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PLANS IN PLACE TO PAY OUTSTANDING STIPENDS

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32 Of the 3000 War on Leaks trainees have not been paid their promised monthly stipend to date. Rand Water and the Department of Water and Sanitation is aware of the lack of payment and is attending to it.

The non- payment of these students comes as a result of Rand Water not receiving correct banking details timorously from the relevant. This then had a negative impact on the confirmation and verification of bank details with the relevant financial institutions.

Due to high levels of fraud in the banking environment, Rand Water follows a stringent verification process. Among many security measures, Rand Water ensures that correct bank account numbers are matched withcorrect identity numbers, as well as correctly spelled name/surname details. Rand Water is in the process of contacting the affected trainees directly in order to highlight the challenges experienced, as well as to inform affected students of the new date of payment.

Students should not be concerned that they will miss out on any stipends that is due to them.

Students are also encouraged to raise their concerns in a responsible manner with lecturers at their respective training centres, who will provide this information to Rand Water. Students can also directly contactDuduzileNgwenyaontelephone 082 304 7526/ 011 724 9618 or email dngwenya@randwater.co.zaregarding any queries on outstanding stipends.

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