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Asibambisaneni bonyana songe amanzi

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maSewula Afrika akhonjelwe godu ukusebenzisa amanzi ngokonga. Ibizelo leli lenziwe siqhema sabongqongqotjhe ukuqalana nokutlhayela kwamanzi nesomiso esidoswa phambili nguNgqongqotjhe wezokuBusa ngokuBambisana nezeNdabuko (i-Cogta), u-Pravin Gordhan.

Ikomiti yabongqongqotjhe (i-IMC) le, ehlonywe minyango yezaManzi nezokuHlwengisa, wezeLimo, amaHlathi nezeenHlabi, wokuThuthukisa iiNdawo zemaKhaya nokuBuyekezwa kweNarha; kunye ne-Cogta, iyelelise bonyana iSewula Afrika ililizwe elitlhayelelwa mamanzi.

Ukuya ngokukaNgqongqotjhe u-Gordhan, i-Cogta itlolele boke abomeyara ngelizweni ukuthatha amagadango ahlukileko ekuqalaneni nobujamo lobu.

Lokhu kufaka hlangana umhlahlandlela wezomNyango wezaManzi nezokuHlwengisa mayelana nokwethula imithetjhwana yokuvalwa kwamanzi namanye amagadango wokulawula ubujamo lobu; ukutjhejisisa bonyana imithetjhwana yokuvalwa kwamanzi iyathotjelwa nokuhlawulisa nakunesidingo; ukutjhejaqangi ukulungiswa komthangalasisekelo ngokuvuza kwamanzi, nokuphunyeleliswa kwetheknoloji eyonga amanzi njengeengujana ezongako zamanzi wendlwana, ukubekelelwa kwamanzi wezulu



Urhulumende wenze ibizelo kiwo woke amaSewula Afrika ukusebenzisa amanzi ngokutlhogomela.

nokusezela ngamanzi asele asetjenzisiwe.

UNgqongqotjhe uGordhan wathi, "uRhulumende utshwenyekile ngomthelela wokutlhayela kwamanzi nesomiso emiphakathini yethu, khulukhulu emizini, iimbhedlela neenkolweni. Kubiza thina soke ngelizweni ukuqalana nobujamo lobu ngokuzimisela okukhulu."

 $Ukutlhayela\,kwa manzi\,kubangelwa\,kuragela$ phambili kwezinga elingaphasi lezulu elinako, okwenzeke nakuthoma unyaka wee-2015 begodu kubangele isomiso ngelizweni. Izulu elina kancani libangelwa yi-El Niño, ubujamo bezulu ephasini obuqotha umrwhamuko ngesifundeni esingesewula ye-Sahara.

Ukuya ngokweZiko lezobuJamo beZulu leSewula Afrika, ubujamo bezulu obomileko buzokuragela phambili bekube sekupheleni konyaka lo bekufike uNtaka wonyaka wee-2016, okusikhathi lapho ilizwe lifumana izulu ngobunengi.

UNgqongqotjhe u-Gordhan wathi, "Sililizwe

lama-30 elomileko ephasini. Ukutlhayela kwamanzi kuyinto eyikinga khulu eSewula Afrika," wangezelela ngokuthi ukuthuwelela kwesomiso kubanomthelela omumbi elizweni ngokwezehlalakuhle nezomnotho.

I-IMC yamemezela amano wokuqalana nobujamo lobu.

UmNyango wezaManzi nezokuHlwengisa uzibophelele ngeengidi ezima-R352.6 ukuthoma ngamaphrojekthi wokulwisana nesomiso. Sele kubekelwe ngeqadi iingidi ezingaphezulu kwama-R96 ezokusiza okwesikhatjhana KwaZulu-Natala.

Kusafuneka imali engezelelweko vesimemezelo sesibili esilwisana nesomiso esidoswa phambili yiYunithi eLawula iHlekelele yomNyango wezokuBusa ngokuBambisana nezeNdabuko wesiFunda.

UmNyango wokuThuthukisa iiNdawo zemaKhaya nokuBuyekezwa kweNarha umemezele bonyana ifuyo yeemfunda ezihlanu ezitsirimezeke khulu izakusiwa "endaweni yombuso", lapho kusesenamadlelo amahle khona. Umnyango unikele ngeengidi ezili-R187 ukulwisana nesomiso lesi.

UNgqongqotjhe wokuThuthukisa iiNdawo zemaKhaya nokuBuyekezwa kweNarha uGugile Nkwinti wathi, "eTlhagwini Tjhingalanga sinikele ngamahekthara wenarha ama-200 000. Ngilindele bonyana urhulumende wesifunda abe inarha kabutjha njengendlela ekwenziwa ngayo KwaZulu-

Isomiso lesi sithinta iinkimu ezinikela ngamanzi ezima-173 kezima-1 628 ngelizweni, ezisiza okungenani abantu abaziingidi ezi-

> Iyaraga ekhasini lesi-2

Yeniphephe eendleni ngesikhathesi sikakresmusi

Ngu-Amukelani Chauke

jengalokha ilizwe libhincela ukugidinga isikhathi sikakresmusi, Igqongqotjhe wezokuThutha uDipuo Peters wenze ibizelo kubatjhayeli nabakhambi ngeenyawo bonyana batlhogomele batjhugulule imikhambo yabo eendleleni zelizwe ngesikhathesi.

Isikhathi sikakresmusi kusikhathi lapho ilizwe lilahlekelwa ziinkulungwana zamaphilo ngonobangela weengozi zendlela.

UNgqongqotjhe u-Peters wathi, "Kubuhlungu ukuyelela bonyana iingozi zeendlela zenza ilizwe lilahlekelwe ngaphezu kwamabhiliyoni ama-R300 begodu lokhu kutjhayisana nenembombono yethu yokuphelisa iintjhijilo ezincantathu zomtlhago, ukungalingani nokutlhayela kwemisebenzi. Kusalele ngakithi ukubuyisela emva ihlekelele eyenziwa ziingozi zendlela ngokutjhejaqangi ukuphepha begodu kwenziwe kube yiajenda yezeenthuthi."

Ukhulume mhlapha nakakhuluma nezakhamuzi zeKhayelitsha emnyanyeni womphakathi wokugidinga iLanga lePhasi Loke lokuKhumbula abongazimbi beeNdlela.

"Ingozi yenzeka kunganamuntu onephoso. Ukuya ngokweembalobalo, sifumene bonyana iingozi ezimaphesenti ama-95 zenzeka ngonobangela wokungatjheji nokuphulwa kwemithetho yendlela.

UNgqongqotjhe wathi, "Abantu abahlongakalela eendleleni zethu babantu esibaziko ... abantu bahlongakalela eembhesini, abanye eentimeleni, abanye abantu bahlongakala bakhamba eendleleleni. Abantwaba bamalunga wemindeni. Sitjho abatlhogomeli. Sikhuluma ngabadosiphambili bamasonto. Sikhuluma ngabanakwethu, abodade, abangani, abasebenzisani nabantu abaqakathekile kabanye".

ISewula Afrika ilahlekelwa maphilo azii-

14 000 qobe nyaka ngonobangela weengozi zendlela. Amaphesenti ama-80 gade kubabantu abatjha beminyaka ehlangana neli-19

UNgqongqotjhe wathi ubujamo lobu kufuze bulungiswe nabatjhayeli batjhugulule indlela abatjhayela ngayo.

"Ngibawa bonyana sitjhugulule indlela nakubandamela isikhathi sikakresmusi. Bopha ibhande! Ungatjhayeli nawuthokozileko nanyana udiniwe, ungasebenzisi ufunjathwako

nawutjhayelako, yehlisa ibelo, qinisekisa bonyana ikoloyakho ilungele ukuba sendleleni begodu uthobele imithetho yendlela ngaso soke isikhathi. Intengo nokulahlekelwa babantu nakezomnothoo kuphezulu khulu bonyana singeze sadlumbana ngenye indlela yokutjheja zokuphepha endleleni."

UNgqongqotjhe u-Peters ukhombele esitjhayela ngayo nasisendleleni, khulukhulu abadosiphambili bamasonto ahlukileko bonyana bangathandazeli ukuphenha

> Iyaraga ekhasini lesi-2



UNgqongqotjhe we-zeenThuthi uDipuo Peters ukhuthaze boke abasebenzisi beendlela ukutjhugulula ukuziphatha kwabo eendleleni.

Working on Fire programme supports farmers, creates jobs

he Department of Environmental Affairs' Working on Fire (WoF) programme has plans in place to support farmers who are affected by climate change.

"During El Nino farmers continuously experience veld fires on an ongoing basis. Just this year for instance, we anticipate that we will have to fight fires that are close to 3 000," said Environmental Affairs Minister Ednah

Minister Molewa indicated that there is a budget allocated to support small and commercial farmers.

"We've allocated R528 million just in this financial year alone. Working on Fire has got almost R1,3 billion allocated to assist farmers," said Minister Molewa.

The Working on Fire programme has also created a total of 13 660 jobs in the past three

The programme was launched in 2003 as part of government's drive to create jobs and alleviate poverty.

"This programme has the capacity to provide many more jobs, necessitating the need for a higher budget," said Environmental Affairs Minister Edna Molewa.

The total expenditure for the Working on Fire programme for the 2012/13 financial year was R404 205 524, in the 2013/14 financial year it was R405 540 125 and in the 2014/15 financial year it amounted to R508 222 000.

"There is a major need for fire management capacity from WoF for both using fire for ecosystem management and combatting wild fires," Minister Molewa said.

The programme ensures that South Africa's Biodiversity and Ecosystems are protected and contribute to socio-economic growth as well job creation.



The Working on Fire programme has not only created jobs but it also offers relief to farmers.

The programme is one of several departmental programmes under implementation through government's Expanded Public Works Programme

The EPWP has been the primary vehicle through which the Department of Environmental Affairs has delivered on its job creation mandate.

"Today more than 5 000 young men and women are employed through the programme. They are recruited from marginalised communities and trained in

fire awareness and education, prevention and fire suppression skills," said the department said.

They are trained as veld and forest fire fighters and are stationed in more than 200 teams throughout South Africa.

"Furthermore a total of 592 Black Economic Empowerment compliant suppliers have benefited from the programme between 2013 and 2015, to the value of R395 144 169.00," said the department.

Yeniphephe eendleni ngesikhathesi sikakresmusi]

> Iraga isuka ekhasini loku-1

kwabatjhayeli kwaphela, kodwana batjhumayele ngokuphepha emasontweni wabo.

"Masitjele abantu bonyana nasingatjhayeli ngebelo, nasingatjhayeli kumbi begodu singahloniphi imithetho yendlela, nasingakhulumi kufunjwathwako nasitjhayelako, [singaphungula ihlekelele eendleleni zethu]."

Wakhombela bonyana bakukhuthaze abantu ukutjhayela iinkoloyi ezilungelwe kukuba

Gade aphekelelwa liSekela likaNgqongqotjhe uSindisiwe Chikunga, aboSomkhandlu (ama-MEC) neziKhulu eziPhetheko (ama-CEO) zamaziko wezeenthuthi nabanye abathintekako kezeenthuthi, uNgqongqotjhe wabeka amathuthumbo ukukhumbula labo abahlongakalela eendleleni.

Uphawule amaSewula Afrika aziwako abahlongakele ingasikade eengozini zendlela, kufaka hlangana umdlali wasemva we-Ajax Cape Town u-Cecil Sonwabile Lolo, ohlongakele engozini yekoloyi mhla ama-25 kuSewula e-Spine Road eKhayelitsha nombhini uLebo Mathosa, owahlongakala ngonyaka wee-2006 engozini yekoloyi hlanu kwe-Germiston, ngepumalanga yeJwanashege.

AmaSewula Afrika aloba ngokuhlongakala kukaNgqongqotjhe wangaphambili wezabaSebenzi bakaRhulumende nokuPhatha u-Collins Chabane, nabavikeli bakhe ababili lokha ikoloyakhe itjhayisana netrogo ngaphandle kwePolokwane ngoNtaka enyakeni lo.

UNgqongqotjhe wenza ihlaya nakathi ngesikhathi uNgqongqotjhe ahlongakala, wayengumjaphethe wezokuThutha begodu beyingasi kade akhulume ngokuphepha endleleni emngcwabeni agade aye kiwo

I-OFISI ETJA KAMAKHAMBA-**NGENDLWANA YOKUQALANA** NAMATLEYIMU WEENGOZI

UNgqongqotjhe u-Peters wahloma i-ofisi kamakhambangendlwana yesiKhwama seeNgozi zeNdlela (i-RAF) eKhayelitsha, okuzakwandisa ukufikeleleka kwabantu abaseendaweni ezikude.

Wathi, "[Lokhu] kungokwamathomo. Kuyituthuko yezinga eliphezulu. Lokhu kuyindlela yokufikelela, khulukhulu, ebantwini abatshwenyekileko. Abantu abasemaplasini, emadorobheni amancani, iindawo zemakhaya abangakakghoni ukufumana iinsetjenziswa, i-ofisi le izakufikelela kibo."

Ukuhlonywa kwe-'Ofisi kamaKhambangendlwana we-RAF' kulandela ipumelelo ye-RAF yokuthumba unongorwana ngehlelo layo lokukhangisa i-'RAF on the Road', okulijima lokufikelela emphakathini elathoma ngoNtaka wee-2012.

UPhumelela Dhlomo, umkhangisi oyihloko ye-RAF wathi i-ofisi kamakhambangendlwana ihlonywe ngesikhathi esifaneleko kungakathomi isikhathi sikakresmusi lapho kunekghonakalo ekulu yeengozi zeenkoloyi.

Wathi i-ofisi kamakhambangendlwana izakuba singezelelo sejima le-RAF lokufikelela emphakathini i-'RAF on the Road'.

I-'RAF on the Road' kulihlelo elihloma amaofisi wesikhatjhana emiphakathini ukunikela umphakathi iinsetjenziswa ezipheleleko mayelana namatleyimu weengozi zendlela.

UDhlomo uthe mhlapha nagade ijimeli liseKhayelitsha, kufikelelwe ebantwini aba-

Ngemva kweKhayelitsha, kwafikelelwa abantu abama-900 e-Kokstad.

"Enyakeni lo uwodwa, sifikelele ebantwini

abazii-30 000 ngehlelo lelo." Ukutherhulwa okuhlukileko kuyenziwa

emasontweni, eenthabathabeni zeentolo, emarenkeni wamateksi, emagaraji nalokha nakunamajima wokujamisa iinkoloyi eendleleni nomnyango wezeendlela ukuyelelisa ngesikhwama lesi.

Ukufumana ilwazi elinabileko mayelana ne-RAF dosela iZiko lemiTato ku: 0860 23 556 23. Ukubika ngobukhwabanisi dosela ku: 0800 00 5919

[Asibambisaneni bonyana songe amanzi] > Iraga isuka ekhasini loku-1



7 okumaphesenti ali-18 wesitihaba soke ihlobo lonyaka ozako. ngelizweni mazombe.

Iimfunda ezine - iKwaZulu-Natala, iFreyistata, iTlhagwini Tjhingalanga neLimpopo zimemezele isomiso njengehlekelele kanti iMpumalanga nayo sele ibandamele ngamalungiselelo ekumemezeleni isomiso ngesifundenesi njengehlekelele, okuzokwenziwa msinyana.

ISEHLAKALO SE-*EL NIÑO*

UNgqongqotjhe wezeBhoduluko nolilunga le-IMC, u-Edna Molewa, wathi urhulumende kade asebenza alungiselela bonyana ilizwe likghone ukuqalana nobujamo obufana nabo

Wathi ukuqagela ubujamo bezulu kwenziwa njalonjalo. Kwenziwa ngokuqala isikhathi esiseduze bese kukhuliswa ngesikhathi esingaba ziinyanga ezisithanda-thu. Kungenzeka isehlakalo lesi sihlale bekufike

UNgqongqotjhe wamemezela bonyana iZiko lezobuJamo beZulu leSewula Afrika lihlala litjheje isehlakalo se-El Niño begodu kulindelwe bonyana iinyanga zobusika zizakurhobha ngamakhaza ngonyaka wee-

UNgqongqotjhe uMolewa watjheja bonyana urhulumende uzwisisa bonyana isikhathi lesi sifika ngemva kweminyaka emithathu ukuva kemihlanu begodu simthelela wokutjhuguluka kobujamo bezulu.

Wabuyelela bonyana iSewula Afrika, njengawo woke amazwe kufuze ijayele ukutjhuguluka kobujamo bezulu.

UMTHELELA KUBALIMI

UNgqongqotjhe wezokuLima, amaHlathi nezeenHlambi, uSenzeni Zokwana, wathi ilizwe linesibalo sesiphila esimhlophe esaneleko kodwana esiphungukako ukufikela ekupheleni kukasiHlabantakana ngonyaka wee-2016, kanti isiphila esibomvu sizokuba sincani. "Isomiso sonyaka wee-2014/2015 sipha-

zamise ukufumaneka kwesiphila esimhlophe esikukudla kwangemihla nesiphila esibomvu esiqakatheke khulu ekosweni yeembandana. Ukuya ngokweKomiti yeenLinganiso zeenTjalo, umkhiqizo wesiphila wehle ngamathani weengidi ezili-14.2 ngonyaka wee-2013 ukufikela eengidini ezili-9.8 ngonyaka wee-2014, okwehle ngamaphesenti ama-31."

Wathi umnyango ubekele ngeqadi iingidi ezima-R66 ukuphumelelisa ihlelo lokutlhogonyelwa kwenarha ukwehlisa ukurhurhuleka nokuphela kwehlabathi notjani nokulahleka kwamanzi kuthuthukiswe ukulima okongako.

Umnyango wasebenzisa iingidi ezili-R9 kwembeleni iimbandana amanzi. ukunikela ngelwazi elimsinyana neenluleko

Wangezelela ngokuthi umnyango uzakunikela abalimi ngeenluleko zobujamo bezulu ukuqinisekisa ngokutjala nokuphungulwa kwefuyo.

UNgqongqotjhe u-Gordhan ukhombele woke amaSewula Afrika ukusebenzisana ngokonga amanzi.

UNgqongqotjhe u-Gordhan wathi, "Sikhombela itjhebiswano ekongeni amanzi ngelizweni lekhethu nokuhlela ukusebenzisa amanzi wethu ayindlala ngokuhlakanipha esikhathini esifitjhani ukuya kesizako njengalokha sizijayeza umthelela wokutjhuguluka kobujamo bezulu".

*Ukufunda ngokunabileko ngokwenziwa ngurhulumende mayelana nokutlhayela kwamanzi, qala ikhasi lobu-8 nele-9.

Government one step ahead in drought relief

Noluthando Mkhize

overnment is working hard to ensure that South Africans continue to have access to water even during the current drought that the country is facing.

The Department of Water and Sanitation is rolling out comprehensive interventions to minimise the impact of drought.

So far, the department has deployed water tankers to provide water to areas that are hardest hit by the drought.

These areas include KwaZulu-Natal, Free State, and Limpopo, which have been declared disaster areas.

Water and Sanitation Minister Nomvula Mokonyane said her department has committed R352.6 million to the initial drought intervention projects and a further R96.620 million to the provisional tankering and additional interventions.

She added that to address and mitigate the potential impact of the drought immediate, short, medium and long-term measures were being put in place.

The Minister said the measures included strict implementation of drought operating rules at all dams, including restrictions.

"The department will implement water conservation and demand management programmes which includes the War on Leaks and drop the block interventions."

This also includes emergency interventions by tankering and climate research as well as hydrological and geo-hydrological monitoring.

BUYING OF WATER TANKERS

Minister Mokonyane said the Department of Water and Sanitation, through its National Water Resource Infrastructure Unit, is managing the procurement of 45, 18 000 litre water tankers.

A total of 682 water tanks with stands will be distributed to municipalities in KwaZulu-Natal such as the Ugu District Municipality (DM), Umkhanyakude (DM), Illembe DM and Harry Gwala DM.

"Ilembe DM in KwaZulu-Natal has completed their tank stand installation. Umgeni Water has completed the 30 tanks in Harry Gwala DM in KwaZulu-Natal, along with 81 tanks that have been installed in Umkhanyakude DM. The budget limitation of R2 million allowed for 81 tanks not the 500 they had requested," said Minister Mokonyane.

"Additional sites are being identified in order to utilise the savings on the budget. Umgeni Water has completed 20 of the 144 Ugu DM tanks. Uthukela DM is beginning the procurement process for the installation of their tanks."

BOREHOLE INTERVENTIONS

She added that approval was granted to appoint a key service provider to buy siting, drilling and hydrogeological services to implement borehole interventions where the DM did not already have contracts in place.

Work started at the Umkhanyakude and Ilembe DM in September 2015.

"Interim tankering and second phase intervention in five district municipalities, namely Umkhanyakude, Umzinyathi, Ugu, Amajuba, and Uthungulu, have been approved for the total amount of R96 620 552 00"

The department's Deputy Director-General for Planning and Transformation, Deborah Mochotlhi, said that the re-use and desalination, eradication of illegal water use, drilling of boreholes in suitable areas and rainwater harvesting were short term

interventions.

She added that there are transfers of schemes from the Lesotho Highlands Water Project Phase 2, emergency transfer Tugela to Goedetrouw, Othongathi River transfer to Hazelmere and infrastructure upgrade developments in Hazelmere, Clanwilliam and Tzaneen.

Mochotlhi said was appealing to every individual to use water sparingly and adhere to water restrictions as well as efficient water use practices including not filling swimming pools, or watering their gardens during the day.

PROVINCIAL DAM LEVELS

Minister Mokonyane said in selected drought areas, such as KwaZulu

Natal, the average dam storage of the large schemes is 69 per cent with three of 18 schemes below 50 per cent of full supply capacity.

"An estimated 6 500 stand-alone rural communities are currently experiencing water shortages. These are mostly situated in KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga, Limpopo, and North West provinces. This number could increase to over 11 000 rural communities as the dry period extends and local water resources get depleted."

She said in drought stricken areas such as the

government

communications



Water and Sanitation Minister Nomvula Mokonyane says the department has a number of interventions in place to minimise the impact of drought.

northern parts of KwaZulu-Natal, southern parts of Mpumalanga, and selected areas in Limpopo, North West and Northern Cape, about 50 per cent of local water storage was facing challenges and needed to be managed properly.

The drought currently affects 173 of the 1628 water supply schemes nationally, serving approximately 2.7 million households or 18 per cent of the national population.

In Gauteng the municipalities are experiencing strains on the supply systems due to high demand and current high temperatures.

Government provides support to farmers



Rural Development and Land Reform Minister Gugile Nkwinti.

Albert Pule

overnment has allocated more than R260 million to farmers across the country to deal with the impact of drought.

The total set aside for drought relief efforts country-wide amounts to R524 million.

Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Senzeni Zokwana said the funds would be distributed to farmers in consultation with the provincial departments of agriculture.

The department also spent R9 million on drilling boreholes for livestock water, disseminating early warning information and providing appropriate advice to farmers.

"There will be a provision of R36.5 million by provincial Departments of Agriculture to relieve small scale and subsistence farmers in affected provinces," said Minister Zokwana.

His department will also provide R226 million to smallholder farmers to both maintain production animals and "encourage the herd reduction through the market".

Other measures by department will include:

 Drilling and equipping affected areas for additional boreholes for livestock.

- Facilitating and supporting the revolution of credit facilities die to crop failure.
- Monitoring food prices through the Food Price Monitoring committee to inform appropriate measures are taken to ensure food security.
- Coordinating interdepartmental food nutrition security interventions to mitigate the effects of drought on farmworkers and rural communities.

The Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries is considering reprioritising conditional grants to make funds available to help farmers in get animal feed and additional water supply for their animals

The Minister added that the department would continue providing farmers with weather advisories and warnings to guide future crop plantation and reduction of stock.

Meanwhile the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform will relocate livestock from the worst affected regions in the five regions to state-owned land where there is still better grazing land. The department is allocating almost R187 million for this drought relief intervention.

These include the provision of water for livestock in areas where boreholes can be drilled and construction of water troughs through RADP funding support and the Animal and Veld Management programme.

According Minister Gugile Nkwinti, the department has engaged some of the commodity organisations such as the sugar industry, Grain SA who will be in partnership with the Department, and the provincial Departments of Agriculture to implement the identified short term, medium and long term draught relief interventions.

"In the North West we have recently allocated 200 000 hectares of land. I am expecting the provincial government to disaggregate the land in the same way that KwaZulu-Natal did," said Minister Nkwinti.

