

## LUAPULA WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION COMPANY LIMITED

## PRESS STATEMENT (For Immediate Release)

## **GOVERNMENT OPENS CHIBALASHI DAM TO EASE MANSA WATER SHORTAGE**

Mansa, Zambia — 18th October 2025 - Luapula Water Supply and Sanitation Company Limited (LpWSC) wishes to inform the general public and its valued customers in Mansa District that the current no water and erratic water supply situation is due to low inflows at the Mansa River, which serves as the main water source for the district.

In response to this challenge, LpWSC engaged the Government through the Ministry of Water Development and Sanitation to intervene by opening the Chibalashi Dam, located upstream, to help replenish the Mansa River and stabilize water levels at the company's intake point.

We are pleased to inform the public that the Ministry of Water Development and Sanitation, through the Luapula Provincial Office, opened the Chibalashi Dam yesterday (17th October 2025). This intervention is expected to improve inflows into the Mansa River and restore normal water abstraction and supply in the coming days.

Our technical team is closely monitoring the situation and will continue to regulate supply based on available water levels until the situation normalizes.

LpWSC sincerely regrets the inconvenience caused to its customers and appreciates the patience and understanding demonstrated during this period.

Customers are further encouraged to use water sparingly as the company works towards restoring full supply.

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