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HOUSE: 14:15

INTERPELLATIONS

QUESTIONS

STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS

MOTIONS

FURTHER BUSINESS

NOTICES OF MOTION

- 1. Mr F C Christians: That the House debates the increase in the crime rate under lockdown level 3.
- 2. Mr L L Mvimbi: That the House debates the DA's obsession with race, as it just got rid of another DA mayor in Oudtshoorn, namely Calon Sylvester.
- 3. Mr F C Christians: That the House debates the number of COVID-19 cases at Western Cape schools.
- 4. Mr M K Sayed: That the House discusses the growing number of Western Cape schools affected by the rampant spread of the coronavirus.
- 5. Mr F C Christians: That the House debates the readiness of hospitals for when the Western Cape hits its peak with COVID-19.
- 6. Ms N D Nkondlo: That the House calls on the provincial Department of Economic Development to investigate and report to the Ad-hoc Committee on the impact of COVID-19 on the local and regional economies in the province and on the protective measures taken and economic recovery plans put in place to support these economies during and post-COVID-19.

- 7. Ms N D Nkondlo: That the House notes that on 3 June 2020 COSATU reported to the Department of Employment and Labour a case of non-compliance by Darling Romery (Pty) Ltd, 5 Caledon Street in Darling, where it is alleged that two positive COVID-19 cases were spotted and that the company continued business as usual, operating with no sanitisers, no social distancing and no protective masks, the basic requirements of health and safety in workspaces; further notes that the Department of Employment and Labour, following its investigation on 4 June 2020, found non-compliance and served Darling Romery with enforcement notices; and calls on the provincial Department of Economic Development and Tourism to direct its efforts towards enforcing compliance with health and safety, including its guidelines for workspaces and by setting clear targets for industries in order to flatten the curve, in its drive to opening the economy while protecting the lives of vulnerable workers from the reckless behaviour of companies.
- 8. Ms P Z Lekker: That the House notes that the heartless DA-run City of Cape Town removed two marquee tents taken down by law enforcement that were put up by Observatory resident Terna Gyuse as a heavy rain shelter for homeless people during the present cold and wet stormy conditions.
- 9. Ms P Z Lekker: That the House notes the theme of the campaign against the pandemic of racism is now "I can't breathe", which has been added to the Black Lives Matter global campaign; and further notes this theme has also sprung up in the Western Cape.
- 10. Ms D M Baartman: That the House notes that at least 112 000 accommodation-sector jobs will be lost in the Western Cape by the end of the year unless the national government does more to safeguard and stimulate the tourism industry; further notes that South Africa's tourism industry contributes nearly 9% to the entire country's economy, with many thousands of families depending on tourism, with many professionals standing to lose their income and with many service providers already suffering; and urges the national government to open the tourism industry safely with a phased approach in time for the beginning of the tourism season and before jobs are lost.
- 11. Mr M Kama: That the House notes that the presentation by the Department of the Premier and the Department of Community Safety on the Western Cape Safety Strategy once again exposed that the R1 billion plan is still to be seen; further notes that only a 1 000 of the promised 3 000 additional law enforcement officers be will deployed; and calls on the Western Cape to end its obsession with its own police force and rather to join hands in the development of an integrated safety plan for radical socio-economic transformation and urban redesign, instead of just putting more "boots on the ground".
- 12. Mr M Kama: That the House notes that the Western Cape Safety Plan has yet to make gender-based violence deservedly a priority in the province; and calls on this provincial government to make serious haste as more killings are recorded almost daily.
- 13. Mr M K Sayed: That the House notes that the provincial Department of Education acknowledged that 66 staff members had been infected with the coronavirus in the first week since schools reopened, and that it has affected 32 schools.
- 14. Mr M K Sayed: That the House notes that the Bloekombos High School in Kraaifontein has been vandalised by criminals last night; further notes that this is one of the schools that is regularly plundered as the fence is not up to scratch; and calls on the WCED to act swiftly to update the safety of poor schools and not to ignore pleas for assistance.

- 15. Mr M K Sayed: That the House notes the concern expressed by staff and parents about school buildings that are merely disinfected and not put under quarantine or lockdown after COVID-19 outbreaks; further notes that staff feel pressurised to go back to work immediately in the same buildings even before they have been properly cleaned, as at the Intsebenziswano Secondary School in Philippi where four teachers and two cleaners tested positive and at the Vuyiseka Secondary School in Philippi East; and calls on the WCED to assist people to understand the process better.
- 16. Mr M K Sayed: That the House lauds learners at former model C schools, such as Rustenburg and Milnerton, as well as at private schools, such as Bishops, for coming out against racism; and calls on the WCED not to allow any school to operate like an island.
- 17. Mr M K Sayed moved: That the House notes that the School Governing Body of the Lukela Primary School closed the school as key components of the health and safety regulations for reopening were not ensured by the WCED; further notes that the ANC has long been warning of the failure to fix broken fences, because it not only places our schools in poor communities at the mercy of criminals, but now during COVID-19 it also compromises attempts to do proper screening and to control those who enter schools; and calls on the WCED to fix the broken fences at all schools at risk without delay.