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MEDIA ALERT

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MEC NTULI IN CONVERSATION WITH WOMEN IN THE TAXI INDUSTRY

KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison Bheki Ntuli will on Friday, 28 August 2020 be in conversation with women in the taxi industry to talk about the challenges that they face and reflect on the milestones achieved in this sector.

With public transport being one of the key contributors to the economy in the province, it is imperative that government ensures that issues affecting women are prioritised. For the longest time women have not received equal opportunities as their male counterparts in this sector.

MEC Ntuli said women in the taxi industry often face challenges in taking full ownership of their taxi business when their spouses have passed on as their male counterparts at times take advantage of their inexperience within the industry.

“The taxi industry is worth over R90 billion therefore it is important that we see more women entering this industry and running successful operations as they are usually the primary breadwinners in their homes. This engagement will be a platform for women to share with me what challenges remain in ensuring that they get equal opportunities. I want us to work together in addressing those challenges so that women in the taxi industry can have maximum participation in this sector,” said MEC Ntuli.

Details of the programme are as follows:

Date: Friday, 28 August 2020

Time: 14h00 (Virtual)