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**9. Ms B T Mathevula (Limpopo: EFF) to ask the Minister of Police:**

How many (a) cases have been reported to the police in Litsitele in the Mopani District Municipality in Limpopo regarding farmers who abuse workers and (b) farmers have been (i) arrested and (ii) prosecuted so far in this regard?

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**REPLY:**

(a) Twelve (12) cases have been reported to the police in Letsitele in Limpopo.

(b)(i) Ten (10) farmers have been arrested. This differs from the reply to question 306 of 2019 as three (3) persons were arrested and charged with one (1) of the farmers.

(b)(ii) Three (3) farmers have been found guilty. In eight (8) cases the charges against them were withdrawn and one (1) case is still pending. (The other three (3) farmers reported in question 306 were persons found guilty with the farmer and one (1) case against one of the accomplices were withdrawn.)

*(Information now includes financial years 2014/2015 to 2018/2019 and up until the end of the 3rd quarter of 2019/2020.*