



## forestry, fisheries & the environment

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Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment  
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### NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (For written reply)

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#### **Ms A M M Weber (DA) to ask the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment:**

With reference to section 2(b) of the National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act (NEMBA), Act 10 of 2004, that one of the objectives of NEMBA is to give effect to ratified international agreements relating to biodiversity which are binding on the Republic, and noting that it is the responsibility of her department to ensure compliance with NEMBA, with specific reference to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Flora and Fauna Resolution 12.1 (details furnished) that requires the registration of all commercial breeding facilities for Appendix 1 species, what number of (a) tiger-breeding facilities (i) has her department been informed of and (ii) is registered with her department and (b) tigers are held at each facility that is (i) registered and (ii) not registered with her department?

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(a)

- (i) As per list of tigers registered facilities obtained in 2020 from the provinces, there are seventy (70) facilities keeping tigers. Please note that the number might have changed due to closure of some of the facilities.
- (ii) No facilities are registered with the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment hence the keeping of tigers is regulated by the provincial departments where applicable.

(b)

- (i) See attached document (Annexure A) with the numbers/ stats at each facility, which have been obtained in 2020 from provinces. Please note that the numbers might have increased or decreased due to mortalities, new birth or translocations.
- (ii) The Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment is not in possession of this information as the keeping of tigers is regulated by the provincial departments where applicable.

**Regards**



**MS B D CREECY, MP  
MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

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