

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION PAPER

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL REPLY

WEDNESDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER 2019

CLUSTER 3: GOVERNANCE

★126. Ms V P Malomane (ANC) to ask the Minister of Public Service and Administration:

In view of September marking the Public Service Month in the Republic (details furnished), how will his department work together with the National School of Government to ensure that its syllabus and curriculum focus on (a) the strengthening of service delivery in communities and (b) improving the competencies of public servants? NO2010E

★120. Ms C N Ndaba (ANC) to ask the Minister in The Presidency for Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities:

(a) What is her Office's role in addressing the high rates of substance and alcohol abuse amongst youth and (b) how does her Office intend to collaborate with other relevant departments to eradicate the problem as it is negatively impacting negatively on the lives of youth? NO2003E

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

Whether his department has put any mechanisms in place through its third mission to promote an ethical public service through programmes, systems, frameworks and structures that detect, prevent and combat corruption to reduce the amount of irregular expenditure incurred by national and provincial government departments that has increased unabated from R95 billion in the 2015-16 financial year to R161 billion to date for the current financial year; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NO2016E

★143. Mr W M Thring (ACDP) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

In light of the report of the Auditor-General of South Africa on the state of the municipalities, where only 19% of the 257 municipalities that were audited, could give financial statements without material misstatements while the remaining 81% incurred irregular expenditure amounting to R25,2 billion, what interventions has her department put in place to ensure that all municipalities perform their basic responsibilities and functions and put the citizens of the Republic first? NO2029E

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

What steps does she intend to take to resolve the issue of municipalities owing money to Eskom as the Government has received a number of applications by different business bodies against Eskom and certain municipalities, in which the Minister of Finance, her department and The Presidency have been cited as respondents? NO1996E

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

How will her Office ensure the mainstreaming of women, youth and persons with disabilities within policy and programming across the Government? NO2005E

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

What (a) total number of forensic investigations into fruitless and wasteful, unauthorised and irregular expenditure incurred by her department since 1 April 2016 have been concluded and (b) total amount of fruitless and wasteful, unauthorised and irregular expenditure incurred has been recovered as a result? NO2012E

★137. Ms N P Sonti (EFF) to ask the Minister in The Presidency for Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities:

What steps does her department intend to take to comprehensively address the problem of femicide and rape in the Republic, in light of the recent publication of attacks on and murder of women over the past few weeks? NO2022E

★112. Ms M M Tlou (ANC) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

What steps does she intend to take against municipalities (a) that fail to perform basic responsibilities and functions that promote good governance, transparency and accountability and (b) to ensure that citizens' rights to basic service delivery are upheld as contained in sections 152 and 153 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996? NO1995E

★119. Ms B Maluleke (ANC) to ask the Minister in The Presidency for Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities:

How will her Office work together with the National Youth Development Agency to enhance youth development? NO2002E

★116. Mr B M Hadebe (ANC) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

What steps is her department taking to fight the scourge of maladministration such as mismanagement of municipal finances, fraud and corruption, in view of the urgent need to rethink the innovative ways of curbing corruption and other administrative malpractices within municipalities? NO1999E

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

Whether any chief officers or executive directors of the National Youth Development Agency are provided with personal drivers; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NO2017E

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

Whether her department has considered establishing safe houses to accommodate women and children who have been victims of violent abuse and who often have no choice but to continue to live with the perpetrators before cases are concluded; if not, why not; if so, what number of safe houses does her department have throughout the Republic? NO2023E

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

(a) By what date can Parliament expect the first draft of the new National Youth Policy, as the applicable period of the current policy is ending in 2020 and (b) how is the youth being consulted in developing the new policy? NO2000E

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

In view of her statement during her 2019-20 Budget Vote speech regarding a budget allocation of about R14,8 billion towards municipality infrastructure grants which have been distributed to 219 municipalities, what (a) total number of municipalities have so far failed to spend their allocation towards infrastructure and (b) steps does her department intend to take to upgrade dilapidated basic services infrastructure? NO1998E

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

With reference to the reply of the President of the Republic, Mr M C Ramaphosa, to question 230 on 22 July 2019, what is the current status of the finalisation of the signing of performance agreements with each Minister and Deputy Minister? NO2020E

★144. Mr W M Thring (ACDP) to ask the Minister of Public Service and Administration:

Whether he intends to professionalise the Public Service by developing and implementing measures to depoliticise the public administration; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NO2030E

★121. Ms A S Hlongo (ANC) to ask the Minister in The Presidency for Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities:

In view of the fact that many young persons suffer from depression and anxiety, what role does her Office play in addressing issues related to youth and mental illnesses? NO2004E

★114. Ms P P Xaba-Ntshaba (ANC) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

What steps does she intend to take to enhance the role and responsibilities of traditional leaders as custodians of culture and tradition, with particular reference to initiation-related matters, in line with the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996? NO1997E

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

What (a) was the total budget allocated to the Community Work Programme since it was transferred to her department and (b) total number of participants has the programme supported? NO2021E

★139. Mr P Sindane (EFF) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

Whether investigations of corruption and maladministration at the Emfuleni Local Municipality were conducted and concluded; if so, (a) what were the findings of the investigations and (b) which companies are involved? NO2025E

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

How will her Office ensure universal access for persons with disabilities throughout the Republic so that it conforms to the reasonable accommodation standards for persons with

disabilities set out in the Protocol of the African Charter on Human and People's Rights on the rights of Persons with Disabilities? NO2006E

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

How has his Office ensured alignment in planning across all spheres of government, in view of the great need for a five-year implementation plan that is integrated between and across all spheres of government to promote better co-ordination, collaboration and alignment?

NO2009E

★124. Ms A S Hlongo (ANC) to ask the Minister in The Presidency for Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities:

What progress has her Office made in finalising the establishment of the Interim Gender-Based Violence and Femicide Steering Committee as recommended by the Presidential Summit (details furnished)?

NO2008E

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

What is the current status of the various interventions in the North West in terms of section 100(1) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996?

NO2013E

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

Whether, with reference to the reply of the former Minister of Public Service and Administration to oral question 141 on 5 September 2018, there are any employees who met the qualifying criteria of the Public Service Co-ordinating Bargaining Council (PSCBC) Resolution 1 of 2012 in clause 18.1 which sought to rectify agreement of clause 3.6.3.2 of PSCBC Resolution 3 of 2009, but have not had their salary increased to the next higher salary level at the National Treasury, Department of Health, Department of Basic Education and Department of Labour and Employment; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what has he done to intervene?

NO2027E

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

With reference to his reply to question 126 on 18 July 2019, what are the reasons for the discrepancy in the total number of 20 public service employees who have been identified by his department to have conducted business with the State since 2014 and the total number of 2 704 public service employees who have been identified by the National Treasury in its 2018 Procurement Review?

NO2015E

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

Whether, with reference to the reply of the former Minister of Public Service and Administration to question 140 for oral reply on 5 September 2018, his department is conducting a study to determine whether insourcing of cleaners, security guards and other general workers in provincial and national government can improve state capacity and service delivery; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, who is conducting the study?

NO2028E