

Answer tabled in Parliament on:

DAFF'S RESPONSE:

- The establishment of the Agri-parks is a collaborative effort led by the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform (DRDLR) in terms of land acquisition, infrastructure development and establishment costs. Agricultural support will be provided through the Provincial Departments of Agriculture using the Comprehensive Agricultural Support Programme (CASP) and their equitable share. It is envisaged that Agri Parks will align itself to the strategies and commodities as identified in the Agricultural Policy Action Plan (APAP). The prime purpose behind Agri Parks, and the Department's support thereof, is in its potential to develop the capacity of agro processing within the sector, and in turn Job Creation.
- The modelling and selection of Agri-park sites are still being finalised. The latter process will be followed by development of business plans and completion of feasibility studies, which will in turn indicate financial implications for the Department of Agriculture Forestry and Fisheries. It is however envisaged that the Comprehensive Agricultural Support Programme (CASP) and Ilima-Letsema will be the primary funding sources.
- The financial details will be provided once all the sites are finalized and the associated farmer needs are modelled in the business plan(s).

Written reply recommended

YES ☒ NO ☐



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Written reply approved

YES ☒ NO ☐



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Date: 27/05/2015

Written reply approved

YES ☒ NO ☐



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SUBJECT: ANSWER: Question 1616 / NW1833E for written reply: National Assembly to ask Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries