



## water & sanitation

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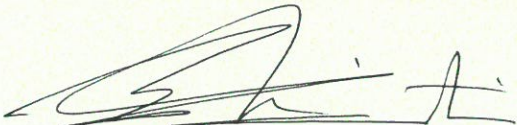
**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF PROVINCES: QUESTION ★154 FOR ORAL REPLY**

A draft reply to the above mentioned question asked by Ms T K Mampuru (Limpopo: ANC) is attached for your consideration.

  
**ACTING DIRECTOR-GENERAL**

DATE: 16/04/2018

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/~~AMENDED~~



**NKWINTI GE (MP)  
MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION**

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FOR ORAL REPLY

QUESTION NO ★154

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(INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO.13)

★ 154. Ms T K Mampuru (Limpopo: ANC) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:

- (a) What progress has been made in the eradication of the bucket and pit toilet systems in the townships and rural villages (details furnished) and (b) what are the time frames for the total eradication of the said systems? CO267E

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**REPLY:**

- (a) Since the inception in the year 2013, My Department has eradicated 36 611 buckets in formal settlements of the Northern Cape, North West, Free State and Eastern Cape.

Province	Number of completed toilets	No of incomplete toilets	Date for completion
Free State	21999	11 936	March 2019
North West	596	-	-
Northern Cape	7883	3 702	March 2019
Eastern Cape	6133	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36 611</b>	<b>15 638</b>	-

Through the Water Services Infrastructure Grant (WSIG), my Department has since 2013, replaced 100 095 pit latrines with Ventilated Improved Pits (VIPs) in rural households.

- (b) My Department will continue to replace VIPs beyond 2018 while the implementation of Bucket Eradication Programme will come to an end in the 2018/19 financial year.

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**Additional Information in case of follow questions “on toilets not flushing”**

My department started with internal bulk in some areas without regional bulk infrastructure.

Bucket Eradication Programme intended to focus on the installation of internal services with an understanding that since the affected areas with buckets as a form of sanitation are in FORMALISED settlements the new infrastructure will assume a “plug and play” into the existing infrastructure. A number of projects started without detailed feasibility studies and engineering designs therefore the need for bulk infrastructure was only confirmed later when the designs were finalised and approved.

My Department has allocated budget to address bulk infrastructure related to Bucket Eradication Projects in the 2018/19 Financial Year to enable the flushing of settlements requiring such once the bulk infrastructure is completed.