



environmental affairs

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Environmental Affairs
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

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MINISTER

QUESTION NO. 980 FOR WRITTEN REPLY: NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

A draft reply to **Ms T Gqada (DA)** to the above-mentioned question is enclosed for your consideration.

**MS NOSIPHO NGCABA
DIRECTOR-GENERAL**

DATE:

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED

**DR B E E MOLEWA, MP
MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS**

DATE:

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

(For written reply)

QUESTION NO. 980 {NW1073E}

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Ms T Gqada (DA) to ask the Minister of Environmental Affairs:

How much land does (a) her Department and (b) the entities reporting to her (i) own, (ii) have exclusive rights to and/or (iii) lease from the State to (aa) use and/or (bb) occupy?

980. THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS REPLIES:

- (a) The Department of Environmental Affairs size of the land occupied is 3.1 hectares (ha).
- (b) **1. South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI)**
- (i) 6 397ha (for use as national botanical gardens)
 - (ii) 991ha (for use as part of national botanical gardens) and 85ha (for use by the National Zoological Garden)
 - (iii) Not applicable
- (aa) 1 390 ha (to use and occupy as part of South Africa's national botanical gardens) and 200 ha (to use and occupy as part of South Africa's national botanical gardens).
- (bb) 1 390ha (to use and occupy as part of South Africa's national botanical gardens) 1 390 ha and 200 ha (to use and occupy as part of South Africa's national botanical gardens).
- 2. South African Weather Services (SAWS)**
- (i) The South African Weather Service owns 59,29 hectares.
 - (ii) Not applicable
 - (iii) Not applicable
- (aa) Not applicable.
- (bb) Not applicable.
- 3. iSimangaliso Wetland Park**
- (i) Not applicable
 - (ii) 332 000ha, managed by iSimangaliso Wetland Park Authority (appointed as a Management Authority in accordance with the proclamation in terms of the World Heritage Convention Act, 1999).
 - (iii) Not applicable
- (aa) Not applicable.
- (bb) Not applicable.
- 4. South Africa National Parks (SANParks)**
- (i) South African National Parks owns 3 721 192 hectares of Land.

- (ii) SANParks have exclusive rights to 4 026 040ha of Land for use as National Parks/Conservation Purposes.
- (iii) SANParks leases approximately 304 848ha of land.
 - (aa) The hectares of land mentioned above are used as National Parks for Conservation Purposes.
 - (bb) Not applicable

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