

**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, 10 MARCH 2023**

**1. Mr T M Klaas to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health:**

Following the reports of the outbreak and spread of measles in the province and in other parts of the country in early February 2023:

- (1) What initiative has her Department embarked on to encourage parents to take their children to be vaccinated against measles;
- (2) whether all the clinics in the province have enough supply of the measles vaccine; if not, what is her Department doing to get more vaccine; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**2. Mr G Pretorius to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health:**

In relation to the National Health Insurance (NHI) pilot project in the Western Cape:

- (1) What has her Department's experience been to date;
- (2) whether her Department has any information on what contributed to the failure of pilot projects in other provinces; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether this pilot project is feasible in its current form; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) whether her Department incurred any unforeseen costs as a result of the pilot project; if so, what are the relevant details?

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

- (1) With what percentage has the water allocation from the Clanwilliam Dam been cut for the current season;
- (2) whether the percentage cut in water allocation would have been avoidable if the planned construction work on the wall had been completed as originally planned; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) what is the impact of the delayed completion of the construction work on agricultural production and job creation?

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

In relation to the R1 billion load-shedding relief announced in the State of the Province Address:

- (a) (i) To which departments will this money be allocated and (ii) how much will be allocated to each department, (b) what measures are in place to ensure transparency in the use of these funds and (c)(i) what are the specific projects that will be funded and (ii) how will these projects contribute to the well-being of residents?

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

- (1) Whether there are any municipalities in the province under provincial intervention; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether there are any municipalities in the province still without (a) a municipal manager and (b) directors since the election in November 2021; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**6. Ms W F Kaizer-Philander to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:**

In regard to the Western Cape Energy Council:

- (1) What have been the key outcomes of the Council since its inception;
- (2) whether any (a) outcomes or (b) findings of the Council will be presented to the national government in order to support or motivate for interventions required on provincial and municipal level; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether there has been any feedback from national government departments and their entities to the Council; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) in what ways do the Council (a) differ from or (b) overlap with the National Energy Crisis Committee?

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**7. Ms W F Kaizer-Philander to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:**

With regard to the power packs for poorer households announced during the State of the Province Address:

- (1) (a) What will the power packs comprise of, (b) what will the monetary value of one power pack be, (c)(i) how will the power packs be distributed and (ii) which body

will be responsible for its distribution and (d) in what ways will these power packs contribute to reducing the impact of load-shedding on poorer households;

- (2) whether there has been any (a) engagement or (b) pledge from the national government to support the provincial government in the rollout of this initiative; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**8. Ms W F Kaizer-Philander to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:**

Following the disbursement of R88 million to municipalities in order to mitigate the impact of load-shedding:

- (1) (a) What will be the immediate service-delivery impact of the allocated funds and (b) what are the long-term goals of this project;
- (2) in addition to the funds allocated by the provincial government, whether municipalities will allocate any of their own additional funding for their procurement of emergency diesel generators; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether his Department foresees any potential job creation emanating from this project; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**9. Mr D Plato to ask Ms S G Fernandez, Minister of Social Development:**

- (a) What initiatives are currently underway to expand the available space for the housing of homeless people in Cape Town and (b) what are the relevant details?

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**10. Mr L L Mvimbi to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:**

With regard to the details of infrastructure development in the province between 2019 and 2023 to date:

- (a) What (i) is the total number and (ii) are the details of the infrastructure projects that are taking place in each municipality in the province and (b) what (i) are the details of all the companies that are employed per project, (ii) are the BBBEE level of each of the companies employed and (iii) is the number of jobs that were created by each project?

(123)

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

- (1) How will the national government's interventions, such as the increased national minimum wage that came into effect on 1 March 2023, improve food security, especially for low-income earners, such as farm workers;
- (2) what (a) is the number and (b) is the total amount of conditional grants and (c) other national government interventions did the Western Cape receive for agricultural purposes in (i) 2019, (ii) 2020, (iii) 2021, (iv) 2022 and (v) 2023 to date?

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

With regard to the number of applications for free houses:

- (1) What has been his Department's delivery in 2022/23 in this particular area of need;

- (2) whether those who are staying in informal settlements are catered for; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**13. Ms P Z Lekker to ask Ms M M Wenger, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:**

What are the details of all the national government's (a) interventions and (b) funded programmes in the province to support (i) SMMEs and (ii) informal businesses in each year between 2019 and 2023 to date, including (aa) a full list of all the businesses that have benefitted and (bb) the details of the support received?

(126)

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

(a) (i) What is the number of learners from Northern Paarl who are enrolled at the Weltevrede High School in Wellington and (ii) what are the details of the transport arrangements that are made for them, (b) what (i) are the details of the challenges that have led to the learners remaining at home without learner transport and (ii) intervention measures has his Department put in place, (c) what is the number of school days that have been lost by learners from Northern Paarl who are enrolled at the Weltevrede High School due to learner transport challenges and (d)(i) how much is budgeted for learner transport for learners from Northern Paarl to Wellington and (ii) what is the number of routes available and (iii) how many buses are available for these routes?

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

- (1) What (a) is the number and (b) are the details of the security contracts that his Department awarded in (i) Delft and (ii) the province at large and (c)(i) are the details of service providers, (ii) are details of directors of the companies to whom WCED-related security contracts have been awarded in Delft and the province;
- (2) whether he is aware and will investigate allegations that his Department has awarded contracts to extortionists in Delft; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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

- (1) (a) How much has (i) the province and (ii) municipalities spent on studies on the generation of alternative electricity in (aa) 2019, (bb) 2020, (cc) 2021, (dd) 2022 and (ee) 2023 to date, (b) what were the findings of each study and (c) which companies were awarded the contracts to conduct these studies;
- (2) with regard to the amount of R60 million that was set aside in 2021 budget speech to enable municipalities to generate, procure and sell their own power, (a) what is the update with regard to the implementation of the Municipal Energy Resilience Project (MERP) in the province, (b) what is the detailed breakdown of all the action steps that have been accomplished per municipality with regard to this and (c) what is the detailed expenditure breakdown of this funding allocation (i) per municipality and (ii) by the City of Cape Town from 2021 to date?

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**17. Ms R Windvogel to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health:**

(a) What is the number of jobs that were created for (i) doctors, (ii) nurses and (iii) other healthcare workers in response to COVID-19 and (b) how many of these jobs (i) were terminated, (ii) were made permanent and (iii) have been absorbed into other positions between 2020 and 2023 to date?

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**PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions in this Question Paper are due on 17 March 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.**

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