



## water & sanitation

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Water and Sanitation  
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### MEDIA ADVISORY

#### **Minister Mokonyane to launch the Richards Bay Desalination Plant**

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The Minister of Water and Sanitation, Ms Nomvula Mokonyane, will deliver the keynote address during the launch of the Richards Bay Desalination Plant on Friday, 12 May 2017, at Madlanzini Sports Field in Richards Bay.

This plant in King Cetshwayo District Municipality has been severely affected by the devastating drought, resulting in Goedertrouw Dam being the only source of water in the area while its levels are also depleting sharply. The desalination of seawater was identified as the preferred alternative as it aims to supply adequate drinking water in Richards Bay, it will also be able to supplement the Municipal Water Supply. Richards bay and surrounding communities are to directly benefit from the sea water treated by the Richards Bay Desalination Plant.

Media is invited as follow:

**Date : 12 May 2017**

**Time : 10:00**

**Venue : Mandlanzini Sports Field, Richards Bay**

**End**

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