



MEDIA STATEMENT

Limpopo's dam at satisfactory levels

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The Department of Water and Sanitation's weekly report shows that Limpopo's provincial water storage is at a stable state amid its decrease to 88.1% this week from last week's 88.5.0%. this means that the stored water is currently at 1303.6 cubic metres out of a capacity of 1480.1 cubic metres.

Most of the dams have surpassed their capacity and this is a remarkable improvement from last year when the provincial water storage was at a low of 71.1% during this period.

In Vhembe District, Nandoni Dam supplied by Levhuvhu River, has decreased to 104.6% this week compared to 105.2% last week. The dam was 102.6% full last year at this time. Vondo Dam remains full to capacity with 104.6% this week.

De Hoop Dam in Steelpoort, which supplies the community of Sekhukhune and the local mining industries, also remains at its full capacity at 105.0% this week. Flag Boshielo Dam, is also at its full capacity recording 100.9% this week, albeit a slight decrease from last week's 101.4%. The dam recorded 101.2%. last year at this time.

Ebenezer Dam in Groot Letaba, which supplies majority of the communities around Polokwane, has seen an increase from 73.1% last week to 75.8% this week. A huge improvement from last year when it stood at 25.2% at this time.

Mokolo Dam in Mokolo River remains full at 102.2% this week, a big improvement when it is compared to 67.8% level it was in last year at this time.

Tzaneen Dam which supplies water to farmers for irrigation in the area has seen a decrease from last week's 103.2% to 102.2% this week. This dam was at a very low of 23.9% last year at this time.

Middle Letaba Dam is at a critically low level of 10.9% this week compared to last week's 9.4%. This is still an improvement from when it was sitting at 5.3% last year at this time. Doorndraai Dam in Sterk River which is also at its critically low levels has seen an improvement recording 34.7% this week compared to last week's 34.0%, an improvement compared to when it reached 13.2% last year at this time.

Despite all these satisfying improvements in Limpopo's water levels, the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) still calls on water consumers in the province to continue using water sparingly as water remains a scarce resource.

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