

**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, 26 AUGUST 2022**

**1. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:**

Whether there is an efficient and effective rental billing system that all rented state properties are attached to; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**2. Mr G Bosman to ask Mr R I Allen, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:**

(a) How many firearms have been confiscated from January 2017 to date, (b) of those firearms in (a), (i) what were the makes of those firearms, (ii) from which countries did those firearms originate, (iii) in which suburbs were those firearms confiscated, (iv) was ballistic testing conducted on those firearms, (v) where are those firearms stored, (vi) how many of each make were destroyed and (vii) how many of those firearms have gone missing since their confiscation, (c) what is the current ballistic testing backlog and (d) what are the conviction rates for those found in possession of those firearms?

(628)

**3. Mr G Bosman to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport:**

(a) What is the budget allocated to libraries in the Western Cape and (b) how many people have used each library over the last 12 months?

(629)

**4. Ms D M Baartman to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:**

In relation to the WCED's CEMIS and the national Department's SA-SAMS data systems:

- (1) Whether there have been any instances where discrepancies with the national Department have resulted in lower equitable share allocations to the WCED; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) what changes to the SA-SAMS must be incorporated in order to ensure its harmonisation with the output of the CEMIS?

(630)

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

- (a) What steps has his Department taken to mitigate the risk of foot-and-mouth disease in the province and (b) how can the support of the South African Police Service for the ban on the movement of cloven-hoofed animals be increased?

(631)

**6. Mr A P van der Westhuizen to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:**

In what respects is his Department involved during the application process for (a) prospecting rights, (b) mining rights, (c) the determination of conditions to protect the environment and (d) the management of environmental restoration during and after mining activities?

(632)

**7. Mr A P van der Westhuizen to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:**

- (a) How well established is the scientific knowledge regarding the impact on the environment of seismological studies at sea and (b)(i) to what extent does seismological exploration at sea cause environmental damage and (ii) how can this damage be mitigated?

(633)

**8. Mr R D Mackenzie to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:**

- (1) (a) What is the status of the fence at the Portlands Primary School in Mitchells Plain and (b) when will the fence be installed;
- (2) whether there are any delays; if so, what are the reasons;
- (3) whether a contractor has been appointed by the school or his Department; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) whether the contractor in (3) has been appointed for the fencing of other schools in Mitchells Plain; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (5) whether there was a binding memorandum of understanding between the school and his Department; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (6) what was the allocated budget for the fence;
- (7) whether there has been a deviation from this budget; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (8) what is the cost for the fences for all schools in the province in accordance his Department's norms and standards;

- (9) whether the exact same process for fencing has been followed at all the schools in the province; if not, why not;
- (10) how many schools in the province have been upgraded between the 2018/19 and 2021/22 financial years?

(634)

**9. Mr C Fry to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:**

- (a) How many people in the province have been enrolled in the new solar photovoltaic (SPV) qualification and (b) how much did the Premier's Council on Skills spend on the implementation of this pilot project?

(635)

**10. Mr C Fry to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:**

- (a) How many community child-rights workshops have been conducted by the Office of the Children's Commissioner, (b) in which municipalities have they taken place between January 2020 and August 2022, (c) how have these community child rights workshops benefited children and (d)(i) how many child government monitors have been appointed in the province and (ii) what programmes have the monitors initiated or been part of between January 2020 and August 2022 and (e) what support have the child government monitors received from the Western Cape Government?

(636)

**11. Ms L M Maseko to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:**

It was revealed during an oversight by the Standing Committee on Human Settlements on 20 June 2022 that the Overberg District Municipality will be undertaking a high-mast lighting project to protect the safety of residents in informal settlements in the Grabouw area:

- (1) Whether the Overberg District Municipality has implemented the project; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) (a) when is this project be expected to be completed and (b) what are the (i) specifics and (ii) projected outcomes thereof;
- (3) how will the project help to guarantee the safety of residents in informal settlements?

(637)

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

- (1) Whether his Department provides support to municipalities in the province to (a) expand and (b) maintain existing water infrastructure; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) how much of his Department's budget is allocated to the maintenance of water infrastructure?

(638)

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

With regard to the province's disaster readiness:

Whether there are any plans in place to manage flooding in the province's municipalities; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

(639)

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

With regard to reports that homeless people have been the victims of muggings and robberies at shelters in the Western Cape:

Whether there is any provision in place to ensure the physical security of homeless-shelter occupants and to protect them from muggings and other violent crimes; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**15. Mr G Bosman to ask Mr R I Allen, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:**

With respect to the Kleinvlei Police Station:

- (1) Whether there are any plans to build a new police station in Kleinvlei; if not, why not; if so, what is the timeline;
- (2) (a) what is the current staffing structure, (b) how many vacancies exist at the station, (c) which government department is responsible for the maintenance of the station, (d) what is the current detective-to-population ratio, (e) how many residents does the police station serve and (f) what are the top five crimes in the area;
- (3) (a)(i) with which internet connection services is the station equipped and (ii) what challenges have been experienced in this regard, (b) how many calls have been logged with SETA and TMS with reference to the (i) fingerprinting devices and (ii) machines for the scanning of dockets and (c) how many firearms are assigned to the station?

(641)

**16. Ms C Murray to ask Ms M M Wenger, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:**

In relation to the Red Tape Reduction Unit:

- (a) How many of the businesses assisted by the Red Tape Reduction Unit in the past three financial years are (i) women-owned, (ii) black-owned and (iii) owned by members of previously marginalised groups and (b) what steps has her Department taken to make sure the services of the Red Tape Reduction Unit are accessible to these businesses?

(642)

**17. Ms C Murray to ask Ms M M Wenger, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:**

In relation to her Department's support for the Western Cape technology sector:

What steps has her Department taken to make the technology sector in the province more inclusive of women and previously disadvantaged groups?

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

With regard to his recent utterance that extortion rackets are intimidating and attacking contractors on some of its building sites:

- (1) (a) What are the details of projects that were affected in the period from 2019 to 2022 to date and (b) what intervention did his Department implement;
- (2) whether he produced evidence of these alleged extortions, hijackings and illegal occupations by these gangsters and syndicates to the SAPS and to the City of Cape Town's Law Enforcement Unit; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether he applied for an eviction court order to evict the gangsters and syndicates who are allegedly hijacking and illegally occupying these social housing developments; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**19. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Ms M M Wenger, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:**

With regard to the Pick n Pay Store Market Project:

- (1) Whether any due diligence was done before the inception of this project to determine the financial suitability of the stores and/or store owners; if not, why not; if so, (a) what are the relevant details, (b) what was the financial status of the stores and/or store owners and (c) can a copy of the report that proves due diligence was done be made available;
- (2) (a) what is the debt of each of the store owners and (b) how was it accumulated from the inception of the project to date?

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**PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions in this Question Paper are due on 9 September 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.**