

MEDIA UPDATE

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ATTENTION : NEWS EDITORS/REPORTERS AND PR WIRE

MCHUNU SHOCKED BY THE DEATH OF FIVE PEOPLE IN ULUNDI

KZN MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mr Willies Mchunu has learnt with

great shock at the accident that claimed five lives on the R66 in Mahlabathini outside

Ulundi.

It is alleged that today (30 January 2012) in the early evening an Isuzu truck collided head

on with an LDV on the R66.

The accident killed five passengers which included a female and four males. The rest of

the patrons were taken to the Nkonjeni hospital.

MEC Mchunu expressed his shock and vowed that his department will intensify its road

safety initiatives.

"I am deeply saddened at this accident. It is shocking to learn that people still

continue to die on our roads. As we have begun the year 2012 we will deepen

people's activism against road carnages and transgressions. We appeal to everyone

to define his or her role in reducing road carnages. We will intensify our road safety

campaign under Operation Val'ingozi with a view to revive consciences' and morals

of road users. I send our deepest condolences to the families who lost their loved

ones in this accident and also those who are still in hospital a speedy recovery",

said Mchunu.

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