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DWS unearths future water ambassadors in Mpumalanga

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Young people in Kabokweni in the City of Mbombela have committed themselves to be water ambassadors in their community to spread the message of water conservation and wise water use.

The Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) through the use of the water and sanitation business chart exposed young people to the water and sanitation value chain and the careers in the water sector during a motivational exhibition held at Emtfonjeni Combined School. In her presentation, Ms Sabo Makgaloa encouraged the youth to consider careers in the water and sanitation field to close the skills gap and ensure that the country achieves the Millennium Development Goals.

Ntokozo Nkonyane stated that she wants to fight for the rights of the community to access clean potable water and will also encourage the public to be responsible and use the available water in an efficiently.

“I have learnt a lot about water and sanitation. I was not aware about most of the things I encountered today. I am going to share the information with my friends, family and neighbours and be the water ambassador in my neighbourhood and monitor water use as I now understand the process of water purification and how expensive it is to get water in our taps”, she said.

The exhibition played a major role in making the youth understand the importance of water and how water supply is made possible in our communities. As the youth is the future of this country, it is crucial that they understand the water and sanitation business for water security in our water scarce and dry country.

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