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### INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER

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### QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY

FRIDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER 2019

**366. Ms V Knoetze to ask the MEC responsible for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

*Noting the on-going state of draught in the Inxuba Yethemba Local Municipality where parts of Adelaide have allegedly not had water for the past six months:*

- (1) What drought mitigation plans has his Department put in place with a view to ensuring that the situation at Adelaide is mitigated;
- (2) what interventions his Department envisages will be taken with a view to upgrading the existing infrastructure to ensure that water is augmented to supply the aforementioned area in the future;
- (3) whether he can kindly provide a written comprehensive drought mitigation plan for the province to manage the drought situation; if not, why?

**367. Mr R Odendaal to ask the MEC responsible for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

- (1) Whether any municipalities in the province have made drought declarations in the current financial year; if so, (a) which municipalities and (b) until when his Department anticipates these declarations will be valid;
- (2) whether the province has put any plans in place with a view to making a provincial drought declaration, given the severity of the drought that the province is experiencing; if so, (a) when and (b) what progress has the province made therewith;
- (3) given the extent and the severity of the drought, why has the province reportedly not issued a provincial drought declaration;
- (4) whether the province has, since April 2019, approached National Treasury or any other national department for any financial assistance for the drought that the province is experiencing; if so, can he kindly forward the details of such engagements and the ensuing results and/or feedback that followed thereto;
- (5) whether the Department of Rural Development and Agrarian Reform has provided National Treasury with a detailed reconciliation for all expenditure incurred in terms of the drought funding received in the 2018/19 financial year as at the latest specified date for which information is available; if so, can he kindly furnish such a detailed reconciliation report?

**368. Mr R Odendaal to ask the MEC responsible for Economic Development, Environmental Affairs and Tourism:**

*With reference to Operation Phakisa that is reportedly aimed at promoting and unlocking the economic potential of our oceans:*

- (1) (a) What is the status of the Fish Farming project in Hamburg and (b) whether this project has been concluded; if so, can he kindly provide the relevant details in this regard; if not, why;
- (2) whether the province has initiated and/or undertaken any other projects with a view to unlocking the oceans economy; if so, can he kindly provide the relevant details in this regard; if not, why;
- (3) whether his Department has completed any Environmental Impact Assessments (EIAs) in relation to the aforementioned project; if so, can he kindly provide the relevant details in this regard; if not, why;
- (4) what total amount has his Department invested in these projects;

- (5) whether his Department anticipates the implementation of these projects will result in job creation; if so, how many jobs is it anticipated will subsequently be created?

**369. Mr Y Cassim to ask the MEC responsible for Education:**

- (1) Whether he has received any representations regarding the roof of Grade R classroom at Sonwabile Primary School in Ncera Village that was allegedly extensively damaged by strong winds in July 2019; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so;
- (2) whether the Grade R learners have been attending school since July 2019; if not, why; if so, what classroom are they currently using;
- (3) when his Department anticipates the roof of the classroom will be fixed;
- (4) whether his Department envisages a temporary classroom will be supplied to the school; if not, why;
- (5) what steps has his Department taken with a view to ensuring that the Grade R learners attend school in a safe classroom?

**370. Mr Y Cassim to ask the MEC responsible for Education:**

*Regarding Sandisulwazi Secondary School in Paterson:*

- (1) Whether he has been informed of the alleged current state of the school with regard to the broken infrastructure, broken windows, graffiti on the walls of the school, water damage to the ceilings, three classrooms that were allegedly burnt down in 2016 and the allegations that his Department has taken no action in this regard; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so;
- (2) whether the school appears on the B5 list for infrastructure upgrades; if not, why; if so, when his Department anticipates the infrastructure will be fixed/upgraded;
- (3) when his Department envisages the school will receive the 3 containers or temporary classrooms that were allegedly promised to the school;

- (4) whether any of the staff and principal qualify for a rural allowance; if not, why; if so,
- (5) whether the qualifying staff and principal are receiving their rural allowance; if not, (a) why, (b) when his Department anticipates the qualifying staff and principal will start receiving their rural allowance and (c) whether his Department envisages they will be back paid; if not, why?

**371. Mr Y Cassim to ask the MEC responsible for Education:**

- (1) Whether he has received any representations regarding an ex-employee (*name and details furnished for the purpose of the reply*) who reportedly went on pension from 1 August 2018; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,
- (2) whether his Department has processed the abovementioned ex-employee's documents in order for her to receive her pension; if not, why;
- (3) (a) why has it reportedly taken his Department so long to process her pension in order for her to receive her payment(s) and (b) when his Department anticipates the aforementioned ex-employee will start receiving her payment(s);
- (4) how many (a) employees, (b) educators and (c) ex-employees who have retired are still awaiting payment of their funds, per district, for the (i) 2015/16, (ii) 2016/17, (iii) 2017/18 and (iv) 2018/19 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available?

**372. Ms J Cowley to ask the MEC responsible for Health:**

*Noting that Ward 13 in Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality (BCMM) is reportedly vast and is alleged to be comprised of eight separate villages which are spread out from one another, further noting that these communities are reportedly only served by a mobile clinic that travels to Dice Community Hall and New Life Hall, further noting that these halls are allegedly far from the majority of patients in Ward 13, who reportedly have to travel by taxi to the clinic at a cost of R28 return and which has allegedly resulted in many patients defaulting on their chronic medication as they cannot afford the travel cost and lastly noting that at these facilities, it is alleged that there is no running water, no electricity, not enough space and there are no chairs for patients to sit on while waiting for medical care:*

- (1) Whether her Department has put any plans in place with a view to building a permanent clinic structure in a centrally located venue for easy access by all residents of Ward 13; if so, what plan; if not, why;
- (2) whether her Department has taken any steps with a view to ensuring that the building of a permanent clinic in a central area of the ward is prioritised so that residents of these eight villages will in future be able to access free medical care more easily; if so, what steps; if not, why;
- (3) (a) what temporary measures her Department envisages it will undertake with a view to ensuring that more mobile clinics serve each part of this ward at least twice weekly, in order to bring medical care closer to the people and to reduce the high default rate of chronic patients, (b) when her Department anticipates these temporary measures will be instituted and (c) how many mobile clinics her Department envisages will service the ward?

**373. Ms J Cowley to ask the MEC responsible for Health:**

*Noting that the Thembaletu Village in Ward 13 of Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality (BCMM) allegedly has no Ward Based Outreach Team (WBOT) which does home visits to test for HIV and TB and deworming of children, further noting that WBOTs from neighbouring villages are alleged to be unable to work there, as it is too far away from them and lastly noting that the WBOT should be established using Community Health Workers from the Thembaletu community who know and can engage personally with the residents there:*

- (1) Which of the eight communities within Ward 13 do have a dedicated WBOT;
- (2) what steps her Department anticipates it will take with a view to ensuring that a WBOT is established in Thembaletu Village as a matter of urgency?

**374. Ms J Cowley to ask the MEC responsible for Health:**

*Noting that at the Motherwell Community Health Centre, a man was allegedly tested positive for Tuberculosis and two weeks later when he went back there, he was allegedly still not given any medication and further noting that this patient was reportedly infectious but was allowed to go home, travel on public transport and interact with other people without being on any medication:*

- (1) What is the *Modus Operandi* regarding the dispensing of medication when a patient is tested positive for Tuberculosis;

- (2) whether it is common practice that patients who are tested positive are allowed to go home before they start their medication programme; if not, what is the practice;
- (3) what steps her Department anticipates to take with a view to ensuring that the Motherwell CHC and other medical facilities close the gap between the diagnosis of TB and the dispensing of medication for such, in order to reduce the risk of infection?

**375. Mr M von Buchenroder to ask the MEC responsible for Health:**

*With reference to the Laetitia Bam clinic in KwaNobuhle:*

- (1) (a) What is the total number of vehicles at this clinic, (b) of the total, how many vehicles are (aa) operational and (bb) non-operational;
- (2) whether she has been informed if there is a mobile clinic in KwaNobuhle; if not, what is the position in this regard;
- (3) what steps her Department envisages it will take with a view to providing a mobile clinic for the aforementioned community to ensure that necessary medicals needs are met?

**376. Mr M von Buchenroder to ask the MEC responsible for Health:**

*With reference to the Laetitia Bam clinic in KwaNobuhle:*

- (1) Whether she has been informed if there are any vacancies at the aforementioned clinic; if so, can she kindly provide a detailed list of the vacancies for the 2019/20 financial year as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (2) whether there were any vacancies in the 2018/19 financial year at this clinic as at the latest specified date for which information is available; if so, can she kindly provide a detailed list of the vacancies;
- (3) whether her Department has put any plans in place with a view to appointing staff in the current financial year as at the latest specified date for which information is available; if not, why; if so, when her Department anticipates these appointments will take place;

- (4) whether the following are in working condition at the said clinic: (a) telephone lines, (b) intercom system and (c) filing system; if not, (a) why and (b) when her Department anticipates these will be in working condition;
- (5) whether there is an operational maternity unit at the clinic mentioned above; if not, why?

**377. Mr S Magaqa to ask the MEC responsible for Human Settlements:**

*Noting a report in Ground Up, titled "Kirkwood residents fume while municipality and province blame each other for lack of housing" dated Friday, 20 September 2019:*

- (1) Whether her Department has put any plans in place with a view to building houses in Kirkwood in the current financial year as at the latest specified date for which information is available; if so, how many (a) units her Department envisages will be built (b) beneficiaries her Department anticipates will be allocated houses; if not, when her Department envisages houses will be built in the aforementioned area;
- (2) whether there are any serviced stands in the area mentioned above; if not, what are the reasons for not having serviced stands to date;
- (3) whether the Sundays River Valley Municipality has put any plans in place with a view to providing bulk infrastructure for further housing development in the aforementioned area; if so, (a) when is the envisaged commencement date and (b) what is the total budget allocation for the project;
- (4) whether there is any land made available for housing development in the abovementioned area; if so, where is the identified land;
- (5) how many RDP houses has her Department built in the area mentioned above for the (i) 2016/17, (ii) 2017/18 and (iii) 2018/19 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (6) whether the municipality mentioned above has a detailed and well managed housing beneficiary list; if not, why?

**378. Mr S Magaqa to ask the MEC responsible for Human Settlements:**

- (1) What total budget has her Department allocated to legal costs in the (i) 2016/17, (ii) 2017/18 and (iii) 2018/19 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (2) (a) how many legal cases has her Department dealt with in the financial years mentioned above as at the latest specified date for which information available, (b) what was the nature of the cases, (c) what were the outcomes of each case, (d) against whom were these cases and (e) what was the total cost of each case;
- (3) whether her Department has put any plans in place with a view to reducing the legal costs of the department; if so, can she kindly provide details of the plans?

**379. Mr S Magaqa to ask the MEC responsible for Human Settlements:**

- (1) Whether her Department has offered or anticipates to offer and provide any bursaries in the current financial year; if so, how many beneficiaries are there;
- (2) what is the total cost of the bursary allocation;
- (3) whether the bursary is allocated internally or externally; if allocated internally, whether her Department absorbs the beneficiaries when their studies are completed; if not, why;
- (4) which areas of study does the bursary cover;
- (5) with which institutions do the beneficiaries attend?

**380. Ms V Knoetze to ask the MEC responsible for Public Works:**

*Noting that Sandisulwazi Secondary School in Patterson (Sunday's River Valley Municipality) is reported to be in a deplorable state with broken doors and windows, further noting that in 2016 three classrooms had allegedly been burnt down, of which, a report is still outstanding from the Department of Public Works who reportedly assessed the school after the incident and lastly noting that the school was reportedly quoted R 450 000 to transport three containers that were established as a primary school and has been changed to a secondary school, of which is expected to accommodate 500 more learners:*

- (1) Whether his Department has received any requests to advertise a tender with regard to any renovations, repairs or additions to this school; if not, why;



- (2) whether he can kindly provide the assessment report in terms of the fire that allegedly destroyed three classrooms; if not, why;
- (3) whether his Department has provided the containers to the school mentioned above; if not, which department provided the containers; if so,
- (4) (a) why were the containers reportedly not transported to the school and (b) when his Department anticipates the containers will be transported to the school?

**381. Mr M von Buchenroder to ask the MEC responsible for Public Works:**

*With reference to the Laetitia Bam clinic in KwaNobuhle:*

- (1) Whether he has been informed if there are any plans in place with a view to upgrading the said clinic; if not, what is the position in this regard;
- (2) whether his Department has any budget available to upgrade the aforementioned facility; if not, why; if so, how much has his Department budgeted for in this regard for the current financial year as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (3) when last was the aforementioned clinic refurbished?

**382. Mr R Odendaal to ask the MEC responsible for Rural Development and Agrarian Reform:**

- (1) Whether the province has repealed the Pounds Ordinance 18 of 1938; if so, when;
- (2) whether the province has enacted any other legislation to deal with the subject matter that this ordinance dealt with; if so, can she kindly provide details of the legislation; if not,
- (3) whether the province has not created a lacuna and/or vacuum in this regard; if so, what plans has the province put in place with a view to remedying/rectifying the situation;

- (4) whether the province has not been exposed to adverse risk by appealing this ordinance long before envisaging the enactment of suitable legislation to replace same; if so, can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (5) whether the province has been informed of any court cases that ensued as a result of the lacuna/vacuum that was created by repealing this ordinance; if so, can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard?

**383. Mr N Bhanga to ask the MEC responsible for Rural Development and Agrarian Reform:**

*Noting the impact of the draught in many parts of the province and the consequences thereof:*

- (1) (a) How has the draught impacted on agriculture in the province, particularly in terms of job losses in the agricultural sector and (b) can she kindly provide a breakdown of the jobs lost as a result of the effects of the draught;
- (2) (a) how much has her Department spent on aiding farmers affected by draught, in the last two financial years, including the current financial year as at the latest specified date for which information is available, (b) which farmers have received assistance in this regard and (c) what are the geographical areas of their farms;
- (3) what steps has her Department put in place with a view to ensuring that the effect of water scarcity on agricultural production is alleviated in the province?

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

*Subsequent to Question 207 of IQP 9 dated Friday, 16 August 2019:*

- (1) How many crimes against women and children were reported in the province in the 2018/19 financial year as at the latest specified date for which information is available and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (2) what was the nature of these crimes mentioned in (1) above in the province in respect of the abovementioned financial year as at the latest specified date for which information is available;

- (3) what is the breakdown of the top 10 police stations for sexual offences against (a) children and (b) adults for the aforementioned financial year as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (4) what is the percentage breakdown, per age, in respect of (i) 0 – 6 years, (ii) 7 – 13 years, (iii) 14 – 20 years, (iv) 21 – 27 years, (v) 28 – 34 years, (vi) 35 – 41 years, (vii) 42 – 48 years, (viii) 48 – 55 and (ix) 55 and older for reported (a) child and (b) adult sexual offences for the financial year mentioned above as at the latest specified date for which information is available and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (5) how many sexual offences against (a) children and (b) adults have been reported within the province for the abovementioned financial year as at the latest specified date for which information is available and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard, as per the age breakdown mentioned in (4) above;
- (6) how many of these crimes resulted in either the deaths or injuries of (a) women and (b) children, as per the financial year mentioned above as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (7) how many convictions were there regarding the abovementioned crimes reported against women and children in the financial year mentioned above as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (8) can she kindly provide the contributing factors for these sexual offences towards (a) children and (b) adults and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (9) what steps is her Department taking with a view to ensuring that a higher conviction rate of crimes reported against women and children is achieved;
- (10) what steps has (a) her Department and (b) the South African Police Service (SAPS) put in place with a view to curbing these sexual offences from taking place in the province against both (aa) children and (bb) adults and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard?

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

*Subsequent to Question 208 of IQP 9 dated Friday, 16 August 2019:*

- (1) How many drug-related crimes were reported in the (i) 2018/19 and (ii) 2019/20 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (2) how many drug-related arrests has her Department made in the aforementioned financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (3) what are the main areas in the province where drug-related crimes took place in the financial years specified above as at the latest specified date for which information is available and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (4) what steps is the South African Police Service (SAPS) taking with a view to dealing with these drug-related crimes and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard?

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

- (1) What are the top ten stations in the province where cases are reported for (a) property-related crime, (b) contact crime, (c) murder, (d) attempted murder, (e) aggravated robbery, (f) trio crimes, (g) carjacking, (h) sexual offenses, (i) burglary at residential premises, (j) burglary at business premises and (k) house robberies for the (i) 2018/19 and (ii) 2019/20 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available and can she kindly include the relevant statistics, per station for both years;
- (2) what are the main weapons used in this province for (a) murder and (b) attempted murder for the financial years specified above as at the latest specified date for which information is available and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (3) what is the most common time (hour) of day, in the province, where the crimes mentioned in (1) above are most likely to take place for the financial years mentioned above as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (4) what is the most common day of the week, in the province, where the crimes mentioned in (1) above are most likely to take place for the aforementioned financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available?

**387. Mr P E van Vuuren to ask the MEC responsible for Social Development:**

- (1) Whether she has been informed of the Cradock White Door Centre of Hope; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,
- (2) when was the centre opened;
- (3) whether she can kindly supply the total amount of funds her Department provides to the abovementioned centre for each financial year since it opened;
- (4) what services are offered by the centre;
- (5) how many people benefitted from the services offered by the centre mentioned above for the (i) 2015/16, (ii) 2016/17, (iii) 2017/18 and (iv) 2018/19 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (6) whether her Department is currently funding the aforementioned centre; if not, why;
- (7) whether the aforementioned centre is currently operational; if so, what (a) are the challenges faced by the centre and (a) steps has her Department implemented in order to resolves these challenges;
- (8) (a) when last was the centre visited by any department official, (b) what were the findings on this visit and (c) what measures has her Department implemented since then with a view to resolving any negative findings?

**388. Mr P E van Vuuren to ask the MEC responsible for Social Development:**

- (1) Whether she has been informed of the Wings of Hope Women's project in Cradock; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,
- (2) when was the aforementioned project implemented for the first time;
- (3) whether she can kindly supply the total amount of funds her Department has provided to the project for each financial year since its inception;
- (4) how many people were employed for each year since its inception;
- (5) whether her Department is currently funding the project; if not, why;

- (6) whether the project is currently operational; if so, what (a) are the challenges faced by the project and (a) steps has her department implemented in order to resolve these challenges;
- (7) (a) when last was the project visited by any department official and (b) what were the findings on this visit?

**389. Mr P E van Vuuren to ask the MEC responsible for Social Development:**

- (1) Whether she has received any representations regarding any officials from her Department that have been placed on paid leave pending any investigations of corruption, mismanagement of funds or any other reasons; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,
- (2) how many officials has her Department placed on paid leave pending outcomes of investigations for the (i) 2014/15, (ii) 2015/16, (iii) 2016/17 and (iv) 2017/18 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (3) can she kindly provide the current progress and status of each investigation for the abovementioned years as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (4) what is the monetary value paid to the specified officials while on paid leave pending outcomes of investigations for the abovementioned years as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (5) with regard to (1) above , (a) what are the official positions of the officials, (b) where are the officials located and (c) what are the names of the officials?

**390. Ms N Zibonda to ask the MEC responsible for Sport, Recreation, Arts and Culture:**

*Regarding the Kwelera and Chintsa sports fields:*

- (1) What is the current status of the Kwelera sports field and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (2) when was (a) the commencement date for the construction of the aforementioned facility and (b) the facility completed;

- (3) whether the facility is being utilized for its intended purpose; if not, why;
- (4) what was the municipal budget allocation for the facility mentioned above;
- (5) (a) what is the status of the Chintsa sports field and (b) whether the facility is operational and open to the public; if not, why;
- (6) how much has the Great Kei Municipality spent on sport facilities in the (i) 2015/16, (ii) 2016/17, (iii) 2017/18 and (iv) 2018/19 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available?

**391. Ms N Zibonda to ask the MEC responsible for Sport, Recreation, Arts and Culture:**

*With reference to the appointment of a panel of event management companies that were awarded contracts by the Department of Sport, Recreation, Arts and Culture, as indicated in the response provided to Question 212 of IQP 9 dated Friday, 16 August 2019:*

- (1) (a) Whether she can kindly specify what the purpose of this panel is and (b) who this panel accounts to;
- (2) when this panel has a sitting, (a) how many meetings to date has it held and (b) whether her Department receives reports back from these meetings or recommendations; if not, why;
- (3) which events has this panel planned/organized and /or assisted with for her Department and/or province and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (4) how much has her Department spent on the appointment of the aforementioned panel in the (i) 2017/18, (ii) 2018/19 and (ii) 2019/20 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (5) (a) which companies has her Department appointed for the organizing and/or management of events and (b) how much did each company receive for the (i) 2016/17, (ii) 2017/18, (iii) 2018/19, (iv) 2019/20 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available?

**392. Ms N Zibonda to ask the MEC responsible for Sport, Recreation, Arts and Culture:**

- (1) Whether there is any progress regarding the lodging of land claims in the province; if so, can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (2) what steps has her Department taken with a view to designing and implementing the land restitution programme and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (3) what amount of land has been (a) claimed and (b) returned to the people as at the latest specific date for which information is available;
- (4) whether there are any pending legal disputes due to land claims in the province; if so, can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard?