

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

Media Statement Wednesday, 28 August 2024

MEC Mathye saddened by the loss of 10 lives, in a bus accident.

Limpopo MEC for Transport and Community Safety, Ms Violet Mathye, has learned with sadness about the deaths of 10 passengers, who perished in a bus accident, that took place at 3 Miles, on the N1 around Makhado.

The bus was en-route to Johannesburg from Zimbabwe, when the accident happened just before midnight, on the evening of Tuesday, 27 August 2024.

All the deceased, 5 males and 5 females, are reportedly foreign nationals.

According to reports, the bus drove over a round-about (the last traffic circle from Makhado towards Polokwane) at high speed, lost control and overturned, killing and injuring its passengers in the process.

The bus driver is reportedly new in his job, and not familiar with the surroundings.

The scene has been cleared, and the injured passengers have been taken to various hospitals in Makhado.

MEC Mathye has sent messages of condolences to the families of the deceased, and has also urged motorists to be alert of their surroundings and drive with caution, at all times.

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