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**QUESTION 2818**

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**2818. Ms A Steyn (DA) to ask the Minister of Rural Development and Land Reform:**

1. What are the full relevant details of each agri-park established to date in terms of (a) the names of each specified park, (b) the amount of funding spent on each park to date, (c) the amount budgeted for each park for the 2017-2020 medium term expenditure framework, (d) the details of any directions of how this funding should be spent and (e) how the parks are being managed, funded and kept operational;
2. whether he will furnish Ms A Steyn with copies of each economic viability study conducted on each park; if not, why not; if so, by what date;

(3) whether each of the parks’ directorships have been appointed; if so, (a) did each directorship receive an authorisation letter from him and (b) what is the name of each director of each park? **NW3125E**

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

1. (a),(b),(c) Please refer to **Annexures A-C**.

(d) Agri-Parks funding is directed to production and physical infrastructure, and aligned to the development plans developed by each district.

(e) The Agri-Parks are currently being managed by the Provincial Offices of the DRDLR working closely with District Municipalities, whose Mayors have been appointed by the Minister of Rural Development and Land Reform as Political Champions.

(2) No, since all the viability study documents are accessible on the departmental website ([www.ruraldevelopment.gov.za](http://www.ruraldevelopment.gov.za)).

(3) No.

(a),(b) Falls away.