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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY

FRIDAY, 4 OCTOBER 2019

393. Mr N Bhanga to ask the MEC responsible for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

- (1) Whether he can kindly indicate (a) when and (b) where has the Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality's (BCMM) water infrastructure been (aa) updated or (bb) replaced during the last three financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (2) what is the reported water loss experienced by the abovementioned municipality as a result of the alleged deteriorating or non-functional water infrastructure for the (i) 2018/19 and (ii) 2019/20 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (3) whether his Department has put any plans in place with a view to upgrading the water infrastructure for the municipality mentioned above; if so, (a) what is the total budget for the upgrades, (b) how much of the budget has his Department spent to date, (c) what are the deadlines for implementation, (d) which company or companies has his Department awarded the upgrading contract(s) and (e) what is the monetary value of each contract;
- (4) whether his Department has any projects underway with a view to alleviating the stress on current water infrastructure in the aforementioned municipality and to ensure water security; if so, what (a) is the intended purpose of each

project, (b) completion timelines has his Department set for each project, (c) is the total budget as well as the (d) is the breakdown of the budget, per project?

394. Mr N Bhanga to ask the MEC responsible for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

- (1) How much has the Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality (BCMM) lost in collectible revenue due to (a) illegal electricity connections and (b) meter tampering for the (i) 2018/19 and (ii) 2019/20 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (2) whether he can kindly indicate (a) how many illegal electricity connections has his Department removed in the aforementioned financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available and (b) what are the cost implications for the municipality mentioned above to remove the illegal connections;
- (3) (a) how many tamper notifications has his Department issued and (b) what is the monetary value of the offence fees issued for the (i) 2017/18, (ii) 2018/19 and (iii) 2019/20 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available:
- (4) (a) how many individuals or businesses has his Department found to be in violation of 2 (a) or (b) above during the (i) 2018/19 and (ii) 2019/20 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available and (b) what punitive action has the aforementioned municipality taken in each case;
- (5) what measures has the municipality mentioned above put in place with a view to curbing electricity theft in future;
- (6) what (a) has been the electricity tariff increase for the (i) 2018/19 and (ii) 2019/20 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available and (b) is the projected tariff increase for the 2020/21 financial year?

395. Mr N Bhanga to ask the MEC responsible for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

(1) (a) What is the current water level of the Nqweba Dam and (b) which areas does this dam supply with water;

- (2) whether his Department has made funding available to open up additional boreholes over the aquifer on the north side of Graaff-Reinet; if so, (a) how much has his Department budgeted to this effect, (b) who has his Department appointed to begin the drilling and (c) what are the time-frames for establishing the boreholes;
- (3) (a) how much of the relief grant received from National Treasury has Graaff-Reinet spent to date and (b) what have the funds been spent on;
- (4) (a) what has been the effect of drought on surrounding farms in the area and (b) what plans has his Department put in place with a view to mitigating the effect of draught on agriculture in the aforementioned area?

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

Noting the pronouncements reportedly made by the former Premier (name furnished for the purpose of the reply) on the Small Towns Revitalization Project on Monday, 22 October 2018 to invest more than 750 million for the next 20 years to uplift rural communities consisting of Ngqeleni, Libode, Alice, Kirkwood, KwaBhaca, eMaxesibeni, Ntabankulu, Mbizana and Port St Johns:

- (1) How much has his Department budgeted for each town respectively;
- (2) whether the Small Town Revitalization Project has been established in each of these towns; if not, (a) why and (b) when his Department anticipates it will be established;
- (3) how much total budget has his Department spent on the implementation of the project to date;
- (4) (a) whether he can kindly provide a comprehensive breakdown of what intervention programmes has his Department approved for the 2018/19 financial year as at the latest specified date for which information is available and (b) how much has his Department (aa) budgeted for and (bb) spent on each intervention programme;
- (5) how many emerging construction companies has his Department contracted to implement the aforementioned project in the province?

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

Noting that two municipal buildings had allegedly been burnt down at the Amahlati Local Municipality on Tuesday, 16 October 2018 due to protesting residents and further noting that this reportedly resulted in municipal officials not having adequate office space:

- (1) How many offices were affected in the burning of the two Amahlati municipal buildings;
- (2) how many officials of the abovementioned municipality have been affected in loss of office space;
- of the affected officials, (a) what interventions has his Department established with a view to ensuring that they can continue discharging their duties, (b) where are the affected officials currently working from and (c) whether their ordinary hours of work have been affected; if so, can he kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (4) whether his Department has conducted an investigation on the destruction of government property; if not, why;
- (5) whether his Department or the aforementioned municipality have a budget for the re-building of the affected buildings; if not, why; if so,
- (6) how much has his Department budgeted for the re-building of the buildings?

398. Mr S Magaqa to ask the MEC responsible for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

- (1) Whether he has been informed that the water treatment work in Cala in the Sakhisizwe Municipality is allegedly not operational; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,
- (2) what are the reasons provided by the municipality for it reportedly being nonoperational;
- (3) (a) why did the contractor in the abovementioned water treatment works reportedly abandon the project without completing it, (b) what were the

- specifications of the contract and (c) how much has his Department paid to the contractor;
- (4) whether he has been informed that the water treatment works in Elliot in the Chris Hani District Municipality is reported to be state-of-the-art but not operational and is allegedly being vandalized; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,
- (5) why is the treatment work in the aforementioned area alleged not to be operational;
- (6) whether his Department is taking or anticipates to take any steps with a view to ensuring that it is not vandalized; if not, why; if so, what steps;
- (7) whether his Department has put any plans in place with a view to ensuring that in both Cala and Elliot, the treatment work is functioning; if so, what (a) are the detailed plans, (b) is the total funding for each of the projects mentioned above and (c) measures has his Department put in place with a view to assisting families whose houses are affected by the burst pipes as a result of both sites reportedly not functioning?

399. Mr Y Cassim to ask the MEC responsible for Economic Development, Environmental Affairs and Tourism:

Regarding the Coega SEZ and the BAIC Factory, Osho Cement, MM Engineering and the Custom Control Area Zone projects:

- (1) Whether his Department has completed the aforementioned projects as was anticipated during the 2018/19 policy speech; if not, can he kindly provide the reasons for these projects not being completed;
- (2) what is the total amount that the provincial government has invested in the abovementioned projects;
- (3) how many (a) permanent and (b) part-time jobs has his Department created from the abovementioned developments?

400. Ms N Zibonda to ask the MEC responsible for Economic Development, Environmental Affairs and Tourism:

- (1) Whether he has been informed of what the current unemployment rate, particularly for young people in rural areas, within the province is; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, can he kindly provide a breakdown per (a) age groups and (b) geographical location in this regard;
- (2) whether his Department has allocated any programmes for job creation for the youth; if so, can he kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (3) whether his Department has put any plans in place with a view to assisting unemployed graduates in the province, particularly in rural areas; if not, why; if so, can he kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (4) what support has the province provided to emerging entrepreneurs and/or developing Small Medium Micro Enterprises (SMMEs) in the province 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?

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

- (1) Whether he has received any representations regarding an educator (name and details furnished for the purpose of the reply) who allegedly taught at Adelaide Gymnasium in the Amathole West District and who was reportedly appointed as a substitute teacher on 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,
- (2) whether the aforementioned educator has received his 37% benefits during the period mentioned above; if not, (a) when his Department envisages the aforementioned educator will receive the monies owed to him and (b) why has there been a delay in paying the educator mentioned above;
- (3) whether his Department has received any communication from the abovementioned educator requesting a correction in his payment; if so, (a) when and (b) why has it allegedly taken his Department so long to rectify the matter?

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

With regard to litigation cases:

(1) How many cases were registered involving his Department in the 2018/19 financial year as at the latest specified date for which information is available;

- (2) how much has his Department spent on litigation and can he kindly list each case;
- (3) how many cases has his Department (a) won and (b) lost;
- (4) whether the cases in 3 (a) and (b) above were handled by consultants or his Department's legal team and can he kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (5) can he kindly list delays in completing cases, specifically those where his Department has used consultants or external legal teams?

403. Mr R Odendaal to ask the MEC responsible for Finance:

- (1) Which municipalities in the province have submitted roll-over applications to National Treasury on or before Saturday, 31August 2019 as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (2) whether he can kindly advise as to (a) which funding/grant each of the rollover applications were made and (b) what were the amounts involved in each specific roll-over application;
- (3) whether any municipality has failed to submit roll-over application to National Treasury for any unspent portion of funding/grant on or before Saturday 31 August 2019; if so, (a) which municipalities, (b) in relation to what specific funding/grants were the aforesaid applications and (c) what was the total amount in unspent funding/grants for which the municipality failed to submit a roll-over application?

357. Mr R S Stevenson to ask the MEC responsible for Health: (Redirected) [Withdrawn from IOP 15 dated Monday, 23 September 2019]

With reference to the respective mortuaries in each of the Chris Hani, Sarah Baartman, Amathole, Joe Gqabi, Alfred Nzo and O.R. Tambo District Council Municipalities:

(1) How many deaths were recorded in total at the abovementioned mortuaries for the (i) 2016/17, (ii) 2017/18, (iii) 2018/19 and (iv) 2019/20 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available;

- (2) how many cases of (a) gunshot, (b) stabbing and (c) general violent crime deaths has the aforementioned mortuaries recorded for the financial years specified above as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (3) how many of the cases above were bodies of (a) men, (b) women and (c) children for the financial years mentioned above as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (4) what is the average number of (a) gunshot, (b) stabbing and (c) general violent crime wounds, per person, experienced at the mortuaries stated above for 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;
- (5) whether she has been informed that the aforementioned crimes are associated with gang violence; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, can she kindly provide the relevant details;
- (6) (a) how many of the aforementioned crime deaths are associated with gang violence and (b) can she kindly provide the statistics as per the breakdown in (2) above;
- (7) whether she has been informed of the point of origin of the abovementioned crime cases, in terms of geographic location, in the aforementioned areas; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, where and can she kindly provide the relevant details?

358. Mr R S Stevenson to ask the MEC responsible for Health: (Redirected) [Withdrawn from IQP 15 dated Monday, 23 September 2019]

With reference to the respective mortuaries in the King Sabata Dalindyebo Municipality (KSD):

- (1) How many deaths were recorded in total at the abovementioned mortuaries for the (i) 2016/17, (ii) 2017/18, (iii) 2018/19 and (iv) 2019/20 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (2) how many cases of (a) gunshot, (b) stabbing and (c) general violent crime deaths has the aforementioned mortuaries recorded for the financial years

- specified above as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (3) how many of the cases above were bodies of (a) men, (b) women and (c) children for the financial years mentioned above as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (4) what is the average number of (a) gunshot, (b) stabbing and (c) general violent crime wounds, per person, experienced at the mortuaries stated above for 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;
- (5) whether she has been informed that the aforementioned crimes are associated with gang violence; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, can she kindly provide the relevant details;
- (6) (a) how many of the abovementioned crime deaths are associated with gang violence and (b) can she kindly provide the statistics as per the breakdown in (2) above;
- (7) whether she has been informed of the point of origin of the aforementioned crime cases, in terms of geographic location, in the aforementioned area; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, where and can she kindly provide the relevant details?

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

With reference to Grey Hospital in King William's town in Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality (BCMM):

- (1) Whether she has received any representations regarding the alleged shortage of doctors at the aforementioned hospital; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (a) why is there an alleged shortage and (b) whether her Department has put any plan in place with a view to remedying the alleged shortage; if not, why;
- (2) how many doctors are currently employed to service patients in the abovementioned hospital;
- (3) what is the total average number of patients who visit the hospital for each (a) day and (b) month;

(4) what is the average doctor-to-patient ratio in the hospital mentioned above?

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

With reference to Dora Nginza Hospital in Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality (NMBMM):

- (1) Whether she has been informed that doctors in the abovementioned hospital are reported to be currently on strike; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, can she kindly provide the reasons for doctors to be on strike;
- whether her Department has or anticipates to put any concrete steps in place with a view to attending to the matter as patients are allegedly being turned away because of the strike; if so, (a) what steps, (b) when her Department anticipates the strike will end and (c) what alternative measures has her Department put in place with a view to assisting affected patients;
- (3) what is the total staff compliment at the aforementioned hospital, including doctors, nurses, medical officers and administrative clerks;
- (4) of the aforementioned personnel, how many are on sick leave currently;
- (5) whether her Department has put any plans in place, in the current financial year, with a view to employ more staff members at the hospital mentioned above; if so, (a) how many people her Department anticipates will be employed and (b) of those who will be employed, how many are (i) doctors, (ii) nurses and or (iii) administrative staff?

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

With reference to Livingston Hospital in Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality (NMBMM):

- (1) How many operating theatres are currently working in the abovementioned hospital;
- (2) whether there are any operating theatres that are not operational in the hospital mentioned above; if so, why are they not operational; if not,

- (3) how many surgeries has the aforementioned hospital undertaken in the operating theatres;
- (4) whether she has been informed that doctors, surgeons, anaesthetics and other staff are unable to work due the operating theatres not functioning; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,
- (5) what plan has her Department put in place with a view to ensuring that all theatres are operating optimally;
- (6) whether her Department has put any plans in place with a view to assisting patients affected by the non-functioning theatres; if so, what plans; if not, why?

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

Noting that in Ward 9, Willowmore in the Dr Beyers Naude Municipality in what is known as the Down Housing Project, there are allegations that houses are unfinished, unoccupied and they continue to be vandalized and further noting that the project was reportedly started in 2012:

- (1) Whether she has been informed that the houses built in the project mentioned above are reportedly unfinished, unoccupied and vandalized; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, can she kindly provide the relevant details;
- (2) (a) how many houses (i) were supposed to be built in the project, (ii) were completed to date as at the latest specified date for which information is available, (iii) are vandalized and (iv) are completed but unoccupied and (b) who was the contractor for the project;
- (3) whether her Department has put any plans in place, this financial year, with a view to completing the aforementioned project; if not, (a) in which financial year will the project be completed and (b) can she kindly provide a detailed plan for the completion of said project; if so,
- (4) when her Department anticipates the process of finalizing the project will commence;
- (5) whether her Department has appointed a contractor to complete the project; if so, who is the appointed contractor;

- (6) whether her Department has any other housing projects in the aforementioned municipality that have not been completed; if so, (a) what are those projects,(b) what are the reasons for non- completion and (c) by when her Department anticipates the projects will be completed;
- (7) whether her Department envisages the aforementioned municipality will connect the houses of the project with water and sewerage system; if not, why; if so, when his Department anticipates the connections will be made;
- (8) how many identified and approved beneficiaries (a) are there for the project mentioned above and (b) have been allocated houses to date;
- (9) whether her Department has identified any destitute and vulnerable families to receive houses in the project; if so, how many (a) families and (b) houses have been built so far; if not, why?

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

- (1) Whether her Department has any houses that have been built in Rietbron in Ward 8 of Sara Baartman District Municipality; if so, (a) how many houses have been built and (b) whether her Department has handed over the houses to beneficiaries; if not, why;
- (2) whether her Department has issued any title deeds in the project above; if not, (a) why and (b) when will the beneficiaries receive their title deeds; if so,
- (3) (a) how many beneficiaries have received tittle deeds and (b) when did they receive these title deeds?

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

Regarding the alleged selling of state-owned houses by the Department of Public Works officials reported in the Sunday Times dated Sunday, 29 September 2019 titled "Crooked officials plunder state land":

- (1) Whether he has been informed of the alleged private selling of state-owned houses by his Departmental officials; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,
- (2) whether his Department has launched an investigation into the allegations in (1) above; if not, why;

- (3) whether his Department has laid any charges against the implicated officials; if not, why; if so, (a) how many cases have been laid and (a) when;
- (4) whether he can kindly provide a comprehensive breakdown of how many (a) state-owned buildings are under the ownership of his Department within the province, (b) of the buildings are vacant and (c) buildings have tenants occupying them;
- (5) whether his Department has a functional immovable asset register; if not, why; if so, when last were the assets audited and valuated?

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

- (1) What total amount has National Government allocated to the province for drought relief in 2018 for the 2018/19 financial year as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- of the aforementioned amount allocated to the province, what (a) total amount was allocated to her Department and (b) were the amounts allocated to the respective municipalities;
- (3) whether her Department has unspent any of the monies at the financial year end, that is, 31 March for the Department and 30 June for the respective municipalities; if so, (a) what was the extent of the underspending in each respective case and (b) whether her Department and all the respective municipalities have submitted timeous roll-over applications; if not, why;
- (4) how did her Department spend the allocation made to them and can she kindly provide a detailed breakdown on the (a) cost and (b) nature of the various projects that were funded by these monies;
- (5) how did the respective municipalities spend their respective allocations and can she kindly provide the (a) full details for each of the projects and (b) total cost of each individual contract;
- (6) (a) whether her Department has distributed any fodder to farmers and (b) what was the cost of the fodder, per unit (bale) distributed;

(7) whether she can kindly furnish a detailed list of (a) beneficiaries and/or farmers that received the fodder and (b) the number of bales delivered to each farmer?

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

- (1) Whether the Department of Water Affairs and Sanitation has constructed any new dams post 1990 in the province; if so, (a) how many and (b) can he kindly (aa) provide the list of the dams and (bb) state their respective capacities;
- (2) how many new irrigation schemes has his Department established in the province post 1990 and can he kindly provide a list in this regard?

412. Mr T W Coetzee to ask the MEC responsible for Rural Development and Agrarian Reform:

- (1) Whether she can kindly provide the rationale for the appointment of Eastern Cape Rural Development Agency (ECRDA) as an agency for her Department;
- (2) what are the conditions on which they were appointed;
- (3) what (a) is the job description of the agency and (b) authority does the agency have to take decisions;
- (4) what authority does the agency have over officials and assets of her Department;
- (5) (a) when is it expected for the agency to complete the project and (b) what is its terms of reference?

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

With regard to the procurement of water by the South African Police Service (SAPS):

(1) What process do police stations in the Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality (BCMM) utilise for the procurement of water for the current financial year and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;

(2) whether the abovementioned process is based on a rotation of suppliers; if so, how (a) do the prices vary per six pack of 500mls of water per supplier for the financial year mentioned above and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard and (b) does this result in cost saving for SAPS in the abovementioned municipality for the current financial year?

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

With regard to the Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality (BCMM):

- (1) How many police stations are there in the abovementioned area that have grass cutting contracts for the current 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) (a) how often is the grass cut at the above stated police stations and (b) what is the monthly breakdown of their scheduled times and days and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- in respect of each contract for each police station stated above, what is the amount paid (a) monthly, (b) quarterly or (c) annually and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (4) how often are these contracts publicised for quotations and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (5) whether her Department publishes these contracts for quotations; if so, can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (6) what is the estimated price, per square meter, of each contract for each police station mentioned above for the current financial year as at the latest specified date for which information is available and can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (7) what process does her Department utilize for the approval of these grass cutting contracts in terms of checks and balances?

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

Subsequent to a response provide to Question 69 (4) of IQP 3 dated Friday, 12 July 2019:

- (1) How many days of (a) sick leave and (b) annual leave have the (a) Directors and (b) other higher ranking officials within her Department taken in the (i) 2017/18, (ii) 2018/19 and (iii) 2019/20 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (2) whether any of the abovementioned leave exceeds the norm; if so, can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (3) whether her Department has a problem with absenteeism; if so, can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (4) what impact has any leave, above the norm had on her Department?

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

- (1) (a) How many disciplinary cases are outstanding in her Department for the last 5 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available and (b) can she kindly provide details of the nature of each case;
- (2) whether her Department has suspended the persons who are charged of the cases mentioned above; if not, why; if so, for how long her Department anticipates will they be suspended;
- (3) (a) how long have these cases been on-going and (b) when her Department anticipates they will be concluded;
- (4) whether the specified persons are still receiving their salaries; if so, what is the total cost of their salaries to the province?

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

- (1) Whether her Department has taken appropriate action against the employees who have failed to disclose their business interests during the (i) 2016/17, (ii) 2017/18 and (iii) 2018/19 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available; if not, why; if so,
- (2) (a) how many employees has her Department (aa) identified and (bb) acted against, (b) from which sections of her Department are they and (c) how far are the disciplinary processes;

(3) what measures her Department envisages to put in place with a view to enforcing compliance with the Treasury Regulations and provincial executive's instructions?

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

- (1) How many projects has her Department funded with a view to fighting against unemployment and poverty in the province 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;
- (2) what is the nature of each project;
- (3) how much, in total, has her Department funded to each project;
- (4) whether the projects in (3) above are still operational; if not, why; if so, (a) how many people does each project employ and (b) what has been the total benefits to the community?

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

Subsequent to a response provided to Question 186 of IQP 8 dated Thursday, 8 August 2019 and noting that the Department of Sport, Recreation, Arts and Culture has reportedly provided support in terms of funding for certain programmes:

- (1) What is the status of the (i) Geneva Scholtz Women's Rugby, (ii) Women Football Development, (iii) Provincial Netball and (iv) Women Boxing programmes;
- (2) how have the funds allocated to these respective programmes been utilized;
- (3) whether the preparations for the Steve Vukile Tshwete games are in order; if so, can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard; if not, what date are they expected to commence;
- (4) (a) whether she can kindly indicate how many sport facilities does the province have and (b) which municipalities own these respective facilities;

(5) whether she can kindly indicate how much has her Department spent, per municipality, on the (a) construction and (b)upgrades and/or improvements of sporting facilities in the province for the (i) 2017/18 and (ii) 2018/19 financial years as at the latest specified date for which information is available?

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

With regard to the article in the Daily Dispatch dated, Monday, 30 September 2019, entitled "Reverend in row over funds":

- (1) Whether her Department has any contract, agreements and/or projects with the Maqoma Legacy Group Holdings; if so, can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (2) whether the aforementioned company received money from the National Government; if so, (a) how much and (b) what was its intended purpose;
- (3) whether the aforementioned company received money from her Department; if so, (a) how much and (b) what was its intended purpose; if not,
- (4) what action her Department anticipates to take with a view to ensuring that where there has been any irregularities and/or corruption those responsible will be held to account;
- (5) whether her Department has made any improvements on the grave site of Chief Ntabakandoda Maqoma; if not, why;
- (6) what is the current (a) status of the Maqoma project and (b) progress of legacy projects in the province?

421. Mr M von Buchenroder to ask the MEC responsible for Transport:

Nothing that children in the Powfontein and Brandkop farming areas near Oyster Bay allegedly have only one pick-up point (Community Centre in Umsamawethu) for scholar transport which is between 10-15km from their homes and further noting that these children reportedly have to use private transportation to get to the pick-up point which is costing parents R400 per learner per month:

- (1) Whether she has been informed that her Department's contractor is reported to only transport the learners from the Community Centre in Umsamawethu; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,
- (2) why is the pick-up point reportedly between 10-15km from these affected children;
- (3) whether the contractor can pick-up the learners closer to their homes; if not, why;
- (4) whether there are any other routes the contractor can use that are closer to the learners' homes; if so, can she kindly provide the relevant details in this regard;
- (5) (a) what is the total number of learners that qualify for scholar transport in this area and (b) of the total number, how many learners is her Department currently transporting?

422. Mr M von Buchenroder to ask the MEC responsible for Transport:

With reference to Ngubesizwe Senior Secondary School in the Chris Hani District:

- (1) How many learners from the aforementioned school qualify for scholar transport for the current school year as at the latest specified date for which information is available:
- (2) whether her Department is transporting all qualifying learners; if not, (a) why,
 (b) how many learners of the total number is her Department transporting and
 (c) what steps her Department envisages it will take with a view to ensuring that all qualifying students are transported;
- (3) whether her Department has made any budget available with a view to transporting learners from this school; if so, how much;
- (4) whether her Department has a contractor to transport learners to this school; if not, why; if so, what routes does the contractor use?

423. Mr M von Buchenroder to ask the MEC responsible for Transport:

With reference to Nogwaza Primary School in the Chris Hani District:

- (1) How many learners from the aforementioned school qualify for scholar transport for the current school year as at the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (2) whether her Department is transporting all qualifying learners; if not, (a) why,
 (b) how many learners of the total number is her Department transporting and
 (c) what steps her Department envisages it will take with a view to ensuring that all qualifying students are transported;
- (3) whether her Department has made any budget available with a view to transporting learners from this school; if so, how much;
- (4) whether her Department has a contractor to transport learners to this school; if not, why; if so, what routes does the contractor use?