

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION PAPER

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL REPLY

WEDNESDAY, 14 JUNE 2023

CLUSTER 1: PEACE AND SECURITY

★303. Mr M G E Hendricks (Al Jamah-Ah) to ask the Minister of Police:

- (1) Whether he will intervene to prevent extortion from organised gangs on the Cape Flats which have led to the delay in housing projects; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether he has been informed that such criminal extortion rackets are also targeting local spaza shop business owners; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NO1514E

★334. Ms M A Molekwa (ANC) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

What (a) are the updated details of the progress regarding the full functioning of the Border Management Authority (BMA) that has been established as a Schedule 3A Public Entity on 1 April 2023 and (b) has he found to be the noticeable changes that have been recorded since the establishment of the BMA with regard to border management and control? NO2598E

★338. Ms N P Peacock (ANC) to ask the Minister of Police:

In view of the reported 10 512 persons who were raped in the first three months of 2023 of which 4 768 of the rape incidents took place at the home of the victim or at the home of the perpetrator and with children sometimes being exposed to the specified acts of violence in their homes which can have devastating effect on them when they are older, what relationship does his department have with the Department of Basic Education and Department of Social Development to teach children about crime prevention and responses to crime in their homes?

NO2602E

★315. Ms D Kohler (DA) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

- (1) Whether Defence Intelligence was informed that the *Lady R* would dock at Simon's Town in December 2022; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,
- (2) whether Defence Intelligence took any steps to prevent the specified ship from docking at Simon's Town, especially in light of the alleged loading of arms; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO2578E

★358. Mr A V Khoza (EFF) to ask the Minister of Police:

In light of the fact that in some cash-in-transit crime scenes, cartridges and ammunition used by the Police and SA Defence Force are found, which means that either firearms and/or ammunition from the two institutions are used in committing the crimes, what total number of (a) cash-in-transit crime scenes has the Police attended to in the past two financial years and (b) the specified crime scenes contained cartridges from either of the institutions?

NO2623E

★342. Mr X Nqola (ANC) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

What notable progress has he found has been made since Parliament passed the Criminal and Related Matters Amendment Act, Act 12 of 2021, Domestic Violence Amendment Act, Act 14 of 2021, and the Criminal Law (Sexual Offences and Related Matters) Amendment Act, Act 32 of 2007, in the fight against and prevention of gender-based violence?

NO2606E

★307. Ms Z Majozi (IFP) to ask the Minister of Police:

Given the recent shooting of a witness outside court and a police station just a few minutes away in Wynberg (details furnished), what measures has the SA Police Service put in place to ensure stringent witness protection that curbs the intimidation, harassment, abuse and killing of good, honest citizens who highlight the flaws in the system of his department and ensure that justice is served?

NO2570E

★352. Mr V C Xaba (ANC) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

- (1) Whether her department has any plans in place to replace the extremely old Dakota maritime patrol aircraft in use by the SA Air Force with long-range drones and/or unmanned aerial vehicles as a cost-effective alternative for maritime patrols; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details;

- (2) to what extent will she introduce technological interventions to mitigate the shortfall of the number of deployed sub-units for land border safeguarding as the deployed sub-units still remain at 15 rather than the recommended 22 sub-units (details furnished) owing to the ceiling placed on the compensation of employees? NO2616E

★332. Mr W Horn (DA) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

In respect of the 386 criminal referrals stemming from the R7,8 billion in COVID-19 procurement corruption from the Special Investigating Unit, what total number of the investigations into the referrals resulted in (a) criminal prosecution and (b) successful convictions? NO2595E

★354. Mr B S Nkosi (ANC) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation:

Whether her department assists ordinary citizens of the Republic and other countries to participate in and/or benefit from the decisions made at BRICS summits; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NO2619E

★333. Mr M S Chabane (ANC) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

How will his department (a) ensure that it addresses the network challenges of the Appointment Booking System that clients experience which are also compounded by load shedding and (b) mitigate against the challenges posed by load shedding? NO2596E

★311. Mr A C Roos (DA) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

What are the relevant details of the (a) court orders that have been made against his department since 1 April 2016 to put new and/or amended legislation that have not yet been complied with, in place and (b) deadlines for each specified order that has not been complied with yet? NO2574E

★360. Mr Y Tetyana (EFF) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

With regard to the Constitutional Court ruling in 2017, in the *Lawyers for Human Rights v Minister of Home Affairs* case declaring Section 34(1) of the Immigration Act, Act 13 of 2002, invalid and inconsistent with the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, and that the specified section should be amended to be brought in line with the Constitution within a period of 24 months, what are the reasons that his department has not actioned the ruling of the Court by introducing an amending Bill in Parliament? NO2625E

★340. Mr Q R Dyantyi (ANC) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

What progress has been made thus far in the implementation of the report of the Jali Commission of Inquiry into Corruption and Maladministration in the Department of Correctional Services which was established by President Thabo Mbeki in 2001, specifically as it relates to gangsterism in correctional centres, with the Commission being extremely critical of how his department had failed to deal with prison gangs and sexual violence? NO2604E

★348. Ms M R M Mothapo (ANC) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

- (1) With reference to deserving military veterans across the Republic who need assistance in accordance with the Military Veterans Act, Act 18 of 2011, but are facing a dysfunctional Department of Military Veterans (DMV), which is unable to roll-out benefits due to high vacancy rates, what steps are being taken to fill the high vacancy rate at the DMV;
- (2) how does her department intend to improve its spending targets with regard to the underspending in recent years (details furnished)? NO2612E

★351. Ms T R M Zungu (ANC) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

- (1) Whether she has been able to assess the level of interest amongst the South African youth to join the Military Skills Development System (MSDS) in the Republic; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,
- (2) whether she has found that the current system is able to ensure that the Republic retains honest and skilled talent that is committed to serve the Republic; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what number of volunteers currently serve under the MSDS? NO2615E

★317. Mr D J Stubbe (DA) to ask the Minister in The Presidency:

Whether an evaluation committee for the security services has been established in terms of applicable legislation; if not, by what date will she establish the specified committee; if so, by what date will a report be tabled in Parliament? NO2580E

★362. Mrs Y N Yako (EFF) to ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services:

In light of the fact that the Democratic Governance and Rights Unit at the University of Cape Town released a report on the State of the Judiciary in some of the Southern African Development Communities, including the Republic, where it is noted that in the Republic, the libraries of judges are poorly maintained and not updated regularly and that some judges do not even have functioning telephones, what (a) has been the support of his department to the judiciary since 30 May 2019 to ensure the proper functioning of the judiciary and (b) are the reasons that his department has not been assisting the judiciary with maintained and updated libraries? NO2627E

★353. Mr D L Moela (ANC) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation:

Whether, by inviting the Russian President, Mr Vladimir Putin, to the 15th BRICS summit in the Republic, the Government condones the specified person's alleged human rights abuses and disregard for international law; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NO2617E

★355. Mr M Hlengwa (IFP) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation:

Whether there are any bilateral diplomatic discussions taking place between the Republic and the Kingdom of Lesotho regarding the ongoing parliamentary processes in Lesotho laying claim to certain parts of the Republic; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

NO2620E

★328. Mr M Chetty (DA) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation:

What (a) is the total monthly cost of hiring venues at the Gallagher Convention Centre to host the Pan-African Parliament and (b) total costs, including security and related costs for dignitaries, has the Government incurred in hosting the Pan-African Parliament since 2004?

NO2591E