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**QUESTION 1786**

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**1786. Mr N P Masipa (DA) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development:**

Whether, in view of several job fund schemes that were agreed to with certain commodities groups (names furnished) with the Land Bank providing additional funding and with the Land Bank’s liquidity challenges, she will provide details of (a) her efforts to ensure that emerging beneficiaries who are targeted to receive the intended support do receive the supportand (b) on what date will the Land Bank resume lending to the farmers? **NW2177E**

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

1. The Minister is aware that some commodity groups applied on their own to the Jobs Fund with the Land Bank agreeing to provide additional funding as per their agreement. However, the department was not party to most of those agreements nor was asked to intervene in anyway.
2. The Minister is not aware of when the Land Bank will resume landing as she has not been advised by the board or management.