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**Ms H Ismail (DA) to ask the Minister of Tourism:**

(a) What number of vacancies exist in her department, (b) what are the key under-performance areas, (c) how will she address the specified areas and (d) what time frame will she need to turn the specified areas around? NW1161E

**REPLY:**

(a) Number of vacancies exist in her department.

 39 as of 01 April 2023.

(b) The department’s vacancy rate target is to keep the vacancy rate below 10% which has been

 achieved. However, the existing vacancies still need to be filled.

(c) and (d) The Department will continue to fill the vacant funded positions.