



water & sanitation

Department:
Water and Sanitation
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

INTERNET ARTICLE

The budget speech to lay out future plans on infrastructure development

21 May 2015

Minister of Water and Sanitation Nomvula Mokonyane revealed that her budget vote which will be tabled this afternoon will highlight the various projects that the Department has in the pipeline to focus on water and sanitation infrastructure in the country.

Minister shared this with various media houses present during a shared media briefing with Deputy Minister Pamela Tshwete that was held this morning in Parliament, Cape Town.

“We have allocated resources for the planning and design of numerous proposed new water supply schemes and sanitation plants”

She said this includes projects such as the Groot Letaba River Water Development Project which involves the construction of the Nwamitwa Dam which will benefit approximately 425,000 people and also the building of the Sedibeng Regional Sewer Scheme for which construction has already commenced.

“This is to ensure that people of South Africa enjoy water security and water supply that is reliable and sustainable”.

According to the Minister, the Department will also introduce a comprehensive water plan for South Africa which will assist in managing and planning for water and sanitation through innovative means and use of alternative technologies.

Minister Mokonyane went on to say that the Department plans to transform current approaches to sanitation and shift them from the utilisation of drinking water to dispose of human waste by introducing new alternative sanitation solutions.

Minister Mokonyane delivers the budget vote at 2pm this afternoon in Parliament.

Maduvha Maseda