

## NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES

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# QUESTION PAPER

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### NOTE:

1. † Indicates translated version of the question.
2. ★ Indicates a question for oral reply.
3. ■ Indicates a written question transferred for oral reply upon the request of the relevant member [Rule 249].
4. **In terms of Rule 246(4), no more than six questions for oral reply may be put to a Minister in respect of any one Government department on any particular day. Questions in excess of this quota are summarised at the end of the Question Paper.**

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**QUESTIONS FOR ORAL REPLY****TUESDAY, 14 AUGUST 2018*****QUESTIONS DEFERRED FROM THURSDAY, 19 APRIL 2018*****SOCIAL SERVICES: Cluster 2B*****Migration of social grants*****★140. Ms T K Mampuru (Limpopo: ANC) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

- (1) Whether the Government has experienced any major challenges with the migration of the payment of social grants to the SA Post Office; if so, what challenges; if not,
- (2) whether any issues have been reported to her department regarding the safety and exploitation of grant recipients, especially from the loan sharks; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

CO253E

***Channels for grant payments*****★110. Ms T G Mpambo-Sibhukwana (Western Cape: DA) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

- (1) Whether any progress has been made to include the SA Post Office as one of the existing channels through which grants will be paid (details furnished), if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether grants for 1 April 2018 have been paid without any problems being experienced; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) what measures have been put in place to ensure that the new channel of payment does not allow for any discrepancies?

CO181E

***Renewal of contracts with doctors***

**★122. Ms D B Ngwenya (Gauteng: EFF) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

- (1) Why has her department and the SA Social Security Agency failed to renew the contracts with doctors in KwaZulu-Natal in 2017, which resulted in grant recipients not receiving grants for up to three months;
- (2) whether any persons have been held responsible for the failure to renew the contracts; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? CO235E

***Programmes to assist ECD centres***

**★144. Ms M L Moshodi (Free State: ANC) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

Whether her department has any programmes to assist the Early Childhood Development Centres in order to improve and get them in line with the prescripts of the department; if not, why not; if so, (a) what programmes and (b) what are the further relevant details? CO257E

***Waiving of application fees***

**★128. Ms B A Engelbrecht (Gauteng: DA) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

Whether she has engaged the Department of Home Affairs to amend the regulations in order to waive application fees for persons who are identified as homeless in a social worker's report; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, how? CO241E

***Revision of social development policy***

**★142. Ms T Motara (Gauteng: ANC) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

- (1) Whether the Government is considering ways of revising the current thrust of the social development policy (details furnished); if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether this includes collaborative strategic interventions and services with other departments and state-owned entities in order to empower and develop the youth, especially unemployed young graduates; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? CO255E

## **GOVERNANCE: Cluster 3A**

### *Investigations into certain bank*

**★170. Mr D M Monakedi (Limpopo: ANC) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

- (1) Whether his department has ordered involved municipalities to investigate their implicated employees and/or officials in the ongoing investigations into a certain bank (details furnished); if not, why not; if so, what does his department expect to achieve as this amounts to offenders investigating themselves;
- (2) (a) how far is his department with the investigations and (b) how does it intend to recoup the money that was lost? CO413E

### *Debt owed to Eskom by municipalities*

**★166. Mr M Chetty (KwaZulu-Natal: DA) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

Whether his department has put any plans into action to address the debt that is owed to Eskom by municipalities which amounts to billions of Rands (details furnished); if not, why not; if so, (a) how many plans have been implemented and (b) what progress has been made in this regard? CO405E

### *Challenges in local government sector*

**★171. Mr M J Mohapi (Free State: ANC) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

What plans are in place to appropriately respond to challenges that are experienced by the local government sector which include the incorrect recruitment and appointment practices and the inability to attract and retain appropriate skills that result in poor governance in the sector (details furnished)? CO414E

### *IMTT report to ad hoc committee*

**★167. Mr M Chetty (KwaZulu-Natal: DA) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

- (1) Why was it only after the report of the Inter-Ministerial Task Team (IMTT) to the ad hoc committee which identified 20 out of 22 municipalities as dysfunctional his department started assessing the status of such municipalities;

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- (2) whether his department prior to the IMTT report identified the crises in the municipalities in the North West; if not, why not; if so, what action plans and/or interventions his department has put in place in this regard? CO406E

*Assistance to distressed/dysfunctional municipalities*

**★184. Dr H E Mateme (Limpopo: ANC) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

- (1) Whether the Government has developed any interventions to assist distressed and dysfunctional municipalities throughout the country; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) whether the Government has set any targets to determine the progress in addressing challenges that are faced by such municipalities, especially in addressing problems relating to (a) poor response to service delivery to communities, (b) unstable management and poor governance and (c) poor financial management; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

CO427E

*Compliance with proclamation*

**★196. Mr M Khawula (KwaZulu-Natal: IFP) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

- (1) Whether the Government has complied with the proclamation that was promulgated in 2014 to have all iziNduna in KwaZulu-Natal paid their salaries; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) what measures have been taken by the Government to (a) capacitate and (b) empower traditional councils in the country?

CO439E

*Vehicles purchased by Tokologo Local Municipality*

**■10. Mr J J Londt (Western Cape: DA) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs: [Written Question No 103]**

What is the (a) make, (b) model, (c) type and (d) price of each vehicle that was purchased by the Tokologo Local Municipality (i) in the (aa) 2013/14, (bb) 2014/15, (cc) 2015/16 and (dd) 2016/17 financial years and (ii) from 1 April 2017 up to the latest specified date for which information is available?

CO158E

*Dysfunctional municipalities***■11. Mr O S Terblanche (Western Cape: DA) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs: [Written Question No 278]**

Whether any interventions are in place to reverse the increasing number of municipalities which are dysfunctional (details furnished); if not, (a) why not and (b) what are the projections of the impact this will have on such municipalities; if so, what are the relevant details?

CO379E

*Payment to/by dysfunctional municipalities***■12. Ms B A Engelbrecht (Gauteng: DA) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs: [Written Question No 296]**

How much was paid (a) to dysfunctional municipalities and (b) by such municipalities to (i) Eskom, (ii) the water boards and (iii) the pension funds in each province in the 2017/18 financial year?

CO397E

*Declaration of directorships***★168. Mr J W W Julius (Gauteng: DA) to ask the Minister of Public Service and Administration:**

How many senior managers in provincial administrations have failed to declare their directorships in public and private companies as at 18 July 2018?

CO407E

*Implication of fixed contracts***★175. Ms G G Oliphant (Northern Cape: ANC) to ask the Minister of Public Service and Administration:**

- (1) Whether the Government has considered the implications of fixed contracts for employees in the public service, especially those who are providing essential services; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) why is the public service still employing public servants on fixed term contracts other than those who are employed at senior management level?

CO418E

*Ministerial Handbook***★191. Ms B A Engelbrecht (Gauteng: DA) to ask the Minister of Public Service and Administration:**

When will the Ministerial Handbook be signed by the President?

CO434E

*Employees receiving government tenders***★177. Ms T Wana (Eastern Cape: ANC) to ask the Minister of Public Service and Administration:**

Whether the Government has a list of all employees who have received government tenders since the promulgation of the Public Administration Management Act, 2014 (Act No. 11 of 2014); if not, why not; if so, (a) what measures are in place to ensure corrective measures against the affected employees and (b) what are the further relevant details? CO420E

*Reduction of gender inequality in public service***★194. Ms D B Ngwenya (Gauteng: EFF) to ask the Minister of Public Service and Administration:**

Whether the National Development Plan has been successful in reducing gender inequality in the public service, particularly the wage gap and underemployment of females in general and at senior management level; if not, why not; if so, (a) how has this been achieved and (b) what evidence substantiates such successes? CO437E

*Mainstreaming of gender within public service***★179. Dr H E Mateme (Limpopo: ANC) to ask the Minister of Public Service and Administration:**

Whether the Government has reached its targets in mainstreaming gender within the public service; if not, (a) why not and (b) what plans are in place to realise the mainstreaming of gender within the public service; if so, what is the overall representation of women in the public service, particularly for Directors-General and Heads of Department in the provinces? CO422E

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*Questions transferred for written reply in terms of Rule 246(4):***★169. Mr O S Terblanche (Western Cape: DA)—Public Service and Administration.****★172. Mr M J Mohapi (Free State: ANC)—Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs.****★173. Mr M J Mohapi (Free State: ANC)—Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs.****★174. Mr M J Mohapi (Free State: ANC)—Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs.**

- ★176. Mr B G Nthebe (North West: ANC)—Public Service and Administration.
- ★178. Mr S G Mthimunya (Mpumalanga: ANC)—Public Service and Administration.
- ★180. Mr S J Mohai (Free State: ANC)—Finance. (*Interdepartmental transfer*)
- ★181. Ms T Motara (Gauteng: ANC)—Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs.
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