MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 243 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

A draft reply to the above mentioned question asked by Mr P G Moteka (EFF) is attached for your consideration.

DIRECTOR-GENERAL

DATE: 01/03/2017

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED

MRS NP MOKONYANE
MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

DATE: 02.03.17
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243. Mr P G Moteka (EFF) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

With regard to the community of Mamone in Ward 21 and 20 in the Makhuduthamaga Local Municipality in Limpopo, which has not had water in their taps since August 2016, (a) why does the specified community not have water and (b) by what date will she ensure that there will be water in the taps of this community?

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REPLY:

(a) Mamone Ward 20 and 21 in Makhuduthamaga does not have water since January 2017 and not since August 2016 as it is reported. This is due to three boreholes with two that are not functioning. The two boreholes are not functional due to operations and maintenance issues. One borehole’s pipes have collapsed and submerged and need to be fished and replaced back, whereas the other borehole’s submersible pump motor was burnt during drought as the water flow yields were low. The third borehole that is functional is not yielding enough flow as a result not everyone is able to get water and the community that is able to get water; they only get it once a week.

(b) The Sekhukhune District Municipality (SDM) as the Water Services Authority (WSA) has engaged into a procurement process to secure the replacement of equipments to get the boreholes functioning again. With the procurement process to replace all equipments, the boreholes will be functional by end of March 2017.

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