

# **NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES**

## **FOURTH TERM PARLIAMENTARY PROGRAMME 2021**

*(As agreed to by the NCOP Programme Committee on 9 September 2021)*

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**6<sup>th</sup>  
DEMOCRATIC  
PARLIAMENT**





**Note:**

**National Assembly**

**National Council of Provinces**

Taking Parliament to the People – (NCOP):

Taking Parliament to the People (Annual Address by the President to the NCOP):

**Explanatory notes on introduction of Bills:**

For a Minister to introduce a Bill in Parliament, the Department must comply with:

1. **Joint Rule 159 (submission to Presiding Officers after Cabinet approval)\***
2. **NA Rule 241 / NCOP Rule 186 (Gazette - intent to introduce)**
3. **Certification by State Law Adviser and submission to Bills Office**

\*Departments are advised to forward electronic versions of JR 159 submissions to the Office of LOGB and the Bills Office, and **to follow the above chronological order**, to prevent delays.

**Calculations for deadlines are based on the following formula:**

**s76 Bills:** 2 WEEK:s for technical preparation (from submission of certified Bill to introduction), 12 WEEK:s for committees (i.e. 8 for the NCOP and 4 for the NA), and 1 WEEK: for preparation of amendments, plenary and transmission between the Houses.

**s75 Bills:** 2 WEEK:s for technical preparation (from submission of certified Bill to introduction), 12 WEEK:s for committees (i.e. 8 for the NA and 4 for the NCOP), and 1 WEEK: for preparation of amendments, plenary and transmission between the Houses.

**Deadline set for the submission of legislation for introduction in 2020:**

..... for bills to be passed by the time Parliament rise

**Internal deadlines set for legislation to be passed:**

Internal deadline for s76 bills to be passed by the **National Assembly** is .....2021

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**Deadlines set for the submission of Questions for Questions Session:**

.....2021 for submission of Questions to the Deputy President scheduled for 18 November 2021 (p)

.....2021 for submission of Questions to Cluster 2: Social Services scheduled for 23, 25 and 30 November 2021



## CLUSTERING OF MINISTRIES: A GUIDE FOR QUESTIONS FOR ORAL

CLUSTER 1 - Peace and Security	CLUSTER 2 - Social Services	CLUSTER 3 - Governance	CLUSTER 4 - Economics
<p><b>Includes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Police</li> <li>▪ Justice and Correctional Services</li> <li>▪ Defence and Military Veterans</li> <li>▪ International Relations and Cooperation</li> <li>▪ State Security</li> <li>▪ Home Affairs</li> </ul>	<p><b>Includes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Sports, Arts and Culture</li> <li>▪ Basic Education</li> <li>▪ Higher Education, Science and Innovation</li> <li>▪ Health</li> <li>▪ Human Settlements, Water and Sanitation</li> <li>▪ Social Development</li> </ul>	<p><b>Includes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs</li> <li>▪ Public Service and Administration</li> <li>▪ Minister in the Presidency: Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities</li> <li>▪ Minister in the Presidency</li> </ul>	<p><b>Includes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development</li> <li>▪ Forestry, Fisheries and Environment</li> <li>▪ Trade, Industry and Competition</li> <li>▪ Finance</li> <li>▪ Employment and Labour</li> <li>▪ Mineral Resources and Energy</li> <li>▪ Public Enterprises</li> <li>▪ Public Works and Infrastructure</li> <li>▪ Tourism</li> <li>▪ Transport</li> <li>▪ Communications and Digital Technologies</li> <li>▪ Small Business Development</li> </ul>



**REVISED PARLIAMENTARY PROGRAMME FRAMEWORK FOR 2021**  
(As agree to by the Joint Programme Committee on 3 June 2021)

THIRD TERM		FOURTH TERM	
<b>NCOP</b>	<b>17 August – 3 September (3 weeks)</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>2 November – 10 December (6 weeks)</b>
<b>NA</b>	<b>17 August – 15 October (5 weeks)</b>	<b>NCOP</b>	<b>2 November – 14 December (7 weeks)</b>
<b>NCOP Committees/ Oversight</b>	<b>17 – 20 August</b>	<b>NA Plenaries/ Mini-plenaries</b>	<b>2 November – 10 December</b>
<b>Plenaries/NA Committees</b>	<b>17 August – 3 September</b>	<b>NA Questions to the President</b>	<b>November</b>
<i>Women's Day: Monday, 9 August</i>		<b>NA Questions to the Deputy President</b>	<b>November</b>
		<b>NA Questions to Clusters</b>	<b>November</b>
<b>NCOP Questions to the Deputy President</b>	<b>August</b>	<b>Tabling: 2021 Medium Term Budget Policy Statement and Adjustments Budget:</b>	<b>2 November</b>
<b>Women's Parliament</b>	<b>August (p)</b>	<b>Revised Fiscal Framework</b>	<b>November</b>
		<b>NA Division of Revenue Amendment Bill</b>	<b>November</b>
<b>NCOP Plenaries/ Committees/ Legislation</b>	<b>24 August – 3 September</b>	<b>NCOP Division of Revenue Amendment Bill</b>	<b>November</b>
		<b>NA Decision on Adjustments Appropriation Bill by Parliament</b>	<b>December</b>
<b>NA Constituency Period</b>	<b>6 September – 4 October (4 weeks)</b>	<b>NCOP Plenaries/ Committees/ Legislation</b>	<b>2 November – 14 December</b>
<b>NCOP Constituency Period</b>	<b>6 September – 2 November (8 weeks)</b>	<b>NCOP Questions to Deputy President</b>	<b>November</b>
<i>Heritage Day, Friday, 24 September</i>		<b>NCOP Questions to Cluster 2: Social Services</b>	<b>November</b>
		<b>NCOP Questions to Cluster 3: Governance</b>	<b>November</b>
<b>NA Committees (BRR Reports)</b>	<b>5 – 15 October</b>	<b>NCOP Annual Address by the Deputy President</b>	<b>19 November (p)</b>
		<b>NCOP Decision on Adjustments Appropriation Bill by Parliament</b>	<b>14 December (p)</b>
<b>NA Constituency Period</b>	<b>18 October – 1 November (2 weeks)</b>	<b>NA Constituency Period</b>	<b>13 – 24 December (2 weeks)</b>
		<b>NCOP Constituency Period</b>	<b>15 – 24 December (1 week)</b>
		<i>Reconciliation Day: Thursday, 16 December</i>	
		<b>Leave Period</b>	<b>27 December – January 2022</b>



**WEEK: 1 – 5 NOVEMBER 2021**

<b>NATIONAL ASSEMBLY</b>	<b>NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES</b>	<b>COMMITTEES</b>
<b>MONDAY, 1 NOVEMBER</b> LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS	<b>MONDAY, 1 NOVEMBER</b> LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS	<b>MONDAY, 1 NOVEMBER</b> LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS
<b>TUESDAY, 2 NOVEMBER</b>	<b>TUESDAY, 2 NOVEMBER</b> COMMITTEES	<b>TUESDAY, 2 NOVEMBER</b> 10:00 – 17:00 COMMITTEES
<b>WEDNESDAY, 3 NOVEMBER</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY, 3 NOVEMBER</b> COMMITTEES	<b>WEDNESDAY, 3 NOVEMBER</b> 10:00 – 17:00 COMMITTEES
<b>THURSDAY, 4 NOVEMBER</b>	<b>THURSDAY, 4 NOVEMBER</b> 10:00 – 12:30 Caucus COMMITTEES	<b>THURSDAY, 4 NOVEMBER</b> 14:00 – 18:00 COMMITTEES
<b>FRIDAY, 5 NOVEMBER</b> JOINT COMMITTEES	<b>FRIDAY, 5 NOVEMBER</b> JOINT COMMITTEES	<b>FRIDAY, 5 NOVEMBER</b> JOINT COMMITTEES



**WEEK: 8 – 12 NOVEMBER 2021**

<b>NATIONAL ASSEMBLY</b>	<b>NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES</b>	<b>COMMITTEES</b>
<b>MONDAY, 8 NOVEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY	<b>MONDAY, 8 NOVEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY	<b>MONDAY, 8 NOVEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY
<b>TUESDAY, 9 NOVEMBER</b>	<b>TUESDAY, 9 NOVEMBER</b> 08:30 – 09:30 Committee of Chairpersons meeting 10:00 – 15:45 Ministerial Briefing Session on the Fiscal and Economic Impact of the recent Public Violence, Looting and Destruction of Property: “ <i>Measures to Mitigate against the Fiscal and Economic Impact of the recent Public Violence, Looting and Destruction of Property</i> ” (HYBRID)	<b>TUESDAY, 9 NOVEMBER</b> 16:00 COMMITTEES
<b>WEDNESDAY, 10 NOVEMBER</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY, 10 NOVEMBER</b> 08:30 – 10:00 Provincial Whips Forum ( <i>Closed meeting</i> ) COMMITTEES	<b>WEDNESDAY, 10 NOVEMBER</b> 10:00 COMMITTEES
<b>THURSDAY, 11 NOVEMBER</b>	<b>THURSDAY, 11 NOVEMBER</b> 08:30 – 10:00 Programme Committee meeting 10:00 – 12:30 Caucus 14:00 <b>PLENARY (HYBRID)</b> Debate on Teenage Pregnancy: “ <i>Taking decisive measures to deal with the rape and abuse of young girls</i> ”	<b>THURSDAY, 11 NOVEMBER</b>
<b>FRIDAY, 12 NOVEMBER</b> JOINT COMMITTEES	<b>FRIDAY, 12 NOVEMBER</b> 09:00 – 11:00 PGIR meeting JOINT COMMITTEES	<b>FRIDAY 12 NOVEMBER</b> JOINT COMMITTEES



**WEEK: 15 – 19 NOVEMBER 2021**

<b>NATIONAL ASSEMBLY</b>	<b>NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES</b>	<b>COMMITTEES</b>
<b>MONDAY, 15 NOVEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY	<b>MONDAY, 15 NOVEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY	<b>MONDAY, 15 NOVEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY
<b>TUESDAY, 16 NOVEMBER</b>	<b>TUESDAY, 16 NOVEMBER</b> 10:00 – 15:45 Ministerial Briefing Session on School Dropout: <i>“Towards a Comprehensive National Dropout Management and Prevention Plan” (HYBRID)</i>	<b>TUESDAY, 16 NOVEMBER</b> 10:00 COMMITTEES
<b>WEDNESDAY, 17 NOVEMBER</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY, 17 NOVEMBER</b> 10:00 <b>PLENARY (HYBRID)</b> 1. Motions 2. Reports 3. Legislation 4. Consideration of the Select Committee on Finance report on the Revised Fiscal Framework and Revenue Proposals (Proposed)	<b>WEDNESDAY, 17 NOVEMBER</b> 14:00 COMMITTEES
<b>THURSDAY, 18 NOVEMBER</b>	<b>THURSDAY, 18 NOVEMBER</b> 10:00 – 12:30 Caucus 14:00 <b>PLENARY (HYBRID) (Provisional)</b> Questions to the Deputy President	<b>THURSDAY, 18 NOVEMBER</b>
<b>FRIDAY, 19 NOVEMBER</b> JOINT COMMITTEES	<b>FRIDAY, 19 NOVEMBER</b> JOINT COMMITTEES	<b>FRIDAY, 19 NOVEMBER</b> JOINT COMMITTEES



WEEK: 22 – 26 NOVEMBER 2021

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY	NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES	COMMITTEES
<p><b>MONDAY, 22 NOVEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY</p>	<p><b>MONDAY, 22 NOVEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY</p>	<p><b>MONDAY, 22 NOVEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY</p>
<p><b>TUESDAY, 23 NOVEMBER</b></p>	<p><b>TUESDAY, 23 NOVEMBER</b> 08:30 – 09:30 Committee of Chairpersons meeting 10:00 <b>PLENARY (HYBRID)</b> Questions to Cluster 2A: Social Services - Basic Education - Higher Education, Science and Innovation</p>	<p><b>TUESDAY, 23 NOVEMBER</b> 16:00 COMMITTEES</p>
<p><b>WEDNESDAY, 24 NOVEMBER</b></p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY, 24 NOVEMBER</b> 08:30 – 10:00 Provincial Whips Forum (<i>Closed meeting</i>) 10:00 <b>PLENARY (HYBRID)</b> Debate on Positioning state owned enterprises as the main catalyst for growth and development in South Africa</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY, 24 NOVEMBER</b> 14:00 COMMITTEES</p>
<p><b>THURSDAY, 25 NOVEMBER</b></p>	<p><b>THURSDAY, 25 NOVEMBER</b> 08:30 – 10:00 Programme Committee meeting 10:00 – 12:30 Caucus 14:00 <b>PLENARY (HYBRID)</b> Questions to Cluster 2B: Social Services - Health - Social Development</p>	<p><b>THURSDAY, 25 NOVEMBER</b></p>
<p><b>FRIDAY, 26 NOVEMBER</b> JOINT COMMITTEES</p>	<p><b>FRIDAY, 26 NOVEMBER</b> JOINT COMMITTEES</p>	<p><b>FRIDAY, 26 NOVEMBER</b> JOINT COMMITTEES</p>





**WEEK: 29 NOVEMBER – 3 DECEMBER 2021**

<b>NATIONAL ASSEMBLY</b>	<b>NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES</b>	<b>COMMITTEES</b>
<b>MONDAY, 29 NOVEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY	<b>MONDAY, 29 NOVEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY	<b>MONDAY, 29 NOVEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY
<b>TUESDAY, 30 NOVEMBER</b>	<b>TUESDAY, 30 NOVEMBER</b> 14:00 <b>PLENARY (HYBRID)</b> Questions to Cluster 2C: Social Services - Sports, Arts and Culture - Human Settlements, Water and Sanitation	<b>TUESDAY, 30 NOVEMBER</b> 10:00 COMMITTEES
<b>WEDNESDAY, 1 DECEMBER</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY, 1 DECEMBER</b> 10:00 <b>PLENARY (HYBRID)</b> 1. Motions 2. Reports 3. Legislation 4. Debate on the Division of Revenue Amendment Bill (Proposed)	<b>WEDNESDAY, 1 DECEMBER</b> 14:00 COMMITTEES
<b>THURSDAY, 2 DECEMBER</b>	<b>THURSDAY, 2 DECEMBER</b> 10:00 – 12:30 Caucus	<b>THURSDAY, 2 DECEMBER</b>
<b>FRIDAY, 3 DECEMBER</b> JOINT COMMITTEES	<b>FRIDAY, 3 DECEMBER</b> JOINT COMMITTEES	<b>FRIDAY, 3 DECEMBER</b> JOINT COMMITTEES



**WEEK: 6 – 10 DECEMBER 2021**

<b>NATIONAL ASSEMBLY</b>	<b>NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES</b>	<b>COMMITTEES</b>
<b>MONDAY, 6 DECEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY	<b>MONDAY, 6 DECEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY	<b>MONDAY, 6 DECEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY
<b>TUESDAY, 7 DECEMBER</b>	<b>TUESDAY, 7 DECEMBER</b> 08:30 – 09:30 Committee of Chairpersons meeting 10:00 <b>PLENARY (HYBRID) (Provisional)</b> Annual Address of the Deputy President	<b>TUESDAY, 7 DECEMBER</b> 14:00 COMMITTEES
<b>WEDNESDAY, 8 DECEMBER</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY, 8 DECEMBER</b> 08:30 – 10:00 Provincial Whips Forum ( <i>Closed meeting</i> ) COMMITTEES	<b>WEDNESDAY, 8 DECEMBER</b> 10:00 COMMITTEES
<b>THURSDAY, 9 DECEMBER</b>	<b>THURSDAY, 9 DECEMBER</b> 08:30 – 10:00 Programme Committee meeting 10:00 – 12:30 Caucus	<b>THURSDAY, 9 DECEMBER</b>
<b>FRIDAY, 10 DECEMBER</b> JOINT COMMITTEES	<b>FRIDAY, 10 DECEMBER</b> JOINT COMMITTEES	<b>FRIDAY, 10 DECEMBER</b> JOINT COMMITTEES



**WEEK: 13 – 17 DECEMBER 2021**

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY	NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES	COMMITTEES
<b>MONDAY, 13 DECEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY	<b>MONDAY, 13 DECEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY	<b>MONDAY, 13 DECEMBER</b> CONSTITUENCY DAY
<b>TUESDAY, 14 DECEMBER</b>	<b>TUESDAY, 14 DECEMBER</b> 10:00 <b>PLENARY (HYBRID)</b> 1. Consideration of report of Select Committee on Appropriations on the Proposed division of revenue and the conditional grant allocations to Provinces and Local Government (provisional) 2. Consideration of Adjustments Appropriation Bill (provisional) 3. Farewell speeches	<b>TUESDAY, 14 DECEMBER</b>

**CONSTITUENCY PERIOD: 15 – 24 DECEMBER 2021**

**LEAVE PERIOD: 27 DECEMBER – 28 JANUARY 2022**