

**PARLIAMENT OF THE
PROVINCE OF THE
WESTERN CAPE**

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**QUESTION PAPER
ORAL REPLY**

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Note: * Indicates translated version.

THURSDAY, 22 MAY 2025

INTERPELLATIONS

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

(a) What are some of the important tasks that are dealt with at the meetings between him and the senior to top management team and (b) when did he last hold such meetings in the Department?

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2. Ms A Cassiem to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

With regard to an article published in the *Cape Argus* on 28 March 2025 titled “Racial bullying leads to arrest at De Kuilen High School amid rising cases in Western Cape”:

(a) What is his Department doing to address issues of racial bullying and violence in Western Cape public schools and (b) what are the repercussions for those found to be in the wrong?

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3. Mr B N Herron to ask Dr I H Meyer, Minister of Agriculture, Economic Development and Tourism:

What measures has the Western Cape Government implemented to regulate the working conditions and dignity of seasonal farmworkers, many of whom no longer live on the land?

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL REPLY

Questions standing over from Thursday, 24 April 2025, as agreed to by the House:

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

(a) What measures are in place to assist municipalities that do not have licensed waste facilities, (b) what is the time frame for these measures and (c) what is the (i) interim solution to assist municipalities and (ii) available budget?

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

(a) What steps has the Department implemented to safeguard water security given the lower-than-average rainfall projections for this winter season and (b) how are municipalities being supported with the implementation of these management strategies during this period?

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New questions:

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

- (1) What specific activities are undertaken by his Department, in respect of the mandate of Programme 3: Trade and Sector Development, to confront the evidently illegality of the employment of illegal immigrants in the province, specifically in the construction (exposed by findings from George building collapse), tourism, retail, agriculture and hospitality industries;
- (2) whether his Department has taken up this matter with industry captains and/or industry bodies; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) what is the number of lost job opportunities that would have fallen to the citizens of the province?

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2. Mr D G Jacobs to ask Dr I Meyer, Minister of Agriculture, Economic Development and Tourism:

- (1) How many foreign nationals have trading permits in the province;
- (2) whether there are plans to prioritise Western Cape citizens in economic development plans; if so, what are the relevant details?

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

With regard to reports indicating, among others, corruption and undue influences in the Theewaterskloof, Swellendam and Matzikama municipalities:

Whether he and his Department have intervened; if so, (a) when and (b) what are the interventions?

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4. Mr B N Herron to ask Dr I Meyer, Minister of Agriculture, Economic Development and Tourism:

Over the 2025 MTEF period, R43,789 billion has been allocated to the Growth for Jobs Strategy (G4J Strategy), which sets an ambitious annual economic growth target of 4% to 6%:

(a) What success, if any, has the G4J Strategy, adopted in 2023, achieved since being implemented, (b) what internal benchmarks or review mechanisms have been established to assess its effectiveness and to ensure that targets are met and (c) how is progress being measured beyond economic projections?

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5. Mr F C Christians to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

With regard to “authorised learners” approved by his Department’s head office to be transported on a learner transport route:

(a) How many learners have been approved by his Department for 2025 and (b) how is the transport of learners managed to ensure that only “authorised learners” are transported?

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6. Mr F C Christians to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

(a) What is the current rate of pregnancies among school-going girls and (b) how have the current statistics added to the school drop-out rate?

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7. Mr B N Herron to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:

(1) How much has been cut or reduced from the (a) Human Settlements Development Grant (HSDG) and (b) Informal Settlements Upgrading Partnership Grant (ISUPG) in the last two financial years;

(2) whether a formal intergovernmental dispute has been lodged with reference to the recent R300 million cut to the HSDG and the ISUPG; if so, what is the nature of the dispute;

(3) whether the dispute has been resolved; if so, how?

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

With reference to the Western Cape Department of Social Development’s commitment to assist and collaborate with the South African Social Security Agency (Sassa):

(a) What specific efforts or programmes has his Department engaged in collaboratively with Sassa to support vulnerable beneficiaries and (b)(i) what support, if any, has his Department provided to aid the migration process relating to the Sassa Gold Card system and (ii) how is his Department assisting beneficiaries in this regard?

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9. Prof N Mbombo to ask Mr I M Sileku, Minister of Mobility:

(a) What role has his Department played in Prasa’s line restoration efforts and (b) what discussions did he have with Prasa to align these efforts with the Province’s transport goals?

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10. Mr M Booysen to ask Ms M M Wenger, Minister of Health and Wellness:

What are the details of the programme involving an investment of R119 million to launch new and replacement mobile clinics?

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

What kind of support does his Department provide to hung councils across the Western Cape?

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