

**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, 29 JANUARY 2021**

**1. Mr R D Mackenzie to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:**

With regard to the successful candidates of the Graduate Advancement Programme and the Premier's Advancement of Youth (PAY) Project in 2020 who were unable to participate in the programmes due to COVID-19 restrictions:

- (1) (a) What plans does his Department have for the placement of candidates in 2021 and (b) how many candidates will participate in the PAY Project in 2021;
- (2) whether those graduates recruited in 2020 will be appointed in 2021 or will the recruitment process start anew;
- (3) (a) when will the successful candidates of these programmes commence their activities and (b) where will the successful candidates be placed?

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**2. Mr R D Mackenzie to ask Mr A T Fritz, Minister of Community Safety:**

- (1) How many police officers (including administrative staff) have (a) tested positive and (b) recovered from COVID-19 at the (i) Mitchells Plain Police Station and (ii) Lentegour Police Station;
- (2) how many police officers have passed away as a result of COVID-19 at the (a) Mitchells Plain Police Station and (b) Lentegour Police Station;
- (3) what are the vacancy rates at the (a) Mitchells Plain Police Station and (b) Lentegour Police Station?

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**3. Ms L M Maseko to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Human Settlements:**

With regard to extortion and threats made to contractors and government officials relating to housing development in the province as was reporting in the *Cape Times* on 12 January 2021 (“Extortion racket, attacks derail housing delivery to beneficiaries”) and on 15 January 2021 (“‘Business forums’ fingered in alleged extortion of contractors”):

- (1) (a) What steps is his Department taking to address the extortion of contractors and the safety of workers, (b) what are the details, including time frames and objectives, of these steps and (c)(i) how many contracts does his Department have with the City of Cape Town Law Enforcement (CCT Law Enforcement), (ii) what is the status of each, (iii) how does the CCT Law Enforcement secure these sites and (vi) what steps have they taken to stop the extortion and threats against construction contractors and other workers;
- (2) how many reports of extortion took place in (a) 2014, (b) 2015, (c) 2016, (d) 2017, (e) 2018, (f) 2019 and (g) 2020;
- (3) whether there has been a decrease in the number of reported cases of extortion in response to the government’s actions; if not, why not; if so, what factors have led to the improvement;
- (4) (a) how many housing opportunities have been delayed by these criminal activities and (b) how many contracts have had to be terminated by his Department as a result of extortion delaying projects?

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**4. Ms L M Maseko to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Human Settlements:**

With regard to beneficiaries on the Housing Demand Database in the Western Cape and in the light of his Department’s prioritisation of the elderly and persons living with disabilities:

- (1) How many beneficiaries (a) are on the database, (b) are in the age group (i) 60–69, (ii) 70–79, (iii) 80–89 and (iv) 90 and older, (c) are persons living with disabilities and (d) over the age of 60 years have been on the Housing Demand Database for more than 10 years;
- (2) how many housing opportunities did his Department hand over to (a) persons over the age of 60 and (b) persons living with disabilities in (i) 2015, (ii) 2016, (iii) 2017, (iv) 2018, (v) 2019 and (vi) 2020?

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**5. Ms L M Maseko to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Human Settlements:**

With regard to housing opportunities in the City of Cape Town:

- (1) (a) What amount of the budget for housing in the Municipality has been used in the 2020/21 financial year, (b) what is the target for the number of housing opportunities that the metropolitan municipality aims to deliver in the 2020/21 financial year, (c) how many are (i) Breaking New Ground (BNG) developments, (ii) Finance-linked Individual Subsidy Programme (FLISP) housing, (iii) new rental units and (iv) non-credit linked housing developments;
- (2) whether the City of Cape Town is on track to fulfil its targets; if not, why not;

- (3) (a) what challenges has the City of Cape Town faced in delivering housing opportunities in the metropolitan area, (b) how many housing developments are currently under construction and (c) in what phase is each one of these developments currently?

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

With reference to the Minister's response on 11 December 2020 in which it was noted that the national Department of Public Works and Infrastructure has been delaying the finalisation of shelters identified for survivors of gender-based violence (GBV):

- (1) Whether there are any contingency plans put in place by her Department in case of any further delays; if so, what are the details;
- (2) what are the security plans that the national Department of Public Works and Infrastructure has in place now and once handover takes place;
- (3) (a) what is the process with regard to securing these services providers and (b) what is the time frame by when the service providers will most likely be secured;
- (4) what is the latest update, per shelter, for the achievement of the necessary repairs according to the snag list referenced in the aforementioned parliamentary reply?

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**7. Mr B N Herron to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:**

With regard to the Premier's announcement that the Western Cape Government (WCG) plans to procure COVID-19 vaccines:

- (1) (a) Which pharmaceutical companies or vaccine manufacturers is the WCG negotiating with or engaged in talks with about the direct procurement of a COVID-19 vaccine, (b) when did these negotiations commence, (c) which manufacturers or suppliers of COVID-19 vaccines have indicated that they are willing and able to supply the vaccine to the WCG, (d) what is the capacity in terms of the total number of vaccines available to the WCG from each vaccine manufacturer, (e) what is the pricing per vaccine dose of each product to the WCG, (f) how many vaccine doses does the WCG intend to procure itself, (g) what funding will the WCG allocate to the procurement vaccines directly, (h) what is the source of the funding, (i) what is the WCG's total anticipated budget allocation for COVID-19 vaccines and (j) what impact will the direct procurement of COVID-19 vaccines by the WCG have on the supply of vaccines to the South African national government;
- (2) whether the WCG also intend to participate in the national vaccination programme; if so, will the Province then have an excess supply of vaccines when it receives an allocation from the national supply after it has procured its own supply;
- (3) (a) what is the WCG's vaccination plan for the population of the province with the vaccine it procures directly and (b) how does this plan differ from or align with the national vaccination plan?

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**PLEASE NOTE:** The replies to the questions contained in this Question Paper are due on 12 February 2021. 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.