# PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

# **QUESTION PAPER**

# WRITTEN REPLY

Note: \* Indicates translated version.

# FRIDAY, 20 NOVEMBER 2020

# 1. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

With regard to the government's plan to allow municipalities to purchase electricity from different sources:

- (1) What are the details of the municipalities that have indicated readiness to purchase electricity from independent power producers (IPPs);
- (2) (a) what are the details of the IPPs that are operational in the province and (b) what is the (i) electricity generating capacity of each and (ii) source of energy used for electricity generation by each;
- (3) whether there are any IPPs that have been identified to supply municipalities with electricity; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) (a) how will this decision by the national government help to boost economic growth in the province, (b) what will the benefit of this move be for the ratepayers and indigents in municipalities and (c) how much electricity capacity will municipalities be allowed to procure directly from IPPs?

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# 2. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

With regard to his upcoming mid-term policy statement:

(1) What are the detailed plans for the reconstruction and recovery of the Western Cape economy;

- (2) whether he has consulted with citizens, the civil society and other social partners and stakeholders in preparing the adjusted budget estimates; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether, with regard to the widening inequalities in the province and the economic impact of COVID-19 on the poor, he will make provisions to protect the most vulnerable; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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# 3. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

What was the Gini coefficient for (a) the Western Cape and (b) all the municipalities in the province in (i) 2009, (ii) 2010, (iii) 2011, (iv) 2012, (v) 2013, (vi) 2014, (vii) 2015, (viii) 2016, (ix) 2017, (x) 2018, (xi) 2019 and (xii) 2020 to date?

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

Whether his government has an economic reconstruction and recovery plan for the Western Cape; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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# 5. Ms R Windvogel to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health:

With regard to the building of the Klipfontein Regional Hospital:

- (1) (a) What is the process update for the building of the hospital, including the (i) projected timelines and (ii) project budget and (b)(i) what is the total budget for the building project and (ii) how much of this will be provided by the (aa) provincial government and (bb) national government;
- (2) whether any work has been done at the identified site for the hospital; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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# 6. Mr L L Mvimbi to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:

With regard to the announcement by the Minister of Finance, Tito Mboweni, that the government has initiated a process to review regulation 28 to make it easier for retirement funds to increase investment in infrastructure, should their boards of trustees opt to do so:

- (1) What is his government's response to this announcement;
- (2) whether his government has plans to consider the use of retirement funds to increase investment in infrastructure as opposed to taking up loans from financial institutions; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether his government will endorse the plan when a draft is published for public comment in the *Gazette*; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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# 7. Mr C M Dugmore to ask Mr B S Madikizela, Minister of Transport and Public Works:

With regard to the President's commitment to fixing the central line in Cape Town as was announced in his address to the joint sitting in Parliament in October 2020:

- (1) (a)(i) What is the number of families that have built houses on the central line and (ii) for how long have they been living there and (b) what is his Department's involvement with and contribution to the Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa's project to relocate these families:
- (2) whether any pockets of land have been identified by his Department for the relocation of these families; if so, what are the relevant details?

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# 8. Mr Kama to ask Mr A T Fritz, Minister of Community Safety:

With regard to the resignation of the Western Cape Police Ombudsman on 30 October 2020:

- (1) What reasons were given for (a) his sudden resignation on 30 October 2020 and (b) him starting a new role in his Department on 2 November 2020;
- (2) whether a certain person, whose details have been furnished to his Department for the purpose of his reply, is working in his Department as the coordinator or implementer of the Western Cape Safety Plan; if not, why not; if so, (a) what are the relevant details, (b) on what level is the post, (c) what is the remuneration package and (d) what recruitment process was followed to employ the incumbent;
- (3) (a) when was the post for the coordinator or implementer of the Western Cape Safety Plan created, (b) what is the job description, (c) what are the main responsibilities, (d) what are the details of the contract and (e) what is the duration of the contract?

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## 9. Ms N G Bakubaku-Vos to ask Ms S G Fernandez, Minister of Social Development:

- (1) What (a) is the number and (b) details of the Western Cape NPOs that have applied for COVID-19 funding from the Temporary Employer/Employee Relief Scheme (TERS), (c) how many applications have been approved and (d) what is the total amount received by each NPO;
- (2) whether it has been brought to her attention that a case of fraud has been opened against a Western Cape NPO, whose details have been furnished to her Department for the purpose of her reply, which is accused of illegally applying for COVID-19 funding from TERS and of receiving money; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether her Department provides (a) compliance and (b) anti-fraud training for Western Cape NPOs; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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

(1) Whether her Department has taken any measures to respond to and address the heightened racial tension at the Brackenfell High School; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details:

- (2) whether a school function that was organised for one specific racial group at the Brackenfell High School has been brought to her attention; if so, (a) what are the relevant details, (b) what steps have been taken to investigate the matter and (c) what remedial action has been taken:
- (3) whether any teachers of the Brackenfell High School attended the private matric farewell ceremony organised by parents; if so, (a) what are the relevant details and (b) what remedial action has been taken;
- (4) what measures have been put in place to promote non-racialism at multiracial schools in the Western Cape;
- (5) whether she (a) is aware of allegations of racism at the Brackenfell High School as published on an Instagram page called "bhstories" and (b) will investigate these allegations; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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

(a) To what extend does the practice of communal land tenure exist in the Western Cape, (b) what is his Department's policy on the practice of communal land tenure and (c) what legislative reviews would support the rights of those staying on such land and ensure that the agricultural potential of such land is optimised?

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

(a) What amounts have been allocated to his Department by the national Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries for the current and previous two financial years under the Comprehensive Agricultural Support Programme (CASP), (b) what amounts appear in the medium-term budgets for the next three years for the CASP and (c) what is the purpose of the CASP?

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# 13. Mr B N Herron to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

During February 2020 the Programme Development and Implementation of the City of Cape Town's Social Development and Early Childhood Development Department (SDECD) awarded a tender to the value of R1 232 011,64 to a certain company whose details have been furnished to his Department for the purpose of his reply:

(a) How was this company identified, (b) what procurement process was followed, (c) what was the tender, RFQ or other specifications for this project, (d) when was the tender advertised and (e) what was the qualification requirement for dealing with homeless people?

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## 14. Mr B N Herron to ask Ms D A Schäfer, Minister of Education:

The incident that took place at the Brackenfell High School on the 9 November 2020, as well as various reports of racism shared by past and current learners on social media, has highlighted the racism that is experienced by learners at our schools:

(a) What is the number of complaints related to racism reported to her Department, (b) what are the names of the schools where these incidents have occurred, (c)(i) what is the number of complaints of racism against teachers and (ii) what are the details of these complaints, (d)(i) what is the number of complaints of racism against learners and (ii) what are the details of these complaints, (e)(i) what is the number of complaints of racism against parents or SGBs and (ii) what are the details of these complaints and (f) what has her Department done in response to these complaints?

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## 15. Mr B N Herron to ask Mr A Fritz, Minister of Community Safety:

With regard to the implementation of the Safety Plan and other crime prevention and safety initiatives in the province:

- (1) (a) What resources have been provided, (b) what measures have been implemented in the various municipalities and (c) what are the details of the units that have been established or operated as listed on the website of the City of Cape Town (CCT);
- (2) whether the units listed on the CCT website are the only units operational at the City of Cape Town; if not, what are the others;
- (3) whether or not the units as listed on the CCT website are functional; if so, (a) what is the complement of staff per unit and (b) what is the financial cost per unit as from 2016 to date;
- (4) whether these units are aligned with the approved Metropolitan Police Plan; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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## 16. Mr M Xego to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health:

In terms of the Sterilisation Act, 1998 (Act 44 of 1998):

- (1) Whether each public health facility in the province maintains a sterilisation register as required by section 6 of the Sterilisation Act, 1998 (Act 44 of 1998); if not, (a) why not, (b) what are the details of the facilities that have not kept record and (c) what is the period (in years) for which the facilities have not kept record; if so, (d) what are the relevant details and (e) for what period (in years) have registers been kept;
- (2) whether action has been taken against the person or persons who failed to comply with the statutory requirement; if not, why not; if so, (a) what are the details of the person or persons and (b) what action have been taken against each one;
- (3) whether her Department has implemented measures to ensure compliance with the statutory requirement to maintain a register; if so, what are the relevant details?

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PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions contained in this Question Paper are due on 4 December 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.