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MEC KAUNDA SHOCKED AT THE DEATH OF 12 PEOPLE IN NTUNJAMBILI ROAD CRASH

The KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mxolisi Kaunda, has expressed shock and dismay at the death of 12 people in a road collision involving a bus at Nkandla road (Ntunjambili /Sababa areas) this morning.

A bus, with a Durban registration, overturned possibly because of brake failure, killing 12 people, and injuring 6 who have been taken to Njunjambili Hospital.

MEC Kaunda, who is on his way to the crash scene, has expressed shock and dismay at this accident, ordering traffic officials to investigate and find the full cause of this disaster.

"We are really hurt and disappointed at this disaster, which occurred after we have been working for weeks to avoid such disasters. Traffic officers have been placed on the full alert and have been tasked to get engineers to get into the bottom of this matter."

"We wish to, once again, urge people of KwaZulu-Natal to make sure that they drive safely and do not worsen the situation. Passengers should check on the condition of drivers and vehicles they are using."

"Our message to all people of KwaZulu-Natal is that safety, both on our roads and in our communities, is a collective responsibility for all of us," said Kaunda, who extended his heartfelt condolences to the families who lost their loved ones."

The full report on this accident would be issued soon.

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