

**Four people have died in another horrific accident involving a truck on the N3: Duma receives a report from our highly efficient and dedicated team from Road Traffic Inspectorate**

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

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Inkosi Mhlabunzima Maphumulo House: I have just been informed by our highly dedicated and efficient team from the Road Traffic Inspectorate about another horrific accident involving a truck on the N3.

The accident took place few minutes ago.

We request motorists traveling towards Gauteng to approach the area with caution as emergency personnel, South African Police Service, and RTI are currently on the scene of the accident.

Four people have died in this horrific crash involving a truck and a minibus taxi near the Bergville Interchange.

We express our deepest condolences to the families of the victims.

I have assigned a team from the Department to locate the families of the victims whose lives have been altered by this tragedy.

Last weekend, at the same time, there was a horrific accident involving a truck and light motor vehicle between Amatigulu and Dokodweni.

Five members of the same family and a truck driver died on the scene of the accident.

Tomorrow, we will lay to rest five members of the same family in Ndwedwe.

While we are ensuring the visibility of RTI on our roads, it is important to note that road safety is a shared responsibility.

Research has proven that changing road user behavior is central to making our roads safer. In fact, statistics indicate that up to 87 percent of all road fatalities in the country can be attributed to road user behaviour.

Critically, we are intensifying our road safety strategy underpinned by the Four E's:

- Enforcement (ensuring high visibility of law enforcement),
- Education (creating awareness through educative campaigns),
- Engineering (improving road infrastructure to ensure motorists' safety), and
- Evaluation (assessing what works and how many lives it has saved).

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