

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

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## MEC Mathye welcomes the arrest of Traffic Officials suspected of corruption.

Limpopo MEC for Transport and Community Safety, Ms. Violet Mathye, welcomes the arrest of traffic officials accused of corruption and soliciting bribes from motorists while discharging their official duties.

The Directorate for Priority Crime Investigation - the Hawks - arrested 10 traffic officials today, 06 September 2024, for improper conduct and soliciting gratuities while on duty.

In her words, the MEC said, "the Department views these charges in the most serious light, and these arrests must send a strong message to other officials not to commit similar transgressions."

"These are serious allegations that undermine government efforts to promote and maintain road safety," said MEC Mathye. She distanced the Department from the suspects' unethical behaviour, stating, that "they did so for their own selfish gratification."

The department will also institute its own internal disciplinary measures in light of these arrests.

End.

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