

**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, 18 MARCH 2022

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

With reference to the roadmap developed for the implementation of five solar PV and wind energy projects:

(a) What is the (i) nature of the projects, (ii) envisioned locations, (iii) megawatt output, (iv) funding necessary to establish these projects and (v) estimated timeline and (2) who are the stakeholders, if any, who will be involved in each project?

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

With reference to the establishment of an SMME Booster Fund:

(a) How much has been allocated to this fund, (b) what are the criteria for applicants, (c) for which financial years has funding been made available for this fund and (d) how does his Department plan to create awareness about or market the fund to SMMEs in the Western Cape?

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

In relation to the funding of special needs schools:

(1) (a) What were the budget allocation to these schools in the (i) 2017/18, (ii) 2018/19, (iii) 2019/20, (iv) 2020/21 and (v) 2021/22 financial years, (b) on average, how much more funding is required per learner in comparison to those who attend conventional public schools;

- (2) (a) whether these schools are factored in the provincial equitable share formula; if not, what has her Department done to lobby the National Treasury to accommodate this funding?

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

With regard to scheduled maintenance done between the 2017/18 and 2021/22 financial years:

- (1) (a) What were the budget allocation in the (i) 2017/18, (ii) 2018/19, (iii) 2019/20, (iv) 2020/21 and (v) 2021/22 financial years and (b) of the schools that had requested maintenance in every year, how many had received the maintenance in the same year;
- (2) (a) whether there are plans to improve the maintenance plans in the province; if so, what are the relevant details?

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

Regarding the current vacancy of the Casidra Chief Executive Officer position:

- (a) What are the reasons for the current vacancy, (b) what (i) are the timelines and (ii) is the progress to date in the filling of this vacancy, (c) what is the estimated date for the filling of this vacancy and (d) what are the interim arrangements regarding the leadership position of Casidra?

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6. Mr D America to ask Mr D G Mitchell, Minister of Transport and Public Works:

Regarding the N86 route between Bellville and Paarl:

- (1) When will the decision be made regarding the operation and reopening of the N86 route;
- (2) whether any specific threats made by taxi associations in relation to the route have been brought to his attention; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether a copy of the legal opinion he had sought can be made available to the Standing Committee on Transport and Public Works?

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

With reference to frail-care facilities in the Western Cape:

- (1) What mitigation plan is in place to ensure that no patients are displaced as a result of frail-care centre closures;
- (2) whether there are any frail-care centres in the province currently earmarked for closure due to a lack of funds; if so, (a) what are the relevant details and (b) what mitigation plans are in place?

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8. Mr R I Allen to ask Ms A J D Marais, Acting Minister of Community Safety:

How many firearms in the Western Cape have been (a) lost and (b) stolen per South African Police Service station in the (i) 2017/18, (ii) 2018/19, (iii) 2019/20, (iv) 2020/21 and (v) 2021/22 financial years?

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9. Mr R I Allen to ask Ms A J D Marais, Acting Minister of Community Safety:

With regard to special operations undertaken by the SAPS in the province:

- (1) How many provincial operations has the South African Police Service undertaken in the (a) 2017/18, (b) 2018/19, (c) 2019/20, (d) 2020/21 and (e) 2021/22 financial years;
- (2) whether these operations were conducted with operational plans; if not, why not?

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

- (a) What is the number of (i) doctors, (ii) nurses and (iii) other healthcare workers who were employed to help respond to the COVID-19 pandemic whose contracts have not been renewed and (b) what is the detailed breakdown by (i) age, (ii) race, (iii) gender and (iv) hospital where they worked?

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

- (1) Whether his Department has started work on a targeted strategy for and approach to the informal economy; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) (a) what is his Department's definition of (i) informal economy and (ii) SMME and (b) which sectors of the Western economy are regarded as falling in either of the two;
- (3) (a) what engagements have he and his Department had with the informal sector and/or SMME bodies since he took office, (b) what are the (i) dates, (ii) names of organisations and (iii) attendance registers and agendas of these meetings and (b) can copies of the minutes and reports of these meetings be made available?

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

Whether his Department is implementing any strategy and/or programme or project with municipalities in the area of Local Economic Development; if not, why not; if so, (a) what are the relevant details, (b) including the (i) name, nature and latest report of the strategy and/or programme or project, (ii) budget allocation and the contributors, including the area of funding, (iii)(aa) name of the municipality and/or municipalities and (bb) direct institutional structure that implements the strategy and/or programme or project, (iv) coordination mechanism of such a strategy and/or programme or project, including the role clarification of those involved, (v) role of the private sector and the participation of the respective local communities in the stages of the strategy and/or

programme or project, if defined and provided for, and (vi) role of the provincial Department of Local Government in the respective strategy and/or programme or project?

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13. Ms N G Bakubaku-Vos to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health:

Whether her Department has any partnerships with the provincial Department of Social Development and the Department of Community Safety to address substance abuse in the province; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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

With regard to deliberations on the 2022 budget for Health in the Standing Committee meeting on 15 March 2022:

- (1) (a) What are the details of the budget allocation to the Khayelitsha District Hospital in (i) 2019/20, (ii) 2020/21, (iii) 2021/22 and (iv) 2022/23, (b) what is the budget increase for the Hospital in the new financial year to address challenges at the Hospital and to respond to many unfunded mandates and (c) how is this budget responding to the document that the Hospital's management submitted to the provincial government requesting additional funding;
- (2) (a) what is the budget allocation for the building of the Klipfontein Regional Hospital, (b) what are the detailed tasks that will be undertaken each year during the 2022 MTEF and (c) when will the Klipfontein Regional Hospital be completed and be fully operational?

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