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## MEDIA STATEMENT

### Department of Water and Sanitation wants more women in the water sector

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The Department of Water and Sanitation in KwaZulu-Natal (DWS KZN) will visit Unobhala High School in UMgungundlovu District Municipality to empower female learners about careers in the water and sanitation sector on Tuesday, 20 August 2019.

The visit is part of Women's Month activities aimed at Grade 9, 10 and 11 learners to prepare and assist them in their career choices in the fields of Hydrology, Environmental Science, Engineering, and Analytical Chemistry amongst others.

The Department seeks to address the injustices of the past that propelled men into lucrative careers in the water sector while women were only considered for lesser demanding jobs and fetchers of water.

Senior officials in the above mentioned career fields will be dispatched to the school where they are expected to make presentations and share their own experiences about ins and outs of the water and sanitation sector.

Furthermore, the learners will be afforded an opportunity to engage the officials and ask questions about their areas of interest.

Other High Schools that will be visited include EKwaluseni High School in Bergville within UThukela District Municipality and Sibuyile Secondary School in UGu District Municipality.

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