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## MEDIA STATEMENT

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### **PEDESTRIAN SAFETY UNDER THE SPOTLIGHT AFTER FOUR PEDESTRIANS WERE KNOCKED BY A VEHICLE IN JOZINI**

KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Bheki Ntuli has learnt with shock and dismay of the death of four pedestrians who were knocked by a vehicle in Jozini yesterday.

Preliminary reports revealed that the driver of a Chevrolet tried to overtake on solid lines, and side swiped an Isuzu LDV losing control, it then veered off the road, knocking four pedestrians who died at the scene.

MEC Ntuli has expressed his disappointment on the occurrence of this accident shortly after another major accident in Jozini that claimed the lives of nine people.

“We were very disturbed to receive the news that yet again innocent lives have been lost in an accident that could have been avoided and we extend our deepest condolences to the families. Last week we were in Jozini to mourn the death of nine people, including pedestrians, who were killed during an accident involving a truck and multiple vehicles. As part of our road safety campaign we are also focusing on pedestrian safety and therefore all our awareness campaigns are geared towards ensuring a reduction in pedestrian fatalities over and above ensuring safety of all road users. We still maintain that all accidents could be avoided if motorists obey the rules of the road. As government we will continue with our fight against road carnages and urge motorists to also heed the call. A team will be dispatched to assist the families,” said MEC Ntuli.

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