



MEDIA STATEMENT

Gauteng residents urged to save water during Mandela Month

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The 14 dams which form part of the Integrated Vaal River System (IVRS) are currently at 93.9%. This indicates a slight decline compared to the same period last year when the levels stood at 100.2%.

Although the levels of dams in Gauteng are in a healthy state, there still is a need for water consumers to keep on reducing their water usage to a bare minimum.

It is vitally important for water consumers to realise that they have a role to play in ensuring that dams do not deplete so as to threaten the water supply of the province.

This week's dams levels are as follows:

- The Bon Accord Dam is at 101.8%.
- The Bronkhorstspruit Dam at 86.7%,
- The Rietvlei Dam at 99.7%,
- The Roodeplaat Dam at 98.8,
- The Klipdrift Dam at 101.8%.

As we celebrate Nelson Mandela Month in July, water users are urged to heed his advice that water is at the heart of economic, social development of the country and cannot be taken for granted.

Thus, Gauteng water users are called on to desist from pollution of water as this has an impact on water quality and the enviornment.

Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) in Gauteng is therefore calling on all residents to dedicate their 67 minutes for goodwill towards cleaning up rivers, streams, wetlands, dams, canals and any freshwater source.

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