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### **Mayor hands over toilets to the community of Inxarha village**

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The World Toilet Day was celebrated with pomp and pageantry in the Eastern Cape to the delight of the Inxarha villagers who were handed communal sanitation systems this week.

The highlight of Wednesday, 8 November 2017 day saw the Executive Mayor of Amathole District Municipality, Cllr Nomfusi Nxawe together with the mayor of Great Kie, Cllr Loyiso Tshetsha handing over 14 communal toilets to the beneficiaries of the village near Morgan Bay.

As part of the day's event, the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) spend time educating the community about the importance of washing hands with soap.

DWS supported this mayoral event by donating toilet papers for the duration of this month-long event.

The communities of this village were told how important it is to exercise washing hands with soap and water to reduce the spread of diseases such as diarrhea and other related sicknesses.

Amathole Executive Mayor Cllr Nxawe said: "today we are handing over 14 communal toilets to this community of Inxarha because there were no toilets in the past. People were forced to use bushes to relieve themselves. I hope that you learnt from the demonstration of washing hands that the process is healthy and hygienic. But, please, resist from vandalising infrastructure that is in place through DWS."

A community member Luyolo Nondangala said "sanitation with this toilet is first class. It is affordable even to poor people. It is safe and is not very complicated to use. Very easy. Everybody can use it. Even a kid can use it."

The mayor of Great Kie Local Municipality, Cllr Tshetsha said people should keep this sanitation project clean and must not throw things that will cause blockage in the toilets such as nappies, stones and other unnecessary things.

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