) the funds surrendered for goods and services and (iii) any other expenditure;
- (2) with regard to the surrendering of COE funds to the Provincial Revenue Fund, (a) what (i) is the number and (ii) are the details of the posts that were affected and not filled per department and (b) what are the reasons thereof?

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

In respect of the Department's tender BWCED 3124/23: Supply and Deliver of Stationery to the Head Office, Education District Offices and Approximately 250 Non-Section 21 Schools of the Western Cape Education Department for a Period of Three Years:

- (1) Whether he can make available the (a) complete bid documents for the tender, (b) details of all the companies that submitted bids, (c) bid evaluation recommendations, (d) scoring per company and (e) final report of the bid committee;
- (2) (a) what is the detailed explanation of the verification process used to assess the compliance of bidders and (b) what checks were in place to ensure that all the companies met the necessary requirements before being awarded the tender;
- (3) whether all the companies that submitted bids were (a) VAT-registered or (b) CSD-compliant at the time of the bid closure on 16 February 2024; if not, what are the details of the companies that were not compliant; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) what are the details of the company or companies that were awarded the tender;
- (5) whether the company or companies that were awarded the tender were VAT-registered and/or CSD-compliant at the time of the bid closure on 16 February 2024; if not, how was the company's bid considered compliant under these conditions; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (6) whether the alleged reports that a certain company, whose name has been furnished to his Department for the purpose of his reply, only registered for VAT in August 2024 have been brought to his attention; if so, (a) how were its bid documents, which included financial statements reflecting a turnover of nearly R18 million, evaluated and deemed acceptable and (b) what are the details of the evaluation process?

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

(a) How many contracts has a certain company, whose name has been furnished to his Department for the purpose of his reply, received from the his Department in (i) 2015, (ii) 2016, (iii) 2017, (iv) 2018, (v) 2019, (vi) 2020, (vii) 2021, (viii) 2022, (ix) 2023 and (x) 2024 to date and (b) what is the detailed year-by-year breakdown of the amounts awarded?

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**17. Mr M B Ngqentsu to ask Mr I M Sileku, Minister of Mobility:**

(1) (a) What is the (i) age, (ii) gender, (iii) race, (iv) remuneration and (v) qualifications of all the persons currently employed in his office, (b) what are the stipulated (i) qualifications and (ii) requirements for each post in his office and (c) what is the detailed description of the necessary (i) qualifications, (ii) experience and (iii) other criteria for each position;

(2) whether he is or was in any way related to any of the employees in his office; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**18. Mr M B Ngqentsu to ask Mr R D Mackenzie, Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport:**

(1) (a) What is the (i) age, (ii) gender, (iii) race, (vi) remuneration and (v) qualifications of all the persons currently employed in his office, (b) what are the stipulated (i) qualifications and (ii) requirements for each post in his office and (c) what is the detailed description of the necessary (i) qualifications, (ii) experience and (iii) other criteria for each position;

(2) whether he is or was in any way related to any of the employees in his office; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**19. Mr M B Ngqentsu to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:**

(1) (a) What is the (i) age, (ii) gender, (iii) race, (iv) remuneration and (v) qualifications of all the persons currently employed in his office, (b) what are the stipulated (i) qualifications and (ii) requirements for each post in his office and (c) what is the detailed description of the necessary (i) qualifications, (ii) experience and (iii) other criteria for each position;

(2) whether he is or was in any way related to any of the employees in his office; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**20. Ms R Windvogel to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:**

In respect of the Department's expenditure between 2019 and 2024 to date:

(1) what is the detailed breakdown of all the amounts that were (i) unspent, (ii) uncommitted and (iii) surrendered to the Provincial Treasury during this period;

- (2) (a) what is the total amount that has been spent on the (i) School Evaluation Authority and (ii) Back-on-Track Programme and (b) how much is budgeted for these over the 2024 MTEF?

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**PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions in this Question Paper are due on 7 October 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.**