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Ms A M M Weber (DA) to ask the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment:

- (1) What is the breakdown of the total cost of construction of the Kruger National Park Safari lodge in terms of the (a) lodge construction costs, (b) relocation of the existing Skukuza facilities, (c) support services, (d) lodge staff accommodation and (e) any other related costs;
- (2) what is the breakdown of the business and financial evaluation supporting and/or justifying the construction of the lodge;
- (3) what (a) are the details of the main contractor responsible for the construction of the lodge and (b) is the budgeted income and expenditure for the lodge in the (i) 2022-23 and (ii) 2023-24 financial years?

657. THE MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT REPLIES:

The Total cost of the Skukuza Safari Lodge is broken down below:

Total costs	R267 500 736.91
e) Other related costs – Professional Fees	R39 304 142.00
d) Staff accommodation	R3 559 686.86
c) Support services	R13 175 033.20
b) Relocation of existing facilities	R2 335 060.12
a) Lodge construction cost	R209 126 814.73

2. A feasibility study undertaken for the Skukuza Safari Lodge in 2012 and updated in 2016

estimated that the Skukuza Safari Lodge could potentially generate a profit of R22 million from

Year One (excluding depreciation costs and management fees).

3. (a) The name of the company responsible for the construction of the lodge is Concor

Construction (Pty) Ltd (Registration number 1948/029358/07).

(b) (i) The budgeted revenue for the lodge in the 2022/23 financial year is R12,3 million and

the budgeted expenditure is R15 765 746.84. These projections are based on the

current occupancy levels for the lodge of around 23% due to continued impact of the

Covid-19 pandemic.

(ii) The budgeted revenue for 2023/24 financial year is R70.3 million, while budgeted

expenditure is R66.7 million. These projections are based on recovery of the tourism

industry and occupancy levels of above 50% for the lodge.

SANParks is preparing a tender for the appointment of a hospitality management company to

operate the Skukuza Safari Lodge. Operations are expected to be fully handed over by the

end of the 2022/2023 financial year to the appointed operator.

Regards

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MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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