

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

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QUESTION PAPER

WRITTEN REPLY

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FRIDAY, 4 APRIL 2025

1. Ms P Z Lekker to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

Whether there are any LEAP officers deployed in the areas of (a) Philippi and (b) Philippi East; if not, why not; if so, what is the total number of the officers deployed?

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2. Ms P Z Lekker to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:

With regard to the recent human settlement project on erf 448 in Nyanga East:

- (1) Whether any investigation was conducted into the reasons for the delays that took place on the site; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) (a) what is the number of units that are illegally occupied and (b) what is the impact of the illegal occupation on the project;
- (3) whether his Department conducted an investigation into the reasons for the illegal occupation; if so, what are the relevant details?

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

- (1) (a) How many (i) Breaking New Ground (BNG) and (ii) Finance-linked Individual Subsidy Programme (FLISP) housing units have been completed in the 2024/25 financial year, (b) which projects were they and (c) what were the respective targets of the housing projects completed in the 2024/25 financial year;
- (2) (a) how many title deeds have been transferred to beneficiaries across all the completed housing projects, (b) how many beneficiaries per completed project are still waiting for title deed transfers, (c) when were the projects completed and (d) what is the total number of housing units that have yet to be transferred to beneficiaries;

- (3) (a) how many informal settlements were upgraded in the 2024/25 financial year and (b) what was the upgrade target for the 2024/25 financial year;
- (4) whether the target in (3)(b) above was met; if not, why not;
- (5) (a) how many serviced sites have been delivered in the 2024/25 financial year, (b) which serviced sites are those and (c) what was the target for 2024/25?

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4. Mr B N Herron to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

With reference to his reply to question 3 of 7 February 2025:

- (1) (a) In the 2024/25 original budget, what portion (amount) of the Cost of Employment was allocated to funding educator posts and (b) on how many educator posts was this allocation based;
- (2) (a) with respect to the Minister's answer that the adjusted budget for the 2024/25 financial year allocated R19,954 billion for the Cost of Employment for Educators, (i) how is this amount arrived at and (ii) with R14,981 billion being spent between 1 April and 31 December 2024, what was the total expenditure for the full financial year and (b) given the "savings" from teacher cuts in 2025, (i) how has this changed the Cost of Employment budget over the MTEF period and (ii) why has the Cost of Employment still increased?

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

With reference to his reply to question 2 of 7 March 2025:

- (1) What were the reasons given to the beneficiary for the delay in the transfer of this military veteran house in the Blue Downs Project;
- (2) whether the conveyancers who have been appointed to do the transfer received any payment of their fee for the transfer; if so, (a) why, (b) what will his Department do to resolve this unduly delayed transfer, (c) when does his Department expect transfer to be completed and (d) what steps will his Department take if the transfer does not take place in the expected time period;
- (3) whether his Department has a policy, standard operating procedure or executive instruction outlining when title deed transfers and the handover of housing titles to beneficiaries should occur; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) how many of the housing units in this military veterans' housing project have not yet been transferred to the beneficiaries?

(112)

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

With regard to the processing, recycling and disposal of waste tyres in the Western Cape:

- (1) (a) How many facilities currently exist in the province for the (i) processing, (ii) recycling and (iii) disposal of waste tyres, (b) where are these facilities located and (c) what is the capacity of each facility;

- (2) (a) which entity or sphere of government is responsible for the management and oversight of these facilities and (b) what mechanisms are in place to ensure compliance with environmental regulations;
- (3) (a) what is the total volume of waste tyres processed, recycled and disposed of in the province annually and (b) how does this compare to the volume of waste tyres generated;
- (4) whether there are any plans to expand or improve waste tyre processing, recycling and disposal infrastructure in the province; if so, what are the (a) timelines and (b) budgets for these plans;
- (5) (a) what partnerships, if any, exist with private sector stakeholders to manage waste tyres and (b) what are the outcomes of these partnerships?

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7. Mr N P Masipa to ask Dr I H Meyer, Minister of Agriculture, Economic Development and Tourism:

In the light of the recent reversal of restrictions on cannabis products:

- (1) (a) What specific plans does the Western Cape have to support and regulate the cannabis industry in the province, (b) how does his Department intend to collaborate with the national government to ensure coherent policy implementation and (c) what economic opportunities are being explored for cannabis cultivation and processing in the province;
- (2) (a) what current initiatives exist to support the (i) industrial hemp and (ii) medicinal cannabis industries in the province and (b) what amount in the budget for the 2025/26 financial year has been allocated to the development of these sectors?

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8. Mr L D van Wyk to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

- (1) (a) How many safety-related incidents have been recorded at schools in the province since the beginning of 2025 and (b) what progress has been made by the SAPS in investigating these cases;
- (2) whether details can be provide on specific cases, such as the (a) recent shooting near a school in Kraaifontein and (b) alleged extortion of teachers, including (i) the status of these investigations and (ii) any actions taken;
- (3) what measures are being implemented (a) to improve safety at schools and (b) to protect learners and educators from threats, such as extortion and violent crimes?

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

- (1) Whether there were any engagement between his Department and the national Department of Human Settlements prior to the R300 million budget cut for Human Settlements; if so, what actions followed;
- (2) (a) which housing developments will be affected by the budget cut and (b) how many housing units will no longer be delivered as a result;

- (3) (a) what is the current backlog in the handover of title deeds in the province and
(b) what measures are in place to improve the turnaround time;
- (4) what is the broader ripple effect of the R300 million budget cut on infrastructure projects, housing allocations and service delivery in affected communities?

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10. Ms W F Kaizer-Philander to ask Mr J J Londt, Minister of Social Development:

With regard to attacks on social workers:

- (a) How many attacks on social workers have been recorded in the past 12 months, (b) how many of these cases are being investigated by the South African Police Service, (c) in which areas were these attacks, (d) how many social workers have resigned after being attacked and (e)(i) what were the deliberations with the SAPS Provincial Priority Committee regarding these attacks and (ii) what were the subsequent interventions?

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11. Mr T C R Walters to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

- (a) How many drug houses in the province are the SAPS currently aware of, (b) how many drug houses in the province has the SAPS shut down in the last 12 months and (c) of these, (i) how many had links to organised crime, (ii) how many were located in the Cape Town metropolitan area and (iii) how many were in rural areas?

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12. Ms A P Bans to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

What is the total cost of training for (a) a police officer, (b) those who receive special training and (c) a detective?

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13. Ms A P Bans to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

- (a) (i) What is the number of CCTV cameras on national roads in the province and (ii) what is the breakdown per road, (b) how many of these cameras are (i) owned by the state and (ii) privately owned and (c) what are the details of the owners of the privately owned cameras?

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14. Ms A P Bans to ask Ms A J D Marais, Minister of Police Oversight and Community Safety:

- (a) What is the age breakdown of SAPS officers in senior to top management in the province and (b) how many are likely to retire in the next three to five years?

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

With regard to her Department's expenditure on technology:

- (1) (a) What is the detailed breakdown of (i) this expenditure, (ii) the companies partnered with and (iii) the amounts paid per month;

- (2) in respect of transfers to the City of Cape Town, whether any of these funds are used for technology; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) (a) how much is her Department spending per month on (i) “Eye in the Sky” technology and (ii) ShotSpotter and (b) what are the details of the owners of these technologies?

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

- (a) What is the number of drone pilots trained by the SAPS in the province, (b)(i) what is the total cost of training a single drone pilot and (ii) what is the breakdown of this cost and (c)(i) how many drone pilots have left the police service and (ii) how many of these have been recruited by the (aa) City of Cape Town and/or (bb) other municipalities in (aa) 2019, (bb) 2020, (cc) 2021, (dd) 2022, (ee) 2023, (ff) 2024 and (gg) 2025 to date?

(123)

17. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

- (1) (a) What was the allocated budget received by his Department for the Sanitary Dignity Programme in the 2024/25 financial year, (b) how was this budget distributed and (c)(i) which schools received allocations and (ii) what is the detailed list of allocations per school;
- (2) whether the allocation provided is a financial allocation; if not, (a) what is the (i) form and (ii) exact provisions made to schools, (b) what was provided to learners and (c) what is the breakdown per (i) grade and (ii) race; if so, what are the relevant details?

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18. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Education:

- (a) How much was received and allocated to his Department from 2020 to date under the Education Sector: Presidential Employment Initiative for the employment of teacher assistants and (b) what is the detailed breakdown of the (i) annual budget received versus the budget spent, (ii)(aa) number of teacher assistants employed and (bb) names of schools where they were deployed under the allocated annual budget, (iii) itemised costs of the annual budget and (iv) salaries or stipends paid to teacher assistants?

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19. Ms N D Nkondlo to ask Mr J J Londt, Minister of Social Development:

- Whether the Province received the “Social Worker Additional Support Shift” grant; if not, why not; if so, (a) how much was received in 2024/25, (b) to which departments and programmes were the money allocated, (c)(i) what were the allocation criteria, (ii) what performance agreement was entered into and (iii) can a copy of the performance agreement be made available and (d)(i) what have been the performance results to date, (ii) what are the details of the results and (iii) what evidence is available to support these results?

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20. Mr M K Sayed to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Infrastructure:

With regard to the sale of the Princess Hall in Walmer Estate:

- (1) Whether the Princess Hall in the Walmer Estate has been sold; if so, (a) when was it put to tender, (b) how many responded, (c) to whom was the tender awarded and (c) was there any mention of this site being a heritage property;
- (2) whether the community of Walmer Estate was informed about the sale; if not, why not; if so, (a) what are the relevant details and (b) can a full report with documented minutes be made available?

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PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions in this Question Paper are due on 22 April 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.