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QUESTION NO 809

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809. Mr L J Basson (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

- (1) In light of the Nooitgedacht Low Level Water Scheme delivering water to Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality, (a) by what date will his department complete it, (b) how much water will be delivered to the specified municipality, (c) by what date will maximum delivery take place and (d) what amount will be the completion cost to his department.
- (2) whether his department has any plans for further phases on Nooitgedacht Low Level Water Scheme; if not, why not; if so, (a) on what date and (b) what are the relevant details?

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- The expected date of completion for the Nooitgedagt Coega Low Level Scheme (CLLS) project is end of July 2022.
 - b) Upon completion of the project, an additional amount of 70Ml/day will be delivered to NMBM which will take the total amount to 210 Ml/day.
 - c) It is anticipated that the delivery of water will commence around end of March 2022.
 - d) The total cost to completion is estimated at R 534 million.
- 2) The Department of Water and Sanitation is currently implementing the Algoa Reconciliation Strategy where all possible augmentation schemes are investigated to determine which will be the next most viable scheme to augment the water supply to NMBM. Further extension of the Nooitgedagt Water Scheme forms part of the study.

Other options that are being investigated by the department are:

- Sea Water Reverse Osmosis,
- Wastewater Reclamation,
- Groundwater and Water Conservation and Demand Management.

The NMBM indicated that water losses in the Metro are still very high. The department is of the opinion that the Metro should focus on reducing water losses considerably before other options are explored.

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