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Team Mpumalanga grabs second and third positions in Baswa Le Meetse national competitions

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Two schools from the Mpumalanga Province received top 3 positions in the Baswa Le Meetse national adjudications that took place during the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) annual Youth Summit that took place in Johannesburg from 25 to 26 June 2018.

Somcuba Primary School from Msogwaba in the City of Mbombela Local Municipality took the R15 000.00 second prize in the music category and Jongilanga Primary from Kildare B in the Bushbuckridge Local Municipality took the R10 000.00 third prize in the poster category.

Baswa Le Meetse is a project under the 2020 Vision for Water Education Programme targeting Grade 6 learners in Primary School. The learners participate in art forms as a way of educating one another about water use efficiency and taking care and protecting the water resources. The art forms where the learners compete include drama, music, poetry, praise singing and posters.

Cliff Mhlanga from Jongilanga Primary School that won the third prize was so excited to participate in the competition.



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“I am so happy to have attained position three. It is nice here and I thank the Department for the competition which has exposed me to Johannesburg. I will encourage my fellow learners in my area to participate and take this competition serious so they can also see and enjoy the nice things in life. I also want to thank my teacher, Mr Makamu for the guidance and support he gave me in this competition”, he said.

Sandile Madonsela from Somcuba Primary also expressed his joy to have participated in the competition and especially for the second prize.

“We prepared hard for the competition and I am very much grateful to our educator, Mr Mavuso for his support and all this experience. As part of our preparations, we went to clean the Mluti River. This exercise was important to understand the importance of keeping our rivers clean and to see what people are doing to make our rivers dirty. Other learners must participate in this competition to be exposed to new cultures and friends from other provinces. Let us take care of our rivers and use water wisely and conservatively. Always take care of the toilets to prevent the spread of diseases”, he stated.

Themba Khoza