



## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

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### **Water levels remain stable in Lowveld dams**

Water levels in the Lowveld Region of Mpumalanga have remained stable this week despite the expected decline during the dry winter season in the Province and most parts of the country.

The Department of Water and Sanitation's weekly state of reservoirs report issued earlier this week, shows that in the Lowveld, only the Klipkopjes Dam has recorded some improvement, slightly increasing from 99.2% to 99.6% and the Primkop Dam remains unchanged at 100.4%.

On the decline mode, Blyderivierpoort Dam dropped from 100.1% to 99.7%, Buffelskloof Dam from 98.6% to 98.0%, Driekoppies Dam from 100.2% to 100.1%, Longmere Dam from 93.9% to 90.3%, Witklip Dam from 98.3% to 98.2%, Kwena Dam from 100.0% to 99.8%, Da Gama Dam from 98.4% to 97.4%, Inyaka Dam from 84.7% to 84.2% and Ohrigstad Dam from 70.8% to 67.1%.

The drop recorded in some dams of the province is experienced amid the overall decline of provincial water storage capacity of 83.6% this week from 84.1% recorded last week. Meanwhile, water levels in the Water Management Areas (WMA) also continue to drop with the Olifants dropping from 77.0% to 76.5% and the Inkomati-Usuthu dropping from 90.4% to 90.0%.

The Department of Water and Sanitation encourages the public to continue using water wisely and conservatively even though the water levels look stable and the situation is much better than the same period last year.

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