

PARLIAMENTARY PROGRAMME FRAMEWORK FOR 2021
(As agreed to by the Joint Programme Committee on 26 November 2020)

FIRST TERM	SECOND TERM
26 January – 19 March (8 weeks)	NCOP 4 May – 18 June (7 weeks) NA 4 May – 4 June (5 weeks)
Leave Period 4 – 8 January Constituency Period 11 – 25 January (2 weeks) NA Members' Training/ Committees 26 January – 10 February	Freedom Day: Tuesday, 27 April Workers' Day: Saturday, 1 May
NCOP Members' Training 26 – 28 January NCOP Committees 2 – 5 February NCOP Presiding Officers, Provincial Legislatures Speakers and Deputy Speakers Annual meeting 9 – 10 February	Committees/ Departmental Strategic Plan Briefings to NCOP Committees 4 – 7 May
Joint Sitting (SONA) 11 February (19:00) Debate on President's State-of-the-nation Address 16 – 17 February Reply by President to debate on State-of-the-nation address 18 February	NA Committees/Oversight 4 – 7 May NCOP Questions to the Deputy President May NCOP Questions to Cluster 2: Social Services May
NCOP Plenaries/ Committees/ Legislation 23 February – 19 March	NA Budget Vote debates May NCOP Plenaries/ Committees/Departmental Strategic Plan Briefings to NCOP Committees 11 May – 24 June
NA Plenaries/ Mini-plenaries February – March Budget speech 24 February <i>(Including tabling of Fiscal Framework, Appropriation Bill and Division of Revenue Bill)</i>	Debate on Vote 2: Parliament May <i>Africa Day: Tuesday, 25 May</i>
NCOP Committees Strategic Planning (Annual Review) Sessions 2 – 4 March NCOP Questions to the Deputy President March NCOP Questions to Cluster 4: Economics March	Debate on Vote 1: Presidency (followed by Reply) June
NA Questions to the President March (p) NA Questions to the Deputy President March (p) NA Questions to Clusters March NA debate on Fiscal Framework March Tabling of departmental strategic plans March NA plenary on Division of Revenue Bill March	NA Plenary on Division of Revenue Bill June NCOP Plenary on Division of Revenue Bill June Decision on Appropriation Bill by NA June <i>Youth Day: Wednesday, 16 June</i>
<i>Human Rights Day: Sunday, 21 March</i>	Youth Parliament June (p)
NA Constituency Period 23 March – 3 May (6 weeks)	Decision on Appropriation Bill by NCOP 17 June (p)
<i>Easter Weekend 2 – 5 April</i>	NA Constituency Period 7 June – 16 August (9 weeks) NCOP Constituency Period 18 June – 16 August (8 weeks)

THIRD TERM		FOURTH TERM	
17 August – 3 September (3 weeks)		5 October – 3 December (9 weeks)	
NCOP Committees/ Oversight	17 – 20 August	NCOP Preliminary Oversight Visits – Taking Parliament to the People	5 – 8 October
NA Committees	17 August – 3 September	NA Committees (BRR Reports)	5 – 15 October
	<i>Women's Day: Monday, 9 August</i>	NCOP Plenaries/ Committees/ Oversight	12 – 22 October
NCOP Questions to the Deputy President	August	Provincial Week	26 – 29 October
NCOP Questions to Cluster 1: Peace and Security	August	NA Plenaries/ Mini-plenaries	19 October – 26 November
NCOP Questions to Cluster 3: Governance	August	NA Questions to the President	October - November
Women's Parliament	August (p)	NA Questions to the Deputy President	October - November
NCOP Plenaries/ Committees/ Legislation	24 August – 3 September	NA Questions to Clusters	October - November
Constituency Period	6 September – 4 October (4 weeks)	NCOP Questions to the President	October/ November (p)
		Tabling: 2021 Medium Term Budget Policy Statement and Adjustments Budget:	October
		Revised Fiscal Framework	October
		NA Division of Revenue Amendment Bill	November
		NCOP Division of Revenue Amendment Bill	November
		NA Decision on Adjustments Appropriation Bill by Parliament	November
		NCOP Plenaries/ Committees/ Legislation	2 November – 2 December
		NCOP Plenaries/ Committees/ Legislation	November
		NCOP Questions to Deputy President	November
		Taking Parliament to the People:	15 – 19 November
		NCOP Annual Address by the President/ Deputy President	19 November
		NCOP Decision on Adjustments Appropriation Bill by Parliament	2 December (p)
		NA Committees Oversight	30 November – 3 December
		Constituency Period	6 – 10 December (1 week)
		<i>Reconciliation Day: Thursday, 16 December</i>	
		Leave Period	13 December – January 2022