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DWS committed to funding bursaries for future scientists and engineers in water sector

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2019 started with a bang as aspirant students rushed to register with higher learning institutions of their choices to provide for their careers that will change and shape their future that will build a better South Africa.

As the main sector, the Department of Water and Sanitation continues to fund well deserving future scientist and engineers within the water sector with bursaries nationally. This clarion call for funding learners using bursary scheme is made to fill the crucial gap of skills shortages in engineering and science water sector.

The Department awarded bursaries to students who applied to study water related careers. Apart from applications for bursary scheme, learners also got their bursaries through educational programmes within the Department under 2020 Vision programs that starts from provincial to national competitions. The competitions are a platform where learners scoop bursaries and money as consolation prizes amongst others.

Nokwanda Mohalaroe a student at Beacon Secondary in Qwa-Qwa, Free State, is one of the many learners who got her bursary by participating in a public speaking competition that was hosted by the Department of Water and Sanitation. She is currently registered with (CUT) Central University of Technology in Mangaung Bloemfontein, studying Civil Engineering.

“I am grateful to the Department of Water and Sanitation for awarding me the bursary to further my studies at Central University of Technology in Bloem, coming all the way from Qwa-Qwa to the City of Roses using education as a ticket to a brighter future. When I complete my studies I will contribute immensely in securing our stretched water resources’ for future generation as we know water has no substitution”, said Mohalaroe.

The Department sponsors more than 200 bursaries across the country sourced from various external advertisements and winners from SA Youth Water Prize, Aqua Enduro, and Public Speaking competitions. On completion of their studies students are recruited as (GT) Graduate Trainees by (DWS).

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