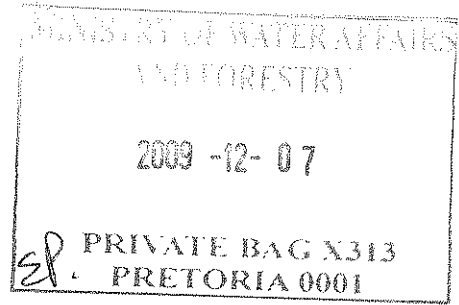




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MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 1813 FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

A draft reply to the above-mentioned question asked by Mrs H N Ndude (Cope), is attached for your consideration, please.

  
DIRECTOR-GENERAL (Acting)

DATE:

7.12.05

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DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED →

  
MS B P SONJICA, MP  
MINISTER OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

DATE:

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1813. **Mrs H N Ndude (Cope) to ask the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs:**

Whether the Government has developed any policies which are now ready for implementation regarding the (a) handling, (b) treatment and (c) recycling of waste water generated by (i) mines, (ii) industries and (iii) households; if not, why not; if so, what is the policy regarding the (aa) dumping of waste water by different users, (bb) use of black water, (c) treatment of waste water and (d) the recycling of waste water?

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**REPLY:**

- (a) Yes. The National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998) and the White Paper on National Water Policy have been developed and are progressively implemented by My Department to ensure proper handling, treatment and recycling of waste water generated by mines, industries and households.
- (i) (a) (b) (c) My Department has developed regulations (i.e. Government Notice No. 704, gazetted 4 June 1999) guiding the handling, treatment and recycling of waste water from the mines.
- (ii) (a) (b) (c) For industries and households, the handling, treatment and recycling of waste water is guided by Government Notice 1191, gazetted 8 October 1999.
- (iii) (a) (b) (c) Refer to (ii) (a) (b) (c)
- (aa) Refer to (i) and (ii) above.
- (bb) Refer to (i) and (ii) above.
- (d) Refer to (i) and (ii) above.

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