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Dear Mr. Mwale

RESPONSE TO LEGISLATURE QUESTION 5.INF010 POSED BY MEMBER N DE JAGER OF THE DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE (DA), FOR YOUR WRITTEN REPLY.

5. INF010. With regard to incomplete and abandoned school infrastructure, will the MEC please indicate:

- (i) can you provide a comprehensive list of all current incomplete and abandoned school projects in the region;

Response

Please find here list of projects that are at varied stages of construction including those where contractors were terminated and are in transition for replacement or completion contractors. Some schools have just past contracting and in the process of site handover to contractors:

Incomplete / Delayed Projects

1. Athlone Girls High School
2. Semphato Combined School
3. Dr WK Du Plessis LSEN
4. Inkululeko Ye Sizwe Primary School
5. Simunye Primary School
6. Ribane Laka Secondary School
7. Kwadedangendlala Secondary School
8. Thubelihle Intermediary School
9. Ahanang Intermediary School
10. Lakeside Primary School
11. Nancefield Primary school
12. Mogobeng Primary School
13. Rust Ter Vaal Secondary School
14. Hillcrest Primary School
15. Tsako Thabo Primary School
16. Refithhile Pele Primary School

17. Goudwesskool LSEN

Projects recently handed over site and still within contract period.

18. Lenasia Secondary School

19. Rotara School LSEN

20. Laërskool Noordhoek (Decanting – Phase 1)

21. Mmabana Primary school

22. Rodney Mokoena Preparatory School

23. Robin Hills Primary School

- (ii) for each identified project, what are the specific causes of delays or abandonment;

Response

1. Athlone Girls High School

The project initially faced significant challenges due to inadequate performance by the professional service providers, who have since been terminated. Additionally, the contractor experienced cash flow difficulties. Nevertheless, the contractor has successfully implemented the necessary interventions, and I am pleased to report that the project is now back on track.

2. Semphato Combined School

The contractor encountered significant cash flow challenges, which led to their termination by the Department. Subsequently, the contractor submitted an appeal for reinstatement and has committed to securing all necessary resources to address these issues. As a result, the project is now back on track for full completion.

3. Dr WK Du Plessis LSEN

The contractor experienced cash flow difficulties. Nevertheless, the contractor has successfully implemented the necessary interventions, and I am pleased to report that the project is now back on track with a completed section in use by the school

4. Inkululeko Ye Sizwe Primary School

The contractor is experiencing cash flow challenges and the Department is applying the contractor with a high likelihood it will result in termination.

5. Simunye Primary School

The contractor is experiencing cash flow challenges and the Department is applying the contract with a high likelihood it will result in termination.

6. Ribane Laka Secondary School

The contractor has encountered a series of cash flow challenges, compounded by community disruptions and security threats impacting the professional team assigned to the project. These circumstances necessitated the intervention of the South African Police Service (SAPS) for support and the enhancement of security measures during technical meetings conducted on-site. The prevailing security uncertainties have resulted in project stoppages. However, it is noteworthy that the project is now progressing towards the successful completion of all works.

7. Kwadedangendlale Secondary School

The initial contractor faced termination due to inadequate performance, and the second contractor is currently experiencing similar issues. As a result, we must undertake a comprehensive rescoping and replanning of the project. We are now in the planning phase of appointing a completion contractor. With the school fully vacated, work execution will commence at full scope upon the contractor's appointment. The planning process was protracted due to the extension of invasive investigation necessitated by the structural instability discovered during construction.

8. Thubelihle Intermediary School

The project faced significant setbacks due to the inadequate performance of both the PSP and the contractor, necessitating their replacement. A new contractor has been appointed and is currently in the contracting stage.

9. Ahanang intermediary School

The project has been adversely affected by the contractor's inadequate performance, leading to a termination of their services. Consequently, the unpaid local subcontractors have expressed their dissatisfaction and are refusing to permit any further activities until they receive payment. To address this situation, consultations are being facilitated through DID stakeholder management to restore relations and enable the completion of the project. It is important to note that the completed and restored facilities are currently in use by the schools.

10. Lakeside Primary School

Project is disrupted by Business Forum. Stakeholder Management is engaging MEC's office to intervene.

11. Nancefield Primary School

The contractor was terminated due to inadequate performance linked to cash flow issues. Additionally, the planning for completion works was hindered by essential investigations and compliance assurance requirements. A completion contractor has been appointed, and the site was officially handed over in August 2024. Work will commence upon the finalization of the construction permit from the Department of Labour and Employment.

12. Mogobeng Primary School

The contractor and PSP were terminated due to poor performance. Lack of PSP and their replacement contributed to the protracted process. A replacement contractor was appointed and due for contract signing and site handover.

13. Rust Ter Vaal Secondary School

The project has been significantly affected by the termination of the contractor due to cash flow limitations. The planning process for the completion works has been hindered by disputed final accounts from the terminated contractor, as well as claims from local subcontractors who are owed payments. A completion contractor has been appointed, and construction work is currently underway.

14. Hillcrest Primary School

The project has been significantly affected by the termination of the PSP and contractor due to the PSP's inadequate performance. As a result, the planning for competition works requires a comprehensive rescoping. This process is currently underway, focusing on the completion of works and addressing critical factors that were overlooked by the original PSP.

15. Tsako Thabo Primary School

The project was impacted by contractor cashflow, however, now all facilities are complete and in use by the school except the combination courts. The project is on course to full completion.

16. Refitlhile Pele Primary School

The project was impacted by contractor cashflow challenges.

17. Goudwes Skool LSEN

The project, as per the contractual agreement, commenced on 27th June 2024, with a scheduled completion date of 23rd August 2024. However, the contractor hereby acknowledges that the project has encountered a delay of approximately two weeks, primarily due to unforeseen circumstances surrounding the construction of the bridge, a critical component of the project.

In light of the aforementioned delays, the contractor committed to complete the project by the end of September 2024. This revised timeline is subject to the contractor's best efforts and diligence in addressing the challenges posed by the bridge construction.

- (iii) what was the initial budget allocated for each of these incomplete or abandoned school projects;

Response

See reply to (x) below

- (iv) What is the current expenditure to date for each of these projects;

Response

See reply to (x) below.

- (v) Have there been any budget expansions for these projects;

Response

See reply to (x) below

- (vi) If yes to (v), can you provide the figures for each expansion per project;

Response

See reply to (x) below

- (vii) Who are the contractors assigned to each of these incomplete or abandoned school projects;

Response

See reply to (x) below

- (viii) For the abandoned projects, what was the date of abandonment for each;

Response

No project was abandoned.

- (ix) How much has been paid to each contractor for their work on these projects prior to delay or abandonment;

Response

No project was abandoned. For further details on payments refer to reply to (x) below

- (x) Can you provide a breakdown of the current project status for each incomplete project, including percentage of completion and estimated time to finish;

Table 1

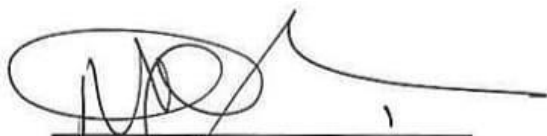
Project Name	Project Description	(III) Initial Budget / Contract Amount	(IV) Current Expenditure	(V) & (VI) Budget Expansions	(VII) Contractor	(X) Project status and estimated completion date
Athlone Girls High School	Rehabilitation of Secondary School ^a	56,135,820.39	50,958,754.90	None	Temi Construction	Construction is at 94% and estimated to be completed on 24 th October 2024
Semphato Combined School	Rehabilitation of Secondary School ^a	133,895,951.97	58,844,735.58	None	Yahweh 1 Construction and Projects	Construction is at 88% and estimated to be completed on 26 th October 2024
Dr WK Du Plessis LSEN School	New School	215,566,100.00	187,500,289.12	20,217,922.07	Temi Construction	Construction is at 92% and estimated to be completed on 25 th February 2025

Project Name	Project Description	(III) Initial Budget / Contract Amount	(IV) Current Expenditure	(V) & (VI) Budget Expansions	(VII) Contractor	(X) Project status and estimated completion date
Inkululeko Ye Sizwe Primary School	Rehabilitation of a Primary School	135,003,142.55	45,861,787.57	None	QDS Projects	Construction is at 56%. Submission for the termination of both Contractor and Consultant was sent for approval
Simunye Secondary School	New School	123,517,861.66	43,215,688.07	1,366,561.26	Themane management Consulting	Construction is at 50% and is estimated to be completed on 31 st March 2025
Ribane Laka Secondary School	Rehabilitation of Secondary School ^a	128,886,979.10	110,516,222.76	18,991,715.71	Tembaka Construction	Construction is at 96% and is estimated to be completed on 31 st October 2024
Kwadedang endlale Secondary School	Rehabilitation of Secondary School ^a	16,987,018.87	1,462,306.50	None	Earthrumental (Pty) Ltd	Terminated
Kwadedang endlale Secondary School (Completion Contract)	Rehabilitation of Secondary School ^a	25,389,779.78	13,598,058.85	None	LBMC Consulting	Terminated
Thubelihle Primary School	Rehabilitation of a Primary School	9,387,283.25	7,295,670.23	None	Dloziman Trading Enterprise	Terminated
Thubelihle Primary School (Completion Contract)	Rehabilitation of a Primary School	19,084,453.00	0.00	None	Sikies Transport and Project Services	Site will be handed over after contracting process is concluded
Ahanang Intermediate Primary School	Rehabilitation of a Primary School	14,795,821.97	9,025,576.55	None	Kwagga Holdings	Terminated

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Lakeside Primary School	Rehabilitation of a Primary School	40,053,907.75	36,377,736.37	None	Mrazane JV The Hope Mandate	Terminated
Lakeside Primary School (Completion Contract)	Rehabilitation of a Primary School	3,706,916.10	0.00	None	House of Nnyane ((Pty) Ltd	Project is disrupted by Business Forum. Stakeholder Management is engaging MEC's office to intervene. Project is estimated to be completed in December 2024
Nancefield Primary School	Construction of a Brick and Mortar Replacement Primary School	95,777,000.00	55,947,154.52	None	Clear Choice Builders	Terminated
Nancefield Primary School (Completion Contract)	Construction of a Brick and Mortar Replacement Primary School	87,050,986.10	0.00	None	SMC Construction and Building	Site handed over on 23 rd August 2024 and estimated to be completed on 8 th September 2025
Mogobeng Primary School	Comprehensive Refurbishment & Rehabilitation	35,694,455.20	32,482,326.50	None	Reatlegile Projects	Terminated
Mogobeng Primary School (Completion Contract)	Comprehensive Refurbishment & Rehabilitation	8,038,357.39	0.00	None	Sesbuyile Projects & Maintenance	Site will be handed over after contracting process is concluded

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Rust Ter Vaal Secondary School	Construction of a Brick and Mortar Replacement Secondary School	83,509,215.05	55,073,279.65	None	Condocor	Terminated
Rust Ter Vaal Secondary School (Completion Contract)	Construction of a Brick and Mortar Replacement Secondary School	44,848,106.47	0.00	None	Technomobile CC	Process of handing over the site
Hillcrest Primary School	Refurbishment & Rehabilitation	R9,310,577.11	9,731,485.50	None	CV Chabane & Associates	Terminated
Tsako Thabo Secondary School	Rehabilitation of Secondary School	21,742,548.60	16,701,690.60	None	Matimba Project Management Systems	Construction is at 98% and is estimated to be completed on 30 th September 2024
Refithile Pele Primary School	Refurbishment & Rehabilitation	95,498,897.16	74,433,691.25	None	TBM Infrastructure	Construction is at 77% and is estimated to be completed on 31 st March 2025
Goudwesskool LSEN	Rehabilitation of the connecting bridge and adjacent buildings	1,514,316.00	0.00	None	Eligugu (Pty) Ltd	Construction is at and is 35% estimated to be completed on 30 th September 2024

Regards,



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