

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

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**QUESTION PAPER**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

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Note: \* Indicates translated version.

**FRIDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2024**

**1. Mr A P van der Westhuizen to ask Dr I H Meyer, Minister of Agriculture:**

In relation to extension services provided by his Department to producers:

(a) How many (i) land-reform farms and (ii) emerging farms benefit from extension services, (b) what services does this include, (c) how does the provision of such services contribute to the commercial success of farmers in these categories, (d) what is the percentage of (i) land-reform-farm and (ii) emerging-farm projects that are commercially viable in the province receive support from his Department, (e) how does this compare with the national rate and (f) how many workers are employed on these commercially viable farms?

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**2. Mr A P van der Westhuizen to ask Mr A W Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning:**

With regard to the temporary closure of nature reserves or sections of nature reserves to the public:

- (1) (a) At what management level in CapeNature are decisions made to close nature reserves temporarily and (b) in terms of what legislation are these decisions made;
- (2) whether there are objective and measurable criteria upon which such decisions are based; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) (a) what are the reasons for the temporary closure of nature reserves to the public, (b) how are these decisions communicated and (c) to whom are the decisions communicated;
- (4) (a) to what extent are the members of the CapeNature Board informed or consulted regarding the closing or opening of public access to nature reserves or sections of nature reserves or trails in nature reserves?

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**PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions in this Question Paper are due on 8 March 2024. 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.**