Minister for Regional Development, Alison Anderson, officially opened the Ali Curung Advanced Water Treatment Plant today. The plant provides a safe and reliable supply of water to the community.

Ms Anderson said that by providing quality capital works such as electricity, water and sewerage services in regional and remote communities, a higher standard of living is ensured.

“The bush has been deprived of quality utilities for too long,” Ms Anderson said.

“People down South and I’m sure a few in Darwin would be shocked to see the poor condition of basic utilities provided to our brothers and sisters in the bush.

“Simple things like clean water, electricity and sewerage are not taken for granted out here.

“Water is a precious resource and this water treatment plant will go a long way to ensuring a reliable supply of fresh drinking water.

“I am honoured to officially open this water treatment plant that so many others have worked hard to achieve. This is for the people of Ali Curung.

“Providing high quality infrastructure and projects like this in regional and remote areas is a priority for this government. The Country Liberals Government is focused on improving regional development and today’s opening is a symbol of that.”

Ali Curung is one of three advanced water treatment plants to be delivered to remote communities in the Northern Territory this year. The other water treatment plants are in Kintore and Yuelamu.

The $2.878 million project forms part of the Indigenous Essential Services (IES) program.

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