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# MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

#### NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION ★179 FOR ORAL REPLY

A draft reply to the above mentioned question asked byMr D Mnguni (ANC) is attached for your consideration.

DIRECTOR-GENERAL (ACTING)

DATE: 27/10/2017

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED

MRS NP MOKONYANE
MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

DATE: 28: 10.17

#### NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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# **★179.** Mr D Mnguni (ANC) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

With reference to the constitutional provisions on water resources management (details furnished), (a) what projects, programmes and/or activities is her department involved in that are geared towards the realisation of this constitutional mandate and (b) where are the specified projects located?

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#### REPLY:

(a) To ensure the realisation of water resource management, the Department undertakes water resource development including strategic planning of water resources, detailed planning of water resource development projects, design and implementation thereof (e.g. Mzimvubu).

The Department also leads the development of regional bulk water and sanitation infrastructure to assist local government for reticulation to communities.

(b) The water resource development projects are located in systems that are currently projected to be in deficit in the short to medium term such as Lesotho Highlands Water project phase 2 for the Vaal River system supplying Gauteng and surrounds; Mkhomazi Water project to augment the uMgeni system which supply eThekwini and surrounds.

The regional bulk water and sanitation infrastructure is mainly implemented in the 27 prioritised district municipalities such as Sekhukhune in Limpopo, O R Tambo in the Eastern Cape, uMkhanyakude in KwaZulu-Natal, and Bojanala in the North West. Further details can be found in the departmental 2017/18 Annual Performance Plan.

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