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## DWS INTERVENS TO BRING WATER AND SANITATION RELIEF TO TSWAING LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

The Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) deployed 20 water tanks with a capacity of 1800 litres to Tswaing Local Municipality in a bid to address the dire water and sanitation situation in the Sannieshof and Delareyville area.

The intervention comes in the wake of an assessment conducted by DWS engineers which revealed unacceptable state of water and sanitation infrastructure in the municipality which warranted an urgent intervention.

According to the assessment report, water shortages are caused by lack of proper water infrastructure networks, malfunctioning boreholes, vandalised pump stationa and theft of electrical cables at the pump stations which resulted in electricity being cut off leaving most of the areas with no water.

DWS had to intervene through the Municipal Water Infrastructure Grant (MWIG) and appointed Sedibeng Water to address the water backlog in Tswaing Local Municipality by rehabilitating existing boreholes and drilling news ones to augment water supply to the communities. The Department is also refurbishing critical components of the Waste Water Treatment Plant which is currently not functional.

Moreover, there is a proposal for the Tswaing local municipality to extend the water augmentation from the Maquassi Hills Local Municipality to address the current water deficit especially in the Letsopa, Sannishof, Agisanang, and Ottosdal areas.

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