



**PARLIAMENT**  
OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

**PARLIAMENTARY PROGRAMME 2018**

**THIRD TERM**

**AS AGREED TO BY THE PROGRAMME COMMITTEE ON 24 MAY**

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**PARLIAMENTARY PROGRAMME FRAMEWORK 2018/2019**  
As agreed to by the Joint Programme Committee on 28 March 2018

SECOND TERM		THIRD TERM	
<b>NA 17 April – 15 June (9 weeks)</b> <b>NCOP 17 April – 29 June (11 weeks)</b>		<b>NA 14 August – 14 September (5 weeks)</b> <b>NCOP 31 July – 21 September (8 weeks)</b>	
NA Committees	17 April – 4 May	NA Committees/ Oversight	14 – 17 August
NCOP Plenaries/ Committees/ Departmental Strategic Plan		NCOP Plenaries/ Committees	31 July – 8 August
Briefings to NCOP Committees	17 April – 22 June	NCOP Questions to Cluster 3: Governance	31 July and 2 August
NCOP Questions to Cluster 2: Social Services	17 and 19 April		
Local Government Week	23 – 26 April		
	<i>Freedom Day: Friday, 27 April</i> <i>Workers' Day: Tuesday, 1 May</i>		<i>Women's Day: Thursday, 9 August</i>
NCOP Oversight Week	8 – 11 May	Women's Parliament	August (p)
NCOP Plenary on Division of Revenue Bill	3 May	NCOP Oversight Week	14 – 17 August
NCOP Questions to the Deputy President	13 June	NCOP Plenaries/ Committees	21 – 24 August
NA Plenaries	19 - 24 April (p)	NCOP Report Back Session - Taking Parliament to the People: Free State	28 – 31 August
NA Plenaries	8 – 29 May	NA Plenaries/Mini-plenaries	21 August – 7 September
NA Budget Vote debates	9 - 18 May	NCOP Plenaries/ Committees	3 – 14 September
	<i>Africa Day: Friday, 25 May</i>	NA Committees/Oversight	11 – 14 September
Debate on Vote 2: Parliament	May	NCOP Questions to the Deputy President	September
Debate on Vote 1: Presidency (followed by Reply)	May	NCOP Preliminary Oversight Visits – Taking Parliament to the People: Gauteng	17 – 21 September
Decision on Appropriation Bill by NA	May		<i>Heritage Day: Monday, 24 September</i>
NA Committees	30 May – 15 June	<b>NA Constituency Period</b>	<b>17 September – 8 October</b>
Youth Parliament	June (p)	<b>NCOP Constituency Period</b>	<b>25 September – 8 October</b>
	<i>Youth Day: Saturday, 16 June</i>		
Decision on Appropriation Bill by NCOP	28 June (p)		
<b>NA Constituency Period</b>	<b>18 June – 13 August</b>		
<b>NCOP Constituency Period</b>	<b>2 – 30 July</b>		

FOURTH TERM	FIRST TERM 2019
<b>9 October – 30 November (8 weeks)</b>	<b>7 February – 26 March (8 weeks)</b>
NA Committees ( <i>BRR Reports</i> )	Leave Period
9 – 19 October	2 – 4 January
NCOP Committees/ Plenaries	<b>Constituency Period</b>
9 – 12 October	<b>7 January – 6 February</b>
NCOP Provincial Week	NCOP Review Session
16 – 19 October	February
NA Plenaries/Mini-plenaries	Joint Sitting (SONA)
16 October – 30 November	February (19:00)
NCOP Committees/ Plenaries	Debate on President's State-of-the-nation Address
23 October – 29 November	February
NCOP Questions to Cluster 4: Economics	Reply by President to debate on State-of-the-nation address
30 and 31 October, 1,6,8 and 13 November	February
NCOP Questions to the President	NCOP Plenaries/ Committees
October/ November	February – March
Tabling: 2018 Medium-Term Budget	Budget speech
Policy Statement and Adjustments Budget:	<i>(Including tabling of Fiscal Framework, Appropriation Bill and Division of Revenue Bill)</i>
Revised Fiscal Framework	NCOP Committees Strategic Planning (Annual Review) sessions
Division of Revenue Amendment Bill	February
Decision on Adjustments Appropriation Bill by Parliament	NCOP Report Back Session – Taking Parliament to the People:
October	March
November	March
November	March
NCOP Questions to Deputy President	NA debate on Fiscal Framework
November	March
Taking Parliament to the People: Gauteng	Tabling of departmental strategic plans
19 – 23 November	March
NCOP Annual Address by the President	NA plenary on Division of Revenue Bill
23 November	March
<b>Constituency Period</b>	NCOP Plenaries/ Committees/Departmental Strategic Plan
<b>3 – 14 December</b>	March
<i>Reconciliation Day: Saturday, 16 December</i>	Briefings to NCOP Committees
<b>Leave Period</b>	March
<b>18 December – January 2019</b>	<i>Human Rights Day: Thursday, 21 March</i>
	<b>Constituency Period</b>
	<b>2 April -</b>

## CLUSTERING OF MINISTRIES: A GUIDE FOR QUESTIONS FOR ORAL &amp; WRITTEN REPLY

CLUSTER 1 - Peace and Security	CLUSTER 2 - Social Services	CLUSTER 3 - Governance	CLUSTER 4 - Economics	CLUSTER 5 – Economics
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Defence and Military</li> <li>• Veterans</li> <li>• Home Affairs</li> <li>• International Relations and Cooperation</li> <li>• Justice and Correctional Services</li> <li>• Police</li> <li>• State Security</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arts and Culture</li> <li>• Basic Education</li> <li>• Higher Education and Training</li> <li>• Health</li> <li>• Human Settlements</li> <li>• Social Development</li> <li>• Sport and Recreation</li> <li>• Water and Sanitation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs</li> <li>• Minister in the Presidency</li> <li>• Minister of Women in The Presidency</li> <li>• Public Service and Administration</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries</li> <li>• Communications</li> <li>• Economic Development</li> <li>• Energy</li> <li>• Environmental Affairs</li> <li>• Finance</li> <li>• Labour</li> <li>• Mineral Resources</li> <li>• Public Enterprises</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public Works</li> <li>• Rural Development and Land Reform</li> <li>• Science and Technology</li> <li>• Small Business Development</li> <li>• Telecommunications and Postal Services</li> <li>• Trade and Industry</li> <li>• Tourism</li> <li>• Transport</li> </ul>

## WEEK 20

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY	NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES
<b>MONDAY, 13 AUGUST</b> <p style="text-align: center;">CONSTITUENCY DAY</p>	<b>MONDAY, 13 AUGUST</b> <p style="text-align: center;">CONSTITUENCY DAY</p>
<b>TUESDAY, 14 AUGUST</b> <p style="text-align: center;">COMMITTEES/OVERSIGHT</p>	<b>TUESDAY, 14 AUGUST</b> <p style="text-align: center;">COMMITTEES OVERSIGHT WEEK</p>
<b>WEDNESDAY, 15 AUGUST</b> 10:00 – 11:00 Chief Whips' Forum (Closed meeting) <p style="text-align: center;">COMMITTEES/OVERSIGHT</p>	<b>WEDNESDAY, 15 AUGUST</b> <p style="text-align: center;">COMMITTEES OVERSIGHT WEEK</p>
<b>THURSDAY, 16 AUGUST</b> 08:30 Programme Committee (E249) 10:00 CAUCUS <p style="text-align: center;">COMMITTEES/OVERSIGHT</p>	<b>THURSDAY, 16 AUGUST</b> <p style="text-align: center;">COMMITTEES OVERSIGHT WEEK</p>
<b>FRIDAY, 17 AUGUST</b> <p style="text-align: center;">COMMITTEES/OVERSIGHT</p>	<b>FRIDAY, 17 AUGUST</b> <p style="text-align: center;">COMMITTEES OVERSIGHT WEEK</p>

**THIRD CONFERENCE OF PARLIAMENTARY BUDGET OFFICES: THE ROLE OF AFRICAN PARLIAMENTS IN FISCAL OVERSIGHT  
15 – 16 AUGUST**

## WEEK 21

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY	NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES
<b>MONDAY, 20 AUGUST</b>  CONSTITUENCY DAY	<b>MONDAY, 20 AUGUST</b>
<b>TUESDAY, 21 AUGUST</b> 09:00 – 12:45 Committees  14:00 – <b>PLENARY</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Legislation</li> <li>2. Committee reports</li> <li>3. Motions without notice</li> <li>4. Member's statements (40)</li> <li>5. Notices of motion</li> </ol> Study Groups	<b>TUESDAY, 21 AUGUST</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY, 22 AUGUST</b> 09:00 – 12:45 Committees 10:00 – 11:00 Chief Whips' Forum (Closed meeting)  15:00 – ±18:00 <b>PLENARY</b> Questions to the President  Study Groups	<b>WEDNESDAY, 22 AUGUST</b>
<b>THURSDAY, 23 AUGUST</b> 08:30 Programme Committee (E249) 10:00 CAUCUS  14:00 – <b>PLENARY</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Legislation</li> </ol>	<b>THURSDAY, 23 AUGUST</b>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Committee reports</li> <li>3. Motions without notice</li> <li>4. Member's statements (40)</li> <li>5. Notices of motion</li> </ul>	
<b>FRIDAY, 24 AUGUST</b>  <b>HERITAGE DAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY, 24 AUGUST</b>  <b>HERITAGE DAY</b>

**WEEK 22**

<b>NATIONAL ASSEMBLY</b>	<b>NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES</b>
<b>MONDAY, 27 AUGUST</b>  CONSTITUENCY DAY	<b>MONDAY, 27 AUGUST</b>  CONSTITUENCY DAY
<b>TUESDAY, 28 AUGUST</b> 09:00 – 12:45 Committees  14:00 – <b>PLENARY</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Legislation</li> <li>2. Committee reports</li> <li>3. Motions without notice</li> <li>4. Member's statements (40)</li> <li>5. Notices of motion</li> </ul> Study Groups	<b>TUESDAY, 28 AUGUST</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY, 29 AUGUST</b> 09:00 – 12:45 Committees 10:00 – 11:00 Chief Whips' Forum (Closed meeting)  15:00 – ±18:00 <b>PLENARY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY, 29 AUGUST</b>

<p>Questions for Oral Reply: (180)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cluster 2: Social Services</li> </ul> <p>Study Groups</p>	
<p><b>THURSDAY, 30 AUGUST</b></p> <p>08:30 Programme Committee (E249) 10:00 – 12:30 CAUCUS</p> <p>14:00 – <b>PLENARY</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Legislation</li> <li>2. Committee reports</li> <li>3. Motions without notice</li> <li>4. Member's statements (40)</li> <li>5. Notices of motion</li> </ol>	<p><b>THURSDAY, 30 AUGUST</b></p>
<p><b>FRIDAY, 31 AUGUST</b></p> <p>COMMITTEES</p>	<p><b>FRIDAY, 31 AUGUST</b></p>



## WEEK 23

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY	NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES
<b>MONDAY, 3 SEPTEMBER</b>  <p style="text-align: center;">CONSTITUENCY DAY</p>	<b>MONDAY, 3 SEPTEMBER</b>  <p style="text-align: center;">CONSTITUENCY DAY</p>
<b>TUESDAY, 4 SEPTEMBER</b> 09:00 – 12:45 Committees  14:00 – <b>PLENARY</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Legislation</li> <li>2. Committee reports</li> <li>3. Motions without notice</li> <li>4. Member's statements (40)</li> <li>5. Notices of motion</li> </ol> Study Groups	<b>TUESDAY, 4 SEPTEMBER</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY, 5 SEPTEMBER</b> 09:00 – 12:45 Committees 10:00 – 11:00 Chief Whips' Forum (Closed meeting)  15:00 – ±18:00 <b>PLENARY</b> Questions for Oral Reply: (180) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cluster 3: Governance</li> </ul> Study Groups	<b>WEDNESDAY, 5 SEPTEMBER</b>
<b>THURSDAY, 6 SEPTEMBER</b> 08:30 Programme Committee (E249) 10:00 CAUCUS  14:00 – <b>PLENARY</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Legislation</li> <li>2. Committee reports</li> </ol>	<b>THURSDAY, 6 SEPTEMBER</b>

3. Motions without notice 4. Member's statements (40) 5. Notices of motion	
<b>FRIDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER</b>  COMMITTEES	<b>FRIDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER</b>

**WEEK 24**

<b>NATIONAL ASSEMBLY</b>	<b>NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES</b>
<b>MONDAY, 10 SEPTEMBER</b>  CONSTITUENCY DAY	<b>MONDAY, 10 SEPTEMBER</b>  CONSTITUENCY DAY
<b>TUESDAY, 11 SEPTEMBER</b>  COMMITTEES/OVERSIGHT	<b>TUESDAY, 11 SEPTEMBER</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER</b>  COMMITTEES/OVERSIGHT	<b>WEDNESDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER</b>
<b>THURSDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER</b>  COMMITTEES/OVERSIGHT	<b>THURSDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER</b>
<b>FRIDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER</b>  COMMITTEES/OVERSIGHT	<b>FRIDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER</b>

**NA CONSTITUENCY PERIOD: 17 SEPTEMBER – 8 OCTOBER**  
**NCOP CONSTITUENCY PERIOD: 25 SEPTEMBER – 8 OCTOBER**