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PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

QUESTION PAPER

WRITTEN REPLY

Note: * Indicates translated version.

FRIDAY, 17 OCTOBER 2025

1. Mr N P Masipa to ask Dr I H Meyer, Minister of Agriculture, Economic Development and Tourism:

- (1) (a) What is the (i) expected operational benefit of the new rubber-tyred gantry cranes (RTGs) for the Port of Cape Town in terms of increased container-handling capacity and reduced turnaround times and (ii) projected impact that this will have on the provincial economy, (b) what role does the Port of Cape Town play in supporting Western Cape agricultural and manufactured exports, (c) what share of the province's total exports move through the Port of Cape Town annually, (d) how is the Western Cape Government continuing to collaborate with (i) Transnet, (ii) the management of the Port of Cape Town and (iii) the private sector to improve port performance;
- (2) whether there are any further upgrades or modernisation efforts being planned that the Province is supporting?

(493)

2. Mr B N Herron to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

In the light of the review of the Western Cape Safety Plan that was presented to the Standing Committee on the Premier and Constitutional Matters on 1 October 2025:

- (1) Whether the phrase "equitable distribution of SAPS resources" used in the review refers to the inequitable distribution of SAPS resources between provinces in the Republic; if so, (a) what is the basis of this assertion and (b) what are the details of the current inequitable distribution of SAPS resources across provinces; if not,
- (2) whether the phrase refers to the inequitable distribution of SAPS resources in the province itself, that is between SAPS stations or precinct; if so, what are the details of the current inequitable distribution of SAPS resources in the province;

- (3) whether the Provincial Commissioner is empowered to review or adjust the allocation of SAPS resources already in the province in order to achieve a more equitable or effective distribution; if so,
- (4) whether the Province has proposed any amendments or made any recommendations regarding the distribution of police resources between SAPS stations or precincts; if not, what are the reasons why no such proposals have been made; if so, what are the details of the proposed reallocation of SAPS resources;
- (5) whether any independent research bodies were consulted to evaluate the Western Cape Safety Plan; if not, why not; if so, (a) which research bodies were consulted and (b) what were the key outcomes or findings of those evaluations;
- (6) whether the evaluations in (5) above will be made publicly available; if not, why not?

(494)

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

With regard to the water tanker assistance rendered by the George Municipality to the Knysna Municipality over the past 12 months in response to water outages:

(a) What was the total number of water tankers dispatched from the George Municipality to the Knysna Municipality, (b) what was the total volume of water delivered by these tankers, expressed in litre (ℓ) , (c) what was the total cost incurred by the George Municipality for this service, itemised by (i) fuel and (ii) staff overtime, and (d) what critical infrastructure (for example hospitals, main reservoirs) received priority water delivery from the tankers of the George Municipality?

(495)

4. Ms B M van Minnen to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

(a) Which specialised policing units are currently deployed in the province, (b) what is the (i) granted establishment and (ii) actual establishment of each of these units, (c) what specific mandate or focus area has been allocated to each unit, (d)(i) what training initiatives or courses were attended by members of these units in the 2024/25 financial year and (ii) how many officers participated in such training opportunities, (e)(i) what operational successes or notable results were achieved by each unit in the past 12 months and (ii) what challenges were reported in the same period and (f) which interventions have been implemented or are planned to strengthen the operational effectiveness of each unit?

(496)

5. Ms W F Kaizer-Philander to ask Mr J J Londt, Minister of Social Development:

With regard to community nutrition and development centres (CNDCs) in the 2025/26 financial year:

(1) (a) What are the criteria for selecting communities to establish a CNDC, (b) how does his Department ensure food quality, safety and nutritional value in meals provided by CNDCs, (c) what role do (i) local community members and (ii) organisations play in the operation of CNDCs, (d)(i) how many active CNDCs currently operate in the province and (ii) what is their geographic distribution, (e) what partnerships are in place to support CNDCs and their sustainability and (f) how can individuals and families in need qualify for food support through a CNDC;

(2) whether there are there plans to expand CNDC services; if so, what are the relevant details?

(497)

6. Mr P Johnson to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

(a) How many pregnant girls attended school in (i) 2020/21, (ii) 2021/2022, (iii) 2022/23, (iv) 2023/24 and (v) 2024/25 and (b) what were the ages of these girls?

(498)

7. Ms R Windvogel to ask Ms M M Wenger, Minister of Health and Wellness:

(a) What is the number of (i) employees, (ii) whistleblowers and (iii) members of labour unions who have been fired from her Department in (aa) 2019, (bb) 2020, (cc) 2021, (dd) 2022, (ee) 2023 and (ff) 2024, (b) for each case in (a) above, (i) what were the reasons for dismissal, (ii) how many dismissals have been challenged at the CCMA, labour court and/or any related authorities and (iii) how many cases have been successfully challenged and overturned and (c) how much expenditure did her Department incur on all these matters?

(499)

8. Ms A P Bans to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:

With reference to the audit processes and outcomes of the Auditor-General (AG):

Whether a copy of the management letter or letters issued by the Auditor-General for his Department in the (a) 2023/24 and (b) 2024/25 financial years can be made available?

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

With reference to the audit processes and outcomes of the Auditor-General (AG):

Whether a copy of the management letter or letters issued by the Auditor-General for his Department in the (a) 2023/24 and (b) 2024/25 financial years can be made available?

(501)

10. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Dr I H Meyer, Minister of Agriculture, Economic Development and Tourism:

With reference to the audit processes and outcomes of the Auditor-General (AG):

Whether a copy of the management letter or letters issued by the Auditor-General for his departments in the (i) 2023/24 and (ii) 2024/25 financial years can be made available?

(502)

11. Ms B N Stoffel to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:

With reference to the audit processes and outcomes of the Auditor-General (AG):

Whether a copy of the management letter or letters issued by the Auditor-General for his departments in the (i) 2023/24 and (ii) 2024/25 financial years can be made available?

12. Ms P Z Lekker to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:

With reference to the audit processes and outcomes of the Auditor-General (AG):

Whether a copy of the management letter or letters issued by the Auditor-General for his Department in the (i) 2023/24 and (ii) 2024/25 financial years can be made available?

(504)

13. Mr B M Ngqentsu to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

With reference to the audit processes and outcomes of the Auditor-General (AG):

Whether a copy of the management letter or letters issued by the Auditor-General for her Department in the (i) 2023/24 and (ii) 2024/25 financial years can be made available?

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PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions in this Question Paper are due on 31 October 2025. 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.