

Mayhem and anguish as drunk driver destroys cars trying to run away: Duma salutes brave traffic officers for high speed chase and the arrest of a drunk motorist on the N3 and IT specialist on the N2

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Inkosi Mhlabunzima Maphumulo House: Around 02h30 this morning I received a report detailing the mayhem caused by a drunk motorist on the N3.

I am also in possession of another report of the arrest of a speeding IT specialist on the N2.

A distressed female motorist alerted our highly dedicated team from the Road Traffic Inspectorate about a drunk driver who had collided into her and fled the scene.

The vigilant RTI team spotted and stopped a speeding white Mahindra Bakkie on Chota Motala Road north-bound.

When confronted, the drunk driver assaulted the RTI officer and fled.

Whilst fleeing, the Mahindra collided with other vehicles on the N3.

The drunk driver drove through the Howick area and collided with another vehicle before heading towards Hilton via the R103.

On Hilton Avenue, once again, the Mahindra collided with a light delivery vehicle.

Our brave RTI officer, Phiwokuhle Ndabezitha was injured after he rear-ended the Mahindra.

We wish him a speedy recovery. He showed bravery and went the extra mile to save innocent lives.

The drunk motorist was arrested and has been remanded in custody.

He faces several charges, such as assault and fleeing the scene of the accident.

He is also facing reckless and negligent driving charges.

Meanwhile, on the N2 southbound, an IT specialist was arrested by a no-nonsense RTI team from-Park Rynie.

He was caught driving at 192 km/h at a range of 344.8 metres.

Months ago, I mandated the team to clean up our road networks by coming down very hard on reckless and drunk motorists.

It is for these reasons we have advertised 278 posts of traffic officers.

This is part of strengthening our dedicated and efficient RTI team.

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