



## **environmental affairs**

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### **NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**(For written reply)**

**QUESTION NO. 1583 {NW2939E}**

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**Mr N Singh (IFP) to ask the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries:**

What number of (a) senior rangers at Kruger National Park have (i) been (aa) suspended and (bb) dismissed and (ii) resigned since 1 January 2017 and (b) posts for senior rangers are currently vacant?

**1583. THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES REPLIES:**

(a) There are five (5) Regional Rangers and 22 Section Rangers employed at Kruger National Park. All of them are considered Senior Rangers.

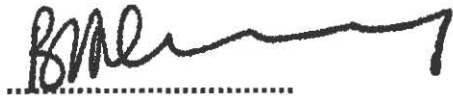
(aa) There is one (1) Regional Ranger on suspension. The Ranger was suspended following the findings of an investigation conducted at Kruger National Park in July 2019. The organisation is investigating allegations levelled against the Ranger.

(bb) There is one (1) Regional Ranger who was dismissed for poaching related charges on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017

(ii) There has been no resignations.

(b) There are no vacant positions for Senior Rangers.

**Regards**



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MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES

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## **BACKGROUND**

The Kruger National Park has a total staff complement of 2 238 employees. Of that number, 411 are employed as rangers (Senior rangers, field rangers and lance corporals).