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VILLAGERS REJOICE AS WATER IS RESTORED IN MOHLABA AREA



Residents of Sasekani village fetching water from the communal taps



Patrick Khumalo, a ward 24 committee member responsible for water services with Amos Silinda, a safety officer for Diges Group at the Sasekani Plant.

hirsty residents of Mohlaba area in the Greater Tzaneen Municipality say they are relieved that Mopani District Municipality has managed to restore water supply in their area after many years of living without potable water.

About 24 villages have been without water for years due to illegal connections on the main bulk line. The Executive Mayor of Mopani District Municipality Councillor Nkakareng Rakgoale intervened to ensure the electrification of the newly built booster pump station.

The booster pump station which has a capacity of pumping one million litres a day started pumping water on the 19th of April, much to the delight of residents of villages in the area. The booster pump station will assist in taking water to villages as far as Seedan in ward 25.

Mopani District Municipality's Director for Technical Services Paradise Shilowa says technicians will remain on the ground to ensure that all the stand pipes and pipelines that were vandalized are fixed to stop water leaks.

"We have some stand pipes and pipelines that were vandalized by criminals over the past few years, but our technicians are currently fixing them to stop the leaks as we are losing a lot of water. Our dedicated team is working tirelessly to ensure that there is adequate supply of water within our district municipal areas," said Shilowa.

Villages that are currently benefiting include Mohlaba, Sasekani and Petanenge. Meanwhile,

other technicians are working around the clock to ensure that water reaches the communities of Zanghoma and surrounding areas.

Elizabeth Mathebula from JB village says the community is overjoyed to finally have water. "We are happy that prayers have been answered. We now have clean water nearer to where we stay. Even if we are not to get water every day, as long as we are told when to expect it – its fine."



SITHOLE HOUSE AT MAGEVA NEARING COMPLETION



Community volunteers busy with plastering work at Sithole family house at Mageva village

The construction of the house for Sithole family at Mageva village in the Greater Giyani Municipality is nearing completion. Executive Mayor of Mopani District Municipality pledged to build the house for the family in March this year. The 26 child-headed family are forced to be cramped in two mud houses and another poorly built structure.



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