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MEC MATHYE MOURNS LOSS OF LIFE IN THOHOYANDOU MULTI VEHICLE CRASH

Limpopo MEC for Transport and Community Safety, Ms. Susani Violet Mathye, has expressed deep sadness following a tragic multi-vehicle accident that occurred earlier today on the P277/1 road near Khoroni Hotel in Thohoyandou, Vhembe District.

At approximately 08:00, a Scania bus lost control and collided with a minibus, resulting in a devastating multi-vehicle pileup involving 25 vehicles. Unfortunately, a pedestrian lost their life after being knocked down by the Toyota minibus. The MEC offers heartfelt condolences to the deceased's family and loved ones during this difficult time.

The swift response of emergency services and law enforcement officers is commendable, as they worked tirelessly to rescue and treat the injured. The driver of the minibus suffered serious injuries, while five others sustained moderate injuries and six incurred minor injuries. All patients were transported to Tshilidzini Hospital for medical attention.

As the Department investigates the cause of this tragic incident, it serves as a stark reminder of the importance of responsible driving. The MEC urges all road users to exercise caution, adhere to speed limits, and maintain safe following distances to avoid such tragedies.

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