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QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY**FRIDAY, 26 JULY 2024****(REPLY BY 12 AUGUST 2024)****98. Mr V Pambo (EFF) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:**

What (a) total number of claims are currently due and/or outstanding following court proceedings relating to all the offices of her department in respect of alleged recklessness, negligence and misconduct of her department's officials and (b) is the full list of the total contingency liability in this regard?

NW84E

99. Mr V Pambo (EFF) to ask the Minister of Public Works and Infrastructure:

What (a) total number of residential houses of his department across all nine provinces are currently lying idle and unoccupied, (b) are his department's plans regarding the specified buildings going forward and (c) is the market value of each specified residential building?

NW85E

100. Ms D Zuma-Sambudla (MK) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

What are the (a) full details and (b) total number of benefits flowing from the Military Veterans Act, Act 18 of 2011 that have been satisfactorily rolled out since the Act was promulgated?

NW100E

101. Ms D Zuma-Sambudla (MK) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

Whether her department has an up-to-date asset register; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

NW101E

102. Mr D D D van Rooyen (MK) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

(a) What is the status of the (i) verification and (ii) database of military veterans, (b) who is responsible for the task and (c) what progress has been made to date regarding the verification workstream that was established by the Presidential Task Team on Military Veterans?

NW102E

103. Mr D D D van Rooyen (MK) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

What (a) total number of military veterans (i) have received their pension benefits to date and (ii) whose applications for the specified benefits are still outstanding and (b) are the full details of the plans to roll out the pensions benefits to the military veterans whose applications are still outstanding?

NW103E

104. Mr D D D van Rooyen (MK) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

(1) What (a) total number of (i) skill development projects has her department initiated for military veterans and (ii) military veterans are actively utilising the acquired skills and (b) future skills development projects are planned;

- (2) whether there are any military veterans or beneficiaries currently employed within municipalities and/or government institutions; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the names of the specified institutions;
- (3) what total number of job placements, excluding internships, for the military veterans were achieved in 2022-23 financial year;
- (4) whether there are ongoing discussions with potential employers regarding job placements for military veterans in the 2024-25 financial year; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (5) whether her department coordinates training with the SA National Military Veterans Association; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

NW104E

105. Mr E M Ntshingila (MK) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

- (1) What is the current status of the relationship between her department and the SA National Military Veterans Associations (SANMVA);
- (2) whether the SANMVA is included in her department's current budget for its activities and structures; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) what (a) total number of associations represented in the SANMVA and (a) are the names of the specified associations (c) and on what date is the conference of SANMVA scheduled?

NW105E

106. Mr J A Mngxitam (MK) to ask the Minister of Trade, Industry and Competition:

What (a)(i) total number of applications were received in each (aa) province and (bb) sector in the past five financial years and (ii) number of grantees and/or beneficiaries were funded and (iii) amount of funds were paid to each of the specified grantees and/or beneficiaries and (b) are their names?

NW110E

107. Mr J A Mngxitam (MK) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

Whether the deployment of the members of the SA National Defence Force in the Southern African Development Community Mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo serves the country's national interests; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

NW114E

108. Mr L W Mahlatsi (UAT) to ask the Minister of Agriculture:

- (1) With reference to the 2024/25 Annual Performance Plans and the Budget of the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development and its entities: Vote 29, dated 12 July 2024, and the fact that, contrary to expectation, the Government of National Unity has not developed a collective national agricultural plan and the budget plan does not address the direction that the Republic must take in terms of agricultural industrialisation to address the challenges of poverty, inequality and unemployment, what steps will his department take to assist farmers with the challenges of (a) funding, (b) machinery, (c) storage facilities, (d) agro-processing and (e) logistics, given that the Republic has more than 10 million hectares of arable communal land which is underutilised;
- (2) what steps will his department take to ensure that emerging farmers graduate into commercial scale of production;
- (3) what support plans are in place for the Republic's nine provinces and their districts in terms of (a) agri-hubs and (b) special economic zones;
- (4) what export market opportunities have been identified for emerging farmers in the Republic?

NW120E

109. Mr T S Mjadu (MK) to ask the Minister of Public Service and Administration:

- (1) What steps will his department take to ensure transparency and accountability in public administration;
- (2) (a) what measures did his department put in place to combat corruption within the Public Service and (b) how are public officials held accountable for their actions;
- (3) what initiatives are being implemented by his department to improve service delivery to citizens;
- (4) how does his department prioritise the needs of marginalised communities in service delivery;
- (5) what steps will his department take to ensure that public sector employees are skilled and competent for their roles?

NW121E

110. Mr T S Mjadu (MK) to ask the Minister of Communications and Digital Technologies:

- (1) What plans does the Government have in place to improve the infrastructure supporting communication and information systems across rural and underserved areas of the Republic, such as Mpendle, KwaZulu-Natal, that do not have network coverage at all;
- (2) what measures has his department put in place to combat the increase in cyber threats;

- (3) whether his department has any plans in place to introduce an affordable subscription satellite television service provider to compete with MultiChoice who charges subscribers exorbitant fees; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NW122E

111. Mr T S Mjadu (MK) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

- (1) What steps will her department take to ensure equitable access to clean drinking water across all regions in the Republic;
- (2) what steps has her department taken to tackle the challenges of (a) water pollution and (b) inadequate sanitation facilities in rural areas;
- (3) what initiatives and/or policies are being implemented to promote (a) water conservation and (b) efficient water management? NW123E

112. Mr S M Gana (Rise Mzansi) to ask the Minister of Public Works and Infrastructure:

With regard to the maintenance of police stations, what total (a) number of police stations were refurbished in the past financial year in each province, (b) amount was spent in refurbishing the specified police stations, (c) number of police stations were reported to have leaking roofs, (d) number of police stations have submitted requests for maintenance in the past financial year and (e) amount will be needed to clear the backlog? NW124E

113. Mr S M Gana (Rise Mzansi) to ask the Minister of Police:

- (1) What total number of suspects who were arrested for murder, hijacking and rape in the 2023-24 financial year, had their cases withdrawn due to insufficient evidence;
- (2) what total number of cases of murder, rape and hijacking did the National Prosecuting Authority refuse to prosecute in the 2023-24 financial year due to insufficient evidence;
- (3) what (a) total number of arrested suspects in the 2023-24 financial year have sued the SA Police Service (SAPS) for wrongful arrests and (b) is the total monetary value of their claims;
- (4) what total number of suspects arrested during shootouts with the SAPS have been released due to insufficient evidence in the 2013 to 2023 financial years? NW125E

114. Mr S M Gana (Rise Mzansi) to ask the Minister of Transport:

(a) What total amount has the Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa (Prasa) spent on the security of (i) trains and (ii) train stations in the past financial year, (b)(i) which security companies are responsible for the security services in each case and (ii) what are the total security costs of each security company, (c) what total number of security guards have been appointed by each security company and (d) what other measures is Prasa employing to secure (i) trains and (ii) train stations? NW126E

115. Ms L Schickerling (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:

- (1) Whether, given that the SA Police Services (SAPS) and the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) have failed to secure a prosecution in the 175 cases that the Intercap Bus Company has reported (details furnished), the failure is due to the fact that the SAPS is fundamentally under-skilled to investigate crimes; if not,
- (2) whether the SAPS is unwilling to investigate the crimes related to the Intercap Bus Company; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, how does the SAPS address the issue of under-skilled police investigators? NW128E

116. Ms L Schickerling (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:

With reference to the SA Police Service (SAPS) which has refused to investigate the 175 Intercap Bus Company cases as organised crime, despite the clear evidence presented by Intercap which shows that the incidents form part of a concerted, planned campaign to drive Intercap's business out of certain parts of the Republic (details furnished), what are the reasons that the SAPS refused to (a) recognise and (b) investigate the crimes as organised crime when there is clear evidence that it should do so? NW129E

117. Ms L Schickerling (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:

What are the reasons that the Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation refused to investigate the crimes related to the Intercap Bus Company which fall squarely within its mandate (details furnished)? NW130E

118. Mr N G Myburgh (DA) to ask the Minister of Tourism:

What (a) are the full relevant details of the (i) role and (ii) purpose of the various buildings being constructed in the Cape Agulhas Lighthouse Precinct Project, (b) is the total cost of the development and (c) is the envisaged date of completion? NW131E

119. Mr N G Myburgh (DA) to ask the Minister of Tourism:

- (1) What is the current status of the historic Ratelrivier Estate that was restored at great cost as a potentially lucrative tourist attraction in the Cape Agulhas National Park;
- (2) whether issues and complaints pertaining to concession holders in the Cape Agulhas National Park have been properly investigated; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NW132E

120. Mr N G Myburgh (DA) to ask the Minister of Tourism:

What is the total number of tourists who visited the Republic from (a) Brazil, (b) Argentina, (c) Russia, (d) India, (e) China, (f) Taiwan, (g) Iran, (h) United States of America, (i) United Kingdom and (j) Germany in the past three years? NW133E

121. Mrs M O Clarke (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:

(a) On what date will the reclassification of the Rahima Moosa Mother and Child Hospital be completed and (b) what are the reasons that the specified reclassification process has not yet been completed? NW134E

122. Mrs M O Clarke (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:

(1) (a) Which contracts were awarded without going out to tender since 1 January 2016 up to the latest date for which information is available, with a breakdown of the (i) date on which each contract was awarded, (ii) service provided and (iii) name of the company to which each contract has been awarded in each case, (b) what was the value of each contract and (c) what are the reasons for the deviation from the tender process in each case;

(2) which of the specified contracts are (a) still running, (b) being reviewed and (c) what are the reasons in each case? NW135E

123. Mrs M O Clarke (DA) to ask the Minister of Health:

(1) What is the total amount that has actually been paid to each company to date that was awarded a contract without going out to tender since 1 January 2016;

(2) whether any action has been taken regarding any suspected corruption and/or irregularities in the specified contracts; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NW136E

124. Mr G Michalakis (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

(1) Whether her department currently has any plans to ensure that the new Thabong Wastewater Treatment Plant in the Matjhabeng Local Municipality in the Free State is functional; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;

(2) whether her department has taken any steps to assist the Matjhabeng Local Municipality in Free State to ensure that the contractor is held accountable for the incomplete work on the specified facility; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;

(3) what is the total amount that her department has paid the contractor to date? NW138E

125. Mr G Michalakis (DA) to ask the Minister of Correctional Services:

What (a) is the (i) total number of inmates awaiting trial who are currently incarcerated at each correctional facility in the Republic for a period longer than one year and (ii) period of incarceration of each inmate to date and (b) are the charges against each inmate? NW139E

126. Dr W J Boshoff (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Higher Education:

What has been the progress in relocating (a) nursing and (b) agricultural colleges from the Department of (i) Health and (ii) Agriculture to her department? NW140E

127. Ms N V Mente-Nkuna (EFF) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:

- (1) Whether, in light of the learners of Falo Senior Secondary School, Falteni Senior Secondary School, DM Skosana Senior Secondary School, Damane Senior Secondary School and Qhumanco Senior Secondary School, who are still subjected to walking long distances to their respective schools, her department is responsible for scholar transport for Sakhisizwe Senior Secondary School, in Intsika Yethu local municipality, Eastern Cape; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what is the status of scholar transport for Sakhisizwe Senior Secondary School, in Intsika Yethu local municipality, Eastern Cape;
- (2) whether she will furnish Ms N V Mente-Nkuna with the details of service providers intended to provide scholar transport along with their routes; if not, why not; if so, when does she envisage doing so? NW141E

128. Ms N V Mente-Nkuna (EFF) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

- (a) What is the status of the development and construction of Umzimvubu Dam and (b) how much money has been allocated by her department to provide water to the communities of O R Tambo District municipality? NW142E

129. Ms O M C Maotwe (EFF) to ask the Minister of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation:

Whether, in light of how the SA Airways (SAA) has proven itself to be profitable without a strategic equity partner, she has found that the Takatso Consortium deal was the best option in reviving SAA; if not, why not; if so, what are the reasons for her findings? NW143E

130. Ms O M C Maotwe (EFF) to ask the Minister of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation:

- (1) With reference to the advertisement of executive roles at SA Airways (SAA) by the former Minister of Public Enterprises, Mr P J Gordhan, at the end of the sixth administration, what is the validity of that process considering that the appointment of the SAA board by Cabinet was on an interim basis;
- (2) when does she intend appointing a permanent SAA board;
- (3) what measures have been put in place to facilitate and expedite the appointment of a permanent and competent board instead of the current interim one? NW144E

131. Ms O M C Maotwe (EFF) to ask the Minister of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation:

- (1) Which processes were followed in the appointment of a Philippine-based operator, International Container Terminal Services Inc to expand and take over the management of the Durban container terminal;

- (2) whether she will furnish Ms O M C Maotwe with a list of (a) operators that contested for this lucrative opportunity, (b) the evaluation of the bidders and (c) any other commercial elements that were of critical importance in reaching the decision; if not, why not; if so, when does she envisage doing so? NW145E

132. Ms H O Mkhali (EFF) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

In light of the deadline for the reconstitution of tribal authorities to traditional councils in accordance with section 63(4)(a) of the Traditional and Khoi-San Leadership Act, Act No 3 of 2019, and with reference to his department's Annual Performance Plan for 2023/2024 and the reply by Ms T Nkadimeng, the former Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs to question 3725 on 20 November 2023, what plans and/or measures, in addition to those indicated in the specified reply, does his department intend to put in place to (a) ensure (i) tribal authorities are reconstituted timeously and (ii) comply with the reconstitution requirements in section 16(2) of the Act, and (b) implement the intervention plans as contemplated by section 63(4)(c) of the Act?

NW146E

133. Ms H O Mkhali (EFF) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

- (1) What number of traditional councils (a) were successfully reconstituted by his department by 31 March 2024 and (b) did not meet the deadline;
- (2) what were the reasons for not meeting the stipulated deadline;
- (3) how will his department determine the status of tribal authorities that did not meet the deadline and/or comply with the reconstitution requirements;
- (4) whether there are consequence management plans for tribal authorities that failed to meet the deadline and/or not complied with the reconstitution requirements; if not, why not; if so, what are those consequence management plans?

NW147E

134. Ms H O Mkhali (EFF) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

- (1) Considering the Constitutional Court judgment in *Mogale and Others v Speaker of the National Assembly and Others 2023 (6) SA 58 (CC) (30 May 2023)* and the briefing by his department to the Portfolio Committee on Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs on 11 October 2023, what (a) measures has his department undertaken to enforce the court order and (b) impact did the judgment have on his department's plans regarding implementation of the Traditional and Khoi-San Leadership Act, Act No 3 of 2019;
- (2) whether these measures and/or impact were communicated to the national, provincial and local Houses of Traditional and Khoisan leaders; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

NW148E

135. Mr T P Mogale (EFF) to ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture:

- (1) What (a) actions will he undertake to fast-track name changes across the Republic and (b) are his intentions regarding statues of colonial and apartheid leaders which are still publicly displayed;
- (2) whether he will consider introducing a bill giving him powers to institute name change processes and not rely on municipalities to facilitate the process of name changes; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NW150E

136. Mr T P Mogale (EFF) to ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture:

What (a) plans does he intend to undertake to tackle the slow pace of transformation within (i) rugby, (ii) cricket and (iii) other sporting codes which are not a true reflection of the Republic's demographical representation and (b) measures have been put in place to ensure that sporting quotas are adhered to by the different sporting federations? NW151E

137. Mr V Pambo (EFF) to ask the Minister of Finance:

As at the latest specified date for which information is available, (a) how much do state departments owe municipalities in (i) rates and taxes, (ii) utilities, (iii) electricity and (iv) water per (aa) province and (bb) municipality and (b) what are the details of debt repayment plans in each case? NW152E

138. Mr M Shikwambana (EFF) to ask the Minister of Higher Education:

What (a) percentage of the discretionary grant is allocated towards funding bursaries for unemployed youth and (b) is the (i) breakdown of the academic programmes that are being funded, (ii) total number of beneficiaries and (iii) total amount allocated for each beneficiary? NW155E

139. Mr M Shikwambana (EFF) to ask the Minister of Higher Education:

What (a) are the details of all service providers, including nongovernmental organisations, that are contracted to each sector education training authority, (b) is the duration of each contract and (c) service is being rendered in each case? NW156E

140. Mr M Shikwambana (EFF) to ask the Minister of Higher Education:

What (a) is the (i) total number of students enrolled in all (aa) technical vocational education and training colleges and (bb) universities and (ii) number of learners enrolled in each academic programme and (b) are the details of the openings that are still available for enrolment in each academic programme? NW157E

141. Ms P Marais (EFF) to ask the Minister of Transport:

What (a) time frames have been put in place for the completion of the Mangaung municipal bus depot as the project has come to halt and (b) total amount of the budget (i) has been spent to date and (ii) remains? NW158E

142. Mr N S Matiase (EFF) to ask the Minister of Land Reform and Rural Development:

- (1) With reference to the interdict brought about by a challenge to the Restitution of Land Rights Amendment Act, Act 15 of 2014, at the Constitutional Court which meant that all the claims lodged between 2014 and 2016 cannot be processed unless the Court orders the Commission on the Restitution of Land Rights to do so, what is the total number of (a) old order claims and (b) new order claims in each province;
- (2) whether the commission has explored options and approached the SA Land Claims Court as advised by the Portfolio Committee on Land Reform and Rural Development; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? NW159E

143. Mr N S Matiase (EFF) to ask the Minister of Land Reform and Rural Development:

Given the number of outstanding land claims, budget allocation and amount required to settle the specified land claims, (a) where will his department get the money from, and (b) what plans are in place to raise R65 billion in order to settle the claims?

NW160E

144. Ms M S Letlape (EFF) to ask the Minister of Police:

What (a) detailed plan and (b) stringent measures have been put in place to intensify the fight against gender-based violence?

NW162E

145. Ms M S Letlape (EFF) to ask the Minister of Police:

What (a) total number of police stations (i) have victim-friendly rooms and (ii) do not have victim-friendly rooms, (b) time frames have been put in place to ensure that all police stations have victim-friendly rooms with skilled police to deal with vulnerable victims and (c) are the relevant details of the (i) names and (ii) location of each police station that (aa) has and (bb) does not have victim-friendly rooms?

NW163E

146. Ms K N F Hlonyana (EFF) to ask the Minister of Police:

- (1) What strategies and measures is his department implementing to combat the surge in violent crimes, including high-profile attacks on public officials and members of the public in the Republic;
- (2) whether he has found that the strategies (a) are successful in addressing the prevention of such crimes and (b) result in the swift apprehension and prosecution of offenders; if not, why not in each case; if so, what are the relevant details in each case;
- (3) how does he intend to coordinate with other law enforcement and community-based organisations to enhance public safety and restore public confidence in the SA Police Service?

NW164E

147. Ms K N F Hlonyana (EFF) to ask the Minister of Police:

With reference to the growing challenges faced by law enforcement, such as organised crime and sophisticated criminal activities, what (a) steps will he take to ensure that officers of the SA Police Service are adequately equipped and trained and (b) investments are being made in modern technology, forensic capabilities, and ongoing professional development for officers?

NW165E

148. Ms K N F Hlonyana (EFF) to ask the Minister of Police:

What (a) steps does he intend to take to address the gaps in resources and/or training that currently hinder effective policing and (b) role does international cooperation play in enhancing the capabilities of the SA Police Force?

NW166E

149. Ms M R Mohlala (EFF) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

What (a) measures have been implemented to address the deterioration of Edinburg Dam in Ward 36, Bushbuckridge, which historically supplied water to nearby villages such as Elanddale, Role and Edenburg, as well as the Tintswalo Hospital and (b) are the reasons that the dam has not undergone maintenance for the past decade?

NW167E

150. Ms M R Mohlala (EFF) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

What are the (a) reasons that the Phalakubeni in Greater Giyani in Mopani District Municipality, Limpopo, is experiencing difficulties in accessing water, despite the proximity of Nandoni Dam located a few kilometres away and (b) details of the time frames that she has set for herself to ensure access to water as a fundamental right for all citizens, including the Phalakubeni community?

NW168E

151. Ms M R Mohlala (EFF) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

(a) What has been the total cost of building the Umzimvubu Dam to date and (b) how will she ensure that the reticulation networks are undertaken to ensure improved water supply to thousands of households in the OR Tambo, Joe Gqabi and Alfred Nzo districts, to address the current water scarcity?

NW169E

152. Mr Y Tetyana (EFF) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

What (a) interventions have been made in the standardisation of services offered by all Home Affairs offices and (b) are the reasons that the rural offices such as the one in Dutywa, Eastern cape, cannot print and/or take fingerprints, with residents having to travel an extra 60 km to Butterworth to do fingerprints?

NW170E

153. Mr Y Tetyana (EFF) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

What are the (a) reasons that the Home Affairs office in Mthatha, Eastern Cape, which is amongst the busiest offices in the Eastern Cape, has no waiting rooms and toilets for clients, resulting in residents having to wait hours outside in the queue before getting assistance and (b) full details of immediate interventions that he intends to take in this regard?

NW171E

154. Mr Y Tetyana (EFF) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs:

What are the reasons that (a) the New Hanover Home Affairs Office under the uMshwathi Local Municipality is always having a problem of its system being down and (b) no intervention has been made by his department by sending a mobile unit to ensure services are rendered?

NW172E

155. Mrs N J Nolutshungu (EFF) to ask the Minister of Health:

What are the full details of the measures that he has put in place to prevent the seizure of his department's assets, which may result in loss of lives if not available to service the intended recipients?

NW173E

156. Mrs N J Nolutshungu (EFF) to ask the Minister of Transport:

Whether she will furnish Mrs N J Nolutshungu with a detailed plan on how she will expedite the implementation of the minibus taxi subsidy; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the details of the timeframes that have been put in place in this regard?

NW174E

157. Mrs N J Nolutshungu (EFF) to ask the Minister of Transport:

What are the details of the progress that her department has made with the establishment of the Taxi Recapitalisation Programme, which was intended to formalise and regulate the mini-bus taxi industry but twenty years down the line the main objectives have still not been achieved?

NW175E

158. Ms M Dlamini (EFF) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:

(a) What total number of schools provide learners with free sanitary towels, (b) what are the details of the time frames and/or milestones that have been put in place to implement a programme of access to free sanitary towels to all learners in the Republic and (c) on what date is it envisaged the programme will be fully implemented?

NW176E

159. Ms M Dlamini (EFF) to ask the Minister of Electricity and Energy:

- (1) What are the (a) reasons that the residents of Mkhondo Local Municipality still experience power cuts and (b) full details of how Eskom manages the debts of such municipalities;
- (2) whether the Mkhondo Local Municipality has the capacity to provide electricity to residents; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

NW177E

160. Mr M K Montwedi (EFF) to ask the Minister of Agriculture:

What initiatives has his department taken to partner with the Department of Science, Technology and Innovation, to ensure that we take advantage of emerging technologies as part of modernising the agricultural sector in the next three to five years?

NW178E

161. Mr M K Montwedi (EFF) to ask the Minister of Cooperative Government and Traditional Affairs:

(a) What are the reasons that a certain royal family (name furnished), which has attempted to reach the department to resolve their recognition for the past 10 years, has still not been assisted, (b) on what date is it envisaged that they will be assisted and (c) what time frames have been put in place to resolve this matter? NW179E

162. Mr M K Montwedi (EFF) to ask the Minister of Agriculture:

With reference to the reply to question 3269 on 20 December 2023, wherein it was indicated that the plans to develop Lesedi Agricultural Facility in North West by the then Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development were put on hold due to unresolved issues and also that a legal advice sought from the State Attorney regarding the ownership of the Facility was still pending, what (a) progress has been made to resolve the outstanding issues that delayed the commencement of the revamp process and (b) on what date will the specified facility be returned to the farmers? NW180E

163. Mr C G Niehaus (EFF) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

Noting the neglected and terribly dilapidated state of houses accommodating members of the SA National Defence Force (SANDF) in military villages such as Thaba Tswane, Bloemfontein North Side, and at the SANDF Naval Base in Simon's Town, what (a) maintenance plan does the SANDF have in place for the restoration of the neglected and dilapidated houses, (b) steps of intervention have been taken to address this critically urgent matter with the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure, (c) plans are in place to build additional accommodation to address the growing housing backlog for SANDF members and (d) which department, between her and the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure, is responsible for addressing the specified problems? NW181E

164. Mr C G Niehaus (EFF) to ask the Minister of Electricity and Energy:

Whether he has been informed that the so-called renewables, which deliver no more than 25% energy availability factor at a cost that is 6,5 times higher than coal generated electricity, are 100% redundant on the transmission grid, and therefore any spending on so-called renewables constitutes fruitless and wasteful expenditure in violation of Section 217 of the Constitution as well as the Public Finance Management Act, Act 1 of 1999; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what steps (a) did he take to prevent the President of the Republic, Mr M C Ramaphosa, from making a commitment during his Opening of Parliament Address on 18 July 2024, to expand the Republic's reliance on renewable energy and (b) is he undertaking to prevent the specified commitment from being implemented? NW182E

165. Mr C G Niehaus (EFF) to ask the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans:

In light of the harsh working conditions of the members of the SA National Defence Force (SANDF) exacerbated by severe budget cuts and a lack of resources which in turn severely impact their ability to effectively carry out their duties, what total number of (a)(i) suicides and (ii) family abuse cases were committed by members of the SANDF in each of the past three years, (b) (i) social workers, (ii) psychologists and (iii) psychiatrists are employed by the SANDF, (c) members of the SANDF are undergoing psychological counselling and (d) the required psychological counselling was found to have been necessitated by the difficult and/or harsh conditions of employment in the SANDF?

NW183E

166. Mr M Manyi (EFF) to ask the President of the Republic:

What timeframes have been put in place for signing performance agreements with the Members of the National Executive as the delay in formalising the specified agreements is raising concerns about accountability and efficiency in this administration?

NW184E

167. Mr M Manyi (EFF) to ask the President of the Republic:

What measures will he put in place to ensure that the (a) performance agreements with the Members of the National Executive are not only signed but are also strictly (i) monitored and (ii) enforced and (b) public is kept informed about the progress and performance of the Members of the Executive in meeting their targets?

NW185E

168. Dr S S Thembekwayo (EFF) to ask the Minister of Health:

- (1) What strategy is his department implementing to combat severe acute malnutrition?
- (2) whether a cross-sectoral approach with other departments such as the Departments of Social Development, Basic Education and others is being utilised; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

NW186E

169. Dr S S Thembekwayo (EFF) to ask the Minister of Health:

Whether his department measures the effectiveness of its HIV/AIDS and TB prevention campaigns; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

NW187E

170. Dr S S Thembekwayo (EFF) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:

Noting how her department is facing a well-documented crisis which include (a) poor educational outcomes, (b) rising illiteracy rates, (c) the fact that about four out of five teachers in public schools lack content knowledge and pedagogical skills to teach their subjects and (d) a predicted shortage of teachers in years to come, what immediate interventions will be taken to change the situation?

NW188E

171. Ms N R Mashabela (EFF) to ask the Minister of Higher Education:

What measures have been put in place to ensure that academic qualifications offered in the institutions of higher learning are aligned with the (a) needs of the economy and (b) future job market?

NW189E

172. Ms N R Mashabela (EFF) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:

What steps have been taken to address the professional development needs of Early Childhood Development practitioners to enhance their skills and knowledge?

NW190E

173. Ms N R Mashabela (EFF) to ask the Minister of Basic Education:

What measures have been taken to ensure that Early Childhood Development programmes are inclusive and accessible to children from marginalised and disadvantaged communities?

NW191E

174. Ms B Mathulelwa (EFF) to ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture:

In light of the upcoming national heritage celebrations which will be held in September, what (a) total amount of budget has been set aside to celebrate (i) AmaHlubi and (ii) amaBhaca nations which have been calling for recognition and (b) measures have been put in place to ensure that the specified nations receive their recognition accordingly?

NW192E

175. Ms B Mathulelwa (EFF) to ask the Minister of Agriculture:

Whether he has studied the submissions made at the Mpondoland Cannabis Belt founding summit held in Port St Johns in October 2023; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what measures have been put in place to assist small scale cannabis farmers in regions like Alfred Nzo District Municipality?

NW193E

176. Adv B J Mkhwebane (EFF) to ask the Minister of Correctional Services:

- (1) In light of the ongoing solitary confinement of Mandla Madonsela, a former South African Sergeant who allegedly stabbed Janus Walus, (a) what is the reasoning behind the prolonged solitary confinement of Mandla Madonsela, (b) how does his department justify keeping Mandla Madonsela isolated for such an extended period;
- (2) whether Mandla Madonsela has been given a timeline and/or plan for when his solitary confinement will end; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (3) whether there are alternative measures and/or interventions his department considered for Mandla Madonsela instead of solitary confinement?

NW194E

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12. **Mr N G Myburgh (DA) to ask the Minister in The Presidency *[Interdepartmentally transferred from the President of the Republic with effect Tuesday, 23 July 2024]:***

Whether, in the wake of alleged widespread abuse of the Republic's intelligence services for alleged illegal political purposes under the former President of the Republic Mr JG Zuma, she has taken any steps to prevent a recurrence of such incidents; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NW12E
13. Mr N G Myburgh (DA)(p6)—Defence and Military Veterans.
14. Mr N G Myburgh (DA) (p6)—Water and Sanitation.
15. Mr S J Moore (DA) (p6)—Water and Sanitation.
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19. Mrs M O Clarke (DA) (p7)—Health.

20. Mrs M O Clarke (DA) (p8)—Health.

21. Mr C F B Smit (DA) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs [Interdepartmentally transferred from President of the Republic with effect Tuesday, 23 July 2024]:

- (1) With reference to the unveiling of the 100 mobile Home Affairs offices on 7 May 2024 in Mokopane, what were the total costs of the (a) event and (b)(i) fuel and (ii) toll gate fees to transport the 100 trucks to and from Mokopane;
- (2) what were the total costs related to the drivers of the specified 100 trucks, including (a) wages, (b) subsistence and travel allowance, (c) accommodation, (d) meals, (e) total cost for the venue in Mahwelereng, (f) lease of the Mahwelereng Stadium and (g) any other related cost incurred? NW22E

22. Mr C F B Smit (DA) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs [Interdepartmentally transferred from President of the Republic with effect Tuesday, 23 July 2024]:

- (1) With reference to the unveiling of the 100 mobile Home Affairs offices on 7 May 2024 in Mokopane, what were the total costs for the (a) hire of the (i) marquee tent, (ii) tables, (iii) chairs, (iv) stage and (v) sound system and (b) advertisements and branding and (c) catering for the attendees;
- (2) what was the total cost of transport to get attendees to and from the venue;
- (3) what was the total number of (a) attendees who were catered for and (b) persons who actually attended the event on the day? NW23E

23. Mr E M Ntshingila (MK) (p9)—Employment and Labour.

24. Mr E M Ntshingila (MK) (p9)—Transport.

25. Mr E M Ntshingila (MK) (p9)—Higher Education.

26. Mr E K Madlala (MK) (p9)—Basic Education.

27. Ms O M C Maotwe (EFF) to ask the Minister of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation [Interdepartmentally transferred from Transport with effect Monday, 22 July 2024]:

- (1) What has the impact of the World Bank's involvement been to improve port performance for Transnet as the entity is reportedly the worst in port management in the world;
- (2) whether the introduction of the World Bank to improve port performance is intended to make a case for privatisation; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details? NW28E

28. Ms O M C Maotwe (EFF) to ask the Minister of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation [Interdepartmentally transferred from Transport with effect Monday, 22 July 2024]:

Whether, in light of the fact that the President of the Republic, Mr M C Ramaphosa, signed the law that allows the private sector to participate in Transnet on 11 June 2024, (a) what is the role of the private sector in Transnet and (b) how will the specified role affect Transnet operations?

NW29E

29. Ms O M C Maotwe (EFF) (p10)—Electricity and Energy.
30. Ms S Gcilishe (EFF) (p10)—Police.
31. Ms S Gcilishe (EFF) (p10)—Health.
32. Ms S Gcilishe (EFF) (p10)—Finance.
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38. Mr M K Montwedi (EFF) (p11)—International Relations and Cooperation.
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46. Mr C G Niehaus (EFF) (p13)—Defence and Military Veterans.
47. Mr N S Matiase (EFF) (p13)—Defence and Military Veterans.
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54. Mr L G Mokoena (EFF) (p14)—Sport, Arts and Culture.
55. Ms N Tafeni (EFF) (p14)—Police.
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76. Ms M S Letlape (EFF) (p18)—Police.
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