

## NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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# QUESTION PAPER

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1. ★ Indicates an oral question.

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## QUESTIONS FOR ORAL REPLY

**WEDNESDAY, 6 MARCH 2024**

### CLUSTER 2: SOCIAL SERVICES

**★95. Mr M Shikwambana (EFF) to ask the Minister of Higher Education, Science and Innovation:**

- (1) What is the total monetary value of the contracts awarded to the four service providers who were appointed to conduct accreditation of properties on the pilot system, as mentioned in the statement released by the National Student Financial Aid Scheme on 8 December 2023;
- (2) whether the service providers appointed to conduct the inspections and grant accreditation are working with the local municipalities for verification of documents such as approved building plan and occupational certification; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details of the capacity of the service providers to evaluate the documents in relation to the policies and regulations?

NO465E

**★71. Ms J S Mananiso (ANC) to ask the Minister of Higher Education, Science and Innovation:**

What (a) is the progress of the reopening and registration period in the post-schooling and education sector and (b) total number of poor and missing middle-class students have been approved for funding by the National Student Financial Aid Scheme?

NO441E

**★72. Mr W T Letsie (ANC) to ask the Minister of Higher Education, Science and Innovation:**

With reference to the recent incident at the University of Stellenbosch of alleged institutionalised racism and discrimination 30 years into democracy, what measures are being implemented by his department to transform institutional cultures to address racism, sexism, tribalism and discrimination?

NO442E

**★73. Ms N T Mkhathswa (ANC) to ask the Minister of Higher Education, Science and Innovation:**

What (a) are the key green economy interventions and innovations that his department has driven to propel the transition of the Republic to a low-carbon economy and (b) medium term to long-term socio-economic impact has he found will the interventions have?

NO443E

**★105. Mr B B Nodada (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

Given that overcrowding is a massive problem in the schools in the Republic, what are the details of her department's plans to build quality schools faster?

NO476E

**★91. Dr S S Thembekwayo (EFF) to ask the Minister of Health:**

Regarding plans of his department to build a bigger regional hospital after decommissioning the GF Jooste Hospital in Manenberg, which was the only hospital serving the Klipfontein area of Manenberg, Gugulethu and Nyanga, what are his department's plans towards upgrading healthcare facilities in the specified area to meet the needs of these communities?

NO461E

**★74. Ms R C Adams (ANC) to ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture:**

What steps has he taken to increase private sponsorships for the participation of soccer teams in various league levels as the achievement of Bafana Bafana in the Africa Cup of Nations has demonstrated the impact of investment in the local soccer leagues and major football clubs that lead to improving the competitiveness of players and clubs?

NO444E

**★63. Ms M D Hlengwa (IFP) to ask the Minister of Health:**

With regard to the R848 billion allocated to his department over the Medium-term Expenditure Framework by the Minister of Finance, Mr E Godongwana, what (a) portion of the specified amount will be spent on employing the hundreds of unemployed doctors and (b) is the average salary expectation?

NO433E

**★75. Mr M A Zondi (ANC) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

What measures has she taken to improve the uptake of art to the level of Matric as a critical skill that contributes towards improving creativity and innovation in various fields?

NO445E

**★128. Mr S J Moore (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

(a) What are the relevant details of the progress that has been made to date with the Lower uMkhomazi Bulk Water Supply project and (b) by what date is it envisaged that the project will be completed?

NO500E

**★70. Rev K R J Meshoe (ACDP) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

Whether he has identified the problems leading to serious shortages of water experienced in some municipalities; if not, why not; if so, what (a) are the problems and (b) steps is he taking to correct the underlying causes that will ensure that they do not spread to unaffected areas?

NO440E

**★76. Dr K L Jacobs (ANC) to ask the Minister of Health:**

With reference to the State of the Nation Address delivered by the President, Mr M C Ramaphosa, on 8 February 2024, in which he referred to Tintswalo metaphorically, (a) what health programmes did he implement which were found to have improved the health outcomes of the youth and (b) how did the specified health programmes contribute to youth skills development?

NO446E

**★68. Mr A M Shaik Emam (NFP) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

What additional measures is her department putting in place to address the socio-economic challenges of (a) teenage pregnancy and (b) drug and/or alcohol abuse that communities are facing?

NO438E

**★77. Ms A Gela (ANC) to ask the Minister of Health:**

How will the (a) National Health Insurance (NHI) system be funded and (b) phased approach of the NHI be implemented?

NO447E

**★106. Mr B B Nodada (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

Given that many of the educators of the Republic fail to meet both international and regional teaching standards, and that many educators have poor content knowledge of the subjects they are meant to teach, what are the details of the steps that her department has taken to amend appointment processes to ensure that competent educators are appointed in schools?

NO477E

**★100. Mrs M R Mohlala (EFF) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

Given the recent cholera outbreak in Hammanskraal and the reports of deteriorating water quality nationwide, what (a) immediate steps has his department taken to ensure the provision of safe drinking water in the Republic and (b) is the long-term strategy for infrastructure investment to prevent such crises from arising in the future?

NO470E

**★78. Ms N Q Mvana (ANC) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

What has she found is the impact of the grant funding that her department awards to civil society organisations through the National Development Agency to address the challenges of inequality that plague the society and hinder the progress towards the realisation of the developmental objectives of the Republic, particularly as it relates to children, women and the poor?

NO448E

**★79. Ms J Manganye (ANC) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

What policy interventions has her department implemented to restore the stability of the family unit that will build strong communities, as the significant disintegration of the family impacts the social fibre of the Republic?

NO449E

**★80. Mr P R Moroatshehla (ANC) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

What plans has her department put in place to prevent violent acts in schools such as learners who attack teachers with dangerous weapons and learners fighting among themselves?

NO450E

**★107. Ms B S Masango (DA) asked the Minister of Social Development:**

Given the high incidence of SA Social Security Agency (SASSA) offices failing to answer their telephones, what steps has her department taken to ensure that SASSA offices across the Republic answer their telephones?

NO478E

**★94. Mr E Mthethwa (EFF) to ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture:**

With reference to the annual reports of the Cultural and Creative Industries Federation of South Africa (CCIFSA), (a) who was responsible for the compilation of the reports as a reflection of CCIFSA's expenditure and (b) how were the auditors responsible for auditing the specified reports appointed?

NO464E

**★83. Mr M R Mashego (ANC) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

What steps has he taken to ensure (a) access to safe, clean drinking water and (b) adequate sanitation infrastructure for improved blue drop findings?

NO453E

**★65. Ms S A Buthelezi (IFP) to ask the Minister of Human Settlements:**

Given that her department recently sent a team to establish the extent of damage to formal and informal houses caused by a storm that hit several areas in Nongoma in northern KwaZulu-Natal, and considering that two of the categories for intervention by the Emergency Housing Unit include relocation and rebuilding, what measures has her department put in place to ensure that there is a sufficient budget to cover the interventions in each province that may be struck by disaster?

NO435E

**★86. Ms N N Sihlwayi (ANC) to ask the Minister of Human Settlements:**

Since 1 January 2022, what (a) progress has she made to eradicate mud houses and (b) total number of serviced sites has she released to households to build their own homes?

NO456E

**★111. Mr D Joseph (DA) to ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture:**

(a) What are the full details of how the additional R80 million for the completion of the Sarah Baartman Memorial Centre has been used to date and (b) by what date is it envisaged that the centre will open to the public? NO482E

**★87. Mr M A Tseki (ANC) to ask the Minister of Human Settlements:**

Considering that land is crucial for the provision of government-subsidised housing and noting that the Government has been acquiring and rezoning land through the Housing Development Agency since 2014 for purposes of creating integrated, sustainable human settlements, what total number of (a) township establishments have been approved by her department since 1 January 2014 and (b) households does she envisage will benefit from developments such as the Breaking New Ground Development, social and affordable housing or service sites? NO457E

**★88. Adv T M Masutha (ANC) to ask the Minister of Human Settlements:**

With reference to the announcement by the President of the Republic, Mr M C Ramaphosa in the 2019 State of the Nation Address that the Government intend to build a new smart city as a way of transforming the spatial legacy of apartheid, what progress has her department made in building the new smart city and any other city developments? NO458E

**★125. Mrs V van Dyk (DA) to ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture:**

(a) What are the reasons that he did not consult the federation of boxing associations, as is required by the provisions of the South African Boxing Act, Act 11 of 2001, before appointing the new Board of Boxing South Africa around November 2023 and (b) by what date is it envisaged that the new Board will take office? NO497E