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FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO 684

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684. Mr S Zandamela (Mpumalanga: EFF) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

What plans are in place to solve the water crisis of the community of Hluvukane, in the Bushbuckridge Municipality in Mpumalanga and the surrounding areas where water shortages are being experienced?

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The Bushbuckridge Local Municipality (BLM) developed water supply reticulation plans in 2017-2018 and is currently implementing reticulation projects to ensure that all communities have access to water at either household level or from communal standpipes.

To support the roll out of water infrastructure projects, the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) is providing financial support to the municipality. Financial assistance provided to the municipality by the DWS for the 2019-2022 MTEF is as follows:

- R230 million through the Water Services Infrastructure Grant
- R230 million through the Regional Bulk Infrastructure Grant

The funding is meant to supply water to all villages including the Welverdiend, Hluvukani, Tshembanenge within the municipality to augment other municipal capital funding streams and accelerate the eradication of water supply backlogs.

These allocations will also provide for yard connections in different villages around Bushbuckridge Local municipality including Arthurstone, Casteel, Mkhuhlu through the Inyaka Water Treatment Works (WTW). The 100 Ml Inyaka WTW has four transfer pipelines comprising of the following:

- Acornhoek bulk pipeline supplying water to Arthur City, Casteel and Acornhoek communities which include Welverdiend, Hluvukani, Tshembanenge.
- Shagaanhill/ Maviljan Bulk Pipeline supplying water to Shangaanhill and Maviljan communities; as well as Bushbuckridge CBD including Mapulaneng hospital and Mapulaneng College.
- Marite bulk pipeline supply water to Mariti, Tsakani and Goroman communities.
- Thulamahashe/ Ludlow Bulk Pipeline supplying water to Ka-Nxumalo, Dwarsloop, MP Stream communities.

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MS DEBORAH MOCHOTLHI ACTING DIRECTOR-GENERAL DATE: \ 5 - \ 2 - 2021

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MR/SENZO MCHUNU, MP

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