

TUESDAY, 25 MARCH 2025

[No. 04/2025] SECOND SESSION, SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

KWAZULU-NATAL LEGISLATURE

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

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Tuesday, 25 March 2025

The Hybrid House met at 09h05.

1. 09h06 Members were given an opportunity for silent prayers or meditation.
2. 09H07 The Deputy Speaker made announcements, including the passing away of the following persons:
 - 2.1 Mrs Clara Philile Mbatha, mother to Mrs Gugulethu Dube Committee Coordinator of the Education Portfolio Committee;
 - 2.2 Dr Gomolemo Mokae, a renowned medical doctor, author and black consciousness intellectual

and activist. Dr Mokae was the former national spokesperson of the Azanian People's Organization and a founder member of the Socialist Party of Azania;

- 2.3 Reverend Bekizipho Khulekani (BK) Dlodla, a renowned social justice advocate, devoted spiritual leader and community pillar. Rev. Dlodla was ordained as a minister in 1955 and was a central figure in the formation and constitution of the United Congregational Church of Southern Africa (UCCSA) in 1967 and became the first president of the Soldiers of Christ Movement. He was a firm believer of education, and he served diligently as the Chair of Inanda Seminary from 1965 to 1981;
- 2.4 9 passengers who perished in a bus accident which happened on N2 between Mandeni and KwaDukuza. The bus was ferrying churchgoers from Richardsbay to Shakaskraal;
- 2.5 Mr Athol Fugard, a South African playwright, actor and director who was internationally recognised as one of the icons of English theatre. Mr Fugard received the order of Ikhamanga (Silver) in 2004 and in 2010;
- 2.6 Mr Ashwin Hirjee Trikamjee, a distinguished attorney, human rights advocate, and religious leader. He was the president of the South African Hindu Maha Sabha and a board director at the 1860 Heritage Centre;
- 2.7 Mr Kaden Moodley, a Glenwood High School student who tragically passed away after collapsing during a hockey warm-up;
- 2.8 All flood victims that have engulfed our province and elsewhere in the country;

- 2.9 All artists and veterans in the entertainment industry;
- 2.10 All victims of gender-based violence, femicide and hate crimes;
- 2.11 All public servants and traditional leaders of this province and the country at large; and
- 2.12 All other victims of road fatalities in our province during the recent past.

The Hybrid House observed a minute of silence.

- 3. 09h11 The Deputy Speaker made further announcements.
- 4. 09h13 The Deputy Speaker read into the record the tabling of the following Reports:

4.1 KwaZulu-Natal Legislature:

4.1.1 KwaZulu-Natal Legislature: Budget Performance In-Year Monitoring Reports [IYM] for the month of February 2025.

4.2 Portfolio Committee on Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs:

4.2.1 Oversight Visit Report: Disaster Management Centre, Pietermaritzburg 05 November 2024; and

4.2.2 Community Stakeholders Interaction Session Report Mkhanyakude District, Jozini Local Municipality, Bhambanana Hall 17 January 2025.

4.3 Portfolio Committee on Finance:

4.3.1 Finance Portfolio Committee Performance Report (July 2024 – February 2025); and

4.3.2 2024/25 Focused Intervention Study Topic: Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife Infrastructure Projects Finance Portfolio Committee Performance Report (July 2024 – February 2025).

4.4 Standing Committee on Public Accounts:

4.4.1 Standing Committee on Public Accounts (SCOPA) Performance Report (July 2024 – February 2025).

4.5 Portfolio Committee on Sport, Arts and Culture:

4.5.1 KwaZulu-Natal Portfolio Committee on Sport, Arts and Culture Oversight Visit to uMzimkhulu Fitness Centre 22 October 2024.

4.6 Department of Sport, Arts and Culture:

4.6.1 2025/26 Annual Performance Plan for the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Sport, Arts & Culture; and

4.6.2 2025-2030 Strategic Plan for the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Sport, Arts and Culture.

5. 09h15 The MEC for Finance tabled the KwaZulu-Natal Second Adjustments Appropriation Bill, 2025 and concluded at 09h23.
6. 09h24 The Deputy Speaker referred the KwaZulu-Natal Second Adjustments Appropriation Bill, 2025 to the Finance Portfolio Committee and Vote 2 of the same Bill to the Standing Committee.
7. 09h25 The MEC for Finance delivered the Budget Speech and concluded at 10h08.
8. 10h09 The MEC for Finance further tabled the following reports:
 - 8.1 Appropriation Bill, 2025;
 - 8.2 2025/26 Provincial Budget Speech;
 - 8.3 2025/26 Estimates of Provincial Revenue and Expenditure; and
 - 8.4 2025/26 Estimates of Capital Expenditure.
9. 10h10 The Deputy Speaker referred the KwaZulu-Natal Appropriation Bill, 2025 to the Finance Portfolio Committee and Vote 2 of the same Bill to the Standing Committee.
10. 10h11 The Business of the House was suspended and resumed At 10h39.
11. 10h40 Debate and Voting on the KwaZulu-Natal Adjustments Appropriation Bill, 2025 commenced and was concluded at 11h46.

Question put:

That the KwaZulu-Natal Second Adjustments Appropriation Bill, 2025.

Question agreed to.

Results of the vote were as follows:

In favour = 78 Against = 0 Abstentions = 0

12. 11h47 The Speaker made announcements and further read into the record the tabling of the Chairpersons' Committee Ilembe District TLTP Close-Out Report: 31 October – 01 November 2024.
13. 11h49 The House was adjourned *sine die*.