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MEC MCHUNU TO ATTEND MASS FUNERAL OF EIGHT ROAD ACCIDENT VICTIMS IN MSINGA

KZN MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mr Willies Mchunu will on Sunday (16 October 2011) attend the mass funeral of the eight Msimango family members at Umsinga.

Reports revealed that at about 6 am on Saturday (08 OCTOBER 2011) morning, the Msimango family was travelling from Johannesburg to a funeral in Paul Pietersburg, Shipmore, when they met with an accident between Ermelo and Piet Retief. It is alleged that the vehicle they were travelling in lost one of the wheels and capsized. 10 members of the family died.

Eight of the ten will be buried in Msinga while the other two members will be buried separately, one will be buried in KwaHlabisa and the other in Tsakane.

The Department of Transport and the Road Accident Fund is assisting with the funeral arrangements and transporting of the bodies from Mpumalanga to KZN.

The MEC is expected to be accompanied by the Msimango family members, the local and district mayors, the Community Road Safety Councils, religious leaders, the legislature transport portfolio committee and the community of Msinga

Details of the Funeral Date: 16 October 2011

Venue: Phenduka School (Msinga Top) Time: 10h00

Members of the media are invited to attend

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