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Let s localise solutions for inclusive economic growth

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Speaking at the World Water Week Minister Nomvula Mokonyane said “we need to involve the end user in the value chain to make sure the impact is significant”.

Minister Mokonyane was in a session of the High Level Panel on 2030 Global Water Architecture and reiterated the importance of localising solutions that are meant to give birth to economic growth through fostering participation and simplifying the water language so that it is understandable to the benefactor.

Minister Mokonyane said, “The solutions need to be localised, by ensuring that we don’t only transfer every solution and bring it into a community, municipality or provincial government office, but you start to work with everyone so that people can embrace and contribute to economic growth; and that growth has to be inclusive because if it is not, then it has no significance to those that you seek to assist.”

Water for sustainable development should be a process where the end user is involved, consulted with and made to see the importance of the water project that will bring forth economic growth and thus foster contribution from the community.

“We need a hybrid that must put the human face into what we are doing so that there can be an impact of every economic activity that we get involved in, so that it is not only a self-satisfying intervention. The intervention should give impact to the villagers, to the girls and also make a significant impact to a woman,” added Minister Mokonyane.

Participation and therefore inclusive economic growth should foster a shift in the water sector and ensure that the end users are the owners, leaders and stewards of this process because if the end user is not involved in the value chain the impact then becomes insignificant.

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