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**QUESTION PAPER**

**WRITTEN REPLY**

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Note: \* Indicates translated version.

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**1. Mr M K Sayed to ask Dr N Mbombo, Minister of Health:**

Whether her Department has been consulted by the Western Cape Education Department to waive certain regulations before the return of senior management teams and learners to schools; if so, what are the relevant details?

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**2. Mr B N Herron to ask Mr A R Winde, Premier:**

With regard the Western Cape Government's response to the coronavirus epidemic:

- (1) (a) What does he mean when he refers to the Province implementing a "targeted testing" approach, (b) how is targeted testing implemented, (c) what medical protocols are implemented for those who are tested for the virus but waiting for their results and (d) how is the compliance with these protocols monitored by the Province;
- (2) (a) what medical protocols are implemented when a person tests positive for the virus, (b) how is the compliance with these protocols monitored by the Province and (c) how does the Province ensures that a person who must be isolated or placed in quarantine is in fact isolated or placed in quarantine;
- (3) whether the Western Cape Government lost control of the number of infections; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (4) why has community transmission become "entrenched" as indicated by the Premier on 16 May 2020;
- (5) in the light of recent comments made by the Premier, and the governing DA, that suggest that the Western Cape is now embracing a "herd immunity" approach to the virus, whether the Western Cape provincial government is adopting a "herd immunity" policy towards this virus; if so, what are the relevant details;

- (6) who are the medical and other experts advising the Western Cape provincial government;
- (7) (a)(i) what proportion of the Western Cape does the Western Cape Government project will become infected and (ii) over what period of time and (b) what is the projected crude mortality rate for the Western Cape?

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**PLEASE NOTE: The replies to the questions contained in this Question Paper are due on 5 June 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.**