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- 1. † Indicates translated version of the question.
- 2. ★ Indicates a question for oral reply.

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL REPLY**THURSDAY, 26 OCTOBER 2023****Deputy President*****Revitalising infrastructure in agricultural sector*****★19. Mr Z Mkiva (Eastern Cape: ANC) to ask the Deputy President:**

Whether the Government has identified any interventions that are geared towards revitalising infrastructure in the agricultural sector to expand production and food security; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? CO911E

Service delivery interventions**★20. Ms H S Boshoff (Mpumalanga: DA) to ask the Deputy President:**

Whether, with reference to his role to implement rapid response on service delivery interventions, cadre deployment has led to the lack of service delivery as many officials within the municipalities do not possess the prerequisite qualifications to undertake the necessary maintenance of infrastructure that is leading to excessive sewer spillages (details furnished)? CO907E

Women in engineering profession**★21. Mr E Z Njadu (Western Cape: ANC) to ask the Deputy President:**

- (1) Whether the Government has any measures to address the dire shortage of women in the engineering profession; if not, why not; if so, (a) what measures and (b) what are the further relevant details;
- (2) whether there is any progress in working with (a) other social partners and (b) the Agricultural Sector Education and Training Authorities to address the shortage of women professional certificated engineers; if not, (i) why not and (ii) what challenges are experienced in this regard; if so, what progress? CO912E

Tackling youth unemployment**★22. Mr N M Hadebe (KwaZulu-Natal: IFP) to ask the Deputy President:**

With reference to his role in leading the Human Resource Development Council of South Africa, how will he ensure that the Border Management Authority will adequately address youth unemployment by tackling the skills shortages in the sector as the SA Police Service and SA National Defence Force are entrusted with more resources, but failed to succeed? CO910E

Accessibility of Mossel Bay Harbour

★23. Mr J J Londt (Western Cape: DA) to ask the Deputy President:

With reference to his role in leading Government efforts to fast-track land reform and the coordination of programmes to accelerate agricultural support to farmers to access international markets (details furnished), (a) what concrete steps are in place to improve the operational capacity of Mossel Bay Harbour and (b) what is the deadline to complete the plans in this regard?

CO908E

Payment of social grants

★24. Ms N Ndongeni (Eastern Cape: ANC) to ask the Deputy President:

Whether, in his role to implement response interventions and trouble-shooting in service delivery hotspots and the recent challenges relating to the payment of social grants, the Government has considered any measures to review and strengthen the capacity of the State to deliver social grants without any future disruptions; if not, why not; if so, (a) what measures and (b) what are the further relevant details?

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