



REFLECTIONS OF DAY 1: WATER AND SANITATION SUMMIT

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OBJECTIVES

- Summit sought to provide a platform to deal with:
 - Water and sanitation service delivery challenges;
 - Water research, technology and innovation;
 - State of South Africa water resources;
 - The role of the Private sector; and
 - Community Participation.



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BACK TO BASICS APPROACH

- Good governance
- Effective administration
- Sound financial management
- Community engagements and public participation
- Effective delivery of a basket of services



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GAME CHANGERS

- Reconsider water ownership patterns and water use rights
- Educate and create awareness on water conservation; preservation, innovation and security.
- Harmonise roles and responsibilities of institutions and all spheres of government



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GAME CHANGERS FOR MUNICIPALITIES

- Developments in municipalities to facilitate effective service delivery:
 - Development of 10 year Water and Sanitation Infrastructure Plans
 - Improving infrastructure implementation capabilities
 - Improving collaboration amongst government agencies in order to coordinate and synchronize planning
 - Facilitating alignment and coordination of infrastructure grants to respond to municipal infrastructure plans in line with NDP & PICC
 - 7% of municipal expenditure budget to be allocated for maintenance
 - Incentivise efficiency & uninterrupted service delivery



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COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Importance of women and youth in water conservation and innovation (Ikageng ga Ma-Masha Cooperative)
 - Illustrating that truly ‘water is life’
- Ensuring that communities understand challenges and are part of the solutions
- Contribution of water sector projects toward poverty alleviation; job creation and food security



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