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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, 10 OCTOBER 2024***Recovery of funds***★167. Mr M F Mokwele (Limpopo: ANC) to ask the Minister of Human Settlements:**

Whether her department has taken any steps to recover funds from contractors which abandoned housing projects unfinished; if not, why not; if so, (a) what steps and (b) what are the further relevant details? CO456E

*Securing sites for housing***★158. Mr F J Badenhorst (Western Cape: DA) to ask the Minister of Human Settlements:**

What measures her department has in place to assist (a) local and (b) provincial governments with securing state-owned sites that are earmarked for housing from land (i) grabbers and/or (ii) invaders? CO447E

*Database for housing***★168. Ms D W Fienies (Northern Cape: ANC) to ask the Minister of Human Settlements:**

Whether any reliable and integrated central database exists for beneficiaries of Reconstruction and Development Programme houses; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? CO457E

*Housing backlog***★150. Ms M Makesini (Free State: EFF) to ask the Minister of Human Settlements:**

(a) What measures are in place to address housing backlog which still exists from the previous administrations, (b) how many houses has she committed to build in the current administration in the Free State where housing development has stagnated and (c) what housing targets are set for areas like Mangaung and Botshabelo where the need is critical CO439E

*Housing project contracts investigations***★148. Mr E J Nzimande (Gauteng: MKP) to ask the Minister of Human Settlements:**

- (1) Whether there are any collusions between government officials and contractors regarding housing project contracts; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so,
- (2) whether she will institute (a) forensic investigations into such collusions and (b) legal suit against (i) contractors whose contracts were terminated owing to poor performance and (ii) officials who were involved in (aa) any collusions and (bb) procurement regarding such projects (details furnished); if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? CO437E

*Abandoned/incomplete housing projects***★170. Mr M P Sibande (Mpumalanga: ANC) to ask the Minister of Human Settlements:**

With reference to the National Council of Provinces' Provincial Week of 16-20 September 2024 which highlighted rampant shoddy work, abandoned and incomplete housing projects across various provinces, (a) what is the total value of funds that have been paid to contractors (i) which have not completed their housing projects and (ii) whose projects were of poor quality and (b) how many contractors have been blacklisted for shoddy work from 1 April 2022 up to the latest specified date for which information is available? CO459E

*Funds owed to water boards***★171. Ms D W Fienies (Northern Cape: ANC) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

(a) How much is owed by municipalities to different water boards, (b) what are her department plans to recover such funds and (c) what time frames are in place in this regard? CO460E

*Pollution of natural water resources***★160. Dr I S Scheurkogel (Free State: DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

What interventions has her department implemented to prevent natural water resources from pollution? CO449E

*Fast-tracking water infrastructure projects***★172. Mr M F Mokwele (Limpopo: ANC) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

- (1) Whether her department will fast-track current water infrastructure projects; if not, why not; if so,
- (2) whether such projects will be completed on time with the expected (a) costs and (b) quality; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? CO461E

*Sustainable water supply solutions***★166. Mr M M Peter (Eastern Cape: UDM) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

- (1) What sustainable water supply solutions is her department exploring in light of the ongoing water shortages in the Eastern Cape, particularly the possibility of desalination to use seawater as a long-term solution (details furnished);
- (2) whether there are any existing pilot projects or research in progress to assess the feasibility of large-scale desalination plants along the Eastern Cape coastline to provide drinking water to drought-stricken communities; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? CO455E

*Infrastructure collapse at Mogale City***★153. Ms N N Chirwa-Mpungose (Gauteng: EFF) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

- (a) What urgent interventions have been made to resolve the collapse of infrastructure at Mogale City (details furnished) and (b) what time frames are in place to resolve infrastructural decay at Mogale City?

CO442E

*Water infrastructure/service challenges partnerships***★173. Mr M P Sibande (Mpumalanga: ANC) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

- Whether there are any partnerships with private sector to address current (a) water infrastructure and (b) service challenges; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

CO462E

*Water treatment plant at Clarens***■1. Dr I S Scheurkogel (Free State: DA)—Water and Sanitation. [Written Question No 87] [Replied to – 4 October 2024]***Questions for oral reply transferred for written reply in terms of Rule 228(5):*

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