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#### **Five schools to represent Limpopo in National Baswa le Meetsi competition**

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The Department of Water and Sanitation held the Baswa le Meetsi competition on Friday, 11 May 2018 at the Kwena Moloto MASTECH College in Seshego. The primary school learners conveyed water and sanitation messages through in five categories, namely: music, drama, praise poetry, poetry and poster. The competition is part of the 2020 Vision for Water and Sanitation Education Programme (2020 VFWSEP).

2020 VFWSEP was initiated in 1996 with the aim to strengthen awareness on integrated water resource management. Learners are identified as the target group for the programme based on the fact that you “Educate a child to educate the nation”. Through this programme the Department of Water and Sanitation aims to cultivate water saving culture hoping to ultimately change the mind-set, attitudes and behaviours of water users for a sustainable water resource management across the country.

After all the schools showcased their talents, the judges agreed that the winners who will represent the province in the national competition in Pretoria are as follows:

1. For Music is Marota Primary School
2. For Drama is Diphuti Primary School
3. For Praise Poetry is Lepelle Primary School
4. For Poetry is Mamolobe Primary School
5. For Posters is Thabani Primary School

Speaking after the results were announced, the Programme Manager for the 2020 Vision programme, Ms Mokgadi Manamela, urged the losing schools to keep their heads up and rectify their mistakes.

“To all the schools who did not make it to the top five, I encourage you to go back and rectify your mistakes that the judges identified and comeback next year to compete again. To the winners, all you need to know is that the real work begins now, as you will be competing with the best from different provinces. All you need to do is to start now with the preparations and listen to your mentors in order for you to succeed”, concluded Ms Manamela.

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