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KZN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT NOTES WITH SATISFACTION THE DECREASE IN ROAD CRASHES AND FATALITIES DURING THE FESTIVE SEASON HOLIDAYS

The KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Sipho Hlomuka, is satisfied with the decrease in road crashes and fatalities during the 2023 festive season holidays.

The province is currently taking stock of the performance of the enforcement operations for the Festive Season and is pleased that the preliminary reports suggest a serious decrease.

The province had set a target of 10 percent reduction and the indications currently are that we are at a 13% percent reduction. The situation is currently being monitored as most holiday makers are making their way back.

There are currently high volumes of traffic mainly on the N2 and N3. There are other provincial roads which are linking small towns which are heavily monitored by traffic enforcement, comprising of the Road Traffic Inspectorate (RTI), National Traffic Police (NTP) and local authorities.

More than 88 502 vehicles were stopped this Festive Season and more than 10 730 charged were meted against road users who violated the traffic regulations.

Commenting on the Festive Season enforcement, MEC Hlomuka, commended the law enforcement agencies, saying their visibility and commitment is yielding positive results. "Whilst we are at a preliminary stage of the assessment with our performance, but all indications are pointing to a decrease on both crashes and fatalities. We are, however, not taking our eyes off the ball as our enforcement teams are still monitoring the movement of traffic on the road. Our plan will be to monitor all of our network until the schools are opened. We are also encouraged by the work of our enforcement agencies," said MEC Hlomuka.

The Department appeals to road users to continue observing traffic regulations and behave responsibly.

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