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Ukutshatyalaliswa kwamaveza-ndlebe otyani

indidi ngeendidi zamaveza-ıdlebe otyani zide zaziib-ıakane kwiidolophu ıgeedolophu zelo Mzantsi-Afrika. Imithi enje ngemi-Oki /aseStellenbosch neJakaranda /asePitoli zangeza ubuhle bezo dolophu.

UGqira Guy Preston oyinkokheli ‹aZwelonke yeWorking for Water ıqinisekise uluntu ukuba le nkqubo ıyisayi kuphazamisana nale mithi. Jthe ezona jakaranda ziyingxaki ‹ezo zifunyanwa kwiphondo aseMpumalanga, kuloo mathafa ıseNelspruit. Utyani oluphaza-nisana namahlathi emvelo nenda-o ngokubanzi yelo Mzantsi Afrika ulo oluza kuqubisana neprojekti ‹aWorking for Water ñ utyani olun-e nge-black neSilver Wattles,lan-ana nezinye iindidi ze-acacia ıe-Eucalyptus.

/intoni iWorking for Water

Yinkqubo ebandakanya amasebe ‹aRhulumente ejolise ekulweni ngxaki yamaveza-ndlebe ezityalo. .e projekti yasungulwa, yaziswa ıgokusesikweni ngowe-1995 ıgowayesakuba nguMphathiswa vamanzi namaHlathi uMnu. Kader Asmal.

Iqumrhu lika-Amanz' abantu lidlala indima yalo ñ Umlawuli weli qumrhu uMnu

Oliver Ive uthi, ì I-Amanz'abantu iyazingca ngokubandakanywa nale nkqubo ka-Working for Water njengoko la maveza-ndlebe ezityalo esenza umonakalo omkhulu kwizityalo nezilwanyana zemveli.îNgaphaya kwama-161 emithi nezinye izityalo ezaziswa eMzantsi Afrika zibayingxaki ukuba azihoywanga kuba zanda zichume ngokukhawuleza kwisithuba seminyaka emi-15.

URenier de Jager, uMlawuli wenkqubo ka-Amanzîabantu Working for Water, uphawule wathi,île nkqubo isebenzisana nenkqubo kaRhulumente yeWild Coast Spatial development initiative (SDI) egxininisa ekuziseni amanzi nokulwa indlala. Phantsi kwale nkqubo kaWorking for Water, kukho iziza ezingama-22 ezisetyenziswa ziikontraki eziqeshe iwaka labasebenzi.î

Abasebenzi basebenzisa zonke izixhobo abanazo ukutshenta olu tyani luyingozi kwindalo. Uluntu kwindawo nganye lonyule ikomiti encedisa ekukhetheni abasebenzi. Ngaphandle kokuphucula amanzi nokunika utyani lwemveli ithuba lokukhula, le nkqubo inceda ekuxhobiseni uluntu ngokubanzi. URenier usebenzisa iprojekti yoluntu lwaseLambasi (Lambasi Community Project) njengomzekelo, uthi ì Olu luntu ngokuncedwa ngamafama anamava, lusungule amasimi ombona kumhlaba ongama-500n eehektari. Olu luntu luya kuqeqeshwa kwiminyaka emihlanu ezayo ukuze lube nakho ukuphatha le fama ngendlela eyiyo.

Ingeniso/ iziqhamo

Imfungu-mfungu evela kule nkqubo ibe nguNozala wale mizimveliso ilandelayo:

- Imveliso yeenkuni zokubasa, amalahle kunye nezitena.
- Imveliso yeentonga zokusimelela.
- Izinto, nezokudlala ezenziwa ngezandla.
- Iipali zokwakha izindlu nezokufulela nokubiya.

• *Ngaphandle kobandakanyo luka-Working for Water, Amanz'abantu kwinkqubo yeBoTT eMpuma koloni, izise amanzi acocekileyo kubantu abangama-700 000 basemaphandleni.*

Enza ntoni amaveza-ndlebe ezityalo ?

- Achitha i-7% yemveliso yamanzi.
- Aphazamisa / athintela amalinge okulima izityalo zemvelo.
- Andisa iingxaki ezinxulumene nezikhukula nemlilo yasendle.
- Adala ukhukuliseko, ukutshatyalaliswa kwemilambo,ukudibeka kwamadama neezinye iindawo zamanzi, namanzi omgangatho ophantsi.
- Angatshabalalisa kuphele tu ngezityalo nezilwanyana zemveli kwaye aphazamisane nokusebenza kwendalo esixhomekeke kuyo sonke.

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Clearing alien vegetation

Certain types of invasive alien (non-indigenous) vegetation have become landmarks in many South African towns and cities. The venerable old oak trees of Stellenbosch and the magnificent jacarandas of Pretoria are examples which add a unique beauty to their surroundings.

Public fears that such well-loved landmarks could become victims of the government's Working for Water programme are unfounded, says Dr Guy Preston, national leader of the programme. He says the problem jacarandas are not the ones found in Pretoria. Rather, they are the sapling jacarandas invading lowveld areas around Nelspruit.

Species which threaten South Africa's indigenous forests and fragile eco-systems, and which are tackled by the Working for Water project, include black and silver wattles, lantana and various species of acacia and eucalyptus.

What is working for water?

Working for Water is a multi-departmental public works programme aimed at dealing effectively with the problem of invading alien plants.The project was launched in 1995 by the then Minister of Water Affairs and Forestry, Kader Asmal.

Playing its part

Oliver Ive,managing director of Amanz'abantu, says: "Amanz'abantu is proud to have been associated with the Working for Water programme as invasive plants cause extensive damage and are the single biggest threat to our exceptional variety of indigenous plants and animals."

More than 161 trees and other plant species introduced into South Africa have become invasive. Left unchecked, the area covered by such vegetation will double within 15 years.

Renier de Jager, Amanz'abantu's Working for Water manager, points out that the programme is closely allied to the government's Wild Coast spatial development initiative (SDI) which puts a strong emphasis on water delivery and poverty alleviation.

"Under the Working for Water programme, we have 22 sites run by approximately 50 contractors employing 1 000 workers," says Renier.

Using power saws and pangas, the workers are painstakingly clearing vast areas of alien vegetation.The community in each area has appointed a project steering committee to assist in selecting the workforce.

"Besides improving water yields and giving indigenous vegetation a chance, the programme is assisting in empowering communities."

Renier uses the Lambasi Community Project as an example. "This community, under the guidance of experienced farmers, has developed a mealie plantation on more than 500 hectares of cleared land.The community will be trained over the next five years to take control of the farm and run it as a going concern."

Spin-offs

The waste material generated by the programme has sparked off secondary industries, including:

- The production of firewood, charcoal and eco-bricks
- Walking stick processing
- Stylised items and toys for craft markets
- Rough poles for informal housing, roof trusses, fencing.

• Besides Working for Water, Amanz' abantu's involvement in the BoTT programme in the Eastern Cape has so far brought clean water within reach for the first time to up to 700 000 rural people.

What invasive alien plants do

- **Waste around 7% of vital water resources**
- **Hamper efforts to farm or harvest indigenous natural resources**
- **Greatly increase problems linked to flooding and fires**
- **Cause erosion, destruction of rivers, siltation of dams and estuaries, and poor water quality**
- **Can lead to a mass extinction of indigenous plants and animals, and greatly undermine the functioning of the natural eco-systems upon which we all depend.**

Award for Peddie project

The Peddie South Water Supply Scheme, commissioned by the Department of Water Affairs and Forestry (DWAF), has received the South African Institute of Civil Engineering's 2001 branch award for community-based projects in the Amatola region.

Amanz'abantu brought together the professional team for the development of this project. It includes FST as technical consultant, Group 5 BoTT JV as the main contractor, Water & Sanitation Services of South Africa as the operations and maintenance services provider and the Mvula Trust as social consultant.

Oliver Ive, managing director of Amanz'abantu, notes that:"DWAF, through the Build, Operate, Train and Transfer (BoTT) contract in the Eastern Cape,has successfully implemented many projects in the rural areas since late 1997.The Peddie South Water Supply Scheme (WSS) was one such example."

The Peddie South WSS, commissioned in April 2001 at a cost of R21 million, is located in the Ngqushwa district of the Eastern Cape and serves about 20 500 people in 13 villages.

This BoTT project is turnkey in design and incorporates the planning, community and infrastructure development, and operation and maintenance within Amanz'abantu's 'one-stop shop' structure.

A FRESH START: The newly painted and renovated Engcobo Post Office, above, finished off with a brand new brick wall in front of the building. Below left: This is what the Engcobo Post Office looked like before the team got their hands on it. below right: The team, back, M Nel, M Keevy, Zambudla, D Sipeliti.Front: T Jombile, M Nyabaza, M Mokohliso, T Ndama.

A facelift for Engcobo PO

The Group 5 BoTT JV team, the contruction arm of Amanz'abantu based in East London, recently had an unusually quiet period due to delays on upcoming projects. Being an energetic and productive lot,they decided to use this time to give the Engcobo Post Office a long overdue facelift.

The team has done a considerable amount of work in the rural areas around Engcobo, some 80km west of Umtata.

Donald Davies, area manager for the Group 5 Bott JV, says:"The post office had not been maintained since 1976 and had fallen into disrepair. We felt that by rehabilitating it we could contribute something back to the rural communities and the townsfolk."

The team,led by Meredith Nel, took up paint buckets and rollers and repainted the roof, exterior walls, interior walls and ceilings.

They also replaced gutters and constructed a wall to replace a broken fence in front of the post office.

"The Postmaster and his staff,as well as prominent members of the town governing structures, are delighted with the results and have expressed their appreciation for the reconstruction," says Donald.

Group 5 projects around Engcobo

In mid-1998 Group 5 started work west of Engcobo constructing rural water schemes to supply clean water to the nearby villages.

In Phase 1, the villages of Nkwenkwezi, Ngqaba, Cwecweni and Nxamage were developed. Each scheme had an independent source of water from a spring protection, with a reservoir. Emerging contractors such as Siyaya Civils were involved in the year-long development.

In mid-1999, work started on Phase 2, a more centralised scheme which involved supplying water from a weir to 20 villages in the administration areas of Lahlangubo, Gubenxa,eLucwecwe, Qumanco and Beyele.

Three emerging contractors and 12 emerging individual groupings were contracted to do the work. All the work in the villages was therefore done by HDCs and HDIs. Some 60km of bulk pipeline and 100km or village reticulation were installed at a cost of R8,5 million.

AMANZ'ABANTU CONSTRUCTION TEAM: R Newman, M Nyabaza, D Hickson,D Sipeliti, D Davies, E Mtima.

Training emerging contractors

The BoTT programme, an initiative of the Department of Water Affairs and Forestry (DWAF), aims to build capacity, involve historically disadvantaged companies and individuals (HDCs and HDIs) and train local communities and authorities in the management of water services.

Amanz'abantu seeks to ensure ownership and sustainability of the water services infrastructure by actively involving communities and local government in all stages of the project, from planning, design and construction to operation and maintenance (O&M), and, finally, transfer and mentorship.

This is done through training project steering committees (PSCs) and labour; empowering HDC subcontractors and social consultants; and training village water committees (VWCs) as water service providers (WSPs) in O&M, and local government employees as water services authorities (WSAs) to manage the water services.

At transfer of the project,the community-based WSPs,who are 100% HDCs, are contracted to district municipalities to perform the O&M functions.

On the El Nino ground water schemes (involving 50 projects), operators were trained by Amanz'abantu and are paid directly by the communities for their services. On the Peddie rural water supply scheme, the O&M company Masiphathisane Water Works,also a 100% HDC, is contracted by the Amatole District Municipality to provide the service.

TANGA: DPI training persons from the local community (HDIs). Amanz'abantu supplied the pipes.

Plans are in place for similar arrangements for all completed BoTT projects in other district municipalities.

Development

HDC development occurs at a number of levels.Amanz'abantu as the programme implementing agent is responsible for institutional and social development (ISD); design and construction; and O&M activities — all of which make use of sub-consultants and sub-contractors. To this end, 38% of the programme value is currently undertaken by HDCs and HDIs or emerging contractors and social consultants.

Group 5 BoTT JV, the lead construction service provider in Amanz'abantu, is responsible for training emerging sub-contractors, while Mvula Trust, as the lead ISD service provider, takes care of the social consultants.

Amanz'abantu has developed longer-term relationships with those HDCs who have been successful in achieving an adequate level of training.As such, a number of emerging companies are now working on their fourth or fifth BoTT project. On the job training and development is provided and monitored by Amanz'abantu and there has been a considerable improvement in these companies skills and experience base in terms of social development and construction activities.

Shareholders

Five emerging HDCs currently own 40% of Amanz'abantu.One of these is the Amanz'abantu Investment Trust,which owns 15% and represents a further 14 HDC members.

Each of these five companies are represented by a director on the Amanz'abantu board.All emerging shareholders participate actively on the BoTT programme.

Amanza'abantu is currently funding an HDC management support programme to provide managerial and mentorship support to these emerging companies, with a view to empowering them to operate more effectively within and outside the BoTT programme.

New faces

Receptionist

Miss Nolwazi W Siketo has been appointed as a receptionist based at Mount Ayliff with effect from August 1, 2001.

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Miss Noluvo Kameli joined Amanz'abantu's Umtata area office as a receptionist with effect from April 1, 2001.

New clerk

Ms Signoria Mdyogolo joined the Amanza'abantu head office in East London on August 1, 2001 as a contracts clerk.

Washington workshop

In May 2001,Amanz'abantu, together with the BoTT PIA for the Northern Province, Metour, sent delegates to Washington DC for a three-day workshop on education and awareness within the tri-sector partnership.

The workshop was hosted by the Business Partner for Development (BPD) Water and Sanitation Cluster. The eight projects forming the BPD programme include BoTT South Africa, KwaZulu-Natal, Bolivia, Colombia, Haiti, Senegal, Indonesia and Argentina.

During the course of the workshop, delegates attended a BPD Water and Sanitation Cluster steering committee meeting for a brief background report on the eight cluster projects.Thereafter, a presentation from each of the eight cluster projects focused on the role of partnerships and education and awareness (E&A) within and outside the partnerships.

Another session focused on how partnership dynamics influenced the design and delivery of E&A messages.This included exploration of internal factors such as regulations, financing and operational issues; and external factors such as politics,policy, community and technical aspects and the environment.

Finally, the workshop assessed the critical success factors in E&A programmes, the lessons learned and identified what activities of E&A could be improved.

Otto Delihlazo,Amanz'abantu's community development manager, said:"This important ISD workshop was a great exposure as well as informative and educational. The workshop also highlighted the need for ISD personnel to present papers on lessons learned on the BoTT programme to similar conferences in future."

In his presentation, Otto indicated that E&A was the cornerstone of the entire BoTT programme as it had to be embraced by lead service providers and teams first so that they did not relay conflicting messages to communities involved in the projects.

AT THE WORKSHOP: Oliver Ive (Amanz'abantu MD), Otto Delihlazo, Ms M Mohale (DWAF, Northern Province), Patrick Maunatlala (Mvula Trust,Nelspruit), Martin Rau, (Mvula Trust, Jhb), Trevor Balzer (DWAF director, E Cape).

Since the Bott concept was community-based and owned, the ISD team embarked on a strategic E&A programme involving local government,traditional leaders, politicians, community organisations and households.These public workshops led to the democratic election of community-owned structures such as village water committees, project steering committees and water service providers.These structures became the E&A channels for all project-community related messages.

In his presentation, Trevor Balzer, chief director of Dwaf in the Eastern Cape, outlined the political developments in South Africa leading to the first democratic elections and the subsequent pressure faced by the new government to deliver services such as water sanitation and electricity.

As a result of the huge backlogs,a fast and effective delivery programme was needed – hence the BoTT concept.

Launch of the Caba WSP

The Caba Water Supply Scheme (WSS) was formerly part of the Gqukunqa WSS in the Qumbu district, which presently falls under the Mhlontlo local council comprising the magisterial districts of Tsolo and Qumbu.It is now a standalone scheme covering nine villages and supplying water to about 4 000 people.

Prior to the construction phase of BoTT water projects, a project steering committee (PSC) is set up to work with Amanz'abantu, the project implementation agent of the Department of Water Affairs & Forestry. Once construction is complete,the PSC is dissolved to make way for a water service provider (WSP) structure to be trained to take over management of the scheme.

ALL SYSTEMS GO:Caba WSP chairman Mr S Gebi and other members at the launch of the scheme.

The Caba WSS was commissioned on July 14, 2001.The formal launch of the scheme and inauguration of the WSP on July 26 was attended by Mhlontlo local councillors Mrs F Yalezo and Mr Ndzause,who serve on the water sub-committee of the infrastructure municipal committee as well as officers of Amanz'abantu.The WSP comprises eight members under the chairmanship of Mr Sandile Gebi, with Ms Nohombile Mkhalipi as deputy.

In his address at the inauguration, delivered in Xhosa, Mr Peter Brill of Amanz'abantu outlined the history and development of the scheme.

Mr Ndzause, in his speech, pleaded with the communities benefiting from the scheme to support their WSP structure and work with it. He also appealed to them to take ownership of the scheme and protect it from vandalism, and to educate their children about the importance of taking care of the infrastructure.

He said the communities should realise that a lot of money had been invested in the scheme by the government in order to improve their quality of life.

On behalf of the WSP, Mr Gebi, the chairman, pledged to work for the good of the communities that elected them and for the good of the shceme.

The event ended with all those present being treated to a lunch, for which Amanz'abantu contributed a sheep and soft drinks.

• Acknowledgement:Tshwala Madiba, Amanz'abantu area manager: OR Tambo District

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Intlanganiso yamaqumru Asebenzisanayo ewashington

Ngenyanga kaMeyi ka-2001, i-Amanzíabantu yathumela abameli abathathu eWashington DC kwintlanganiso eyathatha iintsuku ezintathu eyayixukusha ingongoma yemfundo phakathi kwamaqela amathathu ahlobeneyo.

Le ntlanganiso yayisingathwe yiBusiness Partner for Development (BPD) Water and Sanitation Cluster ibhexeshwa yi-Social Development Direct. Iiprojekti ezazilapho zazibandakanya iBoTT, kwaZulu-Natal, Bolivia, Colombia, Haiti, Senegal, Indonesia ne-Argentina.

Kwezo ntsuku zintathu zentlanganiso, abameli bafumana ithuba lokuhlala kwintlanganiso yekomiti yeBPD Water and Sanitation Cluster apho kwanikwa imbali ngeprojekti ezicukeneyo ezisibhozo zanika intetho egxininisa kubuhlobo bamaqumru nakwimfundo phakathi nangaphandle. Kwavulwa ithuba lemibuzo neengxoxo ezijonge ekufuneni ulwazi namacebo.

Elinye ixesha labekelwa ekuqwalaseleni indlela ubambiswano kuphembelela ngayo ucwangciso, uqulunqo, izimali,ukwenza neminye imiba enje ngepolitiki uluntu nentlalo ngokubanzi.

Okokugqibela kwaqwalaselwa iindlela ezinganceda ekuphuculeni imfundo ngokuthi kuphicothwe amava ale nkqubo. U-Otto Delihlazo, onguMlawuli wophuhliso loluntu kwi-Amanzíabantu uthi, ìLe ntlanganiso yamaqumru ahlobeneyo yazisa ulwazi nemfundiso,le ntlanganiso yabonisa ukuba kubalulekile ukuba abasebenzi be-ISD bazise intetho-ngxoxo ngamava abo eBoTT kwintlanganiso ezi lolu hlobo.î

Kwintetho yakhe engenkqubo yeBoTT, u-Otto wagxininisa ukuba iE&A (imfundo nolwaziso jikelele) ingundoqo kwinkqubo ngokupheleyo efanele ukuba ifunqulwe ngabahambisi-nkonzo namaqela ukwenzela ukuba bangasi imiyalezo engadibaniyo kuluntu olubandakanyeka kwezi projekti.

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Njengoko iBoTT ijongene noluntu kwaye ililinge loluntu, iqumru le-ISD laqhuba imfundo ebandakanya ulawulo lweedolophu, iinkokheli zemveli, iinkokheli zepolitiki namaqumru okuhlala namakhaya.

Ezi ntlanganiso zakhokelela kulonyulo lwamaqumru abahlali anje ngeekomiti zeprojekti nabazisi beenkonzo zamanzi. La maqumru / komiti yemibhobho yemfundo yazo zonke iindawo ezinezi projekti.

UTrevor Balzer, uMlawuli weDWAF eMpuma koloni weza nembali zopolitiko zaseMzantsi Afrika ezakhokelela kulonyulo lokuqala ledemocrasi. Waphawula ukuba uRhulumente omtsha ujongene noxanduva lokuzisa iinkonzo ezinjengamanzi nombane. Ngenxa yoko kulibaziseka kwezi nkonzo inkqubo ekhawulezileyo iyadingeka ñ yiyo loo nto kwaziswa nenkqubo yeBoTT.

Ukwaziswa ngokusesikweni kwecaba wsp

ICaba Water Supply Scheme (WSS) yayisaziwa iyinxalenye yeGqukunqa WSS kwisithili saseQumbu ekunanamhla iphantsi kweMhlontlo Local Council enezithili ezibini iTsolo neQumbu. Ngoku iliziko elizimele geqe eliqulathe iilali ezilithoba lihambisa amanzi kubantu abamalunga namawaka amane.

Ngesigaba sokwakha seeprojekti zikaBoTT, iProject Steering Committee (PSC) iye iqulunqwe ukuze isebenze ne-Amanzíabantu, engumququzeleli weSebe laManzi naMahlathi.Xa ukwakha kugqityiwe, PSC iyachithwa ukunika ithuba lokuba iWSP iqeqeshwe ukuze ilungele ukulawula iziko elo.

ICaba WSS yagunyaziswa ngomhla we-14 kuJulayi ngo-2001. Ukusekwa ngokusesikweni kweli ziko

ALL SYSTEMS GO:Caba WSP chairman Mr S Gebi and other members at the launch of the scheme.

neWSP kwenzeka ngomhla we-26 kuJulayi, kwakuzinyaswe ngooCeba beMhlontlo uNksk.Yalezo no Mnu. Ndzause ongomnye wamalungu e-Infrastructure Municipal Committee.Amagosa ka-Amanzíabantu nawo ayekho.

I-WSP iqulathe amalungu asibhozo phantsi koSihlalo uMnu. Sandile Gebi onesekela elinguNkosz. Nohombile Mkhaliphi.

UMnu. Peter Brill onike intetho yakhe ngesiXhosa echaza imbali yeli ziko, eyaye yamkelwa ngabo bonke ababekho apho.Emele iLocal Municipality uMnu. Ndzause wenza naye intetho eyamkelwa nguye wonke umntu. Wacela uluntu ukuba :

Luxhase iWSP lusebenzisane nayo lungayibhukuqi.

Lukhusele eli ziko lungamoshwa ngabenzi bobubi.

Lufundise abantwana ngokubaluleka kokuxatyiswa kweli ziko nguRhulumente ukuphucula intlalo yabantu kwesi sithili, bazi mhlophe ukuba ukutshatyalaliswa kweli ziko lwakubuyisela intlalo yabantu bale ndawo umva.

Emele iWSP, uSihlalo uqinisekise abantu ukuba uzinikele ekusebenzeleni uluntu elumonyulileyo ukuphuhlisa iinjongo zeli ziko.

Le mini yaphela kamnandi wonke umntu onwabile, yaqukunjelwa ngesidlo, apho i-Amanzíabantu yanikela ngegusha neziselo ezibandayo.

Iqulunqwe ngu : J.T. Madiba - Umlawuli Wesithili, O.R Tambo District Area / Kei.

Imbasa yeprojekti yasen gqushwa

Iziko lokuzisa amanzi eNgqushwa (Peddie South Water Supply) ngokugunyaziswa liSebe laManzi namaHlathi (DWAF) lifumene iMbasa yonyaka ka-2001 yeSouth African Institute of Civil Engineering kwiiprojekti zoluntu kwinkqila ye-Amatola.

I-Amanzíabantu yaza neqela lamachule ukuphuhlisa le projekti. Eli qela liqulathe iGroup 5 BoTT JV njengekontraki ephambili neWater & Sanitation Services of South Africa njengabaququzeleli balo mkhankaso.

Umlawuli we-Amanzíabantu, uOliver Ive uphawula imvumelwano phakathi kweDWAF ne-Amanzíabantu kule projekti, ìIDWAF incedwa yiBoTT eMpuma koloni ukuphumelela ekwenzeni iiprojekti ezininzi emaphandleni ukususela ekupheleni konyaka ka-1997. I-Peddie South Water Supply Scheme (WSS) ngomnye umzekelo,î utshilo.

I-Peddie South WSS egunyaziswe ngo-Epreli ka-2001 ixabisa izigidi ezingama-21 iseNgqushwa eMpuma koloni kwaye inceda ama-20500 abantu abahlala kwiilali ezili-13.

Iiprojekti yeBoTT isitshixo ekucebeni, ekwakheni imixokelelwano yobuxhaka-xhaka bophuhliso nokulungisa phakathi kwisicwangciso se-Amanzíabantu.

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Ukuphuculwa kwesakhiwo seposi yasengcobo

Isiqalo esitsha : Isakhiwo sePosi yaseNgcobo esilungisiweyo nesipeyintwe ngokutsha. Ngezantsi ekhohlo : Isakhiwo sePosi yaseNgcobo sasikhangeleka ngolu hlobo phambi kokuba siphuculwe leli qela.

Iqela , ezantsi ekhohlo : Iqela le Group 5 BoTT JV elisisandla sokwakha se-Amanzíabantu eliseMonti, kutshanje kuthe cwaka ngenxa yokulibaziseka kweeprojekti ezizayo. Ngenxa yokuba iliqela elikhutheleyo nelithanda ukusebenza ligqibe ekubeni lisebenzise eli thuba ekuphuculeni isakhiwo sePosi saseNgcobo. Eli qela lenze umsebenzi omkhulu kumaphandle angqonge iNgcobo, nakwicala elizikilomitha ezingama-80 eNtshona yeMtata.

UDonald Davies onguMlawuli wesithili weGroup 5 BoTT JV uthi : ' Esi sakhiwo sePosi besingahoywanga ukususela kunyaka ka-1976 kwaye bese sisibi kakhulu, sibone ukuba ngokusiphucula sifaka isandla kuluntu lwasemaphandleni nasezidolophini.î

Eli qela, likhokelwe nguMeredith Nel lithathe amabhakethe epeyinti neebrashi, lapeyinta uphahla, iindonga ngaphandle nangaphakathi nophahla ngaphakathi.Bafakela ezinye iigatasi bakha nodonga lokubiya oluphambi kwePosi. Umlawuli wePosi namagosa asePosini, amalungu abalulekileyo olawulo lwedolophu banemincili kwaye bavakalise umbulelo omkhulu.

Iiprojekti zeGroup 5 kwingingqi yaseNgcobo

Phakathi kunyaka ka-1998 iGroup 5 yasungula umsebenzi kwingingqi eseNtshona-Ngcobo, yakha amaziko amanzi asemaphandleni ngenjongo zokuzisa amanzi acocekileyo kwiilali zalapho.

Kwinqanaba lokuqala, ilali zaseNkwenkwezi, Ngqaba, Cwecweni naseNxamage zaphuhliswa.Iziko ngalinye lineliso lamanzi nesigcina-manzi. Iikontraki ezikhulayo ezinjenge Siyaya Civils beziwufunqule lo msebenzi unyaka wonke.

Phakathi kunyaka ka-1999, waqala umsebenzi wenqanaba lesibini, iziko elijongene nokuzisa amanzi kwiilali ezingama-20 kwingingqi yaseLahlangubo, Gubenxa, Lucwecwe, Qumanco naseBeyele.

Amaqela amathathu eekontraki ezisakhulayo namaqela ali-12 ayethwaliswe olu xanduva lokwenza lomsebenzi. Wonke umsebenzi ezilalini wenziwe yiHDCís neHDIís. Umbhobho obude bungama-60 ekilomitha nekhulu leekilomitha wafakelwa wadla izigidi ezingama-8,5 zeerandi.

I-Amanzíabantu nguMququzeleli wenkqubo kaBoTT eMpuma-Koloni kaDWAF. I-Group 5 BoTT JV ne WSSA ngabasebenzi abaphambili abajongene nolwakhiwo nokulungisa.

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Uqeqesho lweekontraki ezisakhasayo

Inkqubo yeBoTT, esungulwe liSebe laManzi namaHlathi (DWAF) ijolise ekwakheni ibandakanye amaqumru ahlelekileyo (HDCís & HDIís) ngokuthi iqeqeshe uluntu nabasemagunyeni ekuphathweni kweenkonzo zamanzi.

I-Amanzíabantu ifuna ukuqiniseksa ukuphatheka kweenkonzo zamanzi ngokuthi ibandakanye uluntu noRhulumente beedolophu kuzo zonke izigaba zeprojekti ukususela kuqulunqo, ekwakheni nasekulungisweni (O&M) nasekunikezeleni nasekukokoseni le projekti.

Le nto yenziwa ngokuthi kuqeqeshwe iikomiti ezisingathe lo msebenzi (PSCís), nabasebenzi, kuphuhliswe iikontraki ezingeneleyo namaqumru asekuhlaleni nasekuqeqesheni iikomiti ezisingathe iinkonzo zamanzi (VWC) & (WSA).

Ekunikezelweni kwe projekti amagunya oluntu asingathe iinkonzo zamanzi ayi-100% HDCís agunyaziswe ngoomaspala benkqila ukuba baqhube imisebenzi yokugcina ezi projekti zisebenza.

Kwi-El Nino Ground Water Schemes, eneeprojekti eziyi-50, abasebenzi baqeqeshwa yi-Amanzíabantu kwaye babhatalwa luluntu kwiindawo ezinezi projekti. ENgqushwa iMasiphathisane Water Works eyi-100% HDC igunyaziswe yiAmatole District Municipality ukuba yenze le nkonzo. Izicwangciso zimbovu ukuzisa ezi projekti nakwabanye oomaspala beenkqila.

TANGA: DPI training persons from the local community (HDIs). Amanz'abantu supplied the pipes.

Uphuhliso

Uphuhliso lweHDC lwenzeka kumanqanaba ngamanqanaba. I-Amanzíabantu njengenkqubo engumququzeleli ijongene nolu phuhliso isebenzisa amaqumru namaqela angabangeneleli.

Ukuzokuthi ga ngoku, i38% yexabiso lwenkqubo ithathwe yiHDCís ne HDIís okanye ziikontraki ezisakhulayo. Igroup 5 BoTT JV ekhokela inkonzo yolwakhiwo kwi-Amanzíabantu ijongene nokuqeqesha iikontraki ezikhasayo,kwaye iMvula Trust ekhokela i-ISD ijongene naqumru asekuhlaleni.

I-Amanzíabantu inobudlelana neeHDCís ezphumeleleyo ekwenzeni uqeqesho olukumanqanaba aphezulu.Amaqumru amaninzi akhasayo akwilinge lesine nelesihlanu leprojekti kaBoTT. Uqeqesho olwenziwa emsebenzini nophuhliso luphantsi kweliso elibanzi le-Amanzíabantu kwaye kukho impucuko nophuhliso olubonakalayo kumaqumru.

Amaqela abelanayo

I-40% yamaqumru akhasayo anesabelo esingama-40% ku-Amanzíabantu.Enye yala maqumru yi-Amanzíabantu Investment Trust enesabelo esiyi-15% emele amalungu angama-14.

Iqela ngalinye kula maqela amelwe ngumlawuli kwiBhodi ka-Amanzíabantu.Onke la maqela athatha inxaxheba kwinkqubo kaBoTT.

Kungokunje i-Amanzíabantu ixhasa ngezimali inkqubo yolawulo lweHDC ekuziseni ulawulo kula maqumru akhasayo ngenjongo zokubafundisa nokubaxhobisa ukuqhuba ngobuchule nokuzimela phakathi nangaphandle kwenkqubo yeBoTT.