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**Munisipaliteite kniediep...**

“Die nuus dat ‘n derde van Suid-Afrika se munisipaliteite nie die vermoë het om hul saniteitsfunksies uit te voer nie, en dat selfs een van Kaapstad se strande hieroor sy Blou Vlag-status kwyt is, is ‘n ernstige aanklag teen die wyse waarop Suid-Afrikaners op grondvlak regeer word,” sê ds Theunis Botha, leier van die Christen-Demokratiese party (CDP). Hy het gereageer op ‘n verslag van die WNNR wat pas bekend gestel is.

“Die verslag lees soos ‘n riller – soos dat van die munisipaliteite eintlik vervolg behoort te word, en dat die land op ‘n ramp afstuur. Dit duï ook swak beplanning , soos Vrystaatse munisipaliteite waar die emmerstelsel met spoelgeriewe vervang is, maar die publiek nou nikks het nie omdat daar nie genoeg water in die krane is nie.

“Teen hierdie agtergrond is dit bykans ondenkbaar dat die ANC volgens voorspellings weer op ‘n groot oorwinning afstuur tydens die komende plaaslike regeringsverkiesings. Ons doen opnuut ‘n beroep op kiesers om die uiters belangrike stemreg waaroer hulle beskik, as belegging vir hul eie en hul kinders se toekoms in te span.”

**Municipalities knee deep...**

The news that a third of South Africa's municipalities do not have the capacity to fulfil their sanitation functions, and that even one of Cape Town's beaches lost its Blue Flag status because of this problem, is a serious charge against the way in which South Africa is governed at grass roots level,” says Rev. Theunis Botha, leader of the Christian Democratic Party (CDP). He reacted to a recent report of the CSIR.

“The report reads like a thriller – stating that some municipalities should actually be criminally prosecuted and that the country is heading for disaster. It also points to bad management, such as Free State municipalities where they have done away with the bucket system and replaced them with water borne systems, but left it with a situation where there is not sufficient water in the taps.

“Against this background it is almost unimaginable that the ANC will once again, as predicted, run in comfortable winners in the upcoming local government elections. We again call on voters to use their very important votes as an investment for their own, and that of their children's future.”