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# QUESTION PAPER

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(Not a Question Day)

### QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE TO THE PREMIER (i.t.o. Rule 138(5))

For next Question Day  
none

### PREMIER'S QUESTION TIME (i.t.o Rule 138)

For next Question Day

**3.PR006**

**Hon. S T Msimanga (DA) to ask the Premier:**

With regard to the various commitments made by the Gauteng Provincial Government (GPG) as it pertains to job creation specifically targeting young people in the province, and as outlined in Growing Gauteng Together (GGT) 2030, could the Premier please indicate the following:

- (i) whether 80 percent of existing Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) opportunities in the province are allocated to young people in the province;
- (ii) whether 60 percent of jobs on new infrastructure jobs in the province are allocated to young people in the province; and
- (iii) how many young people have been assisted to access pathways to employment through the Tshepo 1Million programme, over the last five financial years;
- (iv) of these young people, how many have been placed in formal jobs; and
- (v) how many new jobs have been created for youth between January 2019 and January 2023 through government and business collaboration?

**3.PR007**

**Hon. S T Msimanga (DA) to ask the Premier:**

The Gauteng Provincial Government's (GPG's) strategic plan, Growing Gauteng Together (GGT) 2030, places emphasis on driving inclusive economic growth and meaningful economic opportunities for all, by focusing on providing financial and non-financial support to SMMEs,

cooperatives etc., for the benefit of target groups such as unemployed youth, could the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) how many township based SMMEs in the province have been provided with financial support over the last five financial years;
- (ii) how many cooperatives in the province have been provided with financial support over the last five financial years;
- (iii) how many youth entrepreneurs have been supported through the Township Economy Revitalisation (TER) programme's nine eKasilabs between January 2019 and January 2023;
- (iv) how many new eKasilabs have been created over the last five financial years; and
- (v) which of the existing eKasilabs have had a) their services expanded and b) what services are these?

### 3.PR008

#### **Hon. P Makwala (EFF) to ask the Premier:**

With regard to the Premier's recent trip to Finland which he categorised as 'knowledge exchange'; and findings by The Urban Safety Reference Group which was facilitated by The South African Cities Network comprising of Researchers who study urban safety as well as representatives from municipalities across Gauteng (Urban Safety Brief, No 1/2022). The group undertook a research project on the effectiveness of surveillance through mechanisms like CCTV cameras regarding crime prevention and fighting; and their research discovered that CCTV as well as other means of surveillance had a very modest impact on crime fighting and crime prevention because these criminals manoeuvre around these cameras and with this loadshedding upon us, this might prove much easier.

With this in mind, would the Premier please respond to the following questions:

- (i) did the Premier consider this research study into account when making commitments during his maiden SOPA earlier this year about CCTV cameras (in your response please indicate what evidence is there that shows the effectiveness of CCTV cameras as well panic buttons which made the bulk of your crime fighting strategy); and
- (ii) did the Premier, considering the Finland trip, take into account the interventions of the White Paper in South Africa that can be implemented for crime-fighting purposes (in your response please indicate if the crime-fighting strategies you outlined are in line with the White Paper on crime and safety given that the Finnish government national crime prevention programme is almost similar to the White Paper)?

### 3.PR009

#### **Hon. P Makwala (EFF) to ask the Premier:**

With regard to the Merafong Solar Farm Project, there are media reports as well as engagements with the residents of Merafong Local Municipality which have revealed that residents are in the dark over the Merafong Solar Farm Project. Seemingly, a consultative process with the residents of the area was not undertaken even though the process is currently at an advanced stage whereby land has already been released to six (6) Independent Power Producers (IPP).

With this in mind, can the Premier please respond to the following questions:

- (i) what economic impact will this project have for the entire Merafong Local Municipality in terms of how many jobs will be created; the number of local businesses that will be brought on board; as well as skills to be developed (in your response please provide the actual number of jobs to be created in terms of youth, women and people regarded as physically challenged – People With Disabilities; black-owned local SMME's; and the type of skills to be transferred); and
- (ii) who are the six (6) IPP's appointed to carry out this solar project (in your response please outline, if any, corporate social responsibilities they will be undertaking within the local community and the profile of each IPP)?

### **QUESTIONS FOR ORAL REPLY TO THE EXECUTIVE** (i.t.o Rule 134)

(i.t.o Rule 133(4) [♦ ♦ Questions carried over from the previous Question Day]

#### **For next Question Day**

**4.HL007**

**Hon. J B Bloom (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health and Wellness:**

With regard to the Daily Maverick article (see link to article:

<https://www.dailymaverick.co.za/article/2023-04-23-gauteng-health-bosses-accused-of-bid-rigging-for-tender-kickbacks/>) concerning high level corruption allegations, will the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) what requests for information have been made by the Hawks and the SIU in this matter;
- (ii) why have the three officials who are named not been suspended and disciplinary charges implemented against them;
- (iii) what accounts for any delays in acting in this matter;
- (iv) why have lifestyle audits not been conducted on the three officials named in this report; and
- (v) what other steps are being taken to ensure that these three officials are properly investigated and held to account?

**4.HL008**

**Hon. J B Bloom (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health and Wellness:**

With regard to the disciplinary action against suspended CFO Lerato Madyo and suspended Tembisa Hospital CEO Dr Ashley Mthunzi, will the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) what progress has been made in the disciplinary action against them;
- (ii) what have they been charged with;
- (iii) what accounts for any delays in this regard;
- (iv) why have criminal charges not been laid against them; and
- (v) what action is being taken to conclude these disciplinary cases as soon as possible?

**4.SD003**

**Hon. R Nt'sekhe (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Social Development:**

With regard to Ikhaya Lethemba which renders the following services based on their poster on arrival at the facility: "One stop centre for victims of gender-based violence and a sanctuary to the most vulnerable." They

provide the following services: Victim Empowerment, psycho-social services, medico-legal support, and shelter". With this in mind, could the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) what is the capacity of this facility in terms of assisting service recipients and how many can stay over;
- (ii) which NPO has been contracted by the Gauteng Department of Social Development (DSD) to provide these services;
- (iii) how many people from the NPO are rendering these services at the facility;
- (iv) why were there no social workers and victim support workers based at the facility during the months of March and April (outside of those from Lifeline and Teddy Bear Clinic); and
- (v) why has the department not ensured that service recipients have access to continued services in this facility?

**4.SP001**

**Hon. T Ndlovu (ANC) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Sport, Arts, Culture and Recreation:**

The Gauteng government made a commitment to work with Football fraternity in establishing a museum of football in South Africa as well as reviving the School of Excellence so that more football talent can be developed in the province:

- (i) could the MEC give a detailed progress in this regard?

**4.ECD002**

**Hon. S M Letsie-Mogale (ANC) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Economic Development:**

With regard to the principle of buy local as pronounced by the Hon. Premier Panyaza Lesufi as a mandate for all the departments and given the harsh realities of Gauteng economy such as closing of local businesses and the aftermath of Covid 19, can the MEC please indicate:

- (i) if there is any strategy of supporting local companies or local business that are innovative for local supply through bulk buying; and
- (ii) has the department engaged the investors for the same purpose in the interest of creating jobs or local empowerment?

**4.TR001**

**Hon. G D Schneemann (ANC) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Transport and Logistics:**

Noting that according to Gautrain Management Agency (GMA) 2019/20 Annual Report, there were 13,929,916 passenger trips per Financial Year (FY). In February 2020 alone, before COVID19 hard lockdown, there were 1,200,000 passenger trips. However, in 21/22 FY, a total passenger trips per FY drastically declined to 4,336,451, translating to variance of 9,593,465 (68.9%) passenger trips per FY. Can the MEC please indicate:

- (i) what are the steps taken by GMA to increase the ridership of Gautrain?

**4.ECD003**

**Hon. P Malema (ANC) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Economic Development:**

With regard to revitalisation of the township economy in Gauteng, can the MEC please indicate:

- (i) if the department has developed an implementable township economy revitalisation strategy? if so, how has the strategy been implemented in all the Gauteng corridors;

- (ii) how many beneficiaries were women, youth, people with disabilities and military veterans per corridor; and
- (iii) does the department have a strategy to increase the pool of participants on township revitalisation strategy?

**4.ED001 Hon. J Mpsi (ANC) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Education:**

With regard to the transferring of ECD function from the Provincial Department of Social Development to Education, could the MEC indicate what the effect/impact has been on the following areas since the migration was affected:

- (i) the progress to date in the transfer of ECD from the Department of Social Development to Department of Education;
- (ii) what is the essence of this migration when fully implemented;
- (iii) the monitoring, evaluation and control system in place to monitor progress and what is the latest in this regard; and
- (iv) which age groups is/are intended for this GDE migration and why?

**4.HL009 Dr. M R Phaladi-Digamela (ANC) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health and Wellness:**

Regarding the accessibility to all Primary Health Care (PHCs) and Community Healthcare Centres (CHCs) can the MEC of Gauteng Department of Health and Wellness indicate the following:

- (i) how many PHCs and CHCs are there in Gauteng Province;
- (ii) how many of these PHCs and CHCs are accessible on 24 hours basis daily including Saturday and Sunday;
- (iii) for those not accessible for 24 hours a day, what are the reasons for the inaccessibility; and
- (iv) is there a plan to make all PHCs and CHCs to be available on 24hours a day?

**4.HS001 Hon. A A Ndlovana (ANC) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Human Settlements:**

With regard to issuance of title deeds, could the MEC please indicate:

- (i) how is the department planning to accelerate its administrative process to fast track the issuance of title deeds in the Province;
- (ii) how many title deeds did the department issue during the 2022/23 financial year;
- (iii) how many title deeds is the department planning to issue in the current financial year in total; and
- (iv) please give us comments on how the issuance of a title deed restores the beneficiary's dignity?

**4.SD004 Hon. A de Lange (VF-Plus) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Social Development:**

Can the MEC indicate the status of subsidized Children's Homes in relation to the following:

- (i) how many subsidized Children's Homes are there in Gauteng and as such registered with the Department;
- (ii) what is the status on payment of subsidies/ subsidies in arrears to each of these homes;
- (iii) what is the process followed when the court refers destitute children to be accommodated at these homes; and

- (iv) when referral takes place, is it accompanied by a supplementary subsidy amount, or must the home in the interim cater for such children out of its own funds?

4.ED002

**Hon. N Ramulifho (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Education:**

With regard to online applications for grade 1 and 8, will the MEC please indicate:

- (i) when will the process be opened;
- (ii) why is the department not opening the application process as early as April or May to avoid last minute placement as experienced in the past;
- (iii) has the process been reviewed to ensure transparency and fairness regarding parental choice;
- (iv) have any lessons been learnt from previous experiences based on opening the applications process late; and
- (v) what are these lessons?

4.COGTA001

**Hon. A de Lange (VF-Plus) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs:**

Can the MEC indicate the status of Waterparks in relation to the following:

- (i) how many Waterparks are there in Gauteng;
- (ii) how many of them serve a recreational purpose for all communities instead of beautifying upper residential to create an image of exotic islands;
- (iii) what is the average kilo litre usage of water per Waterpark;
- (iv) what is the impact thereof on Gauteng Province's water consumption; and
- (v) what processes are in place for water reclamation and re-use thereof?

**WRITTEN QUESTIONS FOR ORAL EXPLANATION & TABLING IN THE**

**HOUSE** (i.t.o Rule 137(5) [**\*\*** Request for extension of time (i.t.o Rule 137(2))] (i.t.o Rule 133(4)

[♦♦Questions carried over from the previous Question Day]

**For next Question Day**

**MEC FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY:**

5.PS020

**Hon. C Bosch (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Community Safety:**

Further to PS075, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) who is responsible for the significant maintenance of the stations in the province (Is it Public Works, or has the station been devolved to SAP. Please provide a breakdown of the stations for the entity responsible for maintenance); 1194
- (ii) what grading does each station in the province have (state whether it is a Brigadier or Colonel Station. Please provide a breakdown per station);
- (iii) of the stations mentioned in PS075, which do not have functional holding cells (please state the reason this is)
- (iv) of the stations that have functional holding cells, how many cells does each station have (please state the capacity for the cells);
- (v) how many people have been allocated to work at each station (please breakdown down staffing components per station e.g., Detectives, Support, Vispol, Sector);

- (vi) how many of the allocated positions are vacant at each station (please indicate why each position is vacant and how long they have been vacant); and
- (vii) with regards to (vi), when will vacant positions be filled?

**5.PS021 Hon. C Bosch (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Community Safety:**

With regard to ammunition in Gauteng police stations, would the MEC please indicate:

- (i) does each station have sufficient ammunition;
- (ii) how much ammunition is available;
- (iii) where does the station procure the ammunition from;
- (iv) what procurement processes need to be followed to purchase ammunition;
- (v) is there a difference between the ammunition used at the station and the ammunition used for training;
- (vi) if yes to (v), please provide full comprehensive details of the difference;
- (vii) if yes to (v), is the ammunition procured from different suppliers (please provide details);
- (viii) if yes to (v), is there sufficient ammunition available for training; and
- (ix) if the answer in (viii) is no, then why not?

**5.PS022 Hon. C Bosch (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Community Safety:**

Due to the large number of political motivated targeted killings and threats, could the MEC please respond to case number 169/11/2022 that was reported at both Garsfontein and Sinoville SAPS in Pretoria for a death threat that was sent to Councillor Siobhan Muller who is a ward councillor in Tshwane:

- (i) please provide a progress report on the investigation;
- (ii) has any arrests been made in this case;
- (iii) if not, why not;
- (iv) who is the investigating officer;
- (v) what measures is the police and department taking to ensure the safety of the councillor; and
- (vi) if no measures have been taken, what process needs to be followed to ensure the safety of Councillor Siobhan Muller is not at risk, and that the department and police will provide her with the necessary protection?

**5.PS023 Hon. R Robinson (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Community Safety:**

With regard to training for officers in police stations in Gauteng, would the MEC please indicate:

- (i) what training has been provided to the officers;
- (ii) when was the last training provided;
- (iii) when were the last gun competency tests done;
- (iv) what measures have been put in place to ensure ongoing training;
- (v) what measures have been put in place to ensure that people with disabilities can undergo training;
- (vi) can people with disabilities who are in wheelchairs be allowed to do gun competency training; and
- (vii) if no to (vi), why not?

- 5.PS024 Hon. R Robinson (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Community Safety:**  
 With regard to the case registered at Orange Farm Police Station on 8 August 2022, with case number 115/8/2022, where Zinhle Nontenja was allegedly set on fire by her boyfriend. Could the MEC please respond to the following:
- (i) has any arrest been made with regard to the incident;
  - (ii) if yes, please provide details to the arrest;
  - (iii) if not, why not; (iv) who is the investigating officer in this case;
  - (iv) has a court date been set for this case;
  - (v) if not, why not;
  - (vi) what is the current status of this case;
  - (vii) please provide full details pertaining to question (vii) above; and
  - (viii) what support has been given to the victim of the alleged GBV that was committed against her?

- 5.PS025 Hon. R Robinson (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Community Safety:**  
 With regard to the 2022/23 intake of trainees for the SAPS, please could the MEC indicate the following:
- (i) how many applications were received by the department in Gauteng;
  - (ii) how many trainees were accepted in Gauteng;
  - (iii) what were the criteria used to select candidates;
  - (iv) what is the demographic breakdown of successful candidates admitted; (v) were unsuccessful candidates notified of this fact;
  - (v) if not, why not; 1196
  - (vi) if indeed, how were they notified;
  - (vii) in the case of reference number 202312024, submitted at the Bedfordview Police Station on 25 June 2022, kindly confirm why Ms. Chloe Mugford was not accepted into the programme;
  - (viii) was she notified of her non-acceptance; and
  - (ix) if not, why not?

**MEC FOR HEALTH:**

- 5.HL039 Hon. J B Bloom (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**  
 With regard to shortages of clean linen, will the MEC please indicate:
- (i) what shortages of linen have occurred at hospitals since January last year (please give separately for each hospital);
  - (ii) in each case in (i) above, what was the time period of the shortage (please give separately for each hospital);
  - (iii) in each in (i) above, what were the consequences of the shortage, including approximate numbers of cancelled operations in each hospital (please give separately for each hospital);
  - (iv) in each case in (i) above, what was the cause of the linen shortage;
  - (v) what is being done to ensure that clean linen is always available to hospitals; and
  - (vi) why are private laundries not used more extensively to ensure that clean linen is always available at hospitals?
- 5.HL040 Hon. J B Bloom (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**  
 With regard to the provision of spectacles, will the MEC please indicate:
- (i) why are patients required to pay the African Eye Institute for spectacles that should be provided for free, particularly in the Johannesburg district;



- (ii) what relationship is there between the African Eye Institute and any clinic and hospital in the province, and particularly in the Johannesburg district;
- (iii) what is the policy regarding the provision of spectacles;
- (iv) if payment is to be made for spectacles, how is this arranged and monitored;
- (v) why are patients required to pay Refumo Mining Supplier for spectacles that should be provided for free, particularly at the Tembisa Hospital and the Ekurhuleni health district;
- (vi) what relationship is there between the African Eye Institute and any clinic and hospital in the province;
- (vii) what irregularities have been detected concerning state patients paying outside suppliers like the African Eye Institute and Refumo Mining Supplies for spectacles;
- (ii) what investigation and rectification action will be taken in this regard; and
- (iii) if not, why not?

5.HL041

**Hon. J B Bloom (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

With regard to the attached anonymous report on alleged corruption at the Tshwane District Hospital, will the MEC please indicate:

- (i) what action has been taken on these allegations of job selling which were reported to the Gauteng Corruption Hotline in December last year;
- (ii) if not, why not;
- (iii) what is the department's preliminary response to these allegations and the recommendations made therein to prevent corruption in this matter; and
- (iv) what steps will be taken to fully investigate this matter and take the appropriate action based on findings?

5.HL042

**Hon. B Makhene (EFF) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

With regard the shortage of ambulances in the province, and the EFF's oversight and observation in Diepsloot, would the MEC please respond to the following question:

- (i) why has the department decided to park a fleet of ambulances at Tambo Clinic in Diepsloot when there is a serious shortage of ambulances across the province;
- (ii) how many ambulances, in total, does the Gauteng department of Health have (in your response, please indicate how all these ambulances are allocated per region and district of the province);
- (iii) of all these ambulances, how many are roadworthy and still able to perform the functions they are intended to do (in your response please tabulate per region and district of the province);
- (iv) with reference to (i) above, how many ambulances are functional and just idling due to shortage of drivers and paramedics (in your response please indicate the regions where this problem is mostly experienced and the steps the department has put in place to resolve the problem); and
- (v) with reference to (ii) above, how many ambulances are not roadworthy and what is their current state (in your response please how many need to be disposed of, and the ones that need repairing)?

**5.HL043 Hon. J B Bloom (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

With regard to the pension of Ms. Nombini Patricia Mdingi ID number: 6611240515088, who worked as a cleaner at the Helen Joseph Hospital for 35 years, will the MEC please indicate:

- (i) why is there a long delay in paying out her pension; and
- (ii) what action is being taken to expedite her payment?

**5.HL044 Hon. J B Bloom (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

With regard to labour unrest at the Hillbrow Community Health Centre, will the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) what labour slowdowns or strikes have occurred there so far this year;
- (ii) what are the reasons for any such action;
- (iii) what was the duration of any such action;
- (iv) what was the effect on patients of any such action;
- (v) why was effective action not taken to stop such action; and
- (vi) what steps are being taken to ensure that all workers do their jobs in serving patients?

**MEC FOR HUMAN SETTLEMENTS:****5.HS009 Hon. S T Msimanga (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Human Settlements:**

With regard to allegations surrounding an employee in the department, could the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) is the MEC aware of the allegations from community members that Doctor Nkosi (a Gauteng Provincial Housing Department employee) has been conducting corrupt activities related to RDP housing for years in municipalities in the West Rand;
- (ii) if the Department is aware of the allegations against Doctor Nkosi, what are the relevant de-tails; and
- (iii) if the Department is not aware, will the MEC commit to investigate the allegations levelled against Doctor Nkosi?

**5.HS010 Hon. N Ramulifho (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Human Settlements:**

With regard to informal settlements in ward 127, in the City of Johannesburg, could the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) if there is a plan to formalize this settlement around Durban Deep;
- (ii) if so, how far the process is or when the process will start;
- (iii) why these residents are not accessing basic services like refuse removal and ablution facilities; and
- (iv) what interventions have been put in place to ensure that the residents human rights are defended and protected through provision of basic services;
- (v) what the department has done to ensure that there are proper streets for emergency and protection services;
- (vi) if the land is privately owned or belongs to government;
- (vii) if some of the residents are on a waiting list to get housing from government;
- (viii) should there be no plans to formalize the area, if the department will be eradicating the informal settlements; and

- (ix) if so, please share the details?

**MEC FOR FINANCE:**

5.FN010

**Hon. P Atkinson (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Finance:**

Regarding the Gauteng Schools Project contained in the GIFA Q3 project progress report, the Budget Facility for Infrastructure (BFI) application for R1.5 billion from National Treasury was approved in Q3 (2022/2023) with conditions. The conditions were addressed and re-submitted on 15 December 2022. Would the MEC please indicate:

- (i) were the conditions submitted on 15 December 2022 to National Treasury finally approved, and a positive response received;
- (ii) please indicate if successful, the R1,5bn will be made available in the 2023/24 financial year, if not please explain when it will be available;
- (iii) please confirm if the project was released to the market in Q4 of the 2022/23 F.Y. If not please explain why not;
- (iv) please provide a list of the 18 preferred new schools to be built to address the demand for additional schools in Gauteng;
- (v) please list all stakeholders in this GIFA project to date and area of responsibility of each stakeholder; and
- (vi) please explain how and where GIFA plans to source the outstanding R3bn of the total R4,5bn project value?

**MEC FOR CO-OPERATIVE GOVERNANCE AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS, RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT:**

5.COGTA036

**Hon. A Randall (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Research and Development:**

The result of loadshedding is that sub-stations can trip, old cable joints that can't handle the load will explode, and switches can fail along with various other issues that plague local government infrastructure. The switchgear electricity infrastructure that has been built in municipalities across the country is simply not designed to be turned off and on multiple times during the course of the day. Municipal electricians sometimes have to work around the clock to resolve issues, often having to seek external assistance. Can the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) per municipality what the impact of loadshedding is on damage to local government infrastructure for the 2021/22 and 2022/23 financial years;
- (ii) how Provincial and National Government have been assisting local government to address the additional financial burden of repairs and replacement of infrastructure such as sub stations, cables and switches;
- (iii) if no assistance has been offered to date, please explain what strategic plan/s are in place to assist local governments with the financial burden placed upon them by damages caused on mainly their electrical infrastructure by loadshedding;
- (iv) please indicate if details of hotspot areas with regards to failing infrastructure in Gauteng municipalities exists, in order to prioritize funding for replacement or repairs; and
- (iv) if answer to question (iv) is no, please explain why not?

**5.COGTA039 Hon. A Randall (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Research and Development:**

With On Friday 21 October 2022 I attended the Roodeplaat Dam: Dam Management committee meeting as I am part of the Dam Committee. Discussions took place on the DMC structure, Lease, grazing and caretaker compliance, Access by adjacent landowners and compliance, Boating regulations and Aquatic weeds management-responsibility and processes. On the agenda was also the 2023 World Masters Rowing Regatta scheduled to take place at the Roodeplaat Dam. Would the MEC please indicate:

- (i) please confirm if a Memorandum of Understanding with the National Department of Water and Sanitation exists to give DWS the authority to become the implementing agent at the Roodeplaat Dam; If the department is not aware of an MOU (whether final or in draft) please explain why officials from DWS informed the Dam committee of the existence of a MOU;
- (ii) please indicate where the process is in finalizing the MOU and where a copy of such MOU can be found;
- (iii) please indicate what exactly the contribution has been from DID with regards to removing hyacinths from the Roodeplaat dam in terms of EPWP workers and budget available; and
- (iv) please indicate how private owners from adjacent communities and Rowing SA has been assisted in cleaning the dam of hyacinths?

**5.COGTA044 Hon. E du Plessis (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Research and Development:**

With regard to sinkholes in Khutsong, in Merafong City Local Municipality, could the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) if the department is aware of the sinkholes forming in Khutsong, in Merafong City Local Municipality;
- (ii) if the department is aware that the formation of these sinkholes is caused by dysfunctional wastewater treatment works in Khutsong;
- (iii) what the budget allocation for fixing sinkholes in Khutsong for the 2017/18, 2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23 financial year was;
- (iv) which service providers were appointed to fix the sinkholes (please provide a list of these service providers);
- (v) what the plan to fix existing sinkholes is (please provide a copy of this plan);
- (vi) what the budget allocation for fixing sinkholes for the 2023/24 financial year is;
- (vii) what the budget allocation for the Refurbishment of the Wedela Waste Water Treatment Works from the 2019/20 financial year, to-date was;
- (i) which service providers were appointed to refurbish the Wedela Waste Water Treatment Works;
- (ix) if the refurbishments have been completed; and
- (x) if not, why not (please provide reasons)?

**5.COGTA045 Hon. K Chabalala (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Research and Development:**

Further to COGTA019, could the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) when the municipality registered the plant vehicle and transport assets with the licensing department;
- (ii) please provide the registration details of each plant vehicle and transport asset; and
- (iii) please provide copies of the registration papers of each plant vehicle and transport asset?

**MEC FOR INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT:**

**5.INF015**

**Hon. A Fuchs (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Infrastructure Development:**

With regard to Lenasia Clinic, could MEC indicate the following:

- (i) what maintenance work has been done at the Lenasia Clinic over the last three financial years;
- (ii) what was the rand value of this maintenance work;
- (iii) if the department is aware of the broken toilets at the clinic;
- (iv) what plans, if any, are in place to fix the broken toilets;
- (v) what budget is allocated for this; and
- (vi) by when this will be done?

**5.INF016**

**Hon. N Ramulifho (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Infrastructure Development:**

With regard to unfinished or abandoned infrastructure projects, will the MEC please indicate:

- (i) the number of projects that were awarded in the past 5 years or more and that are still incomplete;
- (ii) please indicate what was the scope for each project and the company awarded the project;
- (iii) please indicate cost per each project from the start and how much is estimated to complete the project;
- (iv) what the consequences against contractors who failed to complete the project on agreed time frame are;
- (v) the number of projects to date that have been put on hold due to contractors faults (please list the project name and the budget);
- (vi) the number of projects that are on hold due to the department faults (please list the project name and the budget);
- (vii) the number of projects that are subjected to legal process (what are the reasons); and
- (viii) when the department will complete all projects like Mayibuye Primary, Rustervaal Secondary, Nanciefeld Primary schools etc?

**5.INF017**

**Hon. S T Msimanga (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Infrastructure Development:**

With regard to the infrastructure backlog in the province, could the MEC please indicate:

- (i) what was the rand value of the infrastructure backlog in Gauteng in a) 2013 (ten years ago) and b) 2018 (5 years ago);
- (ii) what is the rand value of the infrastructure backlog in Gauteng;
- (iii) what is the estimated amount required to meet infrastructure needs over the next 15 years;
- (iv) what has informed the increased costs of the infrastructure backlog, if any, (please provide reasons);
- (v) what is the a) capital expenditure and b) operational expenditure budgets allocated to clear the infrastructure backlog for this financial year;

- (vi) what are the priority areas for each of these budgets for this financial year;
- (vii) are there any private-public partnerships the department has entered into to bridge the gap between the financial resources available and what is required to address the infrastructure backlog; and
- (viii) if yes to question (vi), please provide a list of these as well as a brief description of each?

**MEC FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:**

**5.SD031**

**Hon. J Miller (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Social Development:**

With regard to the department's substance abuse prevention programmes which reached 2 050 869 as indicated in the department's third quarterly performance report for the 2022/2023 financial year, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) what programmes were offered;
- (ii) which organizations were involved in facilitating these programmes;
- (iii) where these programmes were held; and
- (iv) how the number of beneficiaries was tracked/recorded?

**5.SD032**

**Hon. J Miller (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Social Development:**

With regard to the SASSA staffing complement rendering services in Gauteng, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) the total number of staff currently appointed at provincial and local SASSA offices,
- (ii) please indicate the fixed staff establishment at each provincial and local SASSA office in the province;
- (iii) please indicate the vacancy rate at each provincial and local SASSA office in the province;
- (iv) please indicate the job title(s) of these vacancies at each provincial and local SASSA office in the province; and
- (v) please provide a copy of the approved staff organogram for the provincial and local SASSA offices?

**5.SD033**

**Hon. J Miller (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Social Development:**

With regard to South African Post Office (SAPO) branches in the province which assist with SASSA related processes, could the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) how many SAPO branches are currently operational in Gauteng;
- (ii) where are the operational SAPO branches located (please provide a list of these);
- (iii) how many SAPO branches have been closed in Gauteng in the last five years;
- (iv) what were the reasons for the office closures; where are the closed SAPO branches located (please provide a list of these); and
- (iv) have SASSA grant beneficiaries who previously made use of SAPO branches that have been closed, been informed of alternative SAPO branches they can visit?

**5.SD034**

**Hon. J Miller (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Social Development:**

With regard to SASSA recipients in the province, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) the total number of SASSA clients recorded per metropolitan, district, and local municipality within Gauteng, per grant type (please indicate the total number per municipality, per grant type)?

5.SD035

**Hon. R Nt'sekhe (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Social Development:**

With regard to the Motlakeng old age home, would the MEC please indicate:

- (i) have security personnel been employed;
- (ii) what are the current security costs;
- (iii) have gardening personnel been employed;
- (iv) what are the current gardening costs;
- (v) what personnel are currently employed;
- (vi) what are the current personnel costs;
- (vii) which personnel does the department currently have contract for who work at the old age home; Were the previous staff retrenched and if so, what were the final retrenchment packages for each staff member; and
- (viii) please provide details of each staff member including contracts and their retrenchment details?

5.SD036

**Hon. R Nt'sekhe ( DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Social Development:**

With regard to the new assessment tool, would the MEC please indicate:

- (i) how many pages is the document;
- (ii) how many NPOs and NGOs been assisted or workshopped to understand this document;
- (iii) please explain the format in which this workshop was done;
- (iv) if NPOs and NGOs do not understand this document, will the department take them as not compliant; Looking at NPOs and NGOs, what is the role of Monitoring and Evaluation with regards to the new assessment tool;
- (v) looking at NPOs and NGOs, what is the role of partnerships with regards to the new assessment tool; Looking at NPOs and NGOs, what is the role of finance with regards to the new assessment tool;
- (vi) please attach a copy of the new assessment tool;
- (vii) how many NPOs and NGOs are funded by the Gauteng Department of Social Development; and
- (viii) how many of them must ensure that they comply with the assessment tool in order to receive funding going forward?

5.SD037

**Hon. R Nt'sekhe ( DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Social Development:**

With regard to Annual Report 2021/22, will the MEC please indicate;

- (i) what interventions are in place to address both the departmental vacancy rate and the critical occupation vacancy rate;
- (ii) what assistance is being provided to ECD centres that are currently unable to meet the minimum norms and standards as per Children's Act 38 of 2005;
- (iii) the registration of (ECD) centres is still a challenge due to municipal by-laws such as building plans, health certificates, and other infrastructural requirements. What kind of support is the department providing to affected ECD centres so that they can meet the registration requirements;
- (iv) in the Annual Report 2021/22, the department reports that 11 tenders were awarded through the open tender system compared to the target of 40 tenders. Why are all the department's tenders not going through the open tender system; and

- (v) with reference to (v), can the department provide a list of the tenders that did not go through the open tender system (please provide the value of each tender and entity tender was awarded to); and What is the status of the finalised reports of the investigations into possible procurement irregularities, fraudulent, corrupt and other irregular conduct at the department at the request of the Gauteng Provincial Treasury in 2018 in relation to the implementation of the dignity packs programmes by non-profit organisations?

5.SD038

**Hon. I Cilliers ( DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Social Development:**

According to the AG report there was irregular expenditure in the acquisition of food parcels and dignity packs for the period 2016 to 2018, as a result of procurement processes not being followed. Would the MEC please indicate:

- (i) please explain how and why procurement processes were flouted;
- (ii) please provide detailed list of successful suppliers to whom tenders were awarded;
- (iii) please provide the value of the tenders provided to the mentioned suppliers in (ii); and
- (iv) please provide the dates when the tenders were awarded;
- (v) please provide the dates and payments made to the list of successful suppliers; and
- (vi) please provide details of the tender specifications in terms of products tendered for?

5.SD039

**Hon. B Engelbrecht (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Social Development:**

Regarding the meeting between the MEC and NPO sector held on Wednesday 05 April at Gallagher Estate:

- (i) the original meeting was scheduled for Monday 3 April in Benoni. Please provide the following:
  - a. Cost of the venue;
  - b. Amount of people provided for;
  - c. Cost of catering; and
  - d. Total costs allocated for that day including any transport and security costs.
- (ii) the second meeting was scheduled for Tuesday 4 April at Gallagher Estate. Please provide the following:
  - a. Cost of the venue;
  - b. Amount of people provided for;
  - c. Cost of catering; and
  - d. Total costs allocated for that day including any transport and security costs.
- (iii) The third scheduled meeting took place on 5 April for about 4000 people. Please provide the following:
  - a. Cost of the venue;
  - b. Amount of people provided for;
  - c. Cost of catering; and
  - d. Total costs allocated for that day including any transport and security costs.
- (iv) please provide the detailed costs for the individual marketing and advertising for these three meetings?

5.SD040

**Hon. R Nt'sekhe (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Social Development:**

With regard to ghost Non-Profit Organisations (NPOs) in the province, would the MEC please indicate the following:



- (i) the number of Non-Profit Organisations (NPOs) that are funded by the department;
- (ii) if the department has ever conducted investigations to determine if these are legitimate NPOs;
- (iii) if not, why not;
- (iv) if yes, when;
- (v) if yes, who conducted the research;
- (vi) if yes, how many ghost NPOs did the department determine that they were funding;
- (vii) if yes, please provide the names of these NPOs (please indicate for each ghost NPO the address, names of board members and services which they were funded by the department to render);
- (viii) if yes, if the department has opened criminal cases against these ghost NPOs; and
- (ix) if not, why not?

**5.SD041****Hon. B Engelbrecht (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Social Development:**

With regard to the funding of Non-Profit Organisations (NPOs) for the 2023/2024 financial year, would the MEC please indicate:

- (i) please provide a comprehensive list with the address, contact details and sector of each Non-Profit Organisation (NPO) that applied to the department for funding for the 2023/24 financial year;
- (ii) please indicate which of these NPOs in question (i) have been approved funding for the 2023/24 financial year;
- (iii) please indicate which of these NPOs in question (i) have not been approved for funding and provide reasons why (please indicate the reasons for each NPO that has not been approved for funding for the 2023/24 financial year);
- (iv) please indicate the total amount, in rands and cents,
  - a) budgeted by the department for NPO funding for the 2023/24 financial year;
  - b) already allocated to NPOs that have been approved for funding to-date;
  - c) the balance thereof, if any, to-date;
- (v) as it pertains to NPOs that are partially funded by the department for the current financial year, please provide details on the staff compliment and the number of beneficiaries at each of these;
- (vi) as it pertains to NPOs that have not been funded by the department for the current financial year, please provide details on the staff compliment and the number of beneficiaries at each of these;
- (vii) please describe the direct impact the reprioritization of funds for the current financial year will have on service-recipients in Gauteng, especially as it pertains to NPOs that have not been funded by the department in the current financial year;
- (viii) why did the department decide not to fund social worker posts and what plan does the department have in place to ensure the specialised services they render will still be provided to service recipients in the province;

- (ix) what is the number, if any, of social workers that will no longer be employed due to the reprioritization of funds for the current financial year; and
- (x) what is the department's overall plan to ensure that critical services initially provided by NPOs funded by the department, who are now no longer funded by the department, will still be provided to service recipients?

**MEC FOR AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENT:**

**5.ARD&ENV013**

**Hon. S Dos Santos (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment:**

With regard to alien vegetation in the province, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) noting that Gauteng is plagued by alien vegetation such as the Black Wattle tree, what action has the Department taken to bring its growth under control;
- (ii) what amount, in rands and cents, has been allocated to the treatment and eradication of the Black Wattle for the 2022/2023 and 2023/2024 financial years;
- (iii) in terms of the National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act, 2004 (Act no. 10 of 2004) and the Conservation of Agricultural Resources Act, 1983 (Act No 43 of 1983), under what category are Black Wattles categorised as; and
- (iv) what current projects, if any, are currently in place to address alien vegetation?

**5.ARD&ENV014**

**Hon. J Miller (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment:**

With regard to Pom Pom weed, *Campuloclinium Macrocephalum*, in the province, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) what the department's plan to combat this and other invasive species is;
- (ii) what has been done to date to remove and destroy pom pom and other invasive species; and
- (iii) how much budget has been set aside for invasive species control?

**5.ARD&ENV015**

**Hon. J Miller (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment:**

With regard to the current status of the air quality in Gauteng, would the MEC please indicate:

- (i) the impact of the current quality of air on the residents of Gauteng;
- (ii) if the department has a dedicated unit that oversees this area of work;
- (iii) if yes, the scope of the unit's work (please provide a full description of this); and
- (iv) what the department's budget for this area of work is for the current financial year is, in rands and cents?

**5.ARD&ENV016**

**Hon. J Miller (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment:**

With regard to the Green Scorpions, could the MEC please indicate:

- (i) if they still operate;
- (ii) what their core mandate is;

- (iii) the number of employees that form part of this unit;
- (iv) the budget, in rands and cents, for this unit, for the current financial year; and
- (v) please indicate, if any, some of the successes of this unit?

**5.ARD&ENV017 Hon. B Engelbrecht (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment:**

Regarding poultry farms in Gauteng, could the MEC please indicate:

- (i) the number of poultry farms in the province that have been impacted by loadshedding;
- (ii) a detailed description of the impact loadshedding has had on the province's poultry industry;
- (iii) the number of chicks/chickens that have died or had to be culled because of loadshedding;
- (iv) the total amount, in rands and cents, of losses incurred by poultry farmers because of loadshedding;
- (v) a detailed description of the support given to poultry farmers directly affected by loadshedding; and
- (vi) the number of poultry farmers that have had to close their businesses because of loadshedding?

**5.ARD&ENV018 Hon. B Engelbrecht (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment:**

Regarding ARDENV008, could the MEC please indicate:

- (i) was any disciplinary action taken against the Chief Director who signed off on the appointment of the 28 graduates that he was not authorised to;
- (ii) for how long are these graduates employed;
- (iii) what is the budget for the 28 graduates in rands and cents;
- (iv) what kind of work are they employed to do; and
- (v) what measures are being put in place to ensure that this never happens again?

**QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN REPLY TO MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL** (i.t.o Rule 136) (□□ Indicates New Questions for the Current Week)

[♦♦ Oral Questions converted to Written Questions by Resolution of the House]

[\*\* Request for extension of time (i.t.o Rule137(2))]

**PREMIER:**

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**5. PR015.**

**Hon. P Atkinson (DA) to ask the Premier:**

With regard to the ability of the Gauteng Provincial Government to function optimally during loadshedding, would the Premier please indicate the following:

- (i) the number of provincial government departments that have backup generators;
- (ii) please provide a list of the provincial government departments that have backup generators;
- (iii) please provide a list of the provincial government departments that do not have backup generators;
- (iv) the number of provincial government department buildings that are fitted with solar panels;
- (v) the number of provincial government department buildings that are not fitted with solar panels; and
- (vi) which departments are able to continue working during loadshedding as a result of having backup power;

- (vii) which departments are not able to continue working during loadshedding as a result of not having backup power;
- (viii) the budget for backup power for the current financial year; and
- (ix) by when all provincial government departments will be equipped with backup power?

\*\* 5. PR016.

**Hon. A Randall (DA) to ask the Premier:**

Regarding all complaints, allegations and/or matters pertaining to Gauteng Provincial Government departments and entities, please provide the following for the 2022/23 financial year:

- (i) the number of cases reported, cases finalised and cases outstanding in the following institutions:
  - a. Public Service Commission
  - b. Office of the Public Protector
  - c. Special Investigations Unit
- (ii) have any forensic audits taken place in GPG departments in the past financial year? If yes, please indicate the following:
  - a. Number of forensic audits.
  - b. Number of forensic audits that have been finalised.
  - c. Number of forensic audits that are outstanding.
- (iii) of the outcomes of various investigations that were conducted, how many recommendations were there;
- (iv) have all recommendations been implemented by the relevant departments and entities; and
- (v) in terms of consequence management, list and provide details on the number of recommendations that resulted in disciplinary action, dismissals, the opening of criminal cases, the instituting of civil claims, etc. in GPG departments?

\*\* 5. PR018.

**Hon. J B Bloom (DA) to ask the Premier:**

Further to the reply to Question 5. HL026 concerning security for the Head of the Gauteng Health Department, Dr Nomonde Nolutshungu, will the Premier please indicate:

- (i) from what date was she assigned extra security and on what date did this terminate;
- (ii) why was this security provided;
- (iii) why was this security terminated;
- (iv) what other extra security has been provided to any other staff at the Gauteng Health Department;
- (v) if not, why not; and
- (vi) what steps are being taken to ensure that staff can act against corruption without fear for their lives?

**MEC FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY:**

5.PS026

**Hon. C Bosch (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Community Safety:**

With regard to overtime in the department, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) please provide proof of measures currently in place to guide the implementation of overtime and related payments in the department;
- (ii) please provide a copy of the department's Overtime Policy. If no policy is in place, please provide reasons why not;
- (iii) please indicate what the issues are that would normally require work to be performed outside normal working hours;
- (iv) please provide a preliminary amount paid for overtime, to employees in the department for the 2022/23 financial year.

- (please specify information for full time employees and for shift workers);
- (v) please provide a breakdown of overtime paid for each month in the 2022/23 financial year;
  - (vi) please indicate if budgeted amounts for overtime in 2022/23 financial year were adequate, and if not please explain why the budget was exceeded;
  - (vii) please indicate if any overtime was not authorized during the 2022/23 financial year with reasons why it was not authorized;
  - (viii) please confirm if overtime records are kept, and indicate in which format the records are kept (electronically or manually);
  - (ii) please indicate if any official was disciplined, and/or suspended because of the abuse of illegal overtime claims; and
  - (x) please indicate how cost containment measures have contributed to effective management of overtime payments in the 2022/23 financial year?

**5.PS027****Hon. C Bosch (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Community Safety:**

With regard to the recruitment of 6000 young and fit Crime Prevention Wardens by the Gauteng Provincial Government (GPG) to assist in fighting crime and corruption; lawlessness; and vandalism in local communities across the province, can the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) the number of applications, in total, that were received by the department;
- (ii) how many Crime Prevention Wardens have been appointed to date;
- (iii) what criteria was used to appoint these Crime Prevention Wardens;
- (iv) whether these Crime Prevention Wardens will be:
  - (a) deployed to all wards in the province,
  - (b) if no to (a), how wards will be identified;
- (v) whether these Crime Prevention Wardens will be equipped with firearms;
  - a) if yes to (v), by when they will be equipped with firearms,
  - (b) if no to (v), what tools they will be provided with in line of duty,
- (vi) what powers these Crime Prevention Wardens have (for example, if they share equal powers to that of SAPS' officers);
- (vii) which key pieces of legislation these Crime Prevention Wardens derive their powers and have been constituted;
- (viii) how long the Crime Prevention Wardens were trained for;
- (ix) please provide a detailed description of what this training entailed; and
- (x) the timeline for the finalization of the appointment of the outstanding Crime Prevention Wardens?

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**5.PS028****Hon. C Bosch (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Community Safety:**

With reference to the following case numbers: 332/1/2023, 352/1/2023, 398/7/2022, 304/4/2023 that was opened at the Rietgat Police Station against Mr Jabulani Robert Khoza who is residing in Block NN Soshanguve and has terrorised various community members by means of

alleged cases of robbery, theft, assault and intimidation of specifically female and young victims, could the MEC indicate:

- (i) what is the current status of the investigation of the following case numbers against Mr JR Khoza at Rietgat Police Station? (Provide full details and a breakdown on each case number);
- (ii) if the cases are still open and under investigation, can the MEC please confirm what is outstanding on each of the cases? (Provide full details and a breakdown on each case number);
- (iii) if the cases are closed, can the MEC please confirm what the outcome of each of these cases are? (Provide full details and a breakdown on each case number);
- (iv) can the MEC please confirm if Sergeant L.C. Mogakwe was allocated to each of the cases as the detective as per sms's received from SAPS;
- (v) if the answer is no, please confirm who the investigating officer for each of the cases is;
- (vi) can the MEC please confirm if Sergeant L.C. Mogakwe is related to the alleged perpetrator as a friend, family or close family relative;
- (vii) if the answer is yes, can the MEC please confirm if Sergeant L.C. Mogakwe have declared this information to the Station Commander and Department prior to the investigation; and
- (viii) if the answer is yes, can the MEC please confirm what measures were put in place to protect the victims against prejudice from the detective; and
- (ix) can the MEC please confirm what feedback and assistance have been provided to the victims in each of the cases? (Provide full details and a breakdown on each case number)

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**5.PS029**

**Hon. C Bosch (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Community Safety:**

With regard to the dismissal of Mr Nhlanhla Richman Ngwenya with service number 0922826/8, can the MEC please indicate:

- (i) what was the reason for the termination of employment of Mr NR Ngwenya;
- (ii) was Mr NR Ngwenya referred for a disciplinary;
- (iii) if the answer is yes, what were the reasons for the disciplinary;
- (iv) if the answer is yes, what was the outcome of the disciplinary;
- (v) were any processes put in place for alternative dispute resolution or mediation between SAPS and MR NR Ngwenya to reinstate him as a SAPS officer;
- (vi) can MR NR Ngwenya be considered for reinstatement in the SAPS as an employee;
- (vii) if the answer is yes, what process needs to be followed; and
- (viii) if the answer is no, why not?

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**5.PS030**

**Hon. A W Cilliers (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Community Safety:**

With regard to ongoing complaints by Melville business owners and residents about the liquor store located on the corner of 3rd Avenue and Main Road, in Melville, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) whether the department is aware of the alleged public drinking taking place in front of the liquor store;

- (ii) whether the department is aware that a non-compliance notice has been issued against the outlet, as it has been operating in contravention of section 40 of the Gauteng Liquor Act 2 of 2003;
- (iii) what measures, if any, the department has taken to resolve the issue of public drinking;
- (iv) what measures, if any, the department, has taken to resolve the issue of noise;
- (v) which external stakeholders, if any, the department is partnering with to ensure that these complaints are urgently resolved;
- (vi) whether the department and the external stakeholders in (v) consult and engage affected business owners and residents in the area about their concerns;
- (vii) please provide a step-by-step guideline of the correct steps that a resident must take to report a noise complaint/public disorder complaint to receive a case number from SAPS; and
- (viii) please provide a list of case numbers for noise/public disorder complaints in Melville for 2022/2023?

**MEC FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:**

□□ 5.ECD033

**Hon. A Randall (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Economic Development:**

In line of the companies mentioned below, could the MEC indicate:

- Mvelenhle Construction
- Sebedisanang Trading and Projects
- Yonga Waste Management Co-Operative Limited
- Mopani Lodge Resort
- Solan Accountants
- Bala Accountants
- Humelela Events Management
- Ronsol Agri Farming
- The Accountants and Auditors Lab
- Dinokeng Tourism Organization
- Jobe Motors
- Yonga Waste Management Co-Operative Limited
- Bhubesini Primary Co-Operative Limited
- Sowell Motors Primary Co-Operative Limited
- Bunelani 30 Primary Co-Operative Limited
- Mopani Lodge Resort

- (i) whether any business was done with any of the companies listed above;
- (ii) if yes, please indicate the following over the past three (3) years:
  - a) which GPG department/entity;
  - b) Nature of transaction; and
  - c) value (in rands and cents) and duration of the contract?

□□ 5.ECD034

**Hon. A W Cilliers (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Economic Development:**

With regard to application by Herberline Investments CC., FG Corner., application number: 2000/035442/23, for a tavern liquor licence - alternatively Section 28 (1) (c), at Erf No. 457, No. 4 Fifth Avenue, in Melville, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) what the status is of the application in question;
- (ii) what is delaying the finalization of the application in question;
- (iii) if there are any further steps the applicants can take to assist the process; and

- (iv) by when the application could be finalized?

□□ 5.ECD035

**Hon. E du Plessis (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Economic Development:**

Further to the reply to Question 5. ECD030, can the MEC please indicate:

- (i) what has been the vacancy rate for the Gauteng Liquor Board (GLB) over the past five financial years (please break down the vacancy rate per financial year); and
- (ii) what has the department done to ensure that the GLB reduces its vacancy rate?

**MEC FOR EDUCATION:**

\*\* 5.ED044

**Hon. N Ramulifho (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Education:**

With regard to disruptions in schools in the 2023 academic year, will the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) the number of schools that have had disruptions in the first term of the 2023 academic year;
- (II) which schools experienced disruptions in the first term (please list them and the dates they had disruptions);
- (III) what the reasons for disruptions for each school are;
- (IV) what interventions have been put in place to avoid any further disruptions going forward;
- (V) if there any actions or consequences faced by those who disrupted teaching and learning; and
- (VI) the number of learners on average have lost contact lessons due to these disruptions?

\*\* 5.ED046

**Hon. N Ramulifho (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Education:**

With regard to Nancefield Primary School in Eldorado Park, could the MEC please indicate:

- (i) the existing arrangements for temporary mobile structures;
- (ii) the amount, in rands and cents, the department pays per month for the temporary mobile structures;
- (iii) the amount, in rands and cents, paid from the inception of the contract to-date for these temporary mobile structures;
- (iv) whether the allegations that the service provider is threatening to close the school are true;
- (v) if yes to question (iv), what arrangements the department has made in the interim and while waiting for brick-and-mortar structures;
- (vi) when the brick-and-mortar structures are projected to be completed;
- (vii) who the new contractor appointed is, if any;
- (vii) how much the budget for the remaining scope of the project is; and
- (ix) whether there are any consequences against the service provider for failing to complete the project? If there are, please provide a description in this regard?

□□ 5.ED050

**Hon. N Ramulifho (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Education:**

With regard to Khulanolwazi Primary school in Braamfischer, will the MEC please indicate:



- (i) when will the department replace the mobile structures with brick and mortar;
- (ii) what is the scope of the project (budget, time frame and status of the project) to date;
- (iii) when will the department replace the dilapidated, unsanitary, and unhygienic toilets used by learners;
- (iv) was the department aware that only two (2) blocks of toilets were in use/operational and that these toilets had no doors and running water;
- (v) why was there nothing done by the department to ensure a conducive environment;
- (vi) how long has the post of principal been vacant;
- (vii) when will the post be filled on permanent basis;
- (viii) what was the budget for the school in the 2022/3 FY; and
- (ix) was the budget properly spent or are there allegations of corruption and malpractices?

□□ **5.ED051 Hon. N Ramulifho (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Education:**

With Further to question 5. ED043, will the MEC please indicate:

- (i) did all learners resume with their lessons on Tuesday 09 May 2023 as communicated with SAHRC;
- (ii) if so, how many learners returned back to school on Tuesday;
- (iii) how many learners failed to return to school;
- (iv) what has the department done to ensure that all learners return back to school;
- (v) what was the attendance from the 15th to the 20th of May 2023;
- (vi) what interventions have been put in place to ensure that learners who have not returned, return to school to prevent them from leaving the system or dropping out;
- (vii) what plans have been put in place to ensure that learners have catch up programmes to cover lost time on the curriculum; and
- (viii) is there a system in place to ensure that interventions to ensure full curriculum coverage are monitored?

□□ **5.ED052 Hon. N Ramulifho (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Education:**

With regard to the placement of in-grade learners, will the MEC please indicate:

- (i) why are Keaton and Keanon O'Connor still sitting at home instead of going to school in Roodepoort;
- (ii) what has the department done since the information was referred to the department through the Head of Department and MEC;
- (iii) why is Mrs Tracy Legoabe not getting assistance to place her children in Grade 3 and 10;
- (iv) when will the MEC and or HoD respond to the several emails pleading for support;
- (v) is there a system in place to monitor that in-grade applications are finalised to ensure that no child of school going age is sitting at home; and
- (vi) what should parents do when they do not get help from the department?



5.ED053

**Hon. E du Plessis (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Education:**

With regard to the Spokesperson for Education, Mr. Steve Mabona, being chauffeured by VIP Security on Friday, 02 September 2022, could the MEC indicate:

- (i) how many years has Mr Mabona worked for the Gauteng Department of Education;
- (ii) in the years that he has worked for GDE, specify in rands and cents the salary that the department has paid to him?
- (iii) when did the department begin providing Mr Mabona with VIP Security;
- (iv) how many trips was Mr Mabona provided with VIP Service; and
- (v) in rands and cents, how much did the department pay for Mr Mabona's VIP trips?

**MEC FOR FINANCE:**

5.FN011

**Hon. A Randall (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Finance:**

With regard to overtime in the department, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) please provide proof of measures currently in place to guide the implementation of overtime and related payments in the department;
- (ii) please provide a copy of the department's Overtime Policy. If no policy is in place, please provide reasons why not;
- (iii) please indicate what the issues are that would normally require work to be performed outside normal working hours;
- (iv) please provide a preliminary amount paid for overtime, to employees in the department for the 2022/23 financial year. (please specify information for full time employees and for shift workers);
- (v) please provide a breakdown of overtime paid for each month in the 2022/23 financial year;
- (vi) please indicate if budgeted amounts for overtime in 2022/23 financial year were adequate, and if not please explain why the budget was exceeded;
- (vii) please indicate if any overtime was not authorized during the 2022/23 financial year with reasons why it was not authorized;
- (viii) please confirm if overtime records are kept, and indicate in which format the records are kept (electronically or manually);
- (ix) please indicate if any official was disciplined, and/or suspended because of the abuse of illegal overtime claims; and
- (x) please indicate how cost containment measures have contributed to effective management of overtime payments in the 2022/23 financial year?

**MEC FOR HEALTH:**

5.HL045

**Hon. J B Bloom (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

With regard to any meeting by the management of the Thelle Mogoerane Hospital with the Mzansi Business Association (MBA) and SANCO, will the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) whether any such meeting with these organisations has taken place in the past year;
- (ii) if so, what were the dates of these meeting and what was the purpose of these meetings;

- (iii) has the MBA and/or SANCO, and/or any afflicted organisation received any business from the hospital in the past two years;
- (iv) if so, what are the details of such business, including the price, product and justification for choosing them over other suppliers in this regard;
- (v) whether any irregularities have been detected in anything in (i) to (iv) above; and
- (vi) if so, what action will be taken in this matter?

**5.HL046****Hon. J B Bloom (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

With regard to cancelled or deferred operations at the Charlotte Maxeke Johannesburg Hospital, will the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) how many operations were deferred or cancelled in 2022;
- (ii) what were the reasons in each case in (i) above for the deferment or cancellation;
- (iii) how many operations were deferred or cancelled so far this year;
- (iv) what were the reasons in each case in (iii) above for the deferment or cancellation;
- (v) what is the approximate percentage of operations cancelled or deferred due to factors that could have been avoided with better management; and
- (vi) what steps are being taken to ensure that as few operations as possible are cancelled or deferred?

**5.HL047****Hon. J B Bloom (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

With regard to a company called Minzorex, will the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) what payments have been made to this company in the last five years;
- (ii) in each case in (i) above, which facility made the purchase, what was purchased, what was the amount of money, in rands and cents, and on what date was the purchase made (please give separately for each facility);
- (iii) if this company has an attested tax compliance certificate;
- (iv) if this company has SA Health Products Regulatory Authority (SAHPRA) approval for the sale of medical products in cases where a medical product was purchased;
- (v) why medical purchases were made from this company if it did not have SAHPRA approval or was not tax compliant;
- (vi) if it has been established whether this company actually produces what it sells, or procures from elsewhere;
- (vii) if it has been established that there was fair value for money in what was bought from this company;
- (viii) if not, why not;
- (ix) whether any irregularities have been detected in these purchases from this company including a lack of SAHPRA approval, tax compliance, or split billing to bring amounts under R500 000 to avoid going out to tender; and

- (x) if so, what irregularities have been detected and what is being done about accountability in this regard, including disciplinary action against errant officials and blacklisting this company?

**5.HL048**

**Hon. N du Plessis (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

With regard to overtime in the department, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) please provide proof of measures currently in place to guide the implementation of overtime and related payments in the department;
- (ii) please provide a copy of the department's Overtime Policy. If no policy is in place, please provide reasons why not;
- (iii) please indicate what the issues are that would normally require work to be performed outside normal working hours;
- (iv) please provide a preliminary amount paid for overtime, to employees in the department for the 2022/23 financial year. (please specify information for full time employees and for shift workers);
- (v) please provide a breakdown of overtime paid for each month in the 2022/23 financial year;
- (vi) please indicate if budgeted amounts for overtime in 2022/23 financial year were adequate, and if not please explain why the budget was exceeded;
- (vii) please indicate if any overtime was not authorized during the 2022/23 financial year with reasons why it was not authorized;
- (viii) please confirm if overtime records are kept, and indicate in which format the records are kept (electronically or manually);
- (ix) please indicate if any official was disciplined, and/or suspended because of the abuse of illegal overtime claims;
- (x) please indicate how cost containment measures have contributed to effective management of overtime payments in the 2022/23 financial year.

**5.HL049**

**Hon. J B Bloom (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

With regard to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed in June last year between the Department and Wits University, will the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) what was intended to be achieved by this MOU;
- (ii) what were the timescales to take this MOU forward in its various aspects;
- (iii) what progress has been made in implementing all the provisions of this MOU;
- (iv) have the key joint subcommittees (overarching, governance, and academic health complex subcommittees) been set up yet;
- (v) if not, why not;
- (vi) who in the department is responsible for implementing this MOU;
- (vii) why has there been slow progress in implementing this MOU;
- (viii) what joint decision-making has been done in terms of the MOU;
- (ix) will Wits University be involved in the selection of the new CEOs for Steve Biko, Chris Hani Baragwanath and George Mukhari

- academic hospitals; and  
 (x) if not, why not?

**5.HL050 Hon. J B Bloom (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

With regard to the maternity and neo-natal wards at the Tembisa Hospital, will the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) how many babies were born at these wards in 2020, 2021 and 2022 respectively (please give separately for each year);
- (ii) how many babies died in 2020, 2021 and 2022 respectively (please give separately for each year);
- (iii) how many babies were born with brain damage in 2020, 2021 and 2022 respectively (please give separately for each year);
- (iv) in each case in (ii) above, what was the cause of death (please give separately for each year);
- (v) in each case in (iii) above, what was the cause of the brain damage (please give separately for each year);
- (vi) in which cases in (ii) and (iii) above, has negligence been established or suspected as a cause of death;
- (vii) in each case of negligence identified above, what action was taken;
- (viii) what posts are vacant in the neo-natal and maternity departments (please give the number of vacant posts for each vocational category);
- (ix) what equipment shortages are there in the neo-natal and maternity departments (please give numbers in each category); and
- (x) what steps are being taken to address the staff and equipment shortages and to ensure that cases of deaths and brain-damage are kept as low as possible?

**5.HL051 Hon. J B Bloom (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

With regard to the implementation of the recommendations of the Health Ombudsman's report on Rahima Moosa Mother and Child Hospital released on 14 March 2023, will the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) what progress has been made with regard to the appointment of a new CEO within three months; and
- (ii) what progress has been made in reviewing the process for appointment of hospitals' CEOs within six months;
- (iii) what progress has been made in prioritising the hospital for refurbishment within six months;
- (iv) what progress has been made in appointing an independent forensic and audit firm within two months;
- (v) what progress has been made in applying short-term interventions within two months, including the application of Section 16A of the PFMA, to ensure additional funds for the hospital;
- (vi) what progress has been made in submitting a detailed implementation plan to the Health Ombudsman within one month for strengthening Head of Department (HoD) oversight of hospitals;
- (vii) what progress has been made in providing 24-hour Laboratory and Blood Bank Services within two months, as well as a larger 'Smart Fridge' within one month for storage of emergency blood;
- (viii) what progress has been made monitoring the Hospital Board to ensure they are adequately trained with immediate effect;

- (ix) what progress has been made to ensure that the hospital CEO has done the following within one month: a system put in place to manage healthcare personnel with relevant legislation, policies and guidelines; a suitable HR plan developed and implemented; identification of a suitable area for a Discharge Lounge with dedicated staff; the submission of a security plan to the Health Ombudsman; the institution of a disciplinary inquiry against St T Goduka for using an unauthorised solution in the operation theatre, and a disciplinary inquiry against Dr No Mkabayi for failing to have functional systems in place in three listed areas; and
- (x) in the case of each of the above recommendations, what accounts for any lack of progress in meeting the time deadlines required (please provide a detailed account for each recommendation)?

**5.HL052 Hon. N du Plessis (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

Further to the reply to question 5. HL0125 in 2022, will the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) if he has been reinstated, why is Mr Nkosi not working and being paid;
- (ii) what is the latest concerning his situation; and
- (iii) what is being done to resolve this matter speedily and fairly?

**5.HL053 Hon. N du Plessis (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

With regard to the post-mortem on Anthony Carelse, ID number: 0512056093085, will the MEC please indicate:

- (i) what accounts for the delay in this post-mortem;
- (ii) why has his mother not been informed of his cause of death; and
- (iii) what steps are being taken to speed up this matter?

**5.HL054 Hon. A W Cilliers (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

With regard to the attached invoice for payment, will the MEC please indicate:

- (i) what is delaying payment to this company; and
- (ii) when will payment be made to this company?

**5.HL055 Hon. C Bosch (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

With regard to the appeal below, will the MEC please respond:

- (i) to whom it may concern, Dr. Ngude, a principal specialist and head of Johannesburg Forensic Pathology Service, has displayed a lack of compassion and professionalism towards bereaved families. An incident occurred on Friday, 5/5/2023, involving body no. 1286/2023, where Dr. Ngude failed to perform the required autopsy. The deceased was unaccounted for due to limited functioning refrigerators and disorganization within the facility. Consequently, Dr. Ngude replaced body 1286 with 1276, which we believe was unfair as the funeral service for 1286 was scheduled on the same day. We have previously expressed our concerns to the CEO, Dr. Paul Morule, but have seen no improvement. As members of the public, we urge the department to address this matter urgently and consider asking Dr. Nude to

step down. Please assist us in reporting this issue to the appropriate higher authorities for a resolution?

□□ 5.HL056

**Hon. J B Bloom (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

With regard to the provision of vaccines for Covid-19, will the MEC please indicate:

- (i) what stocks are still available of the Pfizer and J&J vaccines respectively (please give separately for each vaccine);
- (ii) which vaccine centres currently offer the Pfizer vaccine;
- (ii) which vaccine centres currently offer the J&J vaccine;
- (iv) what accounts for as any shortages of these vaccines at vaccine centres;
- (v) how many Pfizer vaccines were given to patients in January, February, March, April and May this year (please give separately for each month);
- (vi) how many J&J vaccines were given to patients in January, February, March, April and May this year (please give separately for each month);
- (vii) what is the current advice to the public on gettingVIII. How many Pfizer and J&J vaccines have expired in Gauteng respectively;
- (ix) what is the approximate cost in rands and cents of these expired vaccines; and
- (x) what are the future plans in making available these vaccines?

□□ 5.HL057

**Hon. J B Bloom (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

With regard to certain contracts, will the MEC please indicate:

- (i) why has the contract for standard medical (unsterile) gloves not been renewed;
- (ii) when did the previous contract expire;
- (iii) which hospitals are currently using surgical (sterile) gloves instead which cost about seven times more than the standard gloves;
- (iv) why has another contract for standard medical gloves not been procured in good time;
- (v) why is the contract for 7.5 Endotracheal tubes also not been awarded as this is the one most commonly used to connect an adult patient to a ventilator;
- (vi) what is the approximate extra expense if the above gloves and tubes above are ordered off-contract;
- (vii) what has been the impact on patients of the non-award of the above two contracts;
- (viii) what was the value in rands and cents of the previous contract for standard gloves;
- (ix) what steps will be taken to ensure that the contracts above are awarded as soon as possible;
- (x) if not, why not?

□□ 5.HL058

**Hon. J B Bloom (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Health:**

With regard to the Alternative Building Technology (ABT) wards at the Kopanong hospital, will the MEC please indicate:

- (i) how much in rands and cents has been spent in total on these wards;
- (ii) how many of the planned wards have been completed;
- (iii) how many of the planned wards are not completed;
- (iv) what accounts for the uncompleted wards;
- (v) what is the present use of these wards;
- (vi) what plans are there to complete the wards that are now unfinished;
- (vii) if not, why not;
- (viii) what plans are there to use the wards in the near future;
- (ix) if not, why not; and
- (x) what investigation is there into suspected maladministration and/or corruption in this matter?

**MEC FOR HUMAN SETTLEMENTS:**

\*\* 5.HS011

**Hon. A Randall (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Human Settlements:**

With regard to the informal settlement in Kameeldrift Plot 178, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) did the department acquire this plot and if yes, when;
- (ii) what is the status of development of this plot;
- (iii) what amount, if any, has been spent, in rands and cents, on development of this plot to date;
- (iv) what budget, in rands and cents, has been allocated this financial year and the 2023/2024 financial year for development of this plot;
- (v) if any extra expenditure has been incurred on this project to date;
- (vi) what the role of the City of Tshwane is on this project, if any; and
- (vii) what the total number of people living in this informal settlement currently is and how this compares to previous years?

\*\* 5.HS012

**Hon. M H Cirola (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Human Settlements:**

With regard to overtime in the department, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) please provide proof of measures currently in place to guide the implementation of overtime and related payments in the department;
- (ii) please provide a copy of the department's Overtime Policy. If no policy is in place, please provide reasons why not;
- (iii) please indicate what the issues are that would normally require work to be performed outside normal working hours;
- (iv) please provide a preliminary amount paid for overtime, to employees in the department for the 2022/23 financial year. (please specify information for full time employees and for shift workers);
- (v) please provide a breakdown of overtime paid for each month in the 2022/23 financial year;
- (vi) please indicate if budgeted amounts for overtime in 2022/23 financial year were adequate, and if not please explain why the budget was exceeded;
- (vii) please indicate if any overtime was not authorized during the 2022/23 financial year with reasons why it was not authorized;
- (viii) please confirm if overtime records are kept, and indicate in which format the records are kept (electronically or manually);



- (ix) please indicate if any official was disciplined, and/or suspended because of the abuse of illegal overtime claims; and
- (x) please indicate how cost containment measures have contributed to effective management of overtime payments in the 2022/23 financial year?

**MEC FOR INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT:**

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5.INF018

**Hon. A Fuchs (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Infrastructure Development:**

With regard to overtime in the department, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) please provide proof of measures currently in place to guide the implementation of overtime and related payments in the department;
- (ii) please provide a copy of the department's Overtime Policy. If no policy is in place, please provide reasons why not;
- (iii) please indicate what the issues are that would normally require work to be performed outside normal working hours;
- (iv) please provide a preliminary amount paid for overtime, to employees in the department for the 2022/23 financial year. (please specify information for full time employees and for shift workers);
- (v) please provide a breakdown of overtime paid for each month in the 2022/23 financial year;
- (vi) please indicate if budgeted amounts for overtime in 2022/23 financial year were adequate, and if not please explain why the budget was exceeded;
- (vii) please indicate if any overtime was not authorized during the 2022/23 financial year with reasons why it was not authorized;
- (viii) please confirm if overtime records are kept, and indicate in which format the records are kept (electronically or manually);
- (ix) please indicate if any official was disciplined, and/or suspended because of the abuse of illegal overtime claims; and
- (x) please indicate how cost containment measures have contributed to effective management of overtime payments in the 2022/23 financial year?

**MEC FOR CO-OPERATIVE GOVERNANCE AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS, RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT:**

5.COGTA032

**Hon. W Peach (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Research and Development:**

With regard to the invoices paid by Emfuleni Local Municipality for the maintenance of unspecified assets, could the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) the number of invoices paid for the maintenance of unspecified assets in the last three financial years;
- (ii) the names of the service providers paid;
- (iii) the amount paid to each of these service providers;
- (iv) what the unspecified assets that were maintained by these service providers are (please provide a list of these);

- (v) please provide full details around the maintenance conducted by the service providers; and
- (vi) please explain what the legislative prescripts are in terms of maintenance of unspecified assets?

**5.COGTA046 Hon. W Peach (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Research and Development:**

Further to 5. COGTA011, could the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) if the amount of R1,518712 million paid to employees in the waste removal department for overtime is:
  - a. paid monthly; and
- (ii) if yes to 1(a), how much the municipality has spent on paying employees in the waste removal department for overtime since November 2021 to-date?

**5.COGTA048 Hon. K Chabalala (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Research and Development:**

With regard to the personal costs incurred by the Mayor, Speaker, and Chief whip of Emfuleni Local Municipality, in performance of their duties, could the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) how much, in rands and cents, has each political office bearer claimed since assuming office;
- (ii) what did they claim against;
- (iii) in terms of question (ii), please provide details of each claim;
- (iv) when were these claims made;
- (v) are they issued with credit cards;
- (vi) if yes to question (v), what is the total amount, in rands and cents, they have used to date; and
- (vii) what did they use the credit cards for?

**5.COGTA050 Hon. M S Chabalala (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Research and Development:**

Further to GOGTA 016, could the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) what the outcome of the disciplinary hearing for the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) was;
- (ii) the role of Rasekgoete Attorneys in the matter;
- (iii) please indicate:
  - (a) when the municipality utilized their services (kindly indicate all relevant dates),
  - (b) what the municipality required their services for,
  - (c) the amount they were paid (please indicate the amount, in rands and cents, per day);
- (iv) please provide a detailed breakdown of the amount of R2407474.07 in legal fees associated with the CCMA and Bargaining Council;
- (v) please provide a detailed breakdown of the amount of R2075562.07 in legal fees associated with the High Court and Labour Court;
- (vi) how many times did the municipality have to defend this matter at:
  - (a) the CCMA
  - (b) the Bargaining Council
  - (c) the Labour Court
  - (d) the High Court ; and

- (vii) what monies, if any, were recovered from the suspended CFO?

**5.COGTA052 Hon. M S Chabalala (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Research and Development:**

With regard to the employee of Emfuleni Local Municipality, Mr. Silence Azwindini Monayi, could the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) the position Mr. Monayi holds;
- (ii) the exact date that Mr. Monayi's manager filed for a protection order against him;
- (iii) what the reasons for this protection order were;
- (iv) what Mr. Monayi's annual salary is, in rands and cents;
- (v) the total amount paid to Mr. Monayi by the municipality since a protection order was instituted against him to date; and
- (vi) by when the municipality will finalize this matter?

□□ **5.COGTA053 Hon. A Randall (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Research and Development:**

With regard to the Municipal Economic Review and Outlook (MERO), could the MEC indicate:

- (i) how and when the Municipal Economic Review and Outlook (MERO) for each of the Gauteng municipalities is compiled;
- (ii) how does the Gauteng MERO align with the Gauteng Economic Recovery Plan;
- (iii) if there is no MERO, please explain how evidenced based integrated planning and budgeting is done to guide the equitable and sustainable distribution of financial resources;
- (iv) please indicate other ways of how provincial government uses data rich socio-economic intelligence at municipal level to speak to IDPs, SDFs, LED strategies, municipal reporting, and the budget process of municipalities; and
- (v) please provide details of each and every municipality and metro in Gauteng in terms of their own unique set of strengths, opportunities, threats, and challenges?

□□ **5.COGTA054 Hon. M S Chabalala (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Research and Development:**

With regard to the Emfuleni municipality's super by-laws unit, could the MEC please indicate:

- (i) when was this unit established;
- (ii) how many people are employed in this unit;
- (iii) please provide the organogram of this unit;
- (iv) how much has the municipality spent on the unit since it was established;
- (v) were the positions of this unit advertised to the public;
- (vi) if yes to (v), please provide details of all platforms where the positions were advertised;
- (vii) if no to (v), please provide reasons why positions for the unit were not advertised to the community;
- (viii) further to (vii), please provide details of how employees of this unit were recruited; and

(ix) when will this unit be fully operational?

□□ **5.COGTA055 Hon. M S Chabalala (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Research and Development:**

With regard to the company that the Emfuleni municipality is planning to outsource its communication functions to, could the MEC please indicate:

- (i) what is the name of the company;
- (ii) what are the reasons for outsourcing communications functions of the municipality to a third party;
- (iii) what is the duration of the contract;
- (iv) how much will this cost the municipality;
- (v) what are the functions that would be performed by the company; and
- (vi) what is going to happen to the employees who are already performing this function?

□□ **5.COGTA056 Hon. W Peach (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Research and Development:**

With regard to the 31st of December Music festival at Mary Fitzgerald Square by the City of Johannesburg could the MEC please indicate:

- (i) which years did the City of Johannesburg host this music festival;
- (ii) did the City of Johannesburg partner with 999Music for this festival between the 2014/15 and 2015/16 financial years;
- (iii) if yes to (ii), please provide the details of the partnership;
- (iv) what were the terms of the partnership; and
- (v) did City of Johannesburg sign any service level agreement or memorandum of understanding with 999Music for the festival?

□□ **5.COGTA057 Hon. W Peach (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, Research and Development:**

With regards to the functions outsourced to service providers by Emfuleni municipality could the MEC please indicate:

- (i) in the last five (5) financial has the municipality used the services of service providers to perform the following functions:
  - Grave Digging
  - Fixing of sewer leaks
  - Unblocking of blocked manholes
  - Fixing of potholes
  - Grass cutting
  - Finding and fixing electrical faults
  - Refuse removal
  - Road markings
  - Clearing of dumpsites
  - Road markings
- (ii) if yes to (i), how much has the municipality spent in the last 5 financial years on the following:
  - Grave Digging
  - Fixing of sewer leaks

- Unblocking of manhole
  - Fixing of potholes
  - Grass cutting
  - Finding and fixing electrical faults
  - Refuse removal
  - Road markings
  - Clearing of dumpsites
  - Road markings
- (iii) what is the total amount spent on these functions by the municipality in the last 5 financial years;
- (iv) why is the municipality using service providers as opposed to using its workforce to perform these functions;
- (v) what is the monthly salary bill of the following departments:
- Parks and Cemeteries
  - Metsi a Lekoa
  - Roads and Transport
  - Electrical department
  - Waste department
- (vi) how much has each department mentioned in question (v) cost the municipality in salaries in the last 5 financial years; and
- (vii) how much did the municipality pay in overtime in the last 5 financial years to the employees employed in each department mentioned in question (v)?

**MEC FOR E-GOVERNMENT:**

none

**MEC FOR ROADS AND TRANSPORT:**

5.TR017

**Hon. E Du Plessis (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Roads and Transport:**

With regard to the K56 road, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) the tender process for the K56 road was interdicted in early 2022 by an unsuccessful bidder:
- a. has the interdict been resolved and what was the resolution;
  - b. has the tender process been investigated in light of the allegations;
- (ii) the Department states in a question raised to a question dated 17/10/2022 that construction of the K56 road will continue in spite of an appeal lodged against the Water Use Licence and that the appeal does not suspend the licence:
- a. is the Department aware of the provisions of the Water Act 148 (2)b that states that an appeal does in fact suspend the license and the consideration of any amendments requested by the Department until the appeal is finalized;
  - b. how does the Department then argue that construction can continue while the appeal is pending?

- (iii) what has happened to the budget for the K56 and Erling Link roads, as allocated for the 2022/2023 financial year, and what was the total amount;
- (iv) if these monies have been reallocated, does the Department intend to allocate budget in the next financial year, despite the pending appeal and outstanding agreements from property owners for expropriation;
- (v) is the Department planning to award the contract for the construction of the K56 Road between K46 and Main Road, including Erling Link Road as a single contract;
- (vi) if no to (v), in what stages will the road be built? Please describe in order of priority;
- (ii) is the Department aware that the report was prepared by senior officials of the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment highlighting the following:
  - a. that there may have been flaws in the process as well as the specialist studies which could have influenced the outcome of the decision;
  - b. that it is reasonable to recommend that alternative routes be considered by commissioning new specialist studies and that all interested and affected parties be allowed to comment on the reports?
- (viii) has the Department met with GDARD to discuss the findings of the report and the alleged issues of non-compliance; and
- (ix) if the Department has met with GDARD, what has been their response to this report?

5.TR018

**Hon. F P Nel (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Roads and Transport:**

With regard to overtime in the department, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) please provide proof of measures currently in place to guide the implementation of overtime and related payments in the department;
- (ii) please provide a copy of the department's Overtime Policy. If no policy is in place, please provide reasons why not;
- (iii) please indicate what the issues are that would normally require work to be performed outside normal working hours;
- (iv) please provide a preliminary amount paid for overtime, to employees in the department for the 2022/23 financial year. (please specify information for full time employees and for shift workers);
- (v) please provide a breakdown of overtime paid for each month in the 2022/23 financial year;
- (vi) please indicate if budgeted amounts for overtime in 2022/23 financial year were adequate, and if not please explain why the budget was exceeded;
- (vii) please indicate if any overtime was not authorized during the 2022/23 financial year with reasons why it was not authorized;
- (viii) please confirm if overtime records are kept, and indicate in which format the records are kept (electronically or manually);

- (ix) please indicate if any official was disciplined, and/or suspended because of the abuse of illegal overtime claims; and
- (x) please indicate how cost containment measures have contributed to effective management of overtime payments in the 2022/23 financial year?

5.TR019

**Hon. F P Nel (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Roads and Transport:**

Please provide a list of the names of the 13 bus companies that have been awarded the 34 subsidy contracts (26 contracts of which are tendered and 8 contracts of which are interim), currently managed by the department;

- (i) please provide a breakdown of this total amount, in rands and cents, allocated to each of these 13 bus companies for the current financial year;
- (ii) please provide a breakdown of the amounts, in rands and cents, allocated to each of these 13 bus companies each financial year, for the past five financial years; and
- (iv) what is the total amount, in rands and cents, the department has received from the National Department of Transport for the Public Transport Operating Grant (PTOG), for the current financial year;
- (v) what is the total amount, in rands and cents, the department received from the National Department of Transport for the Public Transport Operating Grant (PTOG), for the past five financial years;
- (vi) what are the reasons for the delay in payment of the March 2023 subsidy claims to affected bus companies, by the department;
- (vii) what measures, if any, has the department put in place to prevent the late payment of subsidies to services providers in forthcoming financial years;
- (viii) what form of relief, in addition to subsidies, has the provincial bus industry requested from the department;
- (ix) was this relief granted by the department; and
- (x) if not, why not (please provide reasons)?

**MEC FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT:**

5.SD042

**Hon. R Nt'sekhe (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Social Development:**

With regard to Non-Profit Organisations (NPOs) funded by the department, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) what role does the Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Unit in the Department play with respect to Non-Profit Organisations (NPOs)?
- (ii) how many staff members are employed in this unit;
- (ii) how many organisations are conducting monitoring and evaluation work for the department;
- (iv) of these organisations, how many people are performing the function of monitoring and evaluation; and
- (v) based on (ii) and (iv), how many funded NPOs are allocated to per staff member;

- (vi) when did the Monitoring and Evaluation Unit start functioning in the department (please provide the official date it was established);
- (vii) how often does this unit visit NPOs;
- (viii) if not the Monitoring and Evaluation Unit – who or which organisation verifies that an NPO really does exist, renders services and actually services the number of beneficiaries which they claimed to, when they signed their SLA with the department?
- (ix) when did these functions start in the department (please provide a date); and
- (x) please provide a report of what has been uncovered in this area since the function was started covering the number of NPOs that are funded, the amounts (in rands and cents) they were funded each year, the services they were providing, the number of beneficiaries they had versus the number that they claimed to have?

**5.SD043****Hon. R Nt'sekhe (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Social Development:**

With regard to overtime in the department, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) please provide proof of measures currently in place to guide the implementation of overtime and related payments in the department;
- (ii) please provide a copy of the department's Overtime Policy. If no policy is in place, please provide reasons why not;
- (iii) please indicate what the issues are that would normally require work to be performed outside normal working hours;
- (iv) please provide a preliminary amount paid for overtime, to employees in the department for the 2022/23 financial year. (please specify information for full time employees and for shift workers);
- (v) please provide a breakdown of overtime paid for each month in the 2022/23 financial year;
- (vi) please indicate if budgeted amounts for overtime in 2022/23 financial year were adequate, and if not please explain why the budget was exceeded;
- (vii) please indicate if any overtime was not authorized during the 2022/23 financial year with reasons why it was not authorized;
- (viii) please confirm if overtime records are kept, and indicate in which format the records are kept (electronically or manually);
- (ix) please indicate if any official was disciplined, and/or suspended because of the abuse of illegal overtime claims; and
- (x) please indicate how cost containment measures have contributed to effective management of overtime payments in the 2022/23 financial year?

**5.SD044****Hon. B Engelbrecht (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Social Development:**

With regard to human resource capacity in the department, could the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) what is the total number of staff in the department;



- (ii) of this total number, what is the total number of administrative staff in the department;
- (iii) please provide a copy of the organogram of staff in the department.
- (iv) how many vacant positions exist in the department as of 01 April 2023? Of these, how many are for senior management and middle management roles;
- (v) how many social workers are employed at the department as of 01 April 2023;
- (vi) please indicate the different ranks of these social workers, indicating the number that are in senior, middle and lower management;
- (vii) please provide the total cost to company for employment benefits for each social worker's position (for senior, middle, and lower management) for a) the previous financial year and b) current financial year;
- (viii) what are the official working hours for social workers in the department;
- (ix) how many social worker posts have been made redundant in the past financial year; and
- (x) how many social worker positions are currently vacant in the department?

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**5.SD045****Hon. R Nt'sekhe (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Social Development:**

On the 4th May 2023, Premier Lesufi and MEC Hlophe addressed the NPO sector with regards to the reversal of the reprioritisation of funding and budgets. Noting that Premier Lesufi in his State of the Province Address (SOPA) 2023, stated that the Gauteng Department of Social Development will increase its focus on substance abuse and poverty alleviation programs. With that in mind, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) whether the budget for substance abuse programmes will be increased;
- (ii) whether the budget for poverty alleviation programmes will be increased;
- (iii) whether the department has made a determination of how much money is required to implement an increase in these programs;
- (iv) if yes to question (iii), what the total amount, in rand and cents, for this is;
- (v) if yes to (i), where the department will acquire this money to increase the budget for substance abuse programmes;
- (vi) if yes to (ii), where the department will acquire this money to increase the budget for poverty alleviation programmes;
- (vii) whether there are any programmes that the department is planning to reduce or terminate in order to free up money;
- (viii) if yes, which programmes;
- (ix) if yes, how much money will be reduced on each of these programmes; and
- (x) the number of beneficiaries that will be affected if a reduction or termination takes place?

**MEC FOR AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENT:****5.ARD&ENV019****Hon. B Engelbrecht (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment:**

Regarding Rabies' outbreaks, the availability of veterinary vaccines and vaccination programmes in the province, would the MEC please indicate:

- (i) when last did Gauteng experience a Rabies outbreak;
- (ii) how many a) domestic pet and b) human rabies' cases have been recorded in the province, in the last financial year; and
- (iii) which large scale vaccination programmes are implemented by the department each financial year to ensure a higher degree of immunity against diseases such as rabies (please provide a brief description of each of these);
- (iv) when are these vaccination programmes implemented each year;
- (v) what is the budget for these vaccination programmes for:
  - (a) the previous financial year,
  - (b) the current financial year;
- (vi) how does the department educate and inform members of the public about these mass vaccination programmes;
- (vii) are there any vaccines the department was short of in the previous financial year (please indicate which vaccines, if any, the department was short of and indicate the quantity of the shortage);
- (viii) how many domestic pets were vaccinated by the department in the last financial year (please provide a breakdown for each vaccine freely provided by the department);
- (ix) what is the core mandate of the Directorate of Veterinary Services in Gauteng; and
- (x) how many vacancies currently exist in the directorate (please list the vacant posts)?

**5.ARD&ENV020****Hon. B Engelbrecht (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment:**

With regard to overtime in the department, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) please provide proof of measures currently in place to guide the implementation of overtime and related payments in the department;
- (ii) please provide a copy of the department's Overtime Policy. If no policy is in place, please provide reasons why not;
- (iii) please indicate what the issues are that would normally require work to be performed outside normal working hours; and
- (iv) please provide a preliminary amount paid for overtime, to employees in the department for the 2022/23 financial year. (please specify information for full time employees and for shift workers);
- (v) please provide a breakdown of overtime paid for each month in the 2022/23 financial year;
- (vi) please indicate if budgeted amounts for overtime in 2022/23 financial year were adequate, and if not please explain why the budget was exceeded;
- (vii) please indicate if any overtime was not authorized during the 2022/23 financial year with reasons why it was not authorized;

- (viii) please confirm if overtime records are kept, and indicate in which format the records are kept (electronically or manually);
- (ix) please indicate if any official was disciplined, and/or suspended because of the abuse of illegal overtime claims; and
- (vi) please indicate how cost containment measures have contributed to effective management of overtime payments in the 2022/23 financial year?

**5.ARD&ENV021****Hon. B Engelbrecht (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment:**

With regard to 2021/2022 financial year contingent liabilities and claims listed in the department's quarter three performance report for the 2022/2023 financial year, for each of the following entities: Ubuntu Kraal, Bosabosele Consulting, Konanenu Liphadzi, Simunye Construction, Macrae, PC Luthuli, Exacube CC, ITEC Mitlekar, Transrite/Shoprite Checkers, Suikerboos Fire, Obo Mogoboya, Tinyiko Chauke, could the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) who does the entity belong to (please provide a list of the shareholders);
- (ii) why is there a claim against the department and for what amount;
- (iii) what was the nature of the work conducted by these entities for the department;
- (iv) when did the activity for the claim take place (please indicate the exact dates);
- (v) was there a legal dispute and if so, please provide a copy of the final court ruling;
- (vi) if there was no legal dispute, who decided on the claim amount; and
- (vii) were any of these amounts recovered and of so, what amounts?

**5.ARD&ENV022****Hon. B Engelbrecht (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment:**

With regard to the Rietspruit River that flows into the Vaal River, could the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) what is the department doing to ensure that the water quality of the river is sound;
- (ii) how often is the quality of the water in the river assessed;
- (iii) what spillages are causing the pollution in this river;
- (iv) are there any water waste treatment plants in the vicinity that affect the quality of the water? If so, please provide the names and locations of these;
- (v) if yes to question (iv), are the
  - (a) water waste treatment plants being evaluated to conform to international standards regarding operational standards and
  - (b) how often are they evaluated and checked;
- (vi) what is the department doing regarding water waste treatment plants that do not adhere to regulations;
- (vii) how does the department enforce environmental practises on local government; and
- (viii) what is the department's plan to contain the sewage spill at of Villa Liza, ext. 4, near Mapleton township, Boksburg?

**MEC FOR SPORT, ARTS, CULTURE AND RECREATION:**

5.SP019

**Hon. K Chabalala (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Sport, Arts, Culture and Recreation:**

Regarding the payment of invoices relating to transport for public events, could the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) how many invoices were paid by the department in the last financial year;
- (ii) what is the total value of all invoices paid to date;
- (iii) who are the service providers that were paid;
- (iv) how much was paid to each service provider;
- (v) how much did the department spend for each event;
- (vi) please provide details of all the events for the invoices paid; and
- (vii) please provide pickup and drop off points for all the service providers for these events?

5.SP020

**Hon. F P Nel (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Sport, Arts, Culture and Recreation:**

With regard to overtime in the department, would the MEC please indicate the following:

- (i) please provide proof of measures currently in place to guide the implementation of overtime and related payments in the department;
- (ii) please provide a copy of the department's Overtime Policy. if no policy is in place, please provide reasons why not;
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- (x) please indicate how cost containment measures have contributed to effective management of overtime payments in the 2022/23 financial year?

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5.SP021

**Hon. M S Chabalala (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Sport, Arts, Culture and Recreation:**

Further to question 5. SP012, could the MEC please indicate:

- (i) who are the artists who were booked to perform at the events mentioned in Annexure C;
- (ii) how much was each artist paid;
- (iii) are the artists mentioned in (i) up and coming or already established artists;

- (iv) did the department encourage the use local artists to help them establish their brand and get exposure; and
- (v) if yes, how was this done?

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**5.SP022****Hon. W Peach (DA) to ask the Member of the Executive Council for Sport, Arts, Culture and Recreation:**

With regard to the six (6) community soccer fields to be upgraded by the department, could the MEC please indicate:

- (i) which six (6) community soccer fields will be upgraded;
- (ii) what do these upgrades entail;
- (iii) when will the upgrades start;
- (iv) what is the budget for the upgrades;
- (v) how much will the department spend on each soccer field; and
- (vi) has the department appointed service provider/s to do the upgrades?

**CHECKED FOR COMPLIANCE: HPM/PTA:\_\_\_\_\_**