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"Best drought interventions don't require money but behavioural change"- Minister Mokonyane

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In a bid to urge residents to conserve water, Minister Nomvula Mokonyane told all those present during a Drought Inter-ministerial Task Team media briefing that the best and most effective interventions don't require money but behavioural changes. The briefing held in parliament, today, 08 September 2016 had Minister Mokonyane sharing a few tips on how residents can take action in counterattacking the effects of drought instead of waiting on monetary interventions.

"A simple adjustment to your everyday tasks that require use of water can go a long way. Wiping your face with wet wipes instead of washing with running water, taking shorter showers and also the use of grey water", said Mokonyane.

She also revealed to a shocked audience that an average South Africa is reported to uses 280 litres of water compared to world's 160 litres. "This stat alone shows that we can achieve a lot if we put our minds to it", she said.

South African has been experiencing the infamous drought for a while, with dam levels declining and this has seen the Department of Water and Sanitation resort to drastic measures, such as water restrictions, to mitigate its effects.

Today's media briefing was organised to update the public on the status of drought across the country and the interventions to date.

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