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ATTENTION: NEWS EDITOR/EDITORS, PR WIRES

MEC MCHUNU TO MAKE UNANNOUNCED VISIT AT THE PINETOWN LICENCE TESTING CENTRE AND ASSESS FIELDS- HILL (M-13) NEW RESTRICTIONS

KWAZULU-NATAL MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mr. Willies Mchunu, will launch the provincial-wide ranging campaign to root out fraud and corruption in licence testing stations by making an unannounced visit to Pinetown, Durban.

The visit will include the inspection of the testing field, camera operational centre and interaction with prospective applicants and management.

During this visit MEC Mchunu will also highlight key interventions and latest technologies that have been introduced to curb corruption at the testing centres.

Fraudulent buying of licences and corruption is one of the contributing factors to road accidents and fatalities.

Before embarking on this unannounced visit, MEC Mchunu will start by attending a road block on M-13, as part of assessing the effectiveness of the new restrictions to heavies during specific hours. These were introduced as part of the immediate measures to control the traffic of heavy vehicles passing through the winding M-13/ Field's Hill area.

MEC Mchunu will officially unveil the new signboards and address other important issues of safety regarding Field's Hill.

Order of proceedings

08h00 Unveiling the signboards (M-13)

08h30 Road block and truck restriction enforcement (M-7/ M-13) 10h30 Unannounced visit at Pinetown RTI license testing station

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