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The role and purpose of provincial-scale planning in post-apartheid South Africa

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Below are the questions asked to provincial and national officials in open-ended interviews.

1. What is the intended role of each sphere of government in strategic spatial planning?
2. How do you perceive the current planning policy and legislative framework, does it support or hinder intergovernmental planning in any way.
3. Realising that provinces in South Africa are a result of a political compromise, do you feel that there has been any change in attitude insofar as the political legitimacy of this sphere of government is concerned?
4. What is the current role played by provinces in fostering strategic spatial planning in South Africa?
5. If provinces had the power to raise their own revenue, what impact do you think this could have on their planning competence?
6. What is the role of the PGDS in South Africa, what does it seek to achieve?
7. Explain the link between the PGDS and PSDF?
8. How has various provinces responded to the PDGS?
9. What is the link between NSDP, PGDS and IDP?
10. What is being done thus far to ensure that the national, provincial and local planning instruments are aligned and harmonised.
11. What is the role played by DPLG in ensuring that provinces' role in strategic planning is strengthened?
12. In the South African context, what is strategic spatial planning?