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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

## **MONDAY, 14 AUGUST 2023**

## MEC HLOMUKA TO HONOUR WOMEN IN LAW ENFORCEMENT AS PART OF COMMEMORATING WOMENS MONTH

The Kwazulu-Natal MEC for Department of Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Sipho Hlomuka will tomorrow, 15 August 2023, honour and give recognition to Women in Law Enforcement.

MEC Hlomuka will give recognition to women who have excelled in law enforcement and unveil newly promoted women in law enforcement as part of the provincial job creation campaign dubbed S'thesha Waya Waya.

The engagement with female officers is part of marking 365 days in office since MEC Hlomuka was appointed to the portfolio of Transport, Community Safety and Liaison. He made an undertaking to revive law enforcement units and ensure gender balance.

The Department of Transport has prioritised the empowerment of women, which has seen women being appointed and promoted to supervisory positions within law enforcement. The same applies to the Department of Community Safety and Liaison.

The Department of Transport currently employs over 238 female traffic officers of which 58 of those females occupy supervisory positions.

In this financial year four women have been promoted within the Road Traffic Inspectorate (RTI) three as Chief Provincial Inspectors and one as Principal Provincial Inspector.

The Department has been moving with speed in filling 430 posts within RTI and Public Transport Enforcement Services (PTES). In addition the Department is also finalizing the recruitment of 200 traffic trainees. Amongst all these appointments the Department will ensure gender representation.

The activities of the day will kick off with a multi-disciplinary operation, which will be led by female officers and MEC Hlomuka.

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