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N3 CLOSED DUE TO MULTIPLE VEHICLE CRASH AND PILE UP

The KwaZulu-Natal Department of Transport warns motorists to be extra cautious when driving on the N3, Pietermaritzburg as the road is temporarily closed due to a multiple vehicle crash and pile up.

This has forced the authorities to close the southbound between Hilton and Cedara, Johannesburg bound. N3 North (Durban bound) has also been forced to close due to recoveries and provision of access by emergency services to the accident scene.

There is currently thick mist and slight rainfall, which is demanding motorists to adjust their driving patterns.

The preliminary investigations suggest that at least five people have lost their lives and scores sustained injuries during this horrific crash. This accident involves five trucks, eight minibus taxis and twenty-two light motor vehicles.

The Department is cautioning motorists to use alternative routes such as R103 or delay their travel arrangements until the road is cleared.

Motorists are also cautioned of inclement weather that is expected overnight. The investigation to the cause of the accident is continuing as various agencies are currently on the scene.

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