

# Eastern Cape Water Awareness Campaigns

Department of Human Settlements, Water and  
Sanitation

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# National Water Week

Annual event focuses its attention on importance of freshwater and advocating for the sustainable management of freshwater resources.

Water is at the core of sustainable development and is critical for socio-economic development, healthy ecosystems and for human survival. It is vital for reducing the global burden of disease and improving the health, welfare and productivity of people.

2019 theme “leaving no one behind; water for all”

# Communication Materials

Posters on water conservation and water saving tips distributed posters to  
Catchment Management Forums,  
Municipalities,  
Primary and high schools

# 2020 Vision for water sanitation education prog

The programme was initiated with the aim to strengthen awareness on intergrated water resource management, sanitation and services through schools.

Promote careers in the water and sanitation sector

Infuse water education into the school curriculum and

Promote behavioural change through the following projects

Curriculum Support, Aqua Enduro, Baswa le Meetse, South African Youth Water Prizes

# Communication Materials

CS-Educators workshops engage on activities on the resource material;

SAYWP-Learners identify challenges and develop interventions or awareness projects for solutions.

AE- skills shortage in the scientific and engineering -high schools

BLS- posters placed in primary schools

# Water conservation awareness

Where DWS distribute pamphlets on water saving tips and engage communities on how to go about reporting water challenges such as leaks, illegal connections

Adopt A river-mini SASS

Water Audits- 2 weeks time sheet

# Clear rivers campaign

In partnership with various stakeholders DWS clean rivers, streams, wetlands, etc.

The campaign reminds South Africans that  
Water doesn't come from tap

Healthy rivers support a healthy nation and Climate change is the new normal

Drought has been declared a national disaster in the country with three provinces  
(Eastern Cape) adversely affected