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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL REPLY

WEDNESDAY, 27 NOVEMBER 2019

CLUSTER 3: GOVERNANCE

★311. Dr L A Schreiber (DA) to ask the Minister of Public Service and Administration:

Whether he has held any meetings with the Minister of Finance, Mr T T Mboweni, following the Medium-Term Budget Policy Statement on 30 October 2019, with regard to cutting the soaring Public Service wage bill; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO2926E

★312. Mr K Ceza (EFF) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

In light of the fact that the Govan Mbeki, Lekwa, Modimolle Local Municipalities were put under administration according to section 139 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, what are the reasons that other municipalities that experience the same circumstances as the specified municipalities have not been placed under administration?

NO2927E

★298. Mr G G Mpumza (ANC) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

What (a) are the major changes to the current government functioning that must be undertaken and (b) new capacities need to be developed in this regard to mainstream the proposed National Spatial Development Framework and the Integrated Urban Framework in planning across Government?

NO2913E

★299. Ms M T Kibi (ANC) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

(a) How does the Khawuleza District Coordination Model to ensure cooperative, collaborative and coordinated governance between the three spheres of government for service delivery practically function in its design and (b) what are the relevant details of the evidence derived from impact assessment studies that informed this particular model?

NO2914E

★292. Ms B Maluleke (ANC) to ask the Minister in The Presidency:

What steps is his Office taking to ensure that the lack of preventative controls, strong consequence management and an effective monitoring culture in the public sector, which gave rise to the increase in the total annual irregular expenditure in the 2018-19 financial year as outlined by the Auditor-General (details furnished), are being addressed?

NO2907E

★305. Mrs G Opperman (DA) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

Whether her department has any mechanism to assist municipalities to recover any unauthorised, irregular, fruitless and wasteful expenditure incurred by municipal officials; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO2920E

★313. Mr K Ceza (EFF) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

Whether she has found that the formula for the equitable share, upon which the division of revenue is based, should be revised to prioritise municipalities as centres of service delivery by giving them more funding than provinces; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO2928E

★294. Ms Z Nkomo (ANC) to ask the Minister in The Presidency for Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities:

How is her department ensuring that gender auditing forms part of (a) monitoring and evaluation systems across government departments and (b) the development of gender indicators and metrics for measuring women's unpaid labour in national accounts such as the Gross Domestic Product?

NO2909E

★319. Inkosi B N Luthuli (IFP) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

Whether her department has found lasting solutions to resolve the problem of debts owed by municipalities to Eskom and water boards; if not, why not; if so, what is the projected time frame by which significant results are to be expected?

NO2935E

★301. Ms M T Kibi (ANC) to ask the Minister of Public Service and Administration:

How far is the Public Service from reflecting the stated intention of the Government to build a professional, meritocratic and reskilled public service, with an organisational culture and ethics of public service which returns to the roots of participatory democracy at all levels and spheres through building partnerships with civil society?

NO2916E

★306. Mr M H Hoosen (DA) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

Whether her department intends to intervene in the administration of any municipalities in Limpopo to arrest the declining state of governance in the specified municipalities; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO2921E

★302. Mr B M Maneli (ANC) to ask the Minister in The Presidency:

What role is his Office playing in facilitating the proposals to review and/or amend legislative frameworks, such as the Public Finance Management Act, Act 1 of 1999, Municipal Finance Management Act, Act 56 of 2003, and Public Service Act, Act 103 of 1994, to ensure that they enable and facilitate, rather than impede, developmental objectives and effective and efficient implementation of programmes while ensuring accountability, transparency and combatting fraud and corruption?

NO2917E

★290. Mr A M Shaik Emam (NFP) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

What measures is her department putting in place to prevent the scourge of approximately R240 billion that is lost annually in the local government sphere as a result of tender fraud?

NO2905E

★303. Ms V P Malomane (ANC) to ask the Minister in The Presidency:

What (a) are the outcomes of Cabinet, in its June 2019 deliberations, on the 25-year review of the Government's performance that the triple fault lines of poverty, unemployment and inequality, based on race, class and gender still persist and have manifested in income, assets and wealth inequality (details furnished) and (b) role will his department play in this regard?

NO2918E

★307. Mr J J McGluwa (DA) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

Whether she has found that the amalgamation of the Tlokwe and Ventersdorp Local Municipalities in 2016 has been successful in delivering the intended results; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO2922E

★314. Ms N V Mente (EFF) to ask the Minister in The Presidency:

Whether he has taken any steps to save costs across government departments; if not, why not; if so, what steps has he taken in this regard?

NO2929E

★295. Ms T S Masondo (ANC) to ask the Minister in The Presidency for Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities:

Whether the current standards in the Public Sector complies with the protocols in the African Union Protocol on People Living with Disabilities which provide for every person with a disability to enjoy the right to a barrier-free access to the physical environment, transportation, information, including ICT and other facilities and services open or provided to the public; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO2910E

★293. Ms M M Ntuli (ANC) to ask the Minister of Public Service and Administration:

What progress has his department made in (a) raising the ethical bar for the public service by building a culture around a code of ethics and (b) providing training thereon to root out corruption and establish an ethical and people-orientated public service?

NO2908E

★296. Ms F A Masiko (ANC) to ask the Minister in The Presidency for Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities:

What has been the progress of her department in (a) accelerating the implementation and growth of youth employment programmes across government and (b) establishing and resourcing youth development desks in order to improve the position of young people and unleash their creativity and energy in the economy?

NO2911E

★309. Mr M S Malatsi (DA) to ask the Minister in The Presidency:

What measures has his Office put in place to monitor human rights violations committed across the continent by African Heads of State that will contribute to a better and safer Africa in line with Outcome 11 of the 2014-2019 Medium Term Strategic Framework?

NO2924E

★315. Ms N V Mente (EFF) to ask the Minister in The Presidency:

Whether the Executive supports the proposal to relocate the Parliament of the Republic of South Africa from Cape Town to Pretoria; if not, why not; if so, why?

NO2930E

★300. Mr T H James (ANC) to ask the Minister of Public Service and Administration:

What plans has his department put in place to fill key management vacancies in the Public Service, in view of the report of the Auditor-General to Parliament that the prolonged instability and vacancies in key management positions may attribute to a lack of urgency by managers and oversight bodies to act on audit outcomes?

NO2915E

★289. Mr C Brink (DA) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

What is the (a) total number of officials who faced disciplinary action in accordance with section 38(1)(h)(iii) of the Public Finance Management Act, Act 1 of 1999, for irregular expenditure incurred by her department in the past five financial years and (b) status of the disciplinary cases?

NO2844E

★291. Mr A M Shaik Emam (NFP) to ask the Minister in The Presidency for Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities:

What (a) is the coordination role of her department in respect of all the other departments with regard to the R1.6 billion that was set aside to address gender-based violence and femicide, as

announced by the President, Mr M C Ramaphosa, and (b) are the latest developments of the cooperation between all the departments in this regard?

NO2906E

★308. Mr L Mphithi (DA) to ask the Minister in The Presidency for Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities:

(a) Which entities reporting to her do not have boards of directors in place and (b) by what date will each of the boards of directors be constituted?

NO2923E

★316. Ms M S Khawula (EFF) to ask the Minister in The Presidency for Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities:

Whether the Government has a list of all persons living with a disability who should be receiving a social grant; if not, what does she intend doing to address this problem?

NO2932E

★310. Dr L A Schreiber (DA) to ask the Minister of Public Service and Administration:

With reference to his reply to question 953 on 5 November 2019, what are the details of the envisaged timeline for the creation of the database, with the assistance of other relevant departments, of public service employees who have criminal records?

NO2925E

★317. Mrs C C S Motsepe (EFF) to ask the Minister of Public Service and Administration:

Did his department conduct a study or research on whether the Republic's public sector wage bill is a problem; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (a) who conducted the study and (b) will he publish the findings of the study for the public?

NO2933E

★318. Mrs C C S Motsepe (EFF) to ask the Minister of Public Service and Administration:

Whether, with reference to his reply to oral question 142 on 18 September 2019, he intends to engage with the Gauteng provincial government and the Mayor of Johannesburg, Mr Herman Mashaba, in respect of the benefits of insourcing as preparation for government-wide rollout of insourcing of workers; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO2934E