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**1035. Mr M K Montwedi (EFF) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development:**

How long does it take her department to allocate a farm lease contract, from the date the advertisement was published until the signing of the lease agreement? **NW1282E**

**THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT:**

The Department takes approximately 71 days to allocate a farm from the date the advertisement was published until the signing of the lease agreement. This is indeed not acceptable and is being reviewed with the aim to shorten the process.

The Department is currently finalising an on-line system through which applications for land allocations will be processed in line with the approved Beneficiary Selection and Land Allocation Policy. I