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Department of Police Oversight and Community Safety
WESTERN CAPE

**RE: PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE: SECOND SESSION,
SEVENTH PARLIAMENT: QUESTION PAPER NO. 21 – 2025: FRIDAY, 14 NOVEMBER
2025: WRITTEN REPLY: QUESTION 21**

Your correspondence dated 14 November 2025, under reference 36/1/4/1 (20250130), refers.

Herewith attached, the requested feedback.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Te Patekile (Adv)'.

LIEUTENANT GENERAL
PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER: WESTERN CAPE
TE PATEKILE (ADV)

Date: 2025-12-05

Parliament of the Province of the Western Cape
Second Session, Seventh Parliament
Question Paper No. 21 – 2025
Friday, 14 November 2025
Written Reply

21. Ms B M van Minnen to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

- (1) (a) What is the number of reported extortion-related crimes for each SAPS precinct in the Western Cape during the 2024/25 financial year and (b) what targeted interventions have been implemented in these high-incidence areas;
- (2) (a) how many arrests have been made in connection with extortion cases in the province since 1 April 2024 and (b) how many convictions have been secured;
- (3) (a) what extortion-related crimes have been recorded and (b) what is the total estimated value of the economic loss linked to these crimes;
- (4) (a) how many extortion cases in the province have been linked to organised criminal gangs and (b) what proportion of these are under investigation by specialised organised crime units;
- (5) (a) how many dedicated SAPS task teams are currently operating in the province to combat extortion, (b) what are their areas of deployment and (c) what budget has been allocated to these teams in the 2024/25 financial year;
- (6) (a) how many extortion-related cases remain under investigation in the Western Cape and (b) what measures are in place to reduce investigative backlogs?

THE MINISTER OF POLICE OVERSIGHT AND COMMUNITY SAFETY WAS INFORMED AS FOLLOWS:

The reply of the South African Police Service (SAPS):

21. (1)(a) Extortion crimes per SAPS precinct (excluding stations where no extortion occurred)

STATION	Cases
Ashton	1
Athlone	6
Atlantis	27
Beaufort West	1
Belhar	7
Bellville	15

STATION	Cases
Bellville South	1
Bishop Lavis	1
Bothasig	4
Brackenfell	7
Bredasdorp	7
Caledon	1
Camps Bay	3
Cape Town Central	19
Ceres	11
Citrusdal	1
Claremont	3
Cloetesville	1
Conville	1
Da Gamaskop	2
De Doorns	7
Delft	22
Dieprivier	8
Durbanville	6
Elsies River	13
Fish Hoek	4
Franschhoek	2
George	8
Goodwood	11
Gordons Bay	2
Grabouw	5
Grassy Park	7
Gugulethu	21
Harare	8
Hermanus	4
Hout Bay	3
Kensington	3
Khayelitsha	13
Kirstenhof	3
Klapmuts	1
Kleinmond	2
Kleinvlei	17
Knysna	2
Kraaifontein	23
Kuilsrivier	11

STATION	Cases
Kwanokuthula	5
Kwanonqaba	1
Langa	2
Langebaan	1
Lansdowne	4
Lentegeur	4
Lingelethu-West	8
Lwandle	1
Macassar	1
Maitland	4
Makhaza	5
Malmesbury	7
Manenberg	3
Melkbosstrand	1
Mfuleni	36
Milnerton	25
Mitchells Plain	14
Moorreesburg	6
Mossel Bay	2
Mowbray	2
Muizenberg	2
Nyanga	8
Ocean View	1
Paarl	3
Paarl East	5
Parow	5
Philippi	3
Philippi East	16
Pinelands	3
Plettenberg Bay	1
Robertson	5
Samora Machel	9
Sea Point	2
Simon'S Town	1
Somerset West	6
St Helena Bay	6
Stanford	3
Steenberg	6
Stellenbosch	15

STATION	Cases
Strand	5
Strandfontein	1
Table Bay Harbour	3
Table View	21
Thembalethu	6
Villiersdorp	1
Vredenburg	3
Vredendal	1
Wellington	2
Wolseley	1
Woodstock	1
Worcester	11
Wynberg	1
TOTAL	614

(b) The station's Crime Intelligence (CI) and the local Crime Information Management and Analysis Centre (CIMAC) work in close collaboration to identify individuals and groups involved in extortion activities in their respective policing precincts. Operational deployments and related activities are informed by the threats and intelligence emerging from this joint analysis. Regular intelligence-driven operations and daily patrols are conducted in identified extortion hotspot areas. In addition, local spaza shops are frequently visited to enhance police visibility.

(2) (a) Arrests - 331

(b) Convictions - 1

(3) (a) Murder, Attempted Murder, Business Robbery, Kidnapping, Intimidation

(b) R10 751 040.00

(4) (a) At present, no verified information or conclusive evidence is available linking extortion cases in the province to organised criminal gangs. Investigative and intelligence structures continue to assess available case information; however, no formal linkage meeting evidentiary requirements has been established to date.

(b) Although the linkage to criminal gangs is ongoing certain extortion groupings are investigated by dedicated provincial detectives.

(5) (a) The SAPS employs an integrated, multi-disciplinary approach involving Visible Policing, Crime Intelligence, and Detective Services. These components work jointly through coordinated operations, information sharing, and targeted investigations to address extortion-related threats across the province.

(b) The multi-disciplinary approach covers the Western Cape Province.

(c) The funding utilised for extortion-related operations is drawn from the existing operational budgets of both Visible Policing and Detective Services. No separate or ring-fenced budget allocation exists for this purpose.

(6) (a) 571

(b) Experienced and dedicated Investigating officers have been assigned to address extortion related cases within the Provincial Detectives.



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