

Eskom to implement load shedding from 5pm, Tuesday

Eskom has announced that due to severe generation capacity constraints, Stage 2 load shedding will be implemented from 5pm on Tuesday, 3 May. Load shedding will continue until 5am on Monday.



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This latest round of load shedding has been caused by a shortage of generation capacity due to delays in returning generators to service, as well as breakdowns of nine generators, the utility said.

Since Monday, a generation unit each at Lethabo, Tutuka, Ingula, Drakensberg, Arnot as well as two units each at Hendrina and Matla power stations experienced breakdowns. Delays in returning generators to service at Arnot, Kendal and three units at Tutuka power stations have added to the capacity constraints.

Eskom currently has 3,875MW on planned maintenance, while another 15,067MW of capacity is unavailable due to breakdowns.

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