

**DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC ENTERPRISES**

**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

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**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY:**

**QUESTION NO.: 561**

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**561: Ms T Stander (DA) to ask the Minister of Public Enterprises:**

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| (1) | How many hectares of land does the SA Forestry Companies Ltd (SAFCOL)- | | |
|  | (a) | currently own; and | |
|  | (b) | how many hectares of the specified land are under claim in terms of the Restitution of Land Rights Act, Act 22 of 1994, as amended; | |
| (2) | Of the hectares of SAFCOL land under claim- | | |
|  | (a) | how many claims have been lodged since 1994?; | |
|  | (b) | who is/are the claimants? | |
|  | (c) | how many hectares of the specified land are under claim by each claimant?; and | |
|  | (d) | Under which- | |
|  |  | (i) | Town?; and |
|  |  | (ii) | Province does each claim fall? |
| (3) | (a) | How many of the specified land claims have been successfully transferred to each claimant? and | |
|  | (b) | What are the reasons for each claim that has been successful but not yet transferred to the claimants?; | |
| (4) | Whether any other - | | |
|  | (a) | schemes and/or | |
|  | (b) | agreements have been put in place with each successful claimant whose land has not yet been transferred; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?                                                      NW667E | |

**REPLY:**

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| **(1)** | **(a)** | The land on which SAFCOL operates is owned by the state, through the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF). SAFCOL, through its subsidiary, Komatiland Forests operates on a land area covering **187 320 ha** of which **121 000** ha is planted. | |
|  | **(b)** | 61% of 187 320 ha is under claim. This works out to roughly 114 265 ha. | |
| **(2)** | **(a)** | | |
|  |  | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | |  | Limpopo | Mpumalanga | KwaZulu Natal | Total | | No. of claims | 14 | 17 | 1 | 32 | | Research | 1 | 13 | 0 | 14 | | Gazette/Negotiation | 13 | 4 | 1 | 18 | | Settled | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | | Transferred | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
|  | **(b)** | | Claimants | Province / Municipality | Affected Plantation/ Hectares | Status of the claim | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Ludlambedlwini Community | MP – Gert Sibande (GS) | Jessievale (still to confirm) | Further research, claimant verification. | | Enikwakuyengwa Tribal Authority | MP | Redhill (2751 ha) | Currently being researched | | Esandleni Community | MP | Redhill (14 472 ha) | Requires further research | | Dladla Community | MP | Robernia (900.53) | Further research | | Enkhaba Community | MP | Redhill (933.18) | Negotiations stage | | Makhubu Family | MP | Blairmore (256.95) | Negotiations | | Dladla Community | MP | Robernia (2320) | Research is being conducted. | | Dladla & Thanjekwayo Communities (2 KRP) | MP | Robernia (5168) | These are competing claims (Claims are being researched) | | Claimants | Province / Municipality | Affected Plantation/ Hectares | Status of the claim | | Dladla & Thanjekwayo Community | MP | Robernia (1997.49) | Competing claims, research is being conducted. | | Dladla Community | MP | Robernia (1419) | Research being conducted | | Dladla Community | MP | Robernia (2482ha) | Research being conducted | | Kaapschehoop Community | MP | Berlin (to be confirmed) | Negotiations | | Mawulu Community | MP | Berlin (to be confirmed) | Partially settled | | PDT & Mapulana Tribe | MP (Ehlanzeni Municipality) | Bergvliet (4621 ha) | Research | | Pilgrims Rest Dev Trust & Mapulana Tribe | MP | Blyde (6600 ha) | Research | | PDT & Marole Communities | MP | Frankford (4322 ha) | Research | | Morgenzon Community | MP | Morgenzon (5356 ha) | Research | | Mnisi Clan/Umjindi Community/Hlatshwayo | MP | Nelshoogte (9716) | Research | | Witklip Community | MP | Witklip (2311 ha) | Gazetted | | Sgudla Family | MP | Zwartfontein (to be confirmed) | Research | | Tshakhuma Phase 1 | Limpopo | Entabeni (516 34 & 553 56)) | Settled | | Ravele Phase 1 | Limpopo | Entabeni (502 93 & 5553.56) | Settled | | Ravele Phase 2 | Limpopo | Entabeni (3876.94) | Negotiation | | Ratombo Phase 1 | Limpopo | Entabeni (271.84) | Settled | | Makgoba | Limpopo | Woodbush (to be confirmed) | Research | | Tshakhuma Phase 2 | Limpopo | Entabeni (3876 ha) | Gazetted | | Vuvha | Limpopo | Entabeni (3876) | Gazetted | | Maguada | Limpopo | Entabeni (3876) | Gazetted | | Lwamondo | Limpopo | Entabeni (3876) | Gazetted | | Vhutshavhelo | Limpopo | Entabeni (3876) | Gazetted | | Claimants | Province / Municipality | Affected Plantation/ Hectares | Status of the claim | | Shanzha | Limpopo | Entabeni (3876) | Gazetted | | Songozwi | Limpopo | Hanglip (693.18 & 130.21) | Near approval by RLCC | | Matidza | Limpopo | Hangklip (1851) | Valuation stage | | Vondo | Limpopo | Entabeni (1326) | Gazetted, referred to Court. | | Tshiheni | Limpopo | Entabeni (tbc) | Gazetted, referred to Court. | | Mukumbani | Limpopo | Entabeni (tbc) | Gazetted, referred to Court. | | Tshidzhivhe | Limpopo | Entabeni (tbc) | Gazetted, referred to Court. | | Fondwe | Limpopo | Entabeni (tbc) | Gazetted, referred to Court. | | Murangoni | Limpopo | Entabeni (tbc) | Gazetted, referred to Court. | | Khalavha | Limpopo | Entabeni (tbc) | Gazetted, referred to Court. | | Vondo la Thavha | Limpopo | Entabeni (tbc) | Gazetted, referred to Court. | | Lutanze | Limpopo | Entabeni (tbc) | Gazetted, referred to Court. | | |
|  | **(c)** | as per the table in 2(b) above. | |
|  | **(d)** | as per the table in 2(b) above. | |
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| **(3)** | **(a)** | The Shannon properties, totaling 12 503 9657ha has been transferred to Kalanyandza Trust in Mpumalanga. | |
|  | **(b)** | The Department of Rural Development and Land Reform (DRDLR) is best positioned to answer this question, as they are managing the process. | |
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