

### [No. 16/2021] THIRD SESSION, SIXTH LEGISLATURE

# ANNOUNCEMENTS, TABLINGS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

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THURSDAY, 22 JULY 2021

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**VIRTUAL SITTING: 09H00** 

1. PRAYER (Item 1 on the Order Paper)

Opportunity for Prayer or silent meditation

- 2. OBITUARIES (Item 2 on the Order Paper)
  - 2.1 Honourable Members, the KwaZulu-Natal Legislature, extends its most heartfelt sympathies for the loss of all departed souls since our last meeting. Our thoughts are with the families during this difficult time. We hope families will find peace and solace in their time of need. We hereby send them our sympathies and prayers for the

days ahead in the hope that they will bring them peace and comfort:

- Chairperson of the National House of Traditional Leaders, Inkosi Sipho Mahlangu;
- Honourable Ms Boitumelo Joyce Maluleke, Member of Parliament;
- ANC Cllr Ms Nokuthula Bolitye who was shot dead outside her home in Cape Town;
- Singer and composer Tsepo "The Village Pope" Tshola;
- Township Afro Pop music legend, Pat Shange;
- 276 people who have died as a result of the recent violence experienced in our country; and
- All South Africans who have passed on in the recent past as a result of Covid 19-related complications.

Honourable Members, let us observe a moment of silence in honour of all these departed souls.

May their souls rest in peace.

2.2 Honourable Members, I wish to remind you to continue to adhere to Covid-19 protocols at all times.

## 3. ANNOUNCEMENTS (Item 3 on the Order Paper)

#### 3.1 RULING ON VIRTUAL SITTING AND VOTING

Honourable Members are reminded that this Virtual Sitting will be conducted in terms of the Rules for Virtual Meetings, read with our existing Standing Rules.

In terms of Rule 6 of the Rules for Virtual Meetings, the quorum requirement for Virtual Sittings of the House is as provided for in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and the Standing Rules of the KZN Legislature. Standing Rule 44 of the Standing Rules provides that —

"at least one third of all the members of the Legislature must be present to constitute a plenary meeting of the Legislature."

Rule 44(2) further states that a majority of the Members of the Legislature must be present before a vote may be taken on a Bill.

The Rules for virtual meetings also define "present" as follows:

"present" means the attendance of a Member in a virtual meeting by electronic means in a manner that allows the Member to join and participate in the meeting.

# Party voting

Rule 7(d) of the Rules for Virtual Sittings also states that-

"The presiding officer must, <u>before or at the start of the</u> <u>discussion on the matter, expressly inform members</u> if a party vote will be taken."

In line with the above, I hereby confirm that voting on the KwaZulu-Natal Elimination and Prevention of Re-

emergence of Slums Act Amendment Bill, 2020; the Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts (Scopa) on its Hearings on the Audit Outcomes for 2019/20, as well as the Report by the Deputy Chairperson of Committees on the Legislature's Intervention Programme aimed at monitoring Incidents of Unrest in KwaZulu-Natal will be done on a party-by-party basis. A party vote is a collective vote on behalf of all the members of the party present in this Virtual Sitting, up to the total membership of that party in the sitting.

I will, however, allow an opportunity for any individual Member to vote differently from his/her party, or for any Member to abstain from voting, if he/she wishes to do so.

#### 3.2 APOLOGIES

- 3.2.1 Honourable Mr R T Mthembu, Deputy Speaker, will not attend today's sitting. The Deputy Speaker is attending the pension fund meeting;
- 3.2.2 Honourable Mr S Zikalala, the Premier of KwaZulu-Natal, is unable to attend today's sitting as he has to attend stakeholder engagements;
- 3.2.3 Honourable Mr SE Hlomuka, MEC for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs, will leave the sitting early. The MEC has been deployed by the honourable Premier to join the Plenary Sitting of the National Council of Provinces;
- **3.2.4** Honourable Dr I Keeka will not be attending today's sitting as he is celebrating *Eid al-Adha*, the Feast of the Sacrifice which is celebrated by Muslims all over the world:

- 3.2.5 Honourable Mr MW Twala will not be able to attend today's sitting due to being busy with urgent organisational matters; and
- **3.2.6** Honourable Mr S H Mthethwa is not in a position to attend today's sitting as he needs to deal with funeral arrangements after the sad passing away of his mother-in-law.

#### 3.3 MESSAGE FOR MEN'S MONTH

Honourable Members, during the unfolding of Men's Month, let me take this opportunity to thank all men who have protected their families and communities during recent times, those who have spoken out and acted against gender-based violence and, above all, those who have gone all-out to embrace issues relating to minorities and sectoral interest at all levels of society. Let us further commend men who stood side by side with their female counterparts against the looting that took place during the past week.

#### 3.4 TATA MANDELA'S 67 MINUTES CONTRIBUTION

As honourable Members know, South Africans are still at Alert Level 4 of the lockdown in our country. I wish to salute those Members who were able to make their 67 minutes' worth of contributions in communities that they could reach out to in remembrance of Tata Madiba's birthday last Sunday. We hope people will continue to do so throughout the year, circumstances permitting.

#### 3.5 EID AL-ADHA

Honourable Members, we would like to wish the Muslim community who celebrated *Eid al-Adha* yesterday and today a most joyous celebration.

#### 3.6 BIRTHDAYS

I would also like to wish a happy birthday in advance to the following Members:

Honourable ZLI Cele : 23 July;
Honourable EM Phakathi : 27 July; and
Honourable MA Chiliza : 31 July.

I hope these Members will have a wonderful year ahead.

# 3.7 REMINDER TO MEMBERS TO EMAIL COPIES OF THEIR SPEECHES TO HANSARD

Honourable Members, it is vital that all Members who take part in debates email the electronic copies of their speeches to Hansard after delivery. At times the quality of the acoustics during debates has proved to be challenging, and this is usually due to connectivity problems. This is not a problem which IT has any control over, and I therefore request all Whips to ensure that their party members who are scheduled to speak during a debate, email their speeches to Mr Allan Parrott (Control Editor: Hansard & Language Services: English) at <a href="mailto:parrotta@kznleg.gov.za">parrotta@kznleg.gov.za</a>. Alternatively, speeches may be sent to Ms Jacqueline Stone (Manager: Hansard & Language Services: English) at <a href="mailto:stone-gov.za">stone-gov.za</a>. We expect Members to fully cooperate with this request and thank them in advance for their consideration.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS BY THE PREMIER (Item 4 on the Order Paper)

Opportunity for Premier to make Announcements

- 5. TABLINGS (Item 5 on the Order Paper)
  - 5.1 KwaZulu-Natal Legislature:
    - **5.1.1** Report by the Deputy Chairperson of Committees on the Legislature's Intervention Programme aimed at monitoring Incidents of Unrest in KwaZulu-Natal.
  - 5.2 Committee of Chairpersons:
    - **5.2.1** Pre-TLtP Multi-party Delegation Oversight Report to Umkhanyakude District.
  - 5.3 Portfolio Committee on the Office of the Premier:
    - 5.3.1 War-Room Functionality Monitoring Report, 2020.
  - 5.4 Portfolio Committee on Arts and Culture:
    - **5.4.1** Oversight Report on Port Shepstone Mega Library.
  - 5.5 Portfolio Committee on Human Settlements:
    - **5.5.1** Report on the KZN Elimination and Prevention of Re-emergence of Slums Act Amendment Bill, 2020.

- 5.6 Department of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs:
  - **5.6.1** Big Five Hlabisa Municipality: Annual Report for 2019/20.
- 6. Formal Motions or Notices by the Chief Whip (Item 6 on Order Paper)
- 7. Orders of the Day (Item 7 on the Order Paper)
  - 7.1 Report by the MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison on the Transport Economic Reconstruction and Recovery Plan in line with re-igniting Economic Growth through Infrastructure Development, while addressing Monopolies and the Structure of the Economy;
  - 7.2 Report by the MEC for Public Works and Human Settlements on Plans and Progress with regard to the revised Transformation Policy on the Property Sector in order to advance Social Transformation;
  - 7.3 Debate and Voting on the KwaZulu-Natal Elimination and Prevention of Re-emergence of Slums Act Amendment Bill, 2020;
  - 7.4 Debate and Voting on the Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts (Scopa) on its Hearings on the Audit Outcomes for 2019/20; and
  - 7.5 Debate and Voting on the Report by the Deputy Chairperson of Committees on the Legislature's Intervention Programme aimed at monitoring Incidents of Unrest in KwaZulu-Natal.