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Water has no substitute - NWW 2015

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Water has no substitute: *this is the National Water Week (NWW) theme for the year 2015. The key message is, what if this was the last drop? DWS will, this year, once again run with its legendary and one of the most significant campaigns, the National Water Week. Always known for creating hype around awareness and on issues surrounding water across the country, this year's NWW will take place from 16 - 22 March 2015. The whole month of March will however be dedicated to water awareness.*

Through this year's campaign, DWS seeks to remind the nation how essential and precious water is by showing them that there is no alternative for water. If the resource is not appreciated and used responsibly, there could be disastrous consequences. However, and most importantly, the campaign will highlight the importance of working together as a nation towards conserving water to ensure better access to clean water by all South Africans.

During the NWW, Minister Nomvula Mokonyane and Deputy Minister Pamela Tshwete will launch various water supply related projects. The projects will, amongst others, include the handing over of iMvutshane Dam at the iLembe District Municipality in KwaZulu-Natal (KZN) as well as the handing over of 7 houses, a sports field and the community gardens to the community. Various water conservation projects such as the War on Leaks and Adopt a River will be launched across the country as a way to educate the public on ways to save and protect water resources.

This year's NWW comes at a time when some parts of the country are experiencing drought; in particular the province of KZN. Some of the department's activities will focus on alleviating the water scarcity in that province.

NWW is a flagship campaign of the department which takes place every year in March. Its purpose is to bring the nation's focus on water conservation related matters across the country. As a water sector leader, the department spearheads and coordinates a nationwide awareness campaign around water and sanitation delivery issues.

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