

# De Lille confirms Covid-19 diagnosis

Public works and infrastructure minister Patricia de Lille has tested positive for Covid-19.

She took the test on Friday after showing some symptoms.

De Lille said yesterday that she was in self-quarantine and had informed everyone she had come into contact with to do the same.

De Lille encouraged all South Africans to observe hygiene protocols to combat Covid-19, as SA tries to combat the third wave of infections.

Earlier this month, De Lille was in parliament for her de-

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partment's budget vote, during which she spelt out how spending would be trimmed amid the struggling economy.

On May 30, she was in Mitchells Plain, campaigning for her Good party.

De Lille lost her husband, Edwin, after a long illness in February. They were married

for 49 years. Health minister Zweli Mkhize said on Saturday night that the cumulative number of Covid-19 cases identified in SA was 1,691,491.

There were 97 Covid-19 related deaths reported in the latest 24-hour period — 41 in Gauteng, 21 in the Free State, 15 in the Northern Cape and 12 in the Western Cape, five in KwaZulu-Natal and three in Mpumalanga, which brings the total to 56,929 deaths.

Patient recoveries now stand at 1,574,223, representing a recovery rate of 93.2%. — *TimesLIVE*



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