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MEC WILLIES MCHUNU INTERVENES TO END FACTION FIGHTING IN KZN

The MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Willies Mchunu has intervened to end the bloody faction fighting in eShowe and Mutubatuba.

A team of top police bras including KwaZulu-Natal commissioner General Mamunye Ngobeni on Wednesday visited the Nkanini area in Eshowe where three people lost their lives in what is believed to be linked to faction fighting.

Five other people were seriously injured in Nkanini when the car they were travelling in was sprayed with a hail of bullets on Monday morning. The incident happened barely two months after more than five people were killed in Mtubatuba's eSiyembeni and Machibini. On Monday Mchunu will visit Mtubatuba to engage with the community and all stakeholders.

Mchunu is concerned that despite many efforts to make KwaZulu-Natal a peaceful province there are areas where people choose to resolve conflicts through the barrel of a gun.

"I have sent a delegation to the areas concerned and they have assured me that from their engagement with relevant stakeholders, there is hope that the conflicts will end," said Mchunu.

The MEC urges communities to use appropriate and legal avenues to resolve their differences and disputes. This includes reporting their concerns to traditional councils, councillors and the SAPS.

"We will continue dealing decisively with people who kill other people. Our police will arrest them and they will face the full arm of the law," he said.

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