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North West Celebrates Global Handwashing day with different activities

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The Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) in North West, joined forces with the Department of Health, including various stakeholders and District and Local Municipalities on a number of activities to commemorate the Global Handwashing Day and food safety campaign from 13 to 21 October 2022.

The first event was held at Delareyville at Tswaing Local Municipality, in Ngaka Modiri Molema District Municipality. Food delivery vehicles and shops were searched for expired food items. The campaign was also taken to Reatlegile Primary School and Lodingile Secondary School. Learners were taught about the good practice of food handling and proper handwashing techniques.

Mr Tieho Ntja from the Department demonstrated seven steps of washing hands with running water and soap. He encouraged learners to adopt a habit of frequently washing hands, especially after touching many objects.

In Bojanala District Municipality, food handlers were targeted with a message of hand hygiene. Food handlers on the National School Nutrition Program (NSNP), community leaders, general caterers, formal food sellers and all food handlers in general were given demonstrations of proper handwashing using water and soap.

The campaign was taken to food hawkers and commuters at the taxi ranks of Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati and Dr Kenneth Kaunda District Municipalities. They were given the same message of hand hygiene and were also encouraged to use water sparingly and to reduce water consumption in their households.

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