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PARLIAMENTARY PROGRAMME 2021

FIRST TERM

FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE PROGRAMME COMMITTEE ON 18 MARCH

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

THIRD TERM	FOURTH TERM
<p 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 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 NA Questions to the President October - November NA Questions to the Deputy President October - November 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 NA Division of Revenue Amendment Bill October NCOP Division of Revenue Amendment Bill November 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 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 align="right"><i>Reconciliation Day: Thursday, 16 December</i></p> <p>Leave Period 13 December – January 2022</p>

WEEK 8

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY	NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES
<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> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Questions for Oral Reply: (180) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cluster 3: Governance 2. Motions without notice 3. Notices of motion 	<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> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consideration of Report of SC on Appropriations on <i>Division of Revenue Bill</i> [B3 – 2021](s76(1)) 2. Second Reading debate: Division of Revenue Bill [B3 – 2021](s76(1)) (77) 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) 	<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>

CONSTITUENCY PERIOD: 23 MARCH – 3 MAY