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CAPE TOWN: Taking a cue from President Jacob Zuma's promise to halve new HIV and Aids infections in two years and Julius Malema's "one girlfriend, one boyfriend" campaign, Health Minister Aaron Motsoaledi has decided to double the number of free condoms. Motsoaledi said in his budget vote in Parliament on Tuesday that free male condoms would increase from 283 million to 450 million this financial year, and by another 45 million in the next financial year. The bad news for women, however, is that the distribution of female condoms is still in low supply. "Female condom distribution will increase from 4,5 million to 5 million," said Motsoaledi.