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NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES

FOR WRITTEN REPLY

QUESTION NO 210

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

(a) What interventions have been made to address water shortages in Ward 25, Daniel Rabalela Village in Giyani in the Mopani District Municipality in Limpopo and (b) what are the relevant details in this regard?

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MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

Mopani District Municipality (DM) is the Water Service Authority (WSA) in its area of jurisdiction comprising five local municipalities namely Greater Tzaneen, Ba-Phalaborwa, Greater Letaba, Maruleng and Greater Giyani. The district area has been experiencing water shortages due to various reasons including:

- Raw Water Shortages (low level dams)
- · Dilapidated and aging infrastructure
- Growing communities

Mopani DM is appointed as implementing agent for Regional Bulk Infrastructure Grant (RBIG) and Water SIG schedule 6B by the Department of Water and Sanitation. The municipality also receives WSIG funding under schedule 5B. The municipality utilizes these grants to provide short- and long-term water provision interventions. The municipality also receives Municipal Infrastructure Grant (MIG) from Department of Cooperative Governance (DCoG) which is primarily used for their water and sanitation projects.

Water Provisioning Status and Backlogs in Mopani

| LOCAL MUNICIPALITY | NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS PER MUNICIPALITY | | | | | |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------|--------------|
| | Ba- Phalaborwa | Greater Giyani | Greater Letaba | Greater Tzaneen | Maruleng | Mopani DM |
| Total No. of HH | 41 115 | 63 548 | 58 261 | 108 925 | 24 469 | 296 320 |
| HH with access | 39 889 | 54 003 | 52 838 | 82 552 | 20 101 | 249 384 |
| HH without access | 1 226 | 9 545 | 5 423 | 26 373 | 4 368 | 46 935 |
| % Backlog | 2.98% | 15.02% | 9.31% | 24.21% | 17.85% | 16% |
| % HH with access | 97.02% | 84.98% | 90.69% | 75.79% | 82.15% | 84% |

The reticulation of 55 villages to be supplied water from Giyani Water Treatment Works is one of the DWS Minister's Priority Projects and is receiving urgent attention from DWS. The project is implemented in Phases. The scope for Phase 1 entails reticulation and connection of households in 24 villages and is expected to be completed by 31 March 2024. Daniel Rabalela village is included in Phase 2 of the remaining 31 villages for which funding is still to be finalised once Mopani DM submits Business Plans to DWS.

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