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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **FIVE PEOPLE PERISHED ON THE R66 IN ESHOWE**

KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison Ms Neliswa Peggy Nkonyeni has with sadness learnt of yet another horrific accident in KwaZulu-Natal.

Reports suggest that at around about 17h30, a minibus taxi collided with a Ford Ranger, instantly killing five occupants of the minibus taxi. Among the deceased included two adult females and two adult males and an infant. Four more people sustained critical to serious injuries, and they were rushed to the nearby hospital for further medical care.

MEC Nkonyeni sends her deepest condolences to the families of the deceased. She has also called on motorists traveling around the province to be always extra cautious.

"This is really saddening, especially as we are still recovering from another gruesome accident that claimed the lives of 16 people on the N3 almost two weeks ago. My heartfelt condolences to the families of all the victims. I also wish those who sustained injuries a speedy recovery."

MEC Nkonyeni has directed law enforcement to conduct a thorough investigation to determine the cause of the accident.

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