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Water Conservation Campaign at Sokhulum Village

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Sokhulum Village, outside Bronkhorstspuit in the City of Tshwane was a hive of activity on Thursday, 08 April 2021 when the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) in Gauteng conducted a door-to-door campaign to raise awareness about water conservation as part of the Water Month celebration.

The campaign done in partnership with the Sokhulum Water and Sanitation Community Forum, took place under the theme for the World Water Day 2021 '*Valuing Water*'. The theme aims to understand how people value water whether it is economically, socially, culturally or in other ways as well as how it plays a role in their lives.

Mr Oscar Bungeni, Chief Development Officer of Water Sector Support at DWS said the campaign was important in the village as there are water supply challenges. He said three out of four sections receive water and the other one depends on a borehole and water tankers for water supply.

Mr Bungeni said the campaign will educate villagers about the importance of saving water, and also understand that water challenges facing their village also affects some parts of the country.

Ms Petunia Nkosi of Water and Sanitation Community Forum in the village said the door-to-door campaign will sensitise the community about the importance of conserving water and using water available to them efficiently and sparingly.

"We are well aware that the country is facing a serious challenge of water shortage and our village is experiencing this situation. Our community needs to understand that water must be used sparingly. We cannot afford to waste available water," said Ms Nkosi.

Ms Nkosi further said water month and the campaign should be used to encourage the community to reflect on the way they relate to water resources, and that they should play their part to save water.

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