



## water & sanitation

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**QUESTION NO 2689**

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**2689. Ms H Ismail (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

Whether Rand Water has (a) reduced the amount of water, (b) reduced the water pressure and (c) throttled the City of Ekurhuleni at any time in the period 1 January 2023 and 30 June 2023; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, (i) on what dates, (ii) which areas in the City of Ekurhuleni were affected, (iii) what was the length of time in each case and (iv) what was the reason in each case?  
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**MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION**

Rand Water has not reduced any water supply to City of Ekurhuleni during the period 1 January 2023 – 30 June 2023. There has not been reduction in pressure, nor throttling during the same period. In instances where Rand Water observes that its customers' consumption is increasing to a level where demand will outstrip supply, Rand Water formally engages with the relevant municipality and requests them to reduce consumption. This reduction of municipal consumption can be effected through municipalities implementing water restrictions within their supply networks, or joint water meter restrictions between the municipality and Rand Water.

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**DR SEAN PHILLIPS**  
**DIRECTOR-GENERAL**  
**DATE: 12 September 2023**

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**MR SENZO MCHUNU, MP**  
**MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION**  
**DATE: 22/09/23**