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QUESTION NO 219

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219. Mr T J Brauteseth (KwaZulu-Natal: DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation. (Interdepartmental transfer – 22/04)

Whether his department will assist the Ugu District Municipality in order to resolve the water crisis as it has grave human rights implications; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details?

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MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

Following the recent flooding that destroyed essential water and sanitation infrastructure in the KwaZulu Natal province and the declaration of the State of Disaster in the province; the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) is providing assistance to the Ugu District Municipality in collaboration with other stakeholders in the KwaZulu Natal Provincial Government.

The DWS is an active participant of the WAR Room that is coordinating interventions to assist the municipality with the following:

a. Procurement of the services of 20 water tankers to provide water where services have been disrupted

- b. Availing of engineering services to repair or replace essential water and sanitation services infrastructure so that full water production and supply is returned to normal
- c. Assisting Ugu DM to apply for disaster relief funding from National Government

Grant funding allocated to the Ugu DM through the Water Services Infrastructure Grant (WSIG) for implementation of water infrastructure projects for the 2022/23 and 2023/24 financial years is R130 000 000.

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DRAFT REPLY: RECOMMENDED/ NOT RECOMMENDED/ AMENDED

DR SEAN/PHILLIPS
DIRECTOR-GENERAL
DATE: 1/4/11

DRAFT REPLY: APPROVED/ NOT APPROVED/ AMENDED

MR SÉNZO MCHUNU, MP

MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

4/05/2022

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