

PARLIAMENTARY PROGRAMME 2021

FIRST TERM

AS AGREED TO BY THE PROGRAMME COMMITTEE ON 28 JANUARY

PARLIAMENTARY PROGRAMME FRAMEWORK FOR 2021
(As agreed to by the Joint Programme Committee on 26 November 2020)

FIRST TERM	SECOND TERM
26 January – 19 March (8 weeks)	NCOP 4 May – 18 June (7 weeks) NA 4 May – 4 June (5 weeks)
Leave Period 4 – 8 January	<i>Freedom Day: Tuesday, 27 April</i>
Constituency Period 11 – 25 January (2 weeks)	<i>Workers' Day: Saturday, 1 May</i>
NA Members' Training/ Committees 26 January – 10 February	Committees/ Departmental Strategic Plan
NCOP Members' Training 26 – 28 January	Briefings to NCOP Committees 4 – 7 May
NCOP Committees 2 – 5 February	NA Committees/Oversight 4 – 7 May
NCOP Presiding Officers, Provincial Legislatures Speakers and Deputy Speakers Annual meeting 9 – 10 February	NCOP Questions to the Deputy President May
Joint Sitting (SONA) 11 February (19:00)	NCOP Questions to Cluster 2: Social Services May
Debate on President's State-of-the-nation Address 16 – 17 February	NA Budget Vote debates May
Reply by President to debate on State-of-the-nation address 18 February	NCOP Plenaries/ Committees/Departmental Strategic Plan
NCOP Plenaries/ Committees/ Legislation 23 February – 19 March	Briefings to NCOP Committees 11 May – 24 June
NA Plenaries/ Mini-plenaries February – March	Debate on Vote 2: Parliament May
Budget speech 24 February	<i>Africa Day: Tuesday, 25 May</i>
<i>(Including tabling of Fiscal Framework, Appropriation Bill and Division of Revenue Bill)</i>	Debate on Vote 1: Presidency (followed by Reply) June
NCOP Committees Strategic Planning (Annual Review) Sessions 2 – 4 March	NA Plenary on Division of Revenue Bill June
NCOP Questions to the Deputy President March	NCOP Plenary on Division of Revenue Bill June
NCOP Questions to Cluster 4: Economics March	Decision on Appropriation Bill by NA June
NA Questions to the President March (p)	<i>Youth Day: Wednesday, 16 June</i>
NA Questions to the Deputy President March (p)	Youth Parliament June (p)
NA Questions to Clusters March	Decision on Appropriation Bill by NCOP 17 June (p)
NA debate on Fiscal Framework March	NA Constituency Period 7 June – 16 August (9 weeks)
Tabling of departmental strategic plans March	NCOP Constituency Period 18 June – 16 August (8 weeks)
NA plenary on Division of Revenue Bill March	
<i>Human Rights Day: Sunday, 21 March</i>	
NA Constituency Period 23 March – 3 May (6 weeks)	
<i>Easter Weekend 2 – 5 April</i>	

THIRD TERM	FOURTH TERM
<p style="text-align: center;">17 August – 3 September (3 weeks)</p> <p>NCOP Committees/ Oversight 17 – 20 August</p> <p>NA Committees 17 August – 3 September <i>Women's Day: Monday, 9 August</i></p> <p>NCOP Questions to the Deputy President August</p> <p>NCOP Questions to Cluster 1: Peace and Security August</p> <p>NCOP Questions to Cluster 3: Governance August</p> <p>Women's Parliament August (p)</p> <p>NCOP Plenaries/ Committees/ Legislation 24 August – 3 September</p> <p>Constituency Period 6 September – 4 October (4 weeks)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5 October – 3 December (9 weeks)</p> <p>NCOP Preliminary Oversight Visits – Taking Parliament to the People 5 – 8 October NA Committees (BRR Reports) 5 – 15 October</p> <p>NCOP Plenaries/ Committees/ Oversight 12 – 22 October</p> <p>Provincial Week 26 – 29 October</p> <p>NA Plenaries/ Mini-plenaries 19 October – 26 November</p> <p>NA Questions to the President October - November</p> <p>NA Questions to the Deputy President October - November</p> <p>NA Questions to Clusters October - November</p> <p>NCOP Questions to the President October/ November(p)</p> <p>Tabling: 2021 Medium Term Budget Policy Statement and Adjustments Budget: Revised Fiscal Framework October</p> <p>NA Division of Revenue Amendment Bill October</p> <p>NCOP Division of Revenue Amendment Bill November</p> <p>NA Decision on Adjustments Appropriation Bill by Parliament November</p> <p>NCOP Plenaries/ Committees/ Legislation 2 November – 2 December</p> <p>NCOP Plenaries/ Committees/ Legislation November</p> <p>NCOP Questions to Deputy President November</p> <p>Taking Parliament to the People: 15 – 19 November</p> <p>NCOP Annual Address by the President/ Deputy President 19 November</p> <p>NCOP Decision on Adjustments Appropriation Bill by Parliament 2 December (p)</p> <p>NA Committees Oversight 30 November – 3 December</p> <p>Constituency Period 6 – 10 December (1 week)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Reconciliation Day: Thursday, 16 December</i></p> <p>Leave Period 13 December – January 2022</p>

WEEK 2

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY	NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES
<p>MONDAY, 1 FEBRUARY</p> <p>CONSTITUENCY DAY</p>	<p>MONDAY, 1 FEBRUARY</p> <p>CONSTITUENCY DAY</p>
<p>TUESDAY, 2 FEBRUARY</p> <p>COMMITTEES</p>	<p>TUESDAY, 2 FEBRUARY</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY, 3 FEBRUARY</p> <p>10:00 Chief Whips' Forum (Closed meeting)(<i>Virtual</i>)</p> <p>COMMITTEES</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY, 3 FEBRUARY</p>
<p>THURSDAY, 4 FEBRUARY</p> <p>08:30 Programme Committee(<i>Virtual</i>)</p> <p>10:00 – 12:30 CAUCUS</p> <p>Overview of Assembly Rules and Procedures [14:00 – 16:30]</p> <p>COMMITTEES</p>	<p>THURSDAY, 6 FEBRUARY</p>
<p>FRIDAY, 5 FEBRUARY</p> <p>Personal Mastery for Organisational Effectiveness [10:00 – 16:00]</p>	<p>FRIDAY, 7 FEBRUARY</p>

WEEK 3

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY	NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES
<p>MONDAY, 8 FEBRUARY</p> <p>CONSTITUENCY DAY</p>	<p>MONDAY, 8 FEBRUARY</p> <p>CONSTITUENCY DAY</p>
<p>TUESDAY, 9 FEBRUARY</p> <p>COMMITTEES</p> <p>Pension Fund [10:00 – 12:30]</p> <p>Oversight 14:00 – 17:00]</p>	<p>TUESDAY, 9 FEBRUARY</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY, 10 FEBRUARY</p> <p>COMMITTEES</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY, 10 FEBRUARY</p>
<p>THURSDAY, 11 FEBRUARY</p> <p>19:00 JOINT SITTING (HYBRID)</p> <p>State-of-the-nation Address by President of the Republic of South Africa</p>	<p>THURSDAY, 11 FEBRUARY</p> <p>19:00 JOINT SITTING (HYBRID)</p> <p>State-of-the-nation Address by President of the Republic of South Africa</p>
<p>FRIDAY, 12 FEBRUARY</p> <p>COMMITTEES</p>	<p>FRIDAY, 12 FEBRUARY</p>

WEEK 4

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY	NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES
<p>MONDAY, 15 FEBRUARY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CONSTITUENCY DAY</p>	<p>MONDAY, 15 FEBRUARY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CONSTITUENCY DAY</p>
<p>TUESDAY, 16 FEBRUARY</p> <p>10:00 – 13:00 Committees</p> <p>14:00 – ±19:00 JOINT SITTING (HYBRID) Debate on President’s State-of-the-nation Address</p>	<p>TUESDAY, 16 FEBRUARY</p> <p>14:00 - ±19:00 JOINT SITTING (HYBRID) Debate on President’s State-of-the-nation address</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY, 17 FEBRUARY</p> <p>09:00 – 13:00 Committees</p> <p>10:00 - 11:00 Chief Whips’ Forum (<i>Closed meeting</i>)</p> <p>14:00 – ±18:00 JOINT SITTING (HYBRID) Resumption of debate on President’s State-of-the-nation Address</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY, 17 FEBRUARY</p> <p>14:00 - ±18:00 JOINT SITTING (HYBRID) Resumption of debate on President’s State-of-the- nation address</p>
<p>THURSDAY, 18 FEBRUARY</p> <p>08:30 Programme Committee</p> <p>10:00 – 12:30 CAUCUS</p> <p>14:00 – ±15:15 JOINT SITTING (HYBRID) Reply by President on debate on State-of-the-nation Address</p>	<p>THURSDAY, 18 FEBRUARY</p> <p>14:00 – ±15:15 JOINT SITTING (HYBRID) Reply by President on debate on State-of-the-nation address</p>
<p>FRIDAY, 19 FEBRUARY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">COMMITTEES</p>	<p>FRIDAY, 19 FEBRUARY</p>

WEEK 5

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY	NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES
MONDAY, 22 FEBRUARY <p style="text-align: center;">CONSTITUENCY DAY</p>	MONDAY, 22 FEBRUARY <p style="text-align: center;">CONSTITUENCY DAY</p>
TUESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 10:00 – 13:00 Committees 14:00 PLENARY (HYBRID) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Debate on urgent matter of national public importance (Chief Whip of the Opposition): Rollout of a Covid-19 vaccination plan for South Africa (95) 2. Consideration of Supplementary Budgetary Review and Recommendation Report of Portfolio Committee on Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs (ATC, 7 December 2020, p 48) 3. Consideration of Budgetary Review and Recommendation Report of Portfolio Committee on International Relations and Cooperation (ATC, 7 December 2020, p 5) 4. Consideration of Budgetary Review and Recommendation Report of Portfolio Committee on Health(ATC, 4 December 2020, p 7) 	TUESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY
WEDNESDAY, 24 FEBRUARY 09:00 – 13:00 Committees 10:00 Chief Whips' Forum (Closed meeting) 14:00 – ± 15:30 PLENARY (Budget Speech)(HYBRID) Introduction: Appropriation Bill[B - 2021](prop s77) and tabling of	WEDNESDAY, 24 FEBRUARY

Division of Revenue Bill[B - 2021](prop s76)(1))	
THURSDAY, 25 FEBRUARY 08:30 Programme Committee 10:00 Multi-Party Women's Caucus 14:00 PLENARY (HYBRID) Condolences for the following Members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof B Bozzoli (40) • Ms P PDyantyi(40) • Adv L K B Mpumlwana (40) • Ms N F Shabalala (40) • Ms N L Hermans (40) • The Minister in the Presidency(40) 	THURSDAY, 25 FEBRUARY
FRIDAY, 26 FEBRUARY COMMITTEES	FRIDAY, 26 FEBRUARY

WEEK 6

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY	NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES
MONDAY, 1 MARCH CONSTITUENCY DAY	MONDAY, 1 MARCH CONSTITUENCY DAY
TUESDAY, 2 MARCH 10:00 – 13:00 Committees 14:00 PLENARY(HYBRID)	TUESDAY, 2 MARCH

WEDNESDAY, 3 MARCH 09:00 – 13:00 Committees 10:00 Chief Whips' Forum (Closed meeting) 15:00 PLENARY(HYBRID)	WEDNESDAY, 3 MARCH
THURSDAY, 4 MARCH 08:30 Programme Committee 10:00 – 12:30 CAUCUS 14:00 – MINI-PLENARY SESSIONS x 4(Virtual)	THURSDAY, 4 MARCH
FRIDAY, 5 MARCH COMMITTEES	FRIDAY, 5 MARCH

WEEK 7

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY	NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES
MONDAY, 8 MARCH CONSTITUENCY DAY	MONDAY, 8 MARCH CONSTITUENCY DAY 10:00 – 12:00 International Women's Day Lecture: "Choose to Challenge"
TUESDAY, 9 MARCH 10:00 – 13:00 Committees 11:00 – 13:00 Rules Committee (<i>virtual</i>) 14:00 ±16:00 PLENARY (HYBRID)	TUESDAY, 9 MARCH 08:30–09:30 Committee of Chairpersons meeting 14:00 PLENARY Questions to Cluster 4A: Economics

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Member's statements (50) 2. Consideration of Report of PC on Justice and Correctional Services Correctional Services Amendment Bill [B32 - 2020] (ATC, 18 February 2021, p 2) (5) 3. Second Reading: Correctional Services Amendment Bill [B32 - 2020] (s75)(no debate) 4. Motions without notice 5. Notices of motion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development. - Environmental Affairs, Forestry and Fisheries
<p>WEDNESDAY, 10 MARCH</p> <p>09:00 – 13:00 Committees</p> <p>10:00 Chief Whips' Forum (Closed meeting)(virtual)</p> <p>15:00 - ±19:30 PLENARY (HYBRID)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Questions for Oral Reply: (180) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cluster 2: Social Services 2. Consideration of <i>Fiscal Framework and Revenue Proposals, 2021</i> and of Report of ST on Finance thereon (ATC, March 2021, p) (90) 	<p>WEDNESDAY, 10 MARCH</p> <p>08:30 –10:00 Provincial Whips Forum(Closed meeting)</p> <p>10:00 PLENARY</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motions 2. Consideration of report of the Select Committee on Finance: Fiscal Framework and Revenue Proposals 3. Consideration of report of the Select Committee on Health and Social Services on the appointment of the National Youth Development Agency (NYDA) Board Members, dated 09 February 2021 (ATC 13 – 2021) 4. Consideration of the National Gambling Amendment Bill [B 27B – 2018](s76) <p>15:00 – 18:00 Women's Charter Review High Level Session: KwaZulu-Natal Province</p>
<p>THURSDAY, 11 MARCH</p> <p>08:30 Programme Committee(virtual)</p> <p>10:00 - 12:30 CAUCUS</p>	<p>THURSDAY, 11 MARCH</p> <p>08:30 –10:00 Programme Committee meeting</p> <p>10:00 – 12:30 Caucus</p>

<p>14:00 – ±15:30 MINI-PLenary SESSIONS1 (Virtual)</p> <p>Mini-plenary 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject for discussion (Ms D Kohler): <i>The need to fundamentally restructure the intelligence and security architecture of the Republic to achieve a professional intelligence capability that will respect and uphold the Constitution and the relevant legislative prescripts, especially in light of the findings of the High Level Review Panel Report on the State Security Agency and allegations revealed at the Judicial Commission of Inquiry into Allegations of State Capture</i>(90) <p>Mini-plenary 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject for discussion (Ms O M C Maotwe): <i>The implications of privatisation of Eskom for energy security</i> (90) <p>16:00 – ±17:30 MINI-PLenary SESSIONS2 (Virtual)</p> <p>Mini-plenary 3:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject for discussion (Ms M Modise): <i>Creating a safe and secure cyber environment that protects the nation and the economy backed by appropriate science and innovation strategies</i>(90) <p>Mini-plenary 4:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject for discussion (Mr M N Nxumalo): <i>Growing crisis of unemployment especially among the youth, and the need for government to prioritise job opportunities for South Africans with low or no skills</i> (90) 	<p>13:00 – 14:00 Provincial Delegation meetings</p> <p>14:00 PLENARY</p> <p>Questions to the Deputy President</p>
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FRIDAY, 12 MARCH

10:00 – ±11:30 MINI-PLenary SESSIONS1 (Virtual)

Mini-plenary 1:

- Subject for discussion (Mrs H Denner): *Minimum wage increases, red tape and prescriptive labour legislation - How government is hampering employment creation and economic growth during a time of unprecedented unemployment and economic hardship in South Africa* (90)

Mini-plenary 2:

- Subject for discussion (Mr B H Holomisa): *The negative consequences of government corruption on the people and development of South Africa* (90)

12:00 – ±13:30 MINI-PLenary SESSIONS2 (Virtual)

Mini-plenary 3:

- Subject for discussion (Mr S N August): *Why South Africa can no longer afford to delay implementing a permanent Basic Income Grant to address the basic needs and dignity of its most marginalised citizens* (90)

Mini-plenary 4:

- Subject for discussion (Mr L E McDonald): *Addressing the constraints that impact the road transport sector in dealing with conflict in the trucking industry and have a negative impact on the economy*(90)

FRIDAY, 12 MARCH

10:00

Members Support and Facility Forum (MSF) meeting

10:00 – 13:00

Women's Charter Review High Level Session: Western Cape Province

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<p>WEDNESDAY, 17 MARCH</p> <p>09:00 – 13:00 Committees</p> <p>10:00 Chief Whips' Forum (Closed meeting)(<i>virtual</i>)</p> <p>12:45 – 14:45 Joint Committee of Chairpersons(<i>virtual</i>)</p> <p>15:00 – ±17:45PLENARY(HYBRID)</p> <p>Questions for Oral Reply:</p> <p>1. Deputy President</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY, 17 MARCH</p> <p>09:00 – 13:00 Committees</p> <p>10:00 Chief Whips' Forum (Closed meeting)(<i>virtual</i>)</p> <p>12:45 – 14:45 Joint Committee of Chairpersons(<i>virtual</i>)</p> <p>15:00 – ±17:45PLENARY(HYBRID)</p> <p>Questions for Oral Reply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deputy President
<p>THURSDAY, 18MARCH</p> <p>08:30 Programme Committee(<i>virtual</i>)</p> <p>10:00 – 12:30 CAUCUS</p> <p>14:00 – ±17:50PLENARY(HYBRID)</p> <p>1. Questions for Oral Reply: (180)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cluster 3: Governance <p>2. Motions without notice</p> <p>3. Notices of motion</p>	<p>THURSDAY, 18MARCH</p> <p>10:00 – 12:30 Multi-Party Women's Caucus</p> <p>14:00 PLENARY</p> <p>Questions to Cluster 4D: Economics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Employment and Labour - Finance
<p>FRIDAY, 19MARCH</p> <p>10:00 – ±13:00PLENARY(HYBRID)</p> <p>1. Consideration of Report of SC on Appropriations on <i>Division of Revenue Bill [B3 – 2021](s76(1))</i></p> <p>2. Second Reading debate: <i>Division of Revenue Bill [B3 – 2021](s76(1))</i> (77)</p>	<p>FRIDAY, 19MARCH</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JOINT COMMITTEES</p> <p>09:00 – 15:00 Human Rights Day Virtual Lecture: "The Year of Unity, Socio Economic Renewal and NationBuilding"</p>

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Consideration of Electoral Laws Amendment Bill [B 22D - 2020] (s75) and of Report of PC on Home Affairs on amendments proposed by National Council of Provinces (ATC, 12 March 2021, p 6) (5)4. Debate on Human Rights Day: <i>Promoting human rights in the age of Covid-19</i> (88) | |
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CONSTITUENCY PERIOD: 23 MARCH – 3 MAY