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## DWS aims to play a part in reducing unemployment

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The Minister of the Department of Water and Sanitation, Ms Nomvula Mokonyane, expressed her concern over the high rate of unemployment in South Africa.

During a brief media interaction after the Women in Water Awards Ceremony held in Rustenburg, Mokonyane revealed that part of her vision is for the Department of Water and Sanitation to contribute more in curbing the unemployment rate in South Africa.

Mokonyane revealed that there are plans in place for the Department to make means and assist in the creation of new industries towards opening job opportunities for unemployed South Africa citizens.

She added that programmes such as Women in Water projects are not only essential for water conservation but are also the Department's way of providing employment to communities as it targets women who are unemployed. Women involved in these projects receive stipends at the end of the month. This initiative makes a difference in the lives of not just women but their immediate families, too.

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