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DWS welcomes Mpumalanga's Provincial Head

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The wait is over in Mpumalanga as the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) welcomes the new Provincial Head of the Mpumalanga Provincial Operations, Ms Dudu Sifunda.

Ms Sifunda joined the Department on 01 November 2023 from Nkomazi Local Municipality where she served with great aplomb. She was officially welcomed to DWS and handed over to the Mpumalanga Provincial Operations in Mbombela by the Deputy Director-General: Water and Sanitation Services, Mr Risimati Mathye on 02 November 2023.

Ms Sifunda is in possession of a Bachelor of Engineering (Chemical Engineering) degree obtained from the University of KwaZulu-Natal in 2010.

She started working as a Graduate Water Process Engineer at Umgeni Water in 2007 until August 2010. She was then appointed as a Technical Manager at BCT Water where she assisted several municipalities including Chief Albert Luthuli Local Municipality on water issues from September 2010 until October 2012.

While at Umgeni Water, she also contributed towards writing a paper by Water Research Commission (WRC) on Biological Nitrate Removal.

In November 2012, she joined Nkomazi Local Municipality as a Water Quality Officer until May 2015. She was then promoted and appointed as a Manager: Water and Sanitation until she left the municipality for the Department of Water and Sanitation on 31 October 2023. She was also appointed as Acting Director: Infrastructure Development in the municipality from September 2022 until February 2023.

Ms Sifunda is registered with the Engineering Council of South Africa and is also an Associate Member of the Water Institute of South Africa.

“My main wish is to positively contribute towards the Department of Water and Sanitation and ensure that the Department achieves its core mandate. Also with the expertise and experience in the water and sanitation sector, it is also my wish to see the betterment of water and sanitation service delivery in the Mpumalanga Province. I also look forward to providing sector support to the provincial and local government spheres in terms of the water and sanitation business”, she said.

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The Department of Water and Sanitation warmly welcomes Ms Sifunda to her role and responsibilities, and wishes her all the best in steering the ship to greater heights in ensuring that the Mpumalanga Provincial Operations deliver on the core mandate of the department.

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