

# Load shedding back, as Eskom crashes again

Eskom unexpectedly announced Stage 2 load shedding last night after 10 generating units at seven power stations crashed over the weekend.



Load shedding is expected to end on Tuesday at 10pm.

“The failure of three generation units at Tutuka was due to loss of air compressors; a unit at Majuba was forced to shutdown, while another unit tripped.

“A generation unit at Kriel was taken down for a boiler tube leak. A unit was forced down due to a steam leak at a unit at Matla power station, while trips at a unit each at Medupi, Kusile and the Duvha power stations are being investigated,” Eskom said on Sunday.

This represents a total loss of 6,044MW over this 24 hour period.

Ironically, deputy president, David Mabuza, in his capacity as chairperson of the Political Task Team,, visited the Kusile Power Station on Friday to evaluate progress achieved on the construction and operations at the power station.

The increased output to 2,400MW that is now being generated by Kusile Power Station to support the national grid, thereby assisting in the reduction of the occurrence of load shedding.

Upon completion by the end of 2023, the power station will provide 4,800MW of electricity to the grid.



## Kusile and Medupi design defects rectified, yet load shedding goes on

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