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TWO PEOPLE KILLED ON KZN ROADS OVER THE WEEKEND

KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison Mr. Bheki Cele is urging road users to be more cautious on the roads as human error was once again the main cause for fatalities over the weekend.

On Saturday (18/07/09) on the N2 north bound Ultra City off-ramp Winkelspruit one light motor vehicle which was parked on the emergency lane was rear ended by a heavy motor vehicle, resulting in one death and two people sustained minor injuries. On the R74 Greytown between Muden and Weenen a light motor vehicle collided head on with a bakkie, the driver of the bakkie died on the scene and four people from the light motor vehicle were treated for shock. Twelve people were arrested for drinking and driving on Friday (17/07/09) during a multidisciplinary road block at Margate on the South Coast. The MEC has cited driver attitude and behavior as an area that needs serious attention in the reduction of crashes and fatalities.

“The onus is upon all road users to obey the rules of the road at all times. We as the Department of Transport wish to emphasize that one death is one too many. Road safety should be the responsibility of everyone, said Cele”.

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