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### MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

# NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES: QUESTION 426 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

A draft reply to the above mentioned question asked by Ms B T Mathevula (Limpopo: EFF) is attached for your consideration.

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MS DEBORAH MOCHOTLHI ACTING DIRECTOR-GENERAL DATE: 11/09 10001

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MR SENZO MCHUNU, MP

MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

DATE: 80/11/2021

## **NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES**

## FOR WRITTEN REPLY

## **QUESTION NO 426**

## (INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO. 27)

# 426. Ms B T Mathevula (Limpopo: EFF) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

What actions is he taking to address the shortage of water in villages around Giyani, Limpopo?

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#### MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

The Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) is currently implementing the bulk water services project to address water supply challenges in 55 villages in Giyani. The project includes the construction of 8 bulk pipelines with a total length of 325km in to 55 villages. The current overall progress of the project is at 48%. It is envisaged that it will be completed and commissioned by end of March 2023.

However, it should be noted that the impact of the project will be realised progressively during the implementation as the pipelines should practically be completed and delivering bulk water to the service reservoirs in the villages from October 2021.

There are currently two pipelines that are are delivering bulk water to service reservoirs in the town of Giyani and the following four villages: Thomo, Mninginisi Block 2, Mhlava and Muyexe. An estimated 11081 households are benefiting from these pipelines.

The Mopani District Municipality has a mandate to ensure availability of functional reticulation to all the villages for distribution of bulk water from the service reservoirs to the households once bulk distribution is completed.

The DWS is supporting the Municipality through the Water Services Infrastructure Grant (WSIG) to augment other funding that the municipality is allocated to address water services infrastructure needs, including the reticulation. For this purpose, the department has allocated R42 million for 2021/22 and a further R162 million will be allocated over the MTEF period.

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