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3. ■ Indicates a written question transferred for oral reply upon the request of the relevant member (Rule 117).

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL REPLY

WEDNESDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2011

GOVERNANCE - Cluster 3

★261. Mr S N Swart (ACDP) to ask the Minister in the Presidency: National Planning Commission:

(1) Whether Statistics South Africa has experienced any serious challenges and practical problems while conducting Census 2011; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what (a)(i) challenges and (ii) problems and (b) impact will it have on the (i) successful outcome and (ii) expected underreporting of the census;

(2) whether he will make a statement on the matter? NO4181E

★269. The Leader of the Opposition (DA) to ask the Minister in the Presidency: National Planning Commission:

(1) Whether the National Planning Commission (NPC) has been investigating the viability of nationalisation; if not, why not; if so, what progress has been made with the investigation;

(2) whether the NPC has taken an official position on the calls for nationalisation; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NO4193E

★254. Mrs J C Moloi-Moropa (ANC) to ask the Minister in the Presidency: Performance Monitoring and Evaluation as well as Administration in the Presidency:

Whether his department has compiled a master plan with regard to the monitoring of service delivery, in collaboration with the Public Service Commission and Department of Public Service and Administration, in order to (a) determine the level of preparedness and (b) assess the evaluation capability of Government to mitigate disasters and prevent civil protests for non-delivery of services; if not, why not; if so, what plan? NO4046E

★258. Ms S B Lebonya-Ntanzu (IFP) to ask the Minister in the Presidency: Performance Monitoring and Evaluation as well as Administration in the Presidency:

(1) Whether he has found that members of the National Youth Development Agency (NYDA) took part in the march that had been arranged by the ANC Youth League (details furnished); if so,

(2) whether he intends taking any steps in this regard; if not, why not; if so, what steps;

- (3) whether he intends taking any steps to ensure that the NYDA conducts itself in a nonpartisan manner; if not, why not; if so, what steps? NO4054E

★262. Mrs J D Kilian (Cope) to ask the Minister of Women, Children and Persons with Disabilities:

- (1) Whether, with reference to her reply to question 1431 on 21 June 2011, she led the South African delegation to the 55th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women in New York in March 2011; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,
- (2) whether all members of the delegation attended all the sessions of the commission; if not, why not; if so,
- (3) whether the trip was budgeted for in her department's budget for the 2010-11 financial year; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NO4184E

★252. Ms D G Nhlengethwa (ANC) to ask the Minister for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

Whether the Government intends to revise the funding formula for municipalities with a view to implementing a differentiated approach to financing municipalities (details furnished); if not, why not; if so, what steps are being taken with regard to the (a) short, (b) medium and (c) long term to resolve the need for a differentiated approach? NO4044E

★268. Mr G G Hill-Lewis (DA) to ask the Minister for the Public Service and Administration:

What steps will he take against senior public servants who have still not declared their financial interests? NO4192E

★248. Mr A J Williams (ANC) to ask the Minister for the Public Service and Administration:

With reference to the previous Minister's reply to question 1827 on 19 August 2011, (a) what (i) successes have been achieved by the Special Anti-Corruption Unit for the Public Service which was launched on 25 November 2010 to assist government departments with managing corruption cases from investigation to conclusion, (ii) progress has been made by the unit in its attempts to eradicate corruption in the Public Service and (iii) what are the relevant details of the latest activities of the unit to deal with corruption as at the latest specified date for which information is available? NO4037E

★256. Mrs D M Ramodibe (ANC) to ask the Minister of Women, Children and People with Disabilities:

Whether her department intends taking any steps to ensure that other government departments mainstream issues relating to women, youth and persons with disabilities in their places of work; if not, why not; if so, what (a) steps and (b) are the further relevant details? NO4048E

★266. Dr H C van Schalkwyk (DA) to ask the Minister for the Public Service and Administration:

Whether his department is taking any steps to ensure that officials are not suspended with full pay for extended periods of time; if not, why not; if so, what steps? NO4190E

★263. Mr L Ramatlakane (Cope) to ask the Minister for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

(1) Whether a company has been contracted by the Ekurhuleni municipality to supply Tsakane informal settlement with proper toilets; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (a) which company has been contracted, (b) when was the company contracted and (c) what is the value of the tender;

(2) whether the job has been completed; if not, (a) why not and (b) how many residents are without proper sanitation as a result of the contractors not completing the job on time; if so, what are the relevant details? NO4185E

★260. Mr A R Ainslie (ANC) to ask the Minister for the Public Service and Administration:

(1) Whether, with reference to his reply to oral question 82 on 17 August 2011, he intends introducing legislation prohibiting public servants from doing business with government departments; if so, what are the relevant details; if not,

(2) what progress has his department made in introducing legislation preventing conflicts of interest which may arise as a result of such transactions? NO4178E

★259. Ms S P Lebonya-Ntanzu (IFP) to ask the Minister of Women, Children and People with Disabilities:

(1) How many recorded child-headed households are there;

(2) whether she has taken any steps to deal with the challenges that are being faced by (a) orphaned children and (b) guardians of orphans; if not, why not, in each case; if so, what are the relevant details in each case;

- (3) whether her department is collaborating with the Department of Social Development in dealing with these issues; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NO4055E

★251. Mrs W J Nelson (ANC) to ask the Minister for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

Whether he intends to ameliorate the administrative burden of splitting government accounts for property rates and services (details furnished); if not, why not; if so, (a) what measures does he intend to implement in this regard and (b) in terms of what time frame? NO4043E

★270. Mrs D Robinson (DA) to ask the Minister of Women, Children and People with Disabilities:

What progress has her department made in establishing the proposed Domestic Violence Council as presented in her department's strategic plan for 2011-12? NO4194E

★250. Ms P Maduna (ANC) to ask the Minister of Women, Children and People with Disabilities:

Whether the target of 2% employment of people with disabilities in the public sector has been met in her department; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NO4042E

★264. Mr T Botha (Cope) to ask the Minister for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

- (1) Whether his department is encouraging participatory democracy at local government level through the strict enforcement of service delivery agreements (SDAs) as required by the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, Act 32 of 2000; if not, (a) what obstacles are hindering local municipalities to enforce SDAs and (b) who is responsible for keeping oversight over the (i) administrations of municipalities and (ii) contractors hired by municipalities if SDAs are not enforced;
- (2) whether he has been informed of any instances where information has been denied to citizens by any municipality; if so, what are the relevant details in each case? NO4186E

★249. Mr A J Williams (ANC) (p 1589)—Minister in the Presidency: Performance Monitoring and Evaluation as well as Administration in the Presidency: **[Removed]**

★265. **Dr H C van Schalkwyk (DA) to ask the Minister for the Public Service and Administration:**

What measures does he intend to implement to ensure that the directors-general give a high priority to the performance management process in order to (a) improve governance, (b) cut down on corruption and (c) enhance performance? NO4189E

★253. **Ms M J Segale-Diswai (ANC) to ask the Minister for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

How does he intend ensuring that local government's turn-around strategy is funded at provincial level since it was initiated at national level and put into operation in provinces? NO4045E

★257. **Mrs D M Ramodibe (ANC) to ask the Minister of Women, Children and People with Disabilities:**

(a) How many (i) women and (ii) people with disabilities received training from the various sector education and training authorities (Setas) and (b) what are the relevant details of the training that was given to these persons? NO4049E

★267. **Mr G G Hill-Lewis (DA) to ask the Minister for the Public Service and Administration:**

What are his top priorities for his department in 2012? NO4191E

★255. **Mrs J C Moloi-Moropa (ANC) to ask the Minister for the Public Service and Administration:**

Whether, with regard to the irregular expenditure that amounted to R214 million incurred by the State Information Technology Agency (Sita) (a) in (i) 2009 and (ii) 2010 and (b) during the period 1 January 2011 up to the latest specified date for which information is available, there has been any intervention by his department to remedy further incurrence of irregular expenditure; if not, why not; if so, what action? NO4047E

★271. Mrs D Robinson (DA) to ask the Minister of Women, Children and People with Disabilities:

What progress has been made with domesticating the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities? NO4195E

★272. Mrs M Wenger (DA) to ask the Minister for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

Whether he has found that municipalities have complied with the provisions in the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act, Act 32 of 2000, and the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, Act 56 of 2003, concerning councillors and employees of councils who have been in arrears with their municipal accounts for a period longer than 90 days; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what action has been taken in this regard? NO4196E

★273. Mr J R B Lorimer (DA) to ask the Minister for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

- (1) Whether he has been informed that there are municipalities at which the Local Government: Municipal Systems Amendment Act, Act 7 of 2011, is not being implemented; if so, what action will be taken against municipalities that are not complying with the Act; if not,
- (2) whether he intends to investigate the implementation of the said Act; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether his department has taken any steps to inform municipalities of the impact that the specified Act will have on their operations; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NO4198E