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

In light of 3 tons of fish killed in February 2022 in eMalahleni, Mpumalanga, where 23 species of fish were killed, but fortunately could be found somewhere else and bred to introduce to the river through the rehabilitation process at the breeding facility in Loskop dam area where the Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency have taken responsibility for it, (a) what species of fish are currently being bred to ensure the re-introduction of these 23 species into the river, (b) what progress has been made regarding the cleaning and rehabilitation of the rivers, (c) how long will the rehabilitation take until completion and (d) whether there is any other species being bred that will assist with the rehabilitation process?

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

(a)(b)(c)(d)

This matter falls under the jurisdiction of Mpumalanga Province, specifically Mpumalanga Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs. Therefore, the question should be directed to the relevant department.



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

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