

## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

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### **MEC CELE CONDEMNS THE KILLING OF GREYTOWN MUNICIPAL MANAGER**

KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison Mr Bheki Cele has condemned the killing of the acting Municipal manager in Greytown Mr Sydney Sikhakhane. According to police reports Sikhakhane was stabbed to death in the early hours of Sunday morning by a group of young people when he tried to resolve a heated argument.

MEC Cele has expressed shock and heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families and friends of the late Mr Sikhakhane. "Police have done a tremendous job in apprehending the suspects. Sikhakhane's death comes as a shock to the leadership of the province at large, said Cele. I again encourage members of the community to report all concerns to the police and stay away from criminal activities, Cele added.

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