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(QUESTIONS 1&2)

QUESTION 1

QUESTION POSED BY HONOURABLE HATTINGH TO THE MEMBER OF THE PREMIER IN THE NORTH WEST PROVINCE [20130312 – W06]

Accommodation in Bloemfontein before, during and after ANC Conference

1. Provide the names of Members of the provincial Executive that attended the ANC's Conference in Mangaung utilizing public funds for accommodation, meals, travel costs and any other expenditure incurred related to the ANC's Conference.
2. Provide the details of expenses incurred for each Member specifying amounts for;
 - 2.1. Accommodation
 - 2.2. Meals
 - 2.3. Travel
 - 2.4. Diverse credit card expenses
 - 2.5. Other expenses, and
3. Duration of stay and name of the Hotel/Guest House/or other accommodation.
4. Provide the names of officials that attended the ANC's Conference in Mangaung utilizing public funds for accommodation, meals, travel costs and any other expenditure incurred related to the ANC's Conference.
5. Provide the details of expenses incurred for each official specifying amounts for;
 - 5.1. Accommodation
 - 5.2. Meals
 - 5.3. Travel
 - 5.4. Diverse credit card expenses
 - 5.5. Other expenses, and
6. Duration of stay and name of the Hotel/Guest House/or other accommodation.

QUESTION 2

QUESTION POSED BY HONOURABLE HATTINGH TO THE MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE RESPONSIBLE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM IN THE NORTH WEST PROVINCE [20130312 – W07]

BRICS EXPO and Conference

With reference to the recent BRICS EXPO and Conference provide the following on Information.

1. The number of delegates attending each session of the BRICS EXPO and Conference Details of expenses incurred by the NW Provincial Government and / North West Public Entities related to;
 - a. Travel
 - b. Meals, and
 - c. Accommodation of delegates
2. The amount(s) paid to each service provider for services rendered
 - a. Name of service provider
 - b. Service rendered
 - c. Amount paid
3. In each case indicate if proper and appropriate Supply Chain Procedures were followed and if not
4. For each instance that it was not followed provide details reasons why not
5. Provide details of each sponsorship and /or other income received
6. Provide the total costs of the BRICS EXPO and Conference

QUESTIONS TABLED FOR THE SECOND TIME
FOR WRITTEN RESPONSE
(QUESTION 3-8)

QUESTION 3

QUESTION POSED BY HONOURABLE MOERANE TO THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER RESPONSIBLE FOR EDUCATION IN THE NORTH WEST PROVINCE [20130319 – W09]

1. Could the MEC provide the number of schools that have merged as a result of rationalization, provide the names of such school identify the hosting schools and which schools have received merging certificates?
2. Provide information about the control of budgets and which SGB's are legally accountable for the budget of the merged schools?
3. In January at the reopening of schools, monitoring was undertaken by various Hon. Members of the Legislature, what are the findings of such monitoring, if at some schools there were challenges what were the challenges, how does the Department intend to mitigate these challenges?

QUESTION 4

QUESTION POSED BY HONOURABLE HATTINGH TO THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER RESPONSIBLE FOR AGRICULTURE IN THE NORTH WEST PROVINCE [20130319 – W12]

With reference to the Syferlaagte Project

- 1) Provide the following details on the cattle provided to the Syferlaagte
 - a) The number of cattle
 - b) Type of cattle
 - c) From where obtained
 - d) Cost

- 2) Total number of cattle provided to the project for each year since the inception of the project
- 3) The number of cattle sold or disposed of by the project for each year since its inception
- 4) The number of cattle currently on the farm
- 5) The total
 - a) income
 - b) expenditure of the project for each year since its inception
- 6) The amount of state support for each year since its inception differentiating between
 - a) Financial support
 - b) Other support
- 7) The number of cattle that had been put down by the SPCA at the project and the dates on which it occurred

QUESTION 5

QUESTION POSED BY HONOURABLE FRANZSEN TO THE MEMBER RESPONSIBLE FOR LOCAL GOVERNEMENT AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS IN THE NORTH WEST PROVINCE [20130319 – W13]

Provide full details of the status of the two upgraded "Waste Water Treatment Works (Sewage Plants)" , started approximately 2006, constructed at Schweizer Reneke and Bloemhof, and

1. what was the original contract value, and
2. what was the original completion date, and
3. what is the expected date that these plants will be fully operational, and
4. what will the final cost for each plant be, and is the original design / construction to be modified.

QUESTION 6

QUESTION POSED BY HONOURABLE HATTINGH TO THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER RESPONSIBLE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ENVIRONMENT, CONSERVATION AND TOURISM IN THE NORTH WEST PROVINCE [20130319 – W14]

The Highveld National Park

1. Provide
 - a. the total length of fences erected on the park
 - b. the total cost of these fences
 - c. the length of fences stolen, removed or broken
2. Will these fences be repaired and if so
 - a. When
 - b. Cost to repair
3. Will the park be formally opened and if so
 - a. When?
4. What is the current situation with people living in the park
5. What is the situation with cattle, sheep, pigs, donkeys and horses within the Park
6. What will be the cost to repair the office/entrance to the park at Britskop?

QUESTION 7

QUESTION POSED BY HONOURABLE GALENG TO THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER RESPONSIBLE FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT, WOMEN, CHILDREN AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN THE NORTH WEST PROVINCE [20130319 – W16]

1. With reference to the fact that the Department of Social Development, Women, Children and People with Disabilities advertised a tender for office space from prospective service providers on Sowetan newspaper dated 11th February 2013, kindly provide answers to the following questions:

- 1.1. Was there any contract or agreement that the Department concluded or entered into with any service provider regarding office space before the tender was advertised, or during the period of circulation of the advert but before adjudication?
- 1.2. If the answer is the affirmative, what is the name of the service provider and what are the terms of the agreement?
- 1.3. When was the contract or agreement signed or entered into, If any, and for how long will the agreement be effective?
- 1.4. Has the Department entered into a rental agreement with a company called TED Properties, the same company which took the Department to court regarding alleged breach of contract, and which lost the case against the Department at the High Court of Appeal?

QUESTION 8

QUESTION POSED BY HONOURABLE GALENG TO THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER RESPONSIBLE FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT, WOMEN, CHILDREN AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN THE NORTH WEST PROVINCE [20130319 – W17]

1. Regarding the salary increase for the Head of Department, kindly provide answers to the following questions:

- 1.1. Is it true that the Head of Department has increased her salary from entry notch to top notch, and has the MEC approved this salary increase, and if so, provide the proof thereof?
- 1.2. If so, how much was the salary before and after the increase and when was the increase implemented?
- 1.3. If the answer to the above two questions is yes, which piece of legislation empowered the MEC to approve a salary increase for the HOD who was hardly six months in office?
- 1.4. Was there any performance agreement signed between the MEC and the Head of Department? If so, kindly attach a copy thereof.
- 1.5. Was there a performance assessment ever done on the performance of the HOD since she took office, and if so, kindly provide a copy of the performance assessment report and a report of the moderation committee.

2. Regarding the salary increase for staff in the Private Office of the MEC, kindly provide answers to the following questions:

2.1. Is it true that the MEC has increased the salary notches for staff members in her Private Office to top notches?

2.2. If so, how much were the salaries for each staff member in the office of the MEC before the increase and how much are they after the increase?

QUESTIONS TABLED FOR THE FIRST TIME
FOR WRITTEN RESPONSE
(QUESTION 9 & 12)

QUESTION 9

QUESTION POSED BY HONOURABLE HATTINGH TO THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER RESPONSIBLE FOR FINANCE IN THE NORTH WEST PROVINCE [20130423 – W18]

For each of the following Companies

1. Peolwane (Pty) Ltd
2. Raliform (Pty) Ltd
3. MR Property (Pty) Ltd
4. Lengane
5. Illima Projects
6. Tau Pride

and contracts awarded to these companies related to Housing for each of the following years either by the department of north West Local Authorities (specified)

- A. 2005-2006
- B. 2006-2007
- C. 2007-2008
- D. 2008-2009
- E. 2009-2010
- F. 2010-2011
- G. 2011-2012
- H. 2012-2013

Provide the following details

1. Contract name awarded
2. Description of contract
3. Value of contract
4. Date of award
5. Date of completion and
6. If not completed or disputes derived from contract provide full details

QUESTION 10

QUESTION POSED BY HONOURABLE HATTINGH TO THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER RESPONSIBLE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ENVIRONMENT, CONSERVATION AND TOURISM IN THE NORTH WEST PROVINCE [20130430 – W19]

Question about NW elephants culled, elephant calves being orphaned

1. What are the circumstances that lead to the culling of elephants at Sandhurst Safaris leaving a number of orphaned elephant calves.
2. Did Sandhurst Safaris have required management plan in place?
3. Was the cull justified according to the NATIONAL NORMS AND STANDARDS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF ELEPHANTS IN SOUTH AFRICA, authorized and humanely done?
4. Was a scientific report compiled and considered before permits relating to the Sandhurst elephants had been issued and if so provide a copy.
5. How many elephants were culled and how many were orphaned?
6. Were permits issued for the culling and if so provide full details:

office of permits

who did the culling?

which officials were present?

7. Did some of the elephants escape the culling and if so what happened to them?
8. Why did orphans result from this cull?
9. Were permits issued for the transportation of elephants calves and if so provide full details:

numbers of elephants

age

gender

date involved and reasons for transporting

10. What will be the fate of the elephants calves transported from the Sandhurst Safaris?
11. Were the orphaned elephant calves accompanied by a veterinarian when they were transported and if so provide full details including name and qualifications?
12. When exactly did the cull happen and when exactly where the calves removed from the herd?

QUESTION 11

QUESTION POSED BY HONOURABLE MOTSWENYANE TO THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER RESPONSIBLE FOR EDUCATION IN THE NORTH WEST PROVINCE [20130430 – W20]

With reference to textbooks distributed to some schools during the Easter |Holidays (2013) from a warehouse in First Street, Mafikeng, please indicate the following:-

1. To which schools were these textbooks delivered to
2. What was the subject nature of these books
3. For which grades were they meant
4. Which schools in the North West are presently without books and please indicate which schools these are and what grades are affected by this.

QUESTION 12

QUESTION POSED BY HONOURABLE MOTSWENYANE TO THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER RESPONSIBLE FOR EDUCATION IN THE NORTH WEST PROVINCE [20130430 – W21]

According to the "Suid-Afrikaanse Instituut vir Rasseverhoudinge (SAIRV)" report it was indicate that during a 2012 survey the North West had 22 of 84 high schools nationwide who did not have qualified mathematics teachers for grades 10 to 12:

Please indicate the following:

- a. Where these schools are?
- b. What is the status quo at each of these schools?
- c. What provision has the Department made to address the problem?
- d. What is the total number of pupils per school per school currently affected?