

MEDIA STATEMENT

Minister Mchunu welcomes Dr Phillips as the new Director-General

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Minister of Water and Sanitation, Mr Senzo Mchunu has lauded the appointment of Dr Sean Douglas Phillips as the new permanent Director-General at the department.

Minister Mchunu says the appointment of the experienced Dr Phillips has come at an opportune time when the water sector is faced with a myriad of challenges that need knowledgeable administrators with innovative ideas to steer the ship in the right direction, working closely with the political leadership.

“Dr Phillips comes with a wealth of knowledge in the public service, and we believe that he will assist this 6th administration in its resolve to ensure access to clean water and decent sanitation for all in line with our Constitution. We have had our hands dirty since we joined the ship in August and Dr Phillips will complement the work that we do so that we achieve our objectives”, said Minister Mchunu.

In addition, Minister Mchunu remarked that he is hopeful that the stability of the Department and its entities will be realised with a permanent Director-General of the calibre of Dr Phillips and issued an impassioned plea to everyone in the sector to give him all the necessary support.

Dr Phillips, an engineer by profession, has more than 20 years in senior management positions in government with expertise in service delivery improvement, public service governance and administration, infrastructure procurement and delivery management, project and programme management, and operations management amongst others.

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