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MEC NTULI CONDEMNS KILLING OF LADY TAXI OWNER

The KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison Mr. Bheki Ntuli has condemned with strongest terms the shooting of Eunice Ngcobo (53) who was shot dead at her home on Monday night (16 September 2019) at about 19:20 in Obonjeni, Bergville.

Preliminary reports have revealed that Ms. Ngcobo who was traveling with her daughter and son was in her vehicle about to enter her home when they were attacked by unknown assailants. Ms. Ngcobo died on the scene while her children sustained injuries and were rushed to the nearest hospital to receive medical attention, however her daughter later succumbed to her injuries and died in hospital. 60 Cartridges from R5 rifle were found on the scene and such has been described as a barbaric act of criminality.

A case of murder was opened at the Matsheni police station and no arrests have been made yet.

“This attack comes at the time when the killing of women and children is on a rise. The way she was attacked shows that the killers wanted her dead at all costs. Both deaths are an act of barbarism performed by heartless criminals who have no respect for life. The recent spate of women being killed is clearly falling on deaf ears as women continue to die every day. In our records we had no reports of any underlying tensions in the area that could have led to this attack. At this stage we can also not link this killing to taxi violence, however we appeal to the police to investigate and find the perpetrators and bring them to book. We further appeal to the community to assist with any information that could lead to finding the killers. We would like to send our deepest condolences to the Ngcobo family for losing two of their members and we wish a speedy recovery to the member in hospital,” said Ntuli.

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