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TRUCK DRIVER IN THE PHONGOLO ACCIDENT ARRESTED HOURS AFTER MEC SIPHO HLOMUKA CALLED ON HIM TO SURRENDER

The truck driver in the N2 Phongolo accident that claimed 21 people has been arrested. The driver handed himself over to the police today after a call by the MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Siphso Hlomuka.

Police had launched a manhunt after he fled the scene after the accident yesterday.

The driver is expected to appear in the Phongolo Magistrate Court on Monday. MEC Hlomuka is expected to attend the court proceedings.

"His arrest is important in assisting the families to deal with the devastation of losing their relatives. We commend the police who have had to activate all systems to make sure that the driver is pressured to surrender himself. We will be there to support the people of Phongolo and the families during his court appearance on Monday," said Hlomuka.

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