

LETTERS

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JUNE 13 marked 100 days since the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic in South Africa.

Since then, we have witnessed the spread of the virus across the length and breadth of South Africa.

To curb the spread of Covid-19, the government supported by provinces and local authorities proactively adopted a swift response by installing water tanks to enable communities to practise good hygiene during and post lockdown period, in particular, the densely populated informal areas.

To date, 10 000 water tanks have been installed across the country, thanks to the partnerships by

Let's preserve water to win war against virus

In a bid to encourage users to safeguard the resource, the government has the advisory below as we wage the war against Covid-19:

- Reduce demand for water.
- Use alternate water sources including recycling, groundwater, etc.
- Close leaking taps and report broken taps and pipes to local authorities.
- Practise physical distancing while accessing water from water tanks.

The benefits of having access to drinking water must be balanced

with the culture of safeguarding this scarce resource. Safeguarding the water resource also means access to improved sanitation and adherence to good hygiene practices. Judging from the current Covid-19 models, it has become clear that Covid-19 will prevail in the next few months.

For this reason we call upon all water users to adopt a new mindset in preserving the water resource. This resource is key in flattening the Covid-19 curve.

Water is life, sanitation is dignity. | MALUSI RAYI DWS Western Cape Communications