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## Baswa Le Meetse District competitions held in the North West.

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The Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) in North West province held the annual Baswa Le Meetse adjudications at different districts in collaboration with Department of Education (DoE), Department of Arts, Culture, Sports & Recreation, Naledi LM, City of Matlosana, Rustenburg and Mahikeng Municipalities.

Baswa Le Meetse competition is part of the Water and Sanitation Education Programme (WSEP), an initiative aimed to educate primary school learners about efficient water usage, good sanitary habits, and caring for and safeguarding water resources. Under the 2025 theme: *washing of hands, use and care of sanitation facilities for a healthy nation*, the learners participated in drama, music, poetry, praise poetry, and designing of posters, as a way of communicating their messages.

**Here are the results for the first position winners from different districts, who will proceed to the provincial adjudications:**

- **Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti DM** - the following primary schools obtained first positions in different categories and: Kamogelo Primary (Praise and Poetry), Lykso Primary (Music), Kopanang Primary (Drama) and Maiketso Primary (Poster).
- **Dr Kenneth Kaunda DM** - the following primary schools obtained first positions in different categories: Buffelsvlei Primary (Praise Poetry and Traditional Music), Merafe Primary (Poetry), Boikhutsong Primary (Drama) and Pudologo Primary (Poster).
- **Bojanala DM** - the following primary schools obtained first positions: Modimokwane Primary (Praise Poetry and Traditional Music), Monato Primary (Poetry), Tlhophane Primary (Drama) and Makgatlanong Primary (Poster).
- **Ngaka Modiri Molema DM** - the following primary schools obtained first positions in different categories: Seetsele Primary (Praise Poetry), Moatlhodi Primary (Poetry), Batho Batho Primary (Music and Drama) and BM Mokitime (Poster).

The Provincial adjudications will be held on the 3 September 2025 at Civic Centre in Mahikeng. Winners at Provincial Baswa le Meetse Competitions will represent the

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North West Province at the national level and will walk away with R10 000 (position one). Position two prize is R8 000, and position three is R6 000 in all categories. Winners at National level will get R20 000 for position one, R15 000 for position two and R10 000 for position three.

Ms Lerato Mooki, the Provincial programme coordinator, gave the background and purpose of the competition. She also took the opportunity to advise the learners take all the lessons that they were given and practise them to keep their schools green, to save water and protect sanitation. She also emphasised that the lessons learnt should not only be for the competitions, but they should be applied to their everyday life.

Adjudicators were thrilled to see learners demonstrating their skills and have expressed gratitude to the teachers for their hard work in preparing the learners. One of the adjudicators, Mr Tieho Ntja, advised the learners to be more articulate during their performances instead of simply standing and speaking.

A representative from DoE, Ms Mphiwa thanked all principals and teachers of schools that took part in the competitions. "We should bear in mind that such activities are an extension of the curriculum, so we appreciate teachers for the wonderful and exciting job they are doing. The mere fact that you took part in this competition, you are a winner" she said.

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