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QUESTION PAPER

WRITTEN REPLY

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FRIDAY, 15 MAY 2020

1. Mr G Bosman to ask Ms S G Fernandez, Minister of Social Development:

Whether there are any reported COVID-19 cases in any of the Department's facilities, including at state-run old-age homes and those managed privately; if so, how many cases and how many deaths have there been?

(195)

2. Mr G Brinkhuis to ask Mr A T Fritz, Minister of Community Safety:

- (1) Whether the police are patrolling at night to safeguard the properties of businesses, schools, mosques and churches; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether he and his Department have considered the role that religious institutions can play in decreasing violence; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

(196)

3. Mr G Brinkhuis to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

- (a) What is the province's budget to address the COVID-19 pandemic and (b) what is the detailed breakdown on how the budget has been spent on COVID-19-related matters to date?

(197)

4. Ms P Z Lekker to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:

Whether a certain company, whose name has been furnished to his Department for the purpose of this reply, has done consultancy work for any of the provincial departments in 2019/20 and in 2020/21 to date; if so, what are the relevant details?

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5. Ms P Z Lekker to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

Whether the province has reprioritised its budget and conditional grants to aid COVID-19 activities; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

(199)

6. Mr C M Dugmore to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:

What (a) is the total number, (b) are the names and qualifications and (c) is the remuneration of the special advisors to the Premier in (i) 2019/20 and (ii) 2020/21 to date?

(200)

7. Ms N G Nkondlo to ask Mr D J Maynier, Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities:

(a) What (i) are the details of the employers who have recorded COVID-19 cases, (ii) is the total number of employees per workplace who tested positive as at the latest date for which information is available, (iii) is the total number of employees who have contracted the virus at their workplaces, (iv) are the reasons for the high COVID-19 infection rate at workplaces and (b) what punitive measures have been taken against employers who failed to implement workplace safety protocols and thereby risked the spread of COVID-19 at their workplaces?

(201)

8. Ms R Windvogel to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health:

With reference to the number of positive COVID-19 cases:

- (1) How many of them are patients with comorbidities;
- (2) whether there are patients with comorbidities who have been allowed to self-quarantine at their homes; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether her Department has plans to consider compulsory hospitalisation of positive COVID-19 cases with comorbidities given the high number of fatalities in the province; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

(202)

9. Mr L L Mvimbi to ask Mr B S Madikizela, Minister of Transport and Public Works:

- (1) What is the number of vehicles that have been stopped and checked at the province's (a) fixed cross-border checkpoints and (b) secondary vehicle checkpoints from 1 April 2020 to the latest date for which information is available;
- (2) what is the total number of (a) screenings and (b) tests that have been conducted at the province's (i) fixed cross-border checkpoints and (ii) secondary vehicle checkpoints from 1 April 2020 to the latest date for which information is available;
- (3) what is the total number of positive COVID-19 cases that have been found at the province's (i) fixed cross-border checkpoints and (ii) secondary vehicle checkpoints from 1 April 2020 to the latest date for which information is available;
- (4) with regard to the number of Western Cape travellers who have tested positive for COVID-19 in the Eastern Cape, what are the reasons why they left the province undetected?

(203)

10. Mr L L Mvimbi to ask Mr B S Madikizela, Minister of Transport and Public Works:

- (1) (a) What is the total number of (i) bus and (i) minibus-taxi drivers who have tested positive for COVID-19 and (b) what measures has his Department taken to avert widespread infections of the virus in the transport industry;
- (2) whether his Department has sanitised and disinfected taxi ranks since the start of the lockdown; if not, why not; if so, how many taxi ranks have been sanitised and/or disinfected?

(204)

11. Mr M K Sayed to ask Ms D A Schäfer, Minister of Education:

- (1) What is the total number of teachers in the province who are 60 years of age and above;
- (2) whether she has conducted an assessment of teachers and learners with comorbidities as the province prepares for a phased-in return of learners to schools; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) what is the total number of (a) learners and (b) teachers in the province with underlying sicknesses;
- (4) whether a provision will be made for all learners and teachers with underlying sicknesses to remain at home when the schools reopen; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

(205)

12. Mr A Lilli to ask Mr T A Simmers, Minister of Human Settlements:

With regard to his Department's reblocking strategy to relocate people from high-risk informal settlements as part of the COVID-19 risk mitigation:

- (a) What progress has been made in this regard, (b) which land parcels have been identified to be utilised as reblocking areas and (c) how many people from informal settlements will be relocated?

(206)

13. Mr P Marran to ask Dr I H Meyer, Minister of Agriculture:

- (1) How many seasonal workers (a) have been transported back to the Eastern Cape and (b) were screened and/or tested before they departed to their respective communities;
- (2) whether all seasonal workers are screened and/or tested before they depart to other districts and provinces; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

(207)

14. Ms A P Bans to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health:

- (a) What is the total number of healthcare workers who have tested positive for COVID-19, (b) how many are hospitalised or in self-isolation and (c) how many are deceased?

(208)

15. Ms A P Bans to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health:

What is the detailed breakdown of (a) the number of tests conducted per district and (b) the number of cases per district of patients who have recovered?

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PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions contained in this Question Paper are due on 29 May 2020. 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.