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Give needed support to municipalities - Minister Mokonyane

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Department of Water and Sanitation's (DWS) Minister Nomvula Mokonyane called on all stakeholders to support local government structures to be able to function fruitfully.

Minister Mokonyane made these comments during the celebrations of the Women in Water Awards held last week Friday, 22 August 2014 at the Olympia Park Stadium in Rustenburg.

She said the great support and assistance afforded to the Local Government not only aids public service delivery but also forms an integral part of National Water Management and Conservation process that plays a vital role in ensuring public protection of Water resources.

Minister Mokonyane said that DWS aims to assist local government in maintaining and reviving their aging water infrastructures and has various programmes and projects awaiting implementation with some already underway.

The Minister also mentioned that DWS plans to take the issue of constant Monitoring and evaluation at the Local Government sphere in a serious light as a way to assess the success and gaps in program implementation to ensure transparency and a speedy service delivery.

She further said that many of these programmes will focus on engagement with the community in educating them about the significance of using water sparingly. The process will also ensure that residents take care of water resources and infrastructure, adding that both the Government and communities share the responsibility of water management.

The Minister emphasised that the DWS is set on taking action in fighting water woes across the country and getting involved with the communities through the Local Government is taking action.

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