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**QUESTION 2510**

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**2510. Mr N S Matiase (EFF) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development:**

(1) Whether her department has started implementing the order of the Pietermaritzburg High Court that all monies paid to the Ingonyama Trust by all persons and any other entity under the lease agreement should be refunded; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what total number of persons have been refunded;

(2) whether she has reported to the court on the steps taken to comply with the order within three months of the date of the court order and every three months thereafter until the parties agree that the court order has been implemented; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details? **NW2854E**

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

1. No, implementation of the money order was directed to Ingonyama Trust Board and not the department. ITB has decided to appeal the court’s decision and the application (appeal) by the Ingonyama Trust Board is still to be heard by the Supreme Court of Appeal.
2. Yes, the Minister files a report to the court every 3 months on the steps taken to comply with the two court orders.