

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

QUESTION PAPER

WRITTEN REPLY

Note: * Indicates translated version.

FRIDAY, 25 JULY 2025

1. Mr D G Jacobs to ask Ms D M Baartman, Minister of Finance:

How much did she claim for (a) transport and (b) accommodation for duties performed during the 2024/25 financial year?

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

With reference to the reply to question 5 of 13 June 2025:

- (1) (a) What was the nature of the public-private partnership (PPP) proposed for the office accommodation as defined by the definition of a “public private partnership” in Treasury Regulation 16, (b)(i) when did the Western Cape Government (WCG) register the PPP with the National Treasury and (ii) what are the details in terms of the Regulations, (c)(i) when did the WCG commence with the “Feasibility Study – Treasury Approval: I”, (ii) who conducted the feasibility study and (iii) when was the feasibility study completed and (d) what are the details of the failure the proposed PPP to meet the “affordability” criterion as part of the “value for money” criteria;
- (2) whether the WCG contracted with a “private party” for the purposes of the PPP; if not, how did the PPP project that the development costs of the PPP would be R1,1 billion; if so, (a) which private party was contracted and (b) how was the party procured;
- (3) when did the WCG decide to cancel the PPP?

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3. Ms B M van Minnen to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:

With regard to the First Thursday Initiative:

- (1) (a) How many events has his Department hosted since June 2024 and (b) how many individuals have been assisted at each event to date;
- (2) whether the Department maintains records of the types of enquiries received during these events; if so, (a) what are the top five most common types of enquiries and (b) with which departments are they associated;
- (3) since the inception of the initiative, how has it improved or evolved in terms of reach, impact and service delivery?

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

- (a) What capacity-building initiatives has his Department undertaken to support (i) councillors and (ii) municipal officials in improving governance and service delivery over the last two financial years, (b)(i) if such initiatives have not yet been implemented, are there any plans in the pipeline, (ii) what are the details thereof, (iii) what are the expected timelines and (iv) what are the objectives and (c)(i) what has been the total cost of these initiatives to date or (ii) what is the projected budget for the planned interventions?

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5. Mr L D van Wyk to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

- (1) Whether his Department has recorded any incidents of vandalism, theft or damage to infrastructure at public schools across the province during the June 2025 school holiday; if so, (a) what is the comprehensive breakdown of the reported incidents, (b) what is the total number of incidents recorded, (c) what is a brief description of each incident, (d) what are the specific items and infrastructure that were damaged or stolen, (e) what is the estimated cost of the damages, (f) what are the names of the affected schools, (g) in which areas are the schools located and (h) in which education districts did the incidents occur;
- (2) whether his Department has identified any schools as high-risk schools for holiday-related vandalism; if so, what targeted interventions were implemented at those schools;
- (3) whether any arrests have been made or investigations initiated in connection with these incidents; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) what role, if any, do community policing forums, neighbourhood watches or other community-based safety structures play in assisting his Department?

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6. Mr D J Wessels to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:

With reference to the career-building opportunities advertised on the Department of Infrastructure's website, namely the Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP), the Masakh'iSizwe Bursary Programme, the National Youth Service (NYS), the Contractor Development Programme and the Youth in the Built Environment Programme:

(a) How many applications were received from residents in the province for each programme, (b) how many opportunities were granted to successful applicants for each programme in (i) 2022/23, (ii) 2023/24, (iii) 2024/25 and (iv) 2025/26 to date, (c) of those granted opportunities in each programme, how many were awarded to (i) males and (ii) females, (d) what was the total cost incurred by his Department for each programme from the 2022/23 financial year to date and (e) what measurable outcomes have been achieved through each programme from 2022 to date in terms of (i) skills development, (ii) certification or qualifications awarded and (iii) employment placements whether (aa) temporary or (bb) permanent?

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

- (1) (a) What programmes, initiatives or partnerships has his Department implemented, either directly or in collaboration with external stakeholders, to promote women empowerment and to enhance the participation of women in the transport and mobility-related economic sectors in the province from the 2020/21 to the 2024/25 financial year, (b) for each programme, initiative or partnership identified in (a) above, (i) what is the name of the programme, initiative or partnership, (ii) what is a brief description of its (aa) purpose and (bb) scope, (iii) what is the number of women who have benefited from it, (d) what are the years in which the programme, initiative or partnership was active or was planned to be implemented and (e) what is the total cost incurred by his Department for the implementation of the programmes, initiatives or partnerships in (i) 2020/21, (ii) 2021/22, (iii) 2022/23, (iv) 2023/24 and (v) 2024/25;
- (2) whether there are any new or upcoming programmes, initiatives or partnerships specifically targeted at improving gender equity and the economic inclusion of women in the mobility sector for the 2025/26 financial year; if so, what are the relevant details?

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8. Mr M K Sayed to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

Whether a new principal has been appointed for the Zwaanswyk High School; if not, why not; if so, when will he or she commence duty?

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

- (a) (i) What were the reasons for his recent travel to Europe and (ii) what were the dates of his travel, (b)(i) with whom did he meet and (ii) what were the reasons for each meeting, (c) what contribution did he and his Department make to ensure the safe return of South African children who were stranded in Portugal and (d) what contribution did the national government make in this regard?

(364)

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

- (a) What concrete programmes is his Department currently implementing to address food insecurity, especially in high-risk areas, (b) where are these programmes located geographically and (c) how are they distributed between urban and rural areas?

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11. Mr M B Ngqentsu to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

Whether there is a Multi-stakeholder Crime Strategy in place to ensure that children get to school safely and that they are safe while they are at school; if so, what are the relevant details?

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PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions in this Question Paper are due on 8 August 2025. 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.