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#### MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

# NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES: QUESTION ★155 FOR ORAL REPLY

A draft reply to the above mentioned question asked by Ms L C Dlamini (Mpumalanga: ANC) is attached for your consideration.

ACTING DIRECTOR-GENERAL

DATE: 16/04/2018

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED

**NKWINTI GE (MP)** 

MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

DATE: 20/04/2018

#### NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES

## **FOR ORAL REPLY**

### QUESTION NO ★155

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# **★155.** Ms L LZwane (KwaZulu-Natal: ANC)to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

Whether his department has any strategies to collaboratively work with other relevant state institutions and stakeholders in order to avoid any future incidents of pit toilet systems that would negatively affect the rural communities; if not, (a) why not and (b) what are the challenges; if so, what are the relevant details?

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#### REPLY:

The Department as the Sector Leader is responsible for ensuring the coordination of the implementation of Sanitation. Coordination is facilitated through the establishment of a National Sanitation Task Team wherein all the institutions providing sanitation to communities and schools converge to report on their sanitation programmes. Amongst the stakeholders is, Water Research Commission (WRC) which is assisting in recommending innovative and alternative technologies in the industry based on the relevancy, suitability, use and geographically suitability of such.

My Department developed strategies, Norms and Standards in ensuring that all the sanitation facilities are provided adhere to standards and are monitored.