PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

QUESTION PAPER ORAL REPLY

THURSDAY, 24 APRIL 2025

14. Ms A P Bans to ask Mr R D Mackenzie, Minister of Cultural Affairs and Sport:

(a) What has been his Department's investment in sport and recreation in the Central Karoo in the past three years and (b) how much will be invested in the current financial year?

Response:

14. (a) Over the past three financial years, the Department has made strategic investments in sport and recreation development within the Central Karoo District by committing approximately R8.2 million, targeting federations, school sport, recreation, club development, major events, high performance, and the empowerment of women and girls in sport.

Key areas of investment have included support for a wide range of sport and recreation activities, notably in rugby, football, dance sport, hockey, netball, softball, tennis, athletics, bodybuilding, equestrian, baseball, and karate. A detailed breakdown of the department's investment per year is provided in Annex A.

14 (b) For the current financial year (2025–2026), the department remains committed to sustaining its support for sport development in the Central Karoo District, with the following proposed allocations:

• Federation Support:

7 federations will be supported with an allocation of **R370,000**.

• Major Event Support:

It is proposed that 8 events will be supported in the district, with an estimated investment of **R415,000**.

The Department remains committed to the continued development of sport in the Central Karoo, with an emphasis on inclusion, excellence, and long-term sustainability. The investments made have already yielded positive impact and will continue to strengthen the region's sport development framework in 2025–2026 and beyond.

Annex A

Federation Support:

A total of **R1.23 million** has been transferred to federations operating within the Central Karoo District over the past three years to support grassroots sport, development programmes, and capacity building:

- 2022–2023: 8 federations supported with **R360,000**
- 2023–2024: 9 federations supported with **R370,000**
- 2024–2025: 10 federations supported with **R500,000**

The detailed breakdown below:

2022-23 Fin/Year

No	Federations	Amount Allocation
1	Central Karoo Baseball	R30,000.00
2	Central Karoo Dance Sport	R50,000.00
3	Central Karoo Hockey	R30,000.00
4	Central Karoo Netball	R60,000.00
5	Central Karoo Softball	R40,000.00
6	Central Karoo Tennis	R40,000.00
7	Central Karoo Athletics	R40,000.00
8	Central Karoo Rugby	R30,000.00
9	Bodybuilding	R40,000.00

2023-24 Fin/Year

No	Federations	Amount Allocated
1	Central Karoo Dance	R40,000.00
2	Central Karoo Softball	R40,000.00
3	Central Karoo Baseball	R30,000.00
4	Central Karoo Rugby	R30,000.00
5	Central Karoo Netball	R60,000.00
6	Central Karoo Tennis	R40,000.00
7	Central Karoo Equestrian	R20,000.00
8	CK Athletics	R40,000.00
9	CK Bodybuilding	R40,000.00
10	CK Hockey	R30,000.00

2024-25 Fin/Year

No Federations	Amount Allocated
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1	Central Karoo Baseball	R40,000.00
2	Central Karoo Dance Sport	R50,000.00
3	Central Karoo Equestrian	R30,000.00
4	Central Karoo Hockey	R40,000.00
5	Central Karoo Karate	R30,000.00
6	Central Karoo Netball	R60,000.00
7	Central Karoo Rugby	R50,000.00
8	Central Karoo SAFA	R50,000.00
9	Central Karoo Softball	R50,000.00
10	Central Karoo Tennis	R50,000.00
11	Central Karoo Athletics	R50,000.00

School Sport and Recreation:

Over the past three years, the Department has significantly invested in sport and recreation in the Central Karoo District, committing R2,186,136 in the 2024/25 financial year alone. This funding supports the implementation of structured programmes across 24 centres, employing 44 coaches and staff. The investment includes:

- R2,030,136 in coach and staff stipends, enabling consistent delivery of sport activities.
- R156,000 in Service Level Agreements to 13 MOD centres to ensure effective coordination and management.

Importantly, over the past three years, sport development programmes have reached and positively impacted 10,480 participants across the Central Karoo District. These programmes not only provide access to structured sport and recreational opportunities but also create safe and supportive spaces for youth participation, growth, and development.

This sustained investment reflects the Department's commitment to fostering youth development, promoting healthy lifestyles, and strengthening social cohesion through sport in rural and historically underserved areas.

SPORT DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT IN CENTRAL KAROO 2024/25							
Programme	No. Of Centres	Centre Name	No. of Coaches/Staff	Coaches Stipends Per Month	Coaches Stipends Per/Year	Service Level Agreements	Total
		a.h. barnard primêre skool	3	R10 253,00	R123 036,00	R12 000,00	
		acacia primêre skool	3	R10 253,00	R123 036,00	R12 000,00	
		BASTIAANSE SEKONDÊR	3	R13 011,00	R156 132,00	R12 000,00	
		BEAUFORT-WES SEKONDÊR	3	R11 632,00	R139 584,00	R12 000,00	
		GEORGE FREDERICKS PRIMÊRE SKOOL	2	R5 916,00	R70 992,00	R12 000,00	
		laingsburg hoërskool	1	R4 337,00	R52 044,00	R12 000,00	
MOD	13	LEEU GAMKA PRIMÊRE SKOOL	2	R7 295,00	R87 540,00	R12 000,00	
		JOHN D CRAWFORD PRIMÊRE SKOOL	3	R14 390,00	R172 680,00	R12 000,00	
		PRINS ALBERT PRIMÊRE SKOOL	2	R7 295,00	R87 540,00	R12 000,00	
		ZW ARTBERG HOËRSKOOL	2	R7 295,00	R87 540,00	R12 000,00	
		MURRAYSBURG HOËRSKOOL	1	R2 958,00	R35 496,00	R12 000,00	
		MURRAYSBURG PRIMARY SCHOOL	2	R7 295,00	R87 540,00	R12 000,00	
		restvale met primêre skool	3	R10 253,00	R123 036,00	R12 000,00	
	ols 7	BEAUFORT WEST PRIMÊRE SKOOL	1	R2 958,00	R35 496,00		
		H.M. DLIKIDLA PRIMARY SCHOOL	1	R2 958,00	R35 496,00		
		KLAWERVLEI PRIMÊRE SKOOL	1	R2 958,00	R35 496,00		
Neighbouring Schools		MANDLENKOSI SECONDARY SCHOOL	1	R2 958,00	R35 496,00		
		matjiesfontein lb primêre skool	0	R0,00	R0,00		
		ST. MATTHEWS PRIMÊRE SKOOL	1	R5 716,00	R68 592,00		
		TESKE GEDENK PRIMÊRE SKOOL	1	R2 958,00	R35 496,00		
	3	KWAMANDLENKOSI RECREATION CENTRE	2	R6 145,00	R73 740,00		
Recreation		LAINGSBURG RECREATION CENTRE	2	R6 145,00	R73 740,00		
		LEEU GAMKA RECREATION CENTRE	2	R6 145,00	R73 740,00		
Shared Facility	1	BEAUFORT WEST SHARED FACILITY	2	R18 054,00	R216 648,00		
Total	24		44	R169 178,00	R2 030 136,00	R156 000,00	R2 186 136,00

Sport Academy Support:

The Sport Academy System has been instrumental in supporting federations through coaching and testing services, particularly as part of a talent identification programme. This included direct support to the following sport codes in the Central Karoo:

- Athletics
- Volleyball
- Softball
- Tennis

These interventions aimed to identify and nurture emerging talent with the potential to advance through the high-performance pipeline.

Education & Training:

A total of 43 coaches from the Central Karoo were trained across various sport codes, including netball, softball, athletics, hockey, baseball, and tennis. Courses delivered included Netball South Africa Level 1 and a High-Performance Workshop, which covered a wide range of topics related to advanced coaching methodologies, athlete development, and sport science.

Financial Year	
2024/25	R2 186 136,00
2023/24	R2 186 136,00
2022/23	R2 186 136,00
Total	R6 558 408,00

High-Performance Support:

Two athletes from the Central Karoo Equestrian Club received R20,000 in support to participate in the Jordan Championships in January 2025, reflecting the department's commitment to nurturing high-performance athletes from rural regions.

Support to Women and Girls:

In addition to broader development funding, targeted support was provided to Central Karoo Netball. The federations received R8,964.25 in 2022 for trophies and medals to host a netball event from 29 April to 1 May 2022, promoting participation and recognition for women and girls in sport.

Major Event Support:

A total of 16 major sport events in the Central Karoo were supported over the past three years, with a collective investment of R430,000 to foster community engagement, participation, and talent identification.

2022/23 Fin/Year - R150 000

	FEDERATION	NAME OF EVENT
1	Central Karoo Baseball	Central Karoo Siyadlala Baseball Festival
2	Central Karoo Athletics	Beaufort West Marathon
3	Central Karoo Sport Council	Sport Awards
4	Central Karoo Netball	Western Cape Provincial Champs
5	Central Karoo Hockey	Club Championships Tournament

2023/24 Fin/Year - R130 000

	FEDERATION	NAME OF EVENT
1	SWD Athletics	Laingsburg Marathon
2	SWD Athletics	Beaufort West Marathon
3	Central Karoo Softball	Provincial Club Championships
4	Central Karoo Netball	5 a-side Inter-District Tournament
5	Central Karoo Tennis	Mixed Tennis Event
6	Prince Albert Journey to Jazz	
	Festival	Journey to Jazz Festival

2024/25 Fin/Year - R150 000

	FEDERATION	NAME OF EVENT		
1		Western Cape Tentpegging		
	Central Karoo Equestrian	Championships		
2	Central Karoo Hockey	Club Champions Tournament		
3	Central Karoo Sport Council	Sport Awards		
4	Central Karoo Tennis	Central Karoo Mixed Doubles		
5	Central Karoo Baseball	Manenekazi Central Karoo Baseball Event		