



## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

Deputy Minister to officially unveil a new sanitation technology at Khanyisani Primary School in Bizana

17 July 2023

The Deputy Minister of Water and Sanitation, Mr David Mahlobo will officiate the launch of a new sanitation technology at Khanyisani Primary School in Lubunde Village in Bizana on Tuesday, 18 July 2023.

This new sanitation technology under the South African Sanitation Technology Enterprise Programme (SASTEP) was initiated by the Water Research Commission (WRC) in conjunction with the Department of Science and Innovation (DSI) and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

The objective of the programme is to accelerate the adoption of next generation sanitation solutions and technologies through promoting local manufacturing, commercialization, and industrialization. The Water Research Commission through SASTEP, has been at the forefront of advancing the adoption of innovation in school sanitation through demonstrating appropriate next generation sanitation technologies in schools.

WRC and Department of Basic Education has entered into a memorandum of agreement to collaborate on initiatives to improve water supply and sanitation services in South African public schools.

Media is invited to attend the event as follows:

Date : 18 July 2023

Venue: Khanyisani Primary School, Lubunde Village

Time: 11:00

For confirmations to attend and cover the event, please contact Andile Tshona on 073 566 3345 or tshonaa@dws.gov.za.

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