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14 ARRESTED FOR THE KILLING OF TWO SENIOR CITIZENS

Acting MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mr. Senzo Mchunu has commended the police for the quick arrest of 14 suspects who are wanted for the death of two senior citizens.

In the early hours of today (12 January 2012) police arrested 14 people implicated in the murder of an elderly couple in Lindelani.

The couple aged 60 and 66 were attacked yesterday (11 January 2012) at their house and were allegedly set alight by angry community members who suspected them of witchcraft.

The police immediately started their investigation and identified 14 community members as possible suspects in the murder.

The 14 suspects aged between 18 and 40 were arrested by the police and are still being questioned.

MEC commented on the swift reaction by the police and warned community not to take matters into their hands

"I want to thank the police for such a quick arrest. This shows that the police are hard at work fighting criminal activities. I want to warn communities not to take the law into their own hands. Our Constitution clearly states that every one has the right to live and nobody has the right to take that away regardless of the circumstance. Vigilantism is not acceptable and we will fight it to the end," said Mchunu.

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