

Demonstrations and free flow of traffic—marchers, ordinary members of society, and goods: Throughout the day Duma is available by phone and physically. He remains satisfied with the deployment of the Road Traffic Inspectorate and Operation Shanela teams to monitor the 34 000 kilometres of road networks.

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Inkosi Mhlabunzima Maphumulo House: Around 3 am this morning, our highly efficient teams from the Road Traffic Inspectorate and Operation Shanela were already monitoring our more than 34 000 kilometres of our road networks throughout the corners of the province.

We pause to assure ordinary members of society and those that will be demonstrating that our teams will ensure the free movement of traffic to minimize any form of disruption.

Where necessary, RTI working with traffic departments in various municipalities, will co-ordinate and redirect traffic from hotspots to strategic detours.

Since the 26th June, RTI and Operation Shanela teams have been ensuring high visibility and executing operations with precision.

By and large, our objective is to ensure continuous safe traffic flow for the people and goods that are transported to various destinations.

In particular, today I will personally visit certain areas and routes as part of executing my responsibilities as the executive authority responsible for the public transport in the province.

Critically, throughout the day, I will be reachable by phone and physically should there be any form of intervention required.

We must hasten to indicate that, although there were teething problems during the initial phases of the repatriation of undocumented foreign nationals, RTI teams are working efficiently with the Department of Home Affairs as part of escorting buses departing from the province.

Finally, we are encouraged by the spirit of co-operation amongst organizers of today's demonstrations, ordinary members of society, and law enforcement agencies.

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