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Mr M N Paulsen (EFF) to ask the minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment:**

(1) How have marine protected areas, that make up to 5% of the Republic’s coastline, since 2019 improved the quality of marine life in our waters in terms of improved fishing stocks;  
(2) whether she has found that there has been an improvement in fishing stock that translate into benefit for small-scale fishers; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevnt details?  
  
**Attached find here:** [**Reply**](https://pmg.org.za/files/RNW250-2022-02-25.pdf)