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## Baswa le Meetse unearths water ambassadors

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Primary school learners have vowed to be water ambassadors and spread the message of water conservation in their schools, homes and communities. This commitment was made during the Baswa le Meetse Mpumalanga Provincial competition held at Valencia Community Hall in Mbombela on 23 May 2017.

In his welcoming address, the Provincial 2020 coordinator, Mr Thami Mndawe thanked the educators for the dedication in mentoring the learners and encouraged them to keep up the spirit of mentoring young talent. To the learners, he stated that the fact that they are participating in the provincial competition simply means that they are all winners.

Learners from schools in all the districts of Mpumalanga Province competed and showcased their artistic flair in drama, music, poetry, praise poetry and poster categories with the main focus being water conservation, resource protection, sanitation and hygiene.

The provincial winners will now compete with other provinces during the national competitions. The winners are Khutsalani Primary School in drama, Benjamin Primary School in music, Maloka Primary School in poetry, Cunningmore Primary School in praise poetry and Mkhumbini Primary School in the poster category.

Baswa le Meetse is a project under the 2020 Vision for Water Education Programme targeting Grade 6 learners in primary school. The learners participate in art forms as a way of educating one another about water use efficiency and taking care and protecting the water resources. The art forms where the learners compete include drama, music, poetry, praise singing and posters.

Lwazi Maholobela, the winning praise singer from Cunningmore Primary School was so excited for winning the provincial competition and promised to work even harder to scoop the national accolades. "Winning feels so good. From here I am going to put more effort and work even harder to ensure that I scoop the first prize during the national competitions", he said.