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## **COURT IMPOSED R20 000 SPEED FINES TO TWO MOTORISTS RESPECTIVELY**

KZN MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Willies Mchunu applauds a good stance taken by KwaZulu-Natal courts to impose harsh sentences to speedsters on the road.

Mchunu attributed to the recent cases at the Scottburgh magistrate court as a huge steppingstone in changing the mind-set of all motorists to respect the rule of law.

Yesterday a driver was fined R20 000 or eight year imprisonment after he was caught on Sunday driving at 205k/m at a zone of 120k/m on the N2, Ellingham near Park Rynie.

Another driver was nabbed yesterday on the same road driving at 202 k/m and was today fined by the Scottburgh for R20 000 or eight years imprisonment.

On Saturday a driver of a light motor vehicle was doing at 182 and was fined by the same court for R8000 or four years imprisonment.

On the same day, another driver was caught on the N2 driving at 194 and was fine R14 000 or four years imprisonment.

Mchunu said this is clear indication that traffic officials are hard at work and commended the good work by the Scottburgh magistrate court.

"This will send a clear message to all transgressors on the road that we are serious about ensuring maximum law enforcement. Since we launched the October Transport Month, we have taken a different and a tough approached to offenders of the road. We are optimistic that our approach to road offenders will reduce the scourge of road accidents. It is unacceptable that people are driving at 202k/m and 205k/m. I commend the good work by the magistrate in Scottburgh and hope others across the province will apply the similar approach," said Mchunu.

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