



## water & sanitation

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### MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

### NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES: QUESTION 315 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

A draft reply to the above mentioned question asked by Ms H S Boshoff (Mpumalanga: DA) is attached for your consideration.

DRAFT REPLY: RECOMMENDED/ NOT RECOMMENDED/ AMENDED

**MS DEBORAH MOCHOTLHI**  
**ACTING DIRECTOR-GENERAL**

DATE: 23-08-2021

DRAFT REPLY: APPROVED/ NOT APPROVED/ AMENDED

**MR SENZO MCHUNU, MP**  
**MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION**

DATE: 06/09/2021

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO 315**

**(INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO. 19)**

**315. Ms H S Boshoff (Mpumalanga: DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

- (1) Whether, with reference to her reply to Question 665 on 9 October 2020, the (a) Thaba Chweu Local Municipality has commenced with the drilling of 25 boreholes and (b) the provincial Department has commenced with the drilling of 34 additional boreholes; if not, why not; if so, (i) how many have been drilled, (ii) where and (iii) when can completion be expected in each case;
- (2) whether she will follow-up on this issue; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?  
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**MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION:**

- (1) The Thaba Chweu Local Municipality has commenced with the drilling of 25 boreholes. The value of the project is R8 860 126,42 and the project is expected to be completed in December 2021. The project comprises of two phases, as follows:
  - Phase 1: 12 boreholes were drilled by end of June 2021
  - Phase 2: 13 boreholes to be drilled, the process commenced in July 2021.

The Provincial Department of Human Settlements together with the Thaba Chweu Local Municipality, appointed three service providers in January 2021 for the drilling of the additional 34 additional boreholes.

To date, 29 boreholes have already been drilled. Out of the 29 boreholes, only ten have been equipped and completed.

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