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Rural learners exposed to careers in the water sector

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The Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS), the Inkomati-Usuthu Catchment Management Agency (IUCMA) and the Komati Basin Water Authority (KOBWA) exposed learners of the areas under the Ka Ngomane Traditional Authority to opportunities and careers in the water sector during a career exhibition held at Ka Hhoyi in the rural Nkomazi Local Municipality on 16 August 2019. The exhibition also included other stakeholders such as educational institutions.

The water sector represented by the Department, IUCMA and KOBWA encouraged the learners to consider careers in the water sector to ensure clean potable water to their communities. As Nkomazi is home to one of the critical dams of the Department, Driekoppies Dam, the learners were encouraged to consider careers in that line to take care and manage the dam and ensure water security for the current and future generations.

The Department also encouraged the learners to play a major role in water conservation in their communities and become water ambassadors for water security. They were also urged to protect the water resources from pollution as it negatively affect water quality and the available quantity fit for use by people, livestock and the environment. The IUCMA also exposed the learners to the fields of study relevant to the institution and assisted them to apply for the bursaries available.

In her address, Inkosikati from Ka Ngomane Traditional Authority thanked all the stakeholders for heeding the call and making time to encourage and open the eyes of the rural children to the different careers and fields of study available out there. She encouraged the learners, especially the girl child to take the available opportunities to develop themselves, their families and their communities.

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