



**MINISTER  
HUMAN SETTLEMENTS, WATER AND SANITATION**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**Mrs E R Wilson (DA) to ask the Minister of Human Settlements, Water and Sanitation:**

With regard to the Nzhelele Water Scheme Project in the Musina Local Municipality, (a) who is the person responsible for the maintenance of the water scheme and (b) what number of kilolitres of water run through the scheme (i) on each day and (ii) in each year?

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**REPLY:**

- a) The Department of Water and Sanitation's Northern Operations: Tzaneen Area Office, is responsible for the maintenance and operations of the Nzhelele Canal System. The cleaning of the canals is one of the main activities that the Tzaneen Area Office has to carry out on a regular basis.
- b)
  - (i) The average of raw water released through the canal system every 5 days or in a 120 hour cycle is 3946 m<sup>3</sup> per hour.
  - (ii) The Nzhelele Irrigation Scheme has a total scheduled quota of 24.49 million m<sup>3</sup>/annum, at 8400 Cubic Metres per hectare annually scheduled allocation.