

MEDIA UPDATE

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ATTENTION : NEWS EDITORS/REPORTERS AND PR WIRE

MEC MCHUNU HEARS WITH SHOCK THE DEATH OF FIVE IN DANNHAUSER

KZN MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mr Willies Mchunu has learnt with great shock the death of five people on P38 in Danhauser.

It is alleged that the accident happened at about 08:20 this morning (10 October 2011) on the P38 where an Opel and Jetta collided head on leaving fiver people dead on the scene. Among the deceased were four males and one female and a 13year old was left critical and taken to Dannhauser hospital.

The MEC commented about the horrifying accident

"These accidents are unacceptable and this has prompted us to take harsher measures to any road offender. We will do an audit of all repeat offenders in order to review their licenses and under go retesting so we can be sure that they still know how to drive and if they fail they will risk permanent removal of their license. I will meet with the taxi and truck drivers to discuss a way forward regarding these many accidents. I hope after meeting with them we will come up with a tangible solution. I would also like to send my deepest condolences to families of the victims and a speedy recovery to the 13year old in hospital.

The MEC wishes to send his condolences to the family in Nquthu who lost their loved ones on the Mpumalanga Road at the weekend

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