



water & sanitation

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QUESTION NO 170

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170. Mr F J Badenhorst (Western Cape: DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

Whether, regarding the negative impact of load shedding in providing water and sanitation, his department has a maintenance budget to replace certain breakers on the existing generators which are aged and were never designed to be switched off and on three times a day; if not, what is the position in this regard; if so, what are the relevant details?

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MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

The Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) plays an advisory role but does not decide on behalf of municipalities to install diesel generators for water and sanitation facilities owned by municipalities. The DWS further provides support to Municipalities by availing funding through the Water Services Infrastructure Grant (WSIG) for the acquisition and installation of generators. Municipalities may apply to DWS for the grants and submit business plans which will be assessed by the DWS prior to approval. The maintenance and operating costs for generators will be covered by the respective municipalities.

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**DR SEAN PHILLIPS
DIRECTOR-GENERAL
DATE: 26 04 2023**

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Senzo Mchunu
**MR SENZO MCHUNU, MP
MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION
DATE: 28/04/23**