

MEDIA STATEMENT

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MEC MATHYE SADDENED BY ANOTHER HORROR CRASH

MEC for Transport and Community Safety, Violet Mathye, is saddened by another horror crash that claimed six lives, five of whom were immediate family members.

The crash occurred on the 6th November D4170 at Mopetsi Bridge, in Fetakgomo Tubatse Municipality, Sekhukhune District. Preliminary reports indicate that a double cab van with eight occupants veered off the road after the driver lost control.

Six passengers lost their lives at the scene. What is even more heartbreaking is that five of the six deceased were immediate family members sharing the same surname. The two injured occupants were transported to nearby hospitals.

As this is a major crash, the MEC has instructed the Head of Department, Mr Stephen Matjena, together with the Road Traffic Management Corporation (RTMC) to institute a high level investigation into the real cause of the accident.

“These are difficult times, especially for the family who lost five immediate members. On behalf of the Department, I wish to convey sincere condolences to the families and next of kin, and I wish the injured a speedy recovery,” said MEC Mathye.

The MEC further thanked Her Worship, the Executive Mayor of Sekhukhune, Cllr Minah Bahule, and her collective for the leadership displayed during this difficult period.

As we approach the Festive Season holidays, the Department will continue to deploy more traffic officers in an effort to reduce road carnage. We also urge all road users to prioritise road safety.

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