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Mr H J Van den Berg (Northern Cape: FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment:

- (1) (a) What is the current situation at the Madikwe Game Reserve in the North West, especially with regard to (i) water, (ii) grazing and (iii) food sources for the park's (aa) game and (bb) vegetation and (b) which persons are responsible for the management of (i) such resources and (ii) the animal population in the park;
- (2) (a) when was the last time the 'mentioned reserves management plans' was written or revised and (b) why it has not been written or revised in the past four years;
- (3) what is the current condition of (a) the endangered pack of wild African dogs the said park once prided themselves of, (b) the elephant population and (c) other important and endangered species within the park;
- (4) what is the estimated food shortfall as calculated by the park management (a) each month and (b) annually for the past five years up to the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (5) whether food shortfall was prioritised and met by the park in each case; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

749. THE MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT REPLIES:

- (1), (3)-(5) The information falls within the mandate and knowledge of the North-West Parks and Tourism Board (NWPTB); hence, the question should be referred to NWPTB.
- (2) The Minister approved the Madikwe Game Reserve Elephant Management Plan on 31 March 2023 for implementation by NWPTB.

Regards



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MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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