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Deputy President

Youth unemployment

★7. Mr S J Mohai (Free State: ANC) to ask the Deputy President:

Whether he has engaged social partners such as the Higher Education Sector and Human Resource Development Council of South Africa since taking Office to address strategic interventions to change the skills formation of the country to respond to the growing concerns of critical skills shortages that exacerbate the issue of youth unemployment; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

Land reform/agricultural support

★8. Mr W A S Aucamp (Northern Cape: DA) to ask the Deputy President:

As leading Government effort to fast-track land reform and the coordination of Government programmes to accelerate land reform and agricultural support (details furnished), what are the (a) key priorities that he is considering when implementing plans to accelerate land reform and agricultural support and (b) Government's programmes in this regard?

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Service delivery hotspots

★9. Ms M Bartlett (Northern Cape: ANC) to ask the Deputy President:

- (1) Whether the Government has identified the service delivery hotspots in the country, notwithstanding the indications that there is a significant increase in the provision of basic services such as sewerage and sanitation, solid waste management, water and electricity; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether the Government has considered any measures to ensure that the provision of basic services is not only expanded, but the communities beyond the service delivery hotspots get reliable and quality services; if not, why not; if so, (a) what measures and (b) what are the further relevant details?

Dysfunctions at Kopanong Local Municipality

★10. Mr M A P De Bruyn (Free State: FF Plus) to ask the Deputy President:

What were the identified causes of dysfunctions, particularly in relation to (a) service delivery, (b) financial sustainability and (c) the debt to Bloem Water during his visit to the Kopanong Local Municipality in May 2023?

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Eradication of fraud/corruption/theft in department

★11. Ms C Visser (North West: DA) to ask the Deputy President:

As Leading Government effort to fast-track land reform and the coordination of government programmes to accelerate land reform and agricultural support (details furnished), what actions will he take to eradicate the alleged fraud, corruption and theft in the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development?

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Delivery of essential services

★12. Mr M I Rayi (Eastern Cape: ANC) to ask the Deputy President:

- (1) Whether the Government has initiated any measures to address the concerns of weakening state capacity, especially in the key government departments and state entities that are geared towards the delivery of essential services to the communities and support to the local sphere of government; if not, why not; if so, (a) what measures and (b) what are the further relevant details;
- (2) whether the country's science councils have played any roles to assist the Government in maximising the capacity and capabilities of government departments and state entities in all spheres of government; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?