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**FOR ORAL REPLY** 

**QUESTION NO 117** 

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## 117. Mr M R Mashego (ANC) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

What (a) specific plans has his department put in place for the long-awaited Umzimvubu Water Project in the Eastern Cape that the President of the Republic, Mr M C Ramaphosa, spoke about during his State of the Nation Address on 9 February 2023 and (b) would be the time frame that his department envisages for the completion of the specified project?

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## MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

- (a) The Mzimvubu Water Project is made up of 4 stages namely:
  - Stage 1: Advanced Infrastructure roads, buildings, services, etc.
  - Stage 2: Ntabelanga Dam and Water Treatment Works.
  - Stage 3: Bulk Distribution System (BDS).
  - Stage 4: Irrigation and Hydropower.

Stage 1: Access Roads have commenced with construction and this stage is at 60% completion.

(b) Stage 1 is scheduled for completion in June 2023. Stage 2 is scheduled to commence with construction in the last quarter (Q4) of the 2023/24 financial year. The date for completion will be determined after the appointment of a contractor.

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MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

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