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**“Mr G R Krumbock (DA) to ask the Minister of Tourism:**

- (1) With regard to his department’s Zithabiseni Resort in Mpumalanga, which forms part of the Social Responsibility Implementation (SRI) programme, how many extra permanent jobs have been created at the resort as a result of the R28 300 500 investment made by his department;
- (2) what has been the annual profit or loss generated by the resort in each financial year since the R28 300 500 was invested;
- (3) (a) what is the industry’s benchmark for occupancy rates of a resort of this type, (b) has the resort been meeting this benchmark and (c) what are the relevant details?”

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**REPLY:**

1. A total of forty-four (44) permanent jobs were created after the project was handed over to the Mpumalanga province.
2. According to the information provided by the Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism, during peak season an average of R250 000 per month is generated and R120 000 during off season.
3. (a) The industry benchmark is about 36% nationally. (b) The occupancy rate increased from 12% to 22%, which is still below the benchmark. (c) Only 83 of 209 chalets were renovated and are functional. The R25 road also need to be upgraded for improved accessibility.