PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

QUESTION PAPER

WRITTEN REPLY

Note: * Indicates translated version.

FRIDAY, 4 SEPTEMBER 2020

1. Ms D M Baartman to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

The Western Cape has a rich history of vibrant festivals that provide important income streams for entrepreneurs, small businesses and the provincial economy at large. In the light of the current lockdown regulations:

- (1) When will festivals in the Western Cape be permitted to resume;
- (2) whether there will be a whale season festival; if so, (a) in what form and (b) what will the health and safety measures be;
- (3) how is Wesgro assisting festivals in resuming safe operations?

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2. Mr B N Herron to ask Mr B S Madikizela, Minister of Transport and Public Works:

- (1) Whether any government vehicles, use by provincial Ministers, were involved in any motor vehicle collisions or crashes (a) between 2014 and 2019 and (b) during the current term of office; if so, for each incident: (i) which Minister was involved, (ii) which vehicle was involved, (iii) what was the date of the collision, (iv) name the place of the collision and (v)(aa) the nature and (bb) the value of the damages;
- (2) whether the vehicle was driven by an authorised driver; if not, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether any costs of damages were recovered from any party; if so, from whom?

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3. Mr M K Sayed to ask Ms D A Schäfer, Minister of Education:

- (1) Whether summons have been issued against the principal and the school governing body (SGB) of the Grove Primary School; if so, what are the (a) details of the summons and (b) transgressions of the parties involved;
- (2) whether there is any money that is meant to be recovered by the WCED from the principal and SGB; if so, (a) how much is the money and (b) how was it calculated;
- (3) whether there were any delays between her Department concluding the internal investigation and the issuing of the instructions to the state's attorneys; if so, what are the relevant details?

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4. Mr M K Sayed to ask Ms D A Schäfer, Minister of Education:

With regard to school visits by district officials:

- (1) Whether any schools have been visited by (a) curriculum advisors and/or (b) any other district officials between March and August 2020; if not, why not; if so, how many curriculum advisors and other officials physically visited schools;
- (2) whether there is a (a) circular and/or (b) any formal communication that instructed curriculum advisors and/or any other district officials not to visit schools during the lockdown; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) (a) how many physical visits to schools did she undertake between March and July 2020, (b) which schools were visited, (c) what are the reasons for this number of visits and (d) when was the last visit;
- (4) (a) how much has her Department spent on the School Evaluation Authority, (b) what is the breakdown of that expenditure and (c) what work has been done by the School Evaluation Authority during this academic year?

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5. Mr M K Sayed to ask Ms D A Schäfer, Minister of Education:

- (1) What measures are in place to (a) investigate and (b) prevent incidents of bullying and harassment of female staff members in her Department by their male counterparts;
- (2) whether there have been any complaints of bullying and harassment lodged by female staffers in senior management against their male counterparts between February 2019 and August 2020; if so, (a) what are the relevant details and (b) how were these complaints resolved?

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

With regard to the appointment in his Department of a certain person's son, whose name has been furnished to his Department of the purpose of the reply:

(1) (a)(i) When and (ii) where was the post advertised, (b) what were the requirements, including (i) experience, (ii) expertise and (iii) qualifications, (c) what are the details of the shortlisted candidates, including (i) experience, (ii) expertise and (iii) qualify-

- cations, (d) what is the (i) salary range of the post he occupies and (ii) length of the contract and (e) when did he start in the post;
- (2) whether there are any other children or relatives of (a) Ministers or (b) prominent politicians who are employed in his Department; if so, what are relevant details?

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

- (1) Whether there are any (a) children or (b) relatives of Ministers and/or prominent politicians who are employed in the Western Cape provincial government and/or any of its entities; if so, what are the relevant details, including the (i) positions occupied, (ii) salary ranges and (iii) duration of contracts;
- (2) what mechanisms are in place to prevent cronyism and nepotism in the Western Cape Government?

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8. Mr G Brinkhuis to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport:

- (1) What plans does her Department have in place to contribute to the further enrichment of our cultural heritage during Heritage Month;
- (2) whether her Department has plans to recognise the historical sites of the Khoisan people, such as the Black River site in Athlone; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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9. Mr G Brinkhuis to ask Ms S G Fernandez, Minister of Social Development:

With reference to the increasing levels of poverty and inequality in the province:

Whether her Department has plans to narrow the gap between the number of persons who is already receiving support and the thousands of other people who are in desperate need of help; if so, what are the relevant details?

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

What are the audit costs for each of the municipalities in the province?

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

(a) What is needed for grazing in the drought-stricken areas of the Western Cape to recover to normal stock carrying capacity, (b) under ideal circumstances, what time horizon might apply for this and (c) what has been the effect of the drought spanning the last few years on the employment numbers and/or the number of families being supported by agriculture in the Western Cape?

PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions contained in this Question Paper are due on 18 September 2020. 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.