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Clarity over Permits | Protests by Durban Long Distance Taxi Association

Statement by the MEC for Transport and Human Settlements, Siboniso Duma

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Inkosi Mhlabunzima Maphumulo House: We are in receipt of media queries regarding taxi operators in Durban that are in our offices.

We are happy that finally they are coming to fetch their permits.

They must produce the necessary documents in their possession such as certified copies valid within 3 months of the following:-

- PrDP of driver of minibus taxi.
- COR of vehicle.
- Logbook
- Rank stand permit from eThekweni Municipality.

In our last meeting in September, attended by the Durban Long Taxi Association and Lt General Nhlanhla Mkhwanazi it was agreed that they were to fetch their permits.

1. There were about 115 permits at that time.
2. About 84 were to expire within 60 days.
3. About 9 had already expired.
4. About 170 had already been issued.

We remain committed to ensure stability in the taxi industry.

It remains critical in terms of ensuring economic development in KZN.

We will make all efforts to protect honest entrepreneurs in the taxi industry who are complying with the laws.

In addition, Operation Shanela will continue to protect commuters and ensure that they use only roadworthy taxis with the necessary legal documents.

Our doors are always open for engagement as we believe that the taxi industry is the backbone of our public transport system.

Finally, law enforcement agencies have been deployed to maintain law and order. We have a responsibility to protect the rights of innocent citizens. These rights must be respected by all with no exception.

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