

Scores of motorists were arrested last night and this morning for possession of drugs, drunk driving, and other offences: Duma salutes a highly efficient team from the Road Traffic Inspectorate for cleaning up our roads

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Inkosi Mhlabunzima Maphumulo House: Last night—until the wee hours of this morning, our highly efficient and dedicated team from the Road Traffic Inspectorate cleaned up our road networks.

A multi-disciplinary operation was pioneered by a female commander supported by law enforcement officers comprising mainly female law enforcement officers.

I salute Imbokodo kamagayisa for enforcing a No-Nonsense, Zero Tolerance and Alufakwa campaign in various parts of the province.

Our RTI team, working with South African Police Service, Metro Police and other traffic officers from various municipalities, successfully arrested motorists for the following:

- Driving under the influence of alcohol / drugs in violation of National Road Traffic Act and National Land Transport Transition Act;
- In possession of drugs and illegal firearms;
- In possession of a possible stolen motor vehicle;
- Outstanding warrants of arrest.

Importantly, during the weekend of the 1st of August we witnessed many horrific road accidents.

In fact, during the first week of August we lost more than 30 people on our roads.

We have observed an increase in road accidents around paydays—particularly during the end of the month, the 15th and 25th of the month.

Many people are more likely to be out and about spending their salaries during this period.

This often leads to more traffic and increased pedestrian activity, resulting in road accidents and fatalities.

It is for these reasons I have mandated our highly efficient team from the Road Traffic Inspectorate to display a more No-Nonsense, Zero Tolerance and Alufakwa posture.

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