# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**QUESTION No. 2791-2021 FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

 **Inkosi B N Luthuli (IFP) to ask the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture:**

Whether his department has any plans to interact with the cricket fraternity on issues relating to transformation in the management and administration of cricket in the Republic; if not, why not; if so, what are the full, relevant details? **NW3306E**

# REPLY

I have and continue to engage and interact with the cricket fraternity, other sporting codes and SASCOC on issues of transformation as well as management and administration.

I met with sports persons and some sport media personalities across different sports codes (mainly cricket, also rugby and netball) and association of player representatives who indicated their own experiences dealing with racism. Cricket South Africa adopted a strategy of culture camps for their national teams and other contracted players to address the issues transformation, racism and value systems of loyalty, respect and belonging.

Upon receiving complaints from members of the public on the state of governance including progress in transformation in the sport of cricket, I appointed an interim board to replace the previous board who had resigned. The objective was to help Cricket SA to comprehensively assist with both governance and transformation. By the time the interim board finished their task, they left the new board with an extensive report on both governance and transformation that the current board has adopted.

Furthermore, by the time the previous board left, they had devised a transformation initiative whereby a platform was created to allow all transformation-related issues to be publicly ventilated. These hearings known as the Social Justice and Nation-building hearings, chaired by an Ombudsman, Adv. Dumisa Ntsebeza is now concluded with a report containing recommendations.