WEDNESDAY 17 JUNE 2020: CLEAN OUR TOILETS! The provision of sanitation in metro informal settlements has not improved and remains at crisis levels everywhere except Ekurhuleni. Some residents have no access to sanitation. Where communal toilets are provided, they are not regularly cleaned or maintained. This situation should be addressed immediately to slow down the exponential spread of Covid-19 in Gauteng and the Eastern and Western Cape.

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NUMBER 7

VOICES OF INFORMAL SETTLEMENT RESIDENTS DURING THE COVID-19 CRISIS

METRO MUNICIPALITIES: IN YOUR INFORMAL SETTLEMENT OVER THE LAST 7 DAYS...

...WAS WATER AVAILABLE EVERY TIME YOU NEEDED IT?

- JOHANNESBURG
- EKURHULENI
- CAPE TOWN
- BUFFALO CITY
- ETHEKWINI

...WERE THE TOILETS CLEANED?

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...WAS THE WASTE COLLECTED?

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...HAS GOVERNMENT PROVIDED SOAP OR HAND SANITIZER?

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- EKURHULENI
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580 residents from 201 informal settlements responded over the last week.

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HOTSPOTS

- In Cape Town, Johannesburg, and eThekwini some residents still do not have access to any sanitation at all.
- In Johannesburg and Cape Town many residents reported dirty or partially cleaned toilets.
- In Cape Town and eThekwini many broken and blocked toilets have still not been fixed.
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GOOD NEWS!

- Many residents in eThekwini reported that their toilets were fixed, while the 307 Avoca settlement in that metro received chemical toilets.
- Additional ablution facilities are currently being built in Gonubie in Buffalo City.
- The water situation in Cape Town and Ekurhuleni has improved a lot in the last two weeks and both metros’ traffic lights are very close to green. For example, in Cape Town more water tanks were installed in Azania.
- In Cape Town, residents from BM Section and Azania said their toilets are cleaned often, ranging from three times a week to every day.
- Ekurhuleni’s sanitation light stays green. For example, Vlakplaas residents received 32 toilets and three more have been promised for differently-abled people.
- While Johannesburg’s water light did not improve, water tanks were delivered to Steve Biko Park in Johannesburg.

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