

**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, 22 APRIL 2022**

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

With reference to her reply to question 10 of 18 March 2022:

- (1) With regard to the 114 contracts that were completely terminated, (a) what were the reasons for that and (b) what is the breakdown per (i) age, (ii) race, (iii) gender, (iv) qualification, (v) occupation and (vi) facility where they were posted;
- (2) what is the (a) total number of funded vacancies in the province and (b) detailed breakdown of the (i) vacancies per facility and (ii) duration of such vacancies?

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

- (1) Whether an investigative report into financial irregularities and/or maladministration at the Heatherlands High School has been brought to his attention; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) (a) what were the (i) findings and (ii) recommendations of the report and (b) what steps were taken to implement them;
- (3) whether he and/or any of his cabinet officials or Western Cape Education Department officials were implicated in any wrongdoing in the report; if so, what are the relevant details?

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

With regard to the First Thursdays Events:

- (1) (a) What are the (i) objectives and (ii) targeted audience for this initiative, (b) what is the total cost that his government has incurred as a result of this initiative from its inception to date, (c) what is the total number of events that have been held, (d) what

is the number of audience members who have been reached, (e) what (i) is the number and (ii) are the details of the issues, challenges and/complaints raised, (iii) what are the suggestions that have been received, (iv) how many have been resolved and (v) what are the reasons thereof;

- (2) whether there are any specific reasons for hosting these events in the legislature precinct and not in communities where the majority of the residents reside; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**4. Ms L J Botha to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:**

In relation to allocation of funds in the 2022/23 provincial budget to pay the SABC:

- (1) (a) What is the total amount allocated by the Western Cape Government to the SABC for the 2022/23 financial year, (b) what services are provided by the SABC to the provincial government and (c) how do these services benefit the provincial government;
- (2) whether the provincial government is mandated by any legislative provisions to make these payments; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**5. Mr G Bosman to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:**

In relation to the ongoing bottleneck at the Port of Cape Town:

- (1) How much money is estimated to have been lost by the Western Cape economy because of the bottleneck at the Port since the start of 2022;
- (2) whether his Department has engaged the Transnet National Ports Authority regarding the ongoing situation; if so, (a) what was the outcome of the discussions and (b) did Transnet make any commitment to address the bottleneck;
- (3) whether his Department has plans to engage the Department of Agriculture to assist commercial farmers who have been unable to export their fruit on time because of the bottleneck; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) whether the Port has the capacity to deal with the increased workload that it will see after the disaster in KwaZulu-Natal; if not, how is the Department planning to support the Port to ensure adequate capacity?

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

With regard to the Thuthuzela care centres (TCCs) in the province:

- (a) How many people have made use of the TCCs over the last five financial years, (b) what is the allocation of funds by her Department for victim support services at the TCCs for the 2022/23 financial year and (c) what is the nature of the victim support services provided at the TCCs?

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

- (1) Whether any challenges experienced by the recipients of the Social Relief of Distress (SRD) Grant as a result of the lifting of the National State of Disaster have been brought to her attention; if so, what are the nature of these challenges;
- (2) whether her Department has engaged Sassa regarding them; if so, what are the relevant details?

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

In reference to the ongoing review of the provincial equitable share formula, as mentioned in the 2022 Division of Revenue Bill:

- (1) (a) Whether the National Treasury has sought input from his Department on the review of the provincial equitable share formula; if so, (a) what are the relevant details and (b) how did the National Treasury respond to the Department's input;
- (2) (a) how often has the National Treasury engaged his Department, (b) when was the last engagement and (c) when is the next planned engagement?

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**9. Ms D M Baartman to ask Ms D A Schäfer, Minister of Education:**

With reference to her reply to question 3 of 18 March 2022:

- (a) How many special needs schools are there in the province, (b)(i) how many NPOs are running special needs schools or special care centres and (ii) do they receive any funding to do so and (c) of the total number of learners who attend special needs schools, how many children are there in each category of special needs in each school?

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**10. Ms D M Baartman to ask Ms D A Schäfer, Minister of Education:**

With reference to her reply to question 3 of 18 March 2022:

- (1) Whether any Western Cape special needs schools qualify to be no-fee schools; (a) if so, (i) what are the criteria that have to be met by these schools and (b) how many of these schools qualify; (b) if not, (i) why not and (ii) is there any funding available to change these schools into no-fee schools;
- (2) what is the average amount needed by the Western Cape Education Department to run a special needs school?

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

With regard to the construction of a cellphone tower at Sir Lowry's Pass Primary School:

- (1) What are the reasons for halting the project;
- (2) whether a health and safety assessment was done for the project; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) (a) what are the details of the community engagements that have been held regarding this project and (b) what are the (i) dates and (ii) minutes of such meetings?

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

With regard to enrolments for the 2023 academic year:

- (1) What is the (a) number of learners who have applied and (b) breakdown per (i) grade, (ii) age, (iii) race and (iv) gender;
- (2) what is the number of learners who have applied per (a) education district and (b) school;
- (3) what is the number of applications received (a) before and (b) after the closing date per (i) education district and (ii) school;
- (4) (a) what is the number of applications received from her Department's pop-up stands and (b) what is the breakdown per week;
- (5) (a) what is the number of learners who have been placed at schools for the 2023 academic year and (b) how many are on the waiting list as at the latest date for which information is available?

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**13. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Human Settlements:**

- (a) What are the details of the (i) irregular expenditure and (ii) fruitless and wasteful expenditure that has been incurred by his Department and its entity in (aa) 2019, (bb) 2020 and (cc) 2021, (b) how much was incurred as the result of not adhering to (i) National Treasury and (ii) Provincial Treasury instructions over the same period of time and (c) what are the (i) details of these instructions and (ii) reasons for not adhering to them?

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**14. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health:**

- (a) What are the details of the (i) irregular expenditure and (ii) fruitless and wasteful expenditure that has been incurred by her Department in (aa) 2019, (bb) 2020 and (cc) 2021, (b) how much was incurred as the result of not adhering to (i) National Treasury and (ii) Provincial Treasury instructions over the same period of time and (c) what are the (i) details of these instructions and (ii) reasons for not adhering to them?

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

- (a) What are the details of the (i) irregular expenditure and (ii) fruitless and wasteful expenditure that has been incurred by his Department in (aa) 2019, (bb) 2020 and (cc) 2021, (b) how much was incurred as the result of not adhering to (i) National Treasury and (ii) Provincial Treasury instructions over the same period of time and (c) what are the (i) details of these instructions and (ii) reasons for not adhering to them?

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**16. Mr L L Mvimbi to ask Mr D G Mitchell, Minister of Transport and Public Works:**

- (a) What are the details of the (i) irregular expenditure and (ii) fruitless and wasteful expenditure that has been incurred by his Department and its entity in (aa) 2019, (bb) 2020 and (cc) 2021, (b) how much was incurred as the result of not adhering to (i) National Treasury and (ii) Provincial Treasury instructions over the same period of

time and (c) what are the (i) details of these instructions and (ii) reasons for not adhering to them?

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**17. Mr P Marran to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development:**

- (1) What position does a certain person, whose name has been furnished to his Department for the purpose of his reply, hold in his Department;
- (2) with regard to the position held by a certain person, whose name has been furnished to his Department for the purpose of his reply, in his Department, (a) when (i) was the position advertised and (ii) did applications for the position close, (b) where was the position advertised, (c) what is the number of applications received, (d) what are the details of the qualifications and experience for each applicant, (e) what are the details of shortlisted applicants, including (i) details of their (aa) qualifications and (bb) experience and (ii) what were the scores received by each applicant;
- (3) (a) what are the details of the officials who formed part of the shortlisting and interview process and (b) what positions do they occupy in his Department;
- (4) how does his Department deal with cases of conflict of interest in filling senior management positions?

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**PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions contained in this Question Paper are due on 10 May 2022. 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.**