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**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER**

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Note:

1. Questions for oral reply will be printed in full in the Question Paper for the day for which they have been set down for reply.

2. \*Indicates a question for oral reply.

**QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

FRIDAY, 17 JULY 2015

**197. Mr J P J Botha to ask the MEC responsible for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

How many local municipalities per name have been assisted by the department with (i) planning, (ii) drafting, (iii) adoption and (iv) review of their Integrated Development Plans during the 2013/14 financial year?

**198. Mr J P J Botha to ask the MEC responsible for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

How many municipalities per name have been assisted by the department with a view to resolve disputes between a municipality and the local community?

**199. Mr P E van Vuuren to ask the MEC responsible for Education:**

1. Whether he has been informed that (a) Fairview Primary School in Barkly East has only 4 teachers for a total of 240 leaners, whereas they qualify for seven substantive posts; this is in spite of the fact that the principal of the specified school has made several applications for the appointment of new teachers but this was not successful and (b) the specified school is currently experiencing a shortage of classrooms having to place more than one grade in the same classroom;
2. when will the substantive posts be filled;
3. whether the department has made any plans to address the shortage of classrooms; if not, why not; if so when is it anticipated that the classroom shortage will be addressed? Please provide relevant details.

**200. Mr P E van Vuuren to ask the MEC responsible for Education:**

Whether the department has conducted an audit for school furniture needed in the province; if not, why not; if so (i) how much furniture is needed, (ii) what is the anticipated cost to the department, (iii) when will all schools be provided with the necessary furniture and (iv) how long will the process take for the schools to receive their furniture?

**201. Mr P E van Vuuren to ask the MEC responsible for Education:**

1. How many (a) posts have been allocated for substitute teachers per district in the province for the current academic year and (b) teachers have been appointed to fill the above mentioned positions as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
2. of the teachers that have been appointed (a) how many have been paid their salaries and (b) if there are outstanding salary payments when can the teachers expect to receive their payments?

**202. Ms C H Barker to ask the MEC responsible for Health:**

(1) Whether, with reference to queries received by the Democratic Alliance about the denial of immunization stock to private clinics in the Nelson Mandela Bay Metro, her department has decided to cut the supply of immunization stock to all private clinics in the province; if so, what are the reasons for this decision;

(2) were the affected (a) patients and (b) clinics consulted; if so, (i) (aa) when did consultation and (bb) where did the consultation take place and (ii) how many (aa) private clinic managers were consulted and (bb) patients or their parents were consulted;

(3) (a) how many private clinics and patients in the province are affected by this decision and (b) what plans are in place to help overloaded clinics to cope with an increased workload;

(4) will state clinics be able to improve their (a) waiting and (b) turnaround times; if so, how will this be done;

(5) (a) what provisions (i) will be made to enable clinic staff to (aa) cope with an increased load and (bb) speed up delivery and (ii) has her department made to enable a turnaround time of an hour in government clinics as is the case in private clinics, (b) how will her department serve working parents who can only get an hour off work to visit a clinic and (c) what mechanisms has her department put in place to prevent and/or contain an outbreak of Measles or similar diseases when the turnaround time cannot be met?

**203. Ms C H Barker to ask the MEC responsible for Health:**

(1) In view of complaints about waiting lists of between three and five years for the delivery of prosthetic devices to needy patients, what (a) is the exact number of patients in the province who are waiting for prosthetic devices and (b) are the most recent statistics for the total number of prosthetic devices dispensed by her department for (i) 2012, (ii) 2013 and (iii) 2014;

(2) can she provide the most recent delivery schedule for prosthetic devices including the (a)(i) name and (ii) type of prosthetic device, (b) name of the (i) patient, (ii) town and/or (iii) facility to which the prosthetic device was delivered and (c) feedback regarding success based on follow-up visits and aftercare provided by her department;

(3) what (a) is the average waiting period for the delivery of prosthetic devices to patients and (b) steps have been taken by her department to decrease the waiting period;

(4) when can the public expect this element of service delivery to improve;

(5) what amount is provided for prosthetic devices in the latest available budget of her department;

(6) what total amount and percentage of the total amount was spent by her department on prosthetics in the 2013-14 financial year?

**204. Ms C H Barker to ask the MEC responsible for Health:**

1. Whether she has been informed that student nurses at the Dora Nginza campus of the Lilitha College have been locked out of lectures for not wearing their uniforms; if not why not, if so, (a) what are the stipulations between the department and Lilitha College regarding student uniforms, (b) are students required to purchase their own uniforms or do the students receive a uniform allowance from the department, (c) if students are required to purchase their own uniforms what are the reasons for the discontinuation of the uniform allowance by the department;
2. whether it is in accordance with the agreement between the department and Lilitha College that students wear casual attire to lectures and uniforms when performing clinical duties;

1. what steps will her department take to ensure that (a) lectures are resumed and (b) students are allowed to attend lectures regardless of the attire they wear?

**205. Ms V Knoetze to ask the MEC responsible for Roads & Public Works:**

With regard to roads 1979 and 1972 in the Nanaga Region:

1. Noting that gravel roads must be graded at least twice a year yet road 1979 was last graded in September 2014, (a) what is the reason for this road not having been graded in almost a year, (b) when will this road be graded, (c) when will general maintenance be carried out on these roads, including (i) verge clearing, (ii) pothole repairs and (iii) maintenance to storm water drainage culverts;
2. when will a full upgrade of these roads be budgeted for? Please provide relevant details.

**206. Mr R S Stevenson to ask the MEC responsible for Transport, Safety and Liaison:**

(1) What progress has been made with regard to a charge of (a) fraud, case number 158/6/2013, reported at Algoa Police Station for action by the Commercial Crimes Unit reported on 18/06/2013 and (b) theft, case number 487/08/2014, reported to a Sergeant (name furnished for the purpose of the reply) at the Mount Road Police Station;

(2) has the matter been referred to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA);

(3) (a) when are these cases likely to go to court and (b) what is the reason for the delay in each case?

**207. Mr R S Stevenson to ask the MEC responsible for Transport, Safety and Liaison:**

1. How many vehicles of the SA Police Service (SAPS) were involved in accidents in the (a) 2012-13, (b) 2013-14 and (c) 2014-15 financial years;
2. what is the total amount spent on (a) maintenance and (b) repairs in each of the specified financial years?

**208. Mr R S Stevenson to ask the MEC responsible for Transport, Safety and Liaison:**

1. How many members of the SA Police Service (SAPS) (i) had valid driver’s licenses in the (aa) 2012-13, (bb), 2013-14 and (cc) 2014-15 financial years and (ii) did not have valid driver’s licenses in the (aa) 2012-13, (bb), 2013-14 and (cc) 2014-15 financial years;
2. what steps are being taken to ensure that all members of the SAPS have driver’s licenses?

**209. Mr M Von Buchenroder to ask the MEC responsible for Transport, Safety and Liaison:**

1. Whether she has been informed that a lieutenant (name and details furnished for the purpose of the reply) who was stationed at Humansdorp took early retirement effective from 30 September 2014 but has not received any funds from the department as well as from the pension fund; what (a) are the reasons for this non-payment and (b) steps are going to be taken to rectify the non-payment;
2. (a) what is the timeframe that will be attached to the implementation of the back pay to the member since the beginning of his retirement up until the latest specified date for which information is available and (b) will the member be compensated with interest on the outstanding payments; if not, why not?

**210. Mr M Von Buchenroder to ask the MEC responsible for Transport, Safety and Liaison:**

1. Whether a security contractor has been appointed at Kinkelbosch Weigh Bridge Station; if not, why not and are there any plans to appoint one;
2. has electricity supply been restored at Kinkelbosch Weigh Bridge; if not, (a) what steps are in place to ensure that electricity is restored and (b) how much money has been lost to date as a result of electricity cut;
3. whether the Kinkelbosch Weigh Bridge Station is fully equipped with manpower; if not, why not;
4. whether all the vehicles assigned to members at the specified station are fully operational; if not why not?

**211. Mr M Von Buchenroder to ask the MEC responsible for Transport, Safety and Liaison:**

Whether she has been informed that the Humansdorp Provincial Traffic Office is not fully equipped with stationery, computers, data line, a secretary and there is no visible signage of the station; if not, why not, if so, when (a) will this be rectified and (b) will the necessary changes be implemented?