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Heat wave contribute to rivers and dam levels dropping in North West

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Dam levels in the North West reflect a decrease from 75.8% last week to 76.9% this week. The levels appear to be going down on daily basis thus justifying both behavioural changes in water use and demand management. By both water users either, using water for industrial purpose or domestic purpose.

According to the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) dam level daily monitoring report from Monday, 06 November 2017. Major dam levels are decreasing instead of increasing raising a concern to both (DWS) and Water Service Providers (WSPs) in the country generally.

DWS urge water users to continue using water cautiously as we currently experiencing heat-wave putting more strains on water resources on daily basis, because every drop counts. To mitigate high level of water demand residents and industries should adhere and bear in mind that water restrictions in certain Municipalities in the Province will continue being implemented until dam levels are acceptable.

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