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MEDIA STATEMENT

Minister Lindiwe Sisulu calls for a 7 day shift for DWS officials

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When she tabled her Budget Vote Speech, Vote No. 36, on 16 July 2019, Minister of Human Settlements, Water and Sanitation Lindiwe Sisulu made a commitment to turn the Department of Water and Sanitation around and take it to its former glory days.

Minister Sisulu said she is working on stabilising the Department especially at the level of Top Management. In this regard, she has deployed the DG of Human Settlements, Mbulelo Tshangana, to act as DG of Water and Sanitation. Minister Sisulu said her priority is to instil confidence among the officials and boost their morale.

Minister Sisulu has taken the issue of service delivery very seriously and has called on officials to be ready to operate on a seven day shift mentality for a period of time. This would include seeing various branches and units extending their working commitments for periods including weekends.

Minister Sisulu has assured the public that there will be solutions within the DWS. She said the solutions would emanate from the Department itself. "We cannot continue bemoaning our plight. We have to provide solutions and to also provide guidance and support where needed. There is hope that we can sort out this sector", she said.

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