

**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, 6 MAY 2022**

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

- (1) Whether there exists a standard policy and/or set of guidelines in her Department that are provided to schools to guide them to develop their own (a) admissions policy and (b) code of conduct; if not, why not; if so, (i) what are the relevant details, (ii) what criteria are followed to develop these, (iii) what is the role of her Department in the process, (iv) when are these reviewable and (v) what is the process thereof;
- (2) how often are the admission policy and code of conduct, which are developed by schools, reviewed by her Department for compliance with the relevant guidelines or policies;
- (3) (a) what remedies are available to ensure compliance with the appropriate guidelines provided by her Department and (b) how are these remedies applied?

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

- (1) Whether the process of ECD migration from the Department of Social Development to her Department has been completed; if not, why not; if so, (a) what are the relevant details and (b) what are the updates;
- (2) whether all ECD subsidies have been paid to schools; (a) if not, (i) why not, (ii) what are the reasons for the delays and (iii) what is the number of schools not paid yet; (b) if so, (i) what are the relevant details and (ii) when was the first and last payment made;
- (3) whether there are any schools that may not be paid these subsidies at all; if not, why not; if so, (a) what are the relevant details and (b) what criteria determine the non-payment;

- (4) with regard to (3) above, (a) what is the number of schools affected and (b) what support is her Department providing to them?

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

With regard to the ECD migration from the Department of Social Development:

- (1) Whether all (a) vacancies and (b) critical posts in the ECD programme have been filled; (c) if not, (i) why not, (ii) what are the details of the unfilled posts, (iii) what are the reasons thereof and (iv) what impact will these vacancies have on the functioning of the programme; (d) if so, (i) what are the relevant details and (ii) when were they filled;
- (2) whether there have been any delays in the registration of ECDs in the province; if not, why not; if so, (a) what are the relevant details and (b) what is the number of ECDs affected by these delays;
- (3) what is the number of registered ECDs in the province?

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

Whether he has advertised the position for a social media officer, a political appointment in his office, for the current financial year; if so, (a) what are the relevant details, (b)(i) when and (ii) where was the post advertised, (c) what is the (i) remuneration and (ii) length of the contract, (d) what is the (i) number and (ii) breakdown of all the applicants, (e) what (i) are the qualifications and (ii) is the experience of the applicants and (f) what are the requirements for the position?

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

Whether the position for a social media officer in his office has been filled; if not, why not; if so, (a) what are the relevant details, (b) what are the details of the person employed and (c) can a copy of the advertisement be made available?

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**6. Mr A Lili to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:**

- (1) (a) What is the number of shack fires that have been reported in the province in (i) 2019, (ii) 2020, (iii) 2021 and (iv) 2022 to date and (b) what (i) are the names of the settlements engulfed by fire, (ii) is the number of households affected, (iii) is the number of deaths reported per incident and (iv) is the number of people displaced per incident;
- (2) what are the support measures that are provide by (a) his Department and (b) each municipality in province to (i) prevent and (ii) respond to informal settlements fires and (iii) support victims?

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

- (1) (a) What is the number of shack fires that have been reported in the province in (i) 2009, (ii) 2010, (iii) 2011 and (iv) 2012 and (b) what (i) are the names the settlements engulfed by fire, (ii) is the number of households affected, (iii) is the

number of deaths reported per incident and (iv) is the number of people displaced per incident;

- (2) what are the support measures that are provide by (a) his Department and (b) each municipality in province to (i) prevent and (ii) respond to informal settlements fires and (iii) support victims?

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

- (1) (a) What is the number of shack fires that have been reported in the province in (i) 2013, (ii) 2014, (iii) 2015 and (iv) 2016 and (b) what (i) are the names of the settlements engulfed by fire, (ii) is the number of households affected, (iii) is the number of deaths reported per incident and (iv) is the number of people displaced per incident;
- (2) what are the support measures that are provide by (a) his Department and (b) each municipality in province to (i) prevent and (ii) respond to informal settlements fires and (iii) support victims?

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**9. Mr A Lili to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:**

- (a) What (i) is the number and (ii) are the details of the informal settlements that have been established the province in (aa) 2009, (bb) 2010, (cc) 2011, (dd) 2012 and (ee) 2013 and (b)(i) what (aa) are the names and (bb) are the locations of these settlements, (ii) is the number of households in each, (iii) is the age group of the residents and (iv) are the details of the services rendered in each informal settlement?

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

- (a) What (i) is the number and (ii) are the details of the informal settlements that have been established the province in (aa) 2014, (bb) 2015, (cc) 2016, (dd) 2017 and (ee) 2018 and (b)(i) what (aa) are the names and (bb) are the locations of these settlements, (ii) is the number of households in each, (iii) is the age group of the residents and (iv) are the details of the services rendered in each informal settlement?

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**11. Mr L L Mvimbi to ask Mr D G Mitchell, Minister of Mobility:**

- (1) (a) What (i) is the number and (ii) are the details of the meetings he has had with various taxi associations between 2020 and 2022, (b) what are the details of the (i) dates of the meetings, (ii) venues of the meetings, (iii) associations that were met and their delegations, (iv) issues discussed and (v) resolutions taken and (c) can copies of the minutes of these meetings be made available;
- (2) (a) what is the number of meetings he has had with the Dunoon Taxi Association between 2020 and 2022, (b) what were the (i) issues discussed and (ii) resolutions taken and (c) can copies of the minutes of these meetings be made available?

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**12. Mr L L Mvimbi to ask Mr D G Mitchell, Minister of Mobility:**

With regard to protest action by taxi associations in the province:

(a) What is the number of protests that took place between 2020 and 2022, (b) what are the grievances that were raised and (c)(i) what is the number of grievances that have been resolved and (ii) how were they resolved?

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**13. Mr F C Christians to ask Mr D G Mitchell, Minister of Mobility:**

With reference to the 173 mobile units approved to accommodate learners for implementation in 2022:

Whether all the units have been completed; if not, (a) how many have been completed, (b) what are the reasons for the outstanding units and (c) when will the units be completed?

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**14. Mr F C Christians to ask Ms D A Schäfer, Minister of Education**

The budget allocation of her Department was increased by R2,2 billion for the 2022/23 budget year:

Whether the increased allocation makes provision for the accommodation of unplaced learners trying to find placement; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**15. Mr G Bosman to ask Mr D G Mitchell, Minister of Mobility:**

What provincial transport infrastructure is located in (a) ward 16, (b) ward 17, (c) ward 108, (d) ward 109 and (e) ward 110 of the City of Cape Town?

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**16. Mr G Bosman to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:**

What provincial infrastructure is located in (a) ward 16, (b) ward 17, (c) ward 108, (d) ward 109 and (e) ward 110 of the City of Cape Town?

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**17. Ms L J Botha to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:**

With regard to the financial crisis at the Cederberg Municipality:

(1) Whether it has been brought to his attention that R127 million is required by the Cederberg Municipality to improve its financial situation; if so, how does the Department plan to help the municipality with this;

(2) whether he and his Department are aware of the municipality's prior council approval of underfunded budgets; if so, (a) how did these approvals occur and (b) will any criminal investigations be pursued;

(3) with reference to his reply to question 2 of 1 April, whether the unfunded budgets of the Cederberg Municipality were part of these investigations; if so, what are the relevant details;

- (4) whether, once the Department has assessed the reports, they will be made available to the Standing Committee on Local Government; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**18. Ms L J Botha to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:**

With regard to the reported R837 million owed by the national Department of Public Works and Infrastructure to municipalities in rates and taxes:

- (1) Whether the reported amount of R274 342 786 owed to Western Cape municipalities for the first two months of 2022 is correct; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) what is the total debt of the national Department of Public Works and Infrastructure for rates and taxes to all Western Cape municipalities from January 2022 to date?

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**19. Mr R D Mackenzie to ask Mr R I Allen, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:**

With respect to firearms recovered by the SAPS:

- (a) How many firearms have been recovered over the last two years and (b) how many of those were recovered by (i) the City of Cape Town's law enforcement units and (ii) LEAP officers?

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

With respect to the STEAMAC strategy in the province:

- (1) What is the current list of subjects being provided in this regard and (b) how many learners take each of these subjects in (i) Grade 10 and (ii) Grade 12;
- (2) what has the retention rate been for these subjects over the past five academic years for the learners entering Grade 10 and passing the respective subjects in Grade 12;
- (3) what is the Grade 12 (a) pass rate and (b) average pass mark for each of the aforementioned subjects over the past five academic years?

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**21. Ms D M Baartman to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:**

In relation to the state of the roads in the Central Karoo District Municipality:

- (a) How much money has been allocated in the past three financial years to the Central Karoo District Municipality for upgrading or maintaining rural roads, (b) how much money is allocated for the next three financial years, (c) which roads were identified for upgrades or maintenance in the (i) past three financial years and (ii) next three financial years and (d) how many kilometres does this consist of per road identified?

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**22. Ms D M Baartman to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:**

With regard to human settlements in Nelspoort:

- (1) Whether the Beaufort West Local Municipality has submitted any applications to his Department for housing projects in Nelspoort in the past five financial years; if so, how many houses have been built over the past five financial years;
- (2) whether any submissions have been made for the next five financial years; if so, how many houses are planned to be built per financial year?

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

- (1) Whether his Department has any methods and mechanisms to monitor rising food prices in the province; if not, why not; if so, (a) what are the relevant details and (b) what is the impact of rising food prices on the economy and on households;
- (2) (a) how has the price of the general household food basket increased in the province between April 2020 and April 2022 and (b) what are some of the foods that saw rapid price increases;
- (3) what are some of the government initiatives to mitigate the risks associated with rapid food price increases?

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**24. Mr M Kama to ask Mr R I Allen, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:**

- (a) What is the number of gang-related (i) shootings and (ii) murders that have taken place in (aa) 2020, (bb) 2021 and (cc) 2022 to date, (b) what is the breakdown by (i) age, (ii) race, (iii) gender and (iv) location of the victims and (c)(i) what has been the effectiveness of the anti-gang strategy in the province, (ii) what challenges have been experienced in this regard and (iii) how have they been addressed?

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**25. Mr M Kama to ask Mr R I Allen, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:**

- (1) (a) What is the provincial government's strategy to identify and deal with drug dens in the province and (b) what is the number of drug dens that have been identified in each of the areas in the top 30 police precincts for (i) drug-related crimes and (ii) murders;
- (2) whether there exists a strategy in the province to target and to keep the province's suspected gang "high-flyers" under daily surveillance; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) what is his Department's strategy to deal with (a) illicit drug trade, (b) gangsterism and (c) gang-related murders in the province?

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

(a) What is the number of drug rehabilitation centres that are (i) privately owned and (ii) funded by her Department, (b) what is the breakdown per (i) municipality and (ii) location, (c)(i) what is the number of patients who have been treated at each of the drug rehabilitation centres that were funded by her Department in (aa) 2020, (bb) 2021 and (cc) 2022 to date and (ii) what is the duration of the treatment per patient and (d) what is the prevalence of drugs and substance abuse among young people in the province?

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**PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions contained in this Question Paper are due on 20 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.**