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### MEDIA STATEMENT

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#### **FOUR VICTIMS, INCLUDING A PREGNANT WOMAN, KILLED IN A GRUESOME ACCIDENT ON THE R617 IN BOSTON NEAR BULWER**

The KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mr. Mxolisi Kaunda, has again called on motorists to remain cautious on the road following the death of four people, including a pregnant woman yesterday on the R617 in Boston, near Bulwer.

Preliminary reports reveal that a BMW sedan and a bakkie collided head-on killing four people, including a pregnant woman. It is alleged that the BMW attempted overtaking on a barrier line when it collided on the bakkie head-on. This accident happened as several other accidents, which claimed people's lives, occurred across the province during the weekend.

MEC Kaunda called on motorists to be extra vigilant as rainfall continues in most parts of KwaZulu-Natal.

"Human errors continue to be the most common causes of road crashes and fatalities in our province and country. We urge all motorists, and road users generally, to exercise patience on the roads and be tolerant towards one another and to always abide by the rules of the road in order to curb accidents. A qualified driver should know that overtaking on a barrier line is prohibited hence we always preach about adhering to road rules to avoid such accidents," said Kaunda.

The MEC has further extended his condolences to the families of the deceased.

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