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MEC NKONYENI CALLS FOR URGENT INVESTIGATION INTO THE BREAK IN OF TWO DOT OFFICES OVER THE WEEKEND

The KZN MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Ms Neliswa Peggy Nkonyeni has called for an urgent investigation into the break-in of two departmental offices.

Two incidents were reported over the weekend where two DoT offices were targeted by criminals.

In the Rossburgh office in Durban, criminals attacked a security guard. This has forced a temporary closure of the testing station.

Yesterday evening another DoT office in eShowe was also targeted. Criminals handcuffed the security guard and went on to steal seven state firearms and keys for state vehicles.

Both cases are receiving priority in terms of police investigation.

Reacting to these developments, MEC Nkonyeni expressed anger at the fact that criminals are now targeting state institutions.

"The modus operandi seems similar in these two incidents. We are concerned that state institutions are being targeted. To have state firearms in the hands of criminals is dangerous. We appeal to the police to urgently find these criminals and recover state assets," said Nkonyeni.

DoT has also assigned the management team to visit the two centres to investigate measures to improve security.

Nkonyeni also called on members of the community with information to work with the police in resolving this matter speedily.

Ends.