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**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER**

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**

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

(1) Whether he has been informed that there is a shortage of schools in the Northern Areas of Port Elizabeth as the existing ones are generally overcrowded; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,

(2) (a) how many schools, both primary and secondary are still needed to enable all school children to be accommodated in a school where classroom numbers do not exceed 40 learners, (b) where will these schools be built and (c) when and what budget will be made available?

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

1. Whether he has been informed that some of the schools in the townships of Port Elizabeth are underutilized due to the migration of learners to schools located in affluent areas; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,
2. what are the plans regarding underutilized schools in the townships of Port Elizabeth;
3. what is the turnaround strategy to retain learners in the township schools;
4. (a) how many schools in the townships have been affected by underutilization and (b) are any of these school buildings empty?

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

* 1. Whether he has been informed that school nutrition is a huge problem in the Northern Areas of Port Elizabeth in so much that teachers are alleged to be helping themselves to food meant for learners, as a result there are private individuals who are operating soup kitchens in schools once a week; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,
	2. (a) whether he has launched an investigation regarding the matter and (b) what were the (i) findings and (ii) corrective measures implemented; if not,
	3. (a) why was it not launched and (b) why was consequence management not introduced;
	4. when will action be taken against those implicated?

**320. Mr R S Stevenson to ask the MEC responsible for Finance, Economic Development, Environmental Affairs and Tourism:**

*With reference to service providers to the Eastern Cape Provincial Government who have been flagged for poor performance and/or fraud:*

1. Whether his unit maintains a register of service providers who have been flagged for poor performance, lack of performance and/or fraud in the past 5 financial years; if not, what is the position in this regard;
2. how many of these flagged service providers have subsequently tried to become service providers to the Eastern Cape Provincial Government but due to this list were prevented from doing so?

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

*With reference to the septic tank at the Riebeek East Police Station that has been continuously overflowing; tests indicate that the overflow running into the storm water drains is contaminated with E. coli, thus posing a health hazard:*

1. Whether her Department has investigated the abovementioned matter; if so,
2. (a) on what date did the investigation take place and (b) (i) what findings and (ii) recommendations were made by her department;

(3) if not, when will her department conduct a thorough investigation of conditions related to the overflow of the septic tank at the specified station;

(4) when and what measures will be taken to prevent a repetition of this disaster at the specified station as well as other police stations in the province?

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

1. What was the total amount of traffic fines paid out by the province in respect of each department in (i) 2013/14, (ii) 2014/15 and (iii) 2015/16 as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
2. whether any of these amounts were recovered; if so, how much;
3. what steps has her department taken to recover the outstanding amounts?

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

1. How many South African Police Service (SAPS) members are currently stationed at (i) Careedouw Police Station, (ii) Joubertina Police Station, (iii) Storms River Village Police Station and (iv) Kinklebosch Police Station;
2. how many SAPS members should be stationed at (i) Careedouw Police Station, (ii) Joubertina Police Station, (iii) Storms River Village Police Station and (iv) Kinklebosch Police Station;
3. how many vehicles are currently operational at (i) Careedouw Police Station, (ii) Joubertina Police Station, (iii) Storms River Village Police Station and (iv) Kinklebosch Police Station;
4. how many vehicles should there be if they were allocated full strength at (i) Careedouw Police Station, (ii) Joubertina Police Station, (iii) Storms River Village Police Station and (iv) Kinklebosch Police Station;
5. whether there are any challenges that are related to lack of manpower or vehicles at (i) Careedouw Police Station, (ii) Joubertina Police Station, (iii) Storms River Village Police Station and (iv) Kinklebosch Police Station; if yes, what are the relevant details at ecah station;
6. what steps have been taken to improve effectiveness of policemen in the area of (i) Careedouw Police Station, (ii) Joubertina Police Station, (iii) Storms River Village Police Station and (iv) Kinklebosch Police Station;
7. (a) whether vehicles currently available are suitable for the terrain at these specified stations and (b) how many 4X4 vehicles are currently available at (i) Careedouw Police Station, (ii) Joubertina Police Station and (iii) Storms River Village Police Station;
8. how many vehicles are used on average to transport prisoners on a daily basis at (i) Careedouw Police Station, (ii) Joubertina Police Station and (iii) Storms River Village Police Station;
9. how much time is spent on average transporting prisoners on a daily basis at (i) Careedouw Police Station, (ii) Joubertina Police Station and (iii) Storms River Village Police Station?