

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

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MEC CONCERNED ABOUT THE INCREASE OF FATALITIES ON THE ROADS

MEC for Transport and Community Safety Ms Violet Mathye is deeply worried by the number of road crashes which has suddenly increased thus resulting in more deaths.

The Department launched October Transport Month with the sole intention of reducing road crashes. Further than that several Safer Festive season Awareness campaigns were launched in various districts with the full support of the Office of the Premier.

What is quiet disheartening is that the crashes stands at 140 which accounts for 180 fatalities. "On behalf of the Department and the people of Limpopo we once more wish to convey our sincere condolences. One road death is one too many." says MEC Mathye.

Human error contributed greatly to the increase of fatalities with aspects such as reckless driving, texting while driving, overspeeding and fatigue taking a lead

In the meantime as a Department we shall continue with visible traffic enforcement with the prospects of implementing on a twenty four hours basis. We are also pleased that new traffic officers will be hitting the road with effect from 1st March 2025.

Road safety is the responsibility of all of us. Let's at times remember the concept "Edward" meaning "Every Day without a road death."

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