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Ms T Breedt (FF Plus) to ask the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment:

(a) What total number of ranger posts in the Kruger Park remain unfilled, (b) what are the relevant details of the (i) grades of such unfilled posts and (ii) total number of unfilled posts in each grade, (c) for what period has each post remained unfilled and (d) by what date will the unfilled posts be (i) budgeted for and (ii) filled?

3561. THE MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT REPLIES:

(a)(b)(c)(d) A special funding allocation was made available at the end of 2022 to fill 17 critical Leadership positions in Ranger Services and this comprised one (1) Field Ranger Sergeant, eight (8) Field Ranger Corporals and eight (8) Field Ranger Lance Corporals. The remaining positions are vacant due to the finalisation of the revised Selection and Basic Field Ranger Training procedures which forms part of the Kruger National Park Ranger Services Integrity Management Plan with the revised selection process focusing on the critical and essential attributes of all Rangers.

The filling of the Field Ranger vacancies will commence after the Selection and Basic Field Ranger Training. The budget is available for filling at least twenty (20) Field Ranger positions in the current financial year.



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