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MEC MCHUNU SHOCKED BY THE DEATH OF MRS MAKHANYA

KZN MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mr Willies Mchunu has learnt with shock the sudden departure of Mrs Cynthia Makhanya.

Mrs Makhanya was the only remaining victim of the incident where four people were burnt to death in Newlands East.

It is alleged that Warrant Officer Thulani Makhanya burnt his house with three daughters and Mrs Makhanya.

It was reported that Warrant Officer Makhanya then stabbed himself.

After visiting the family last week, Mchunu was hoping that Mrs Makhanya will survive.

“This is tragic. Loosing five family members is painful. After meeting with the family last week, we were all confident that she will recover. I was shocked to learn of her passing away. She spent time fighting for here life in hospital. I wish to send my sincere condolences to the Makhanya family and the relatives. May her soul rest in peace,” said Mchunu.

Mrs Makhaya’s death comes after the funeral of her husband and three daughters which was held on weekend.

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