

MEDIA STATEMENT

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STATEMENT BY THE LIMPROVINCE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

The Limpopo Department of Transport and Community Safety is sounding the alarm on the dangers of drunk driving and speeding, as major contributors to accidents during festive seasons. This concern was reiterated by Dr. Phophi Ramathuba, the Premier of Limpopo in last week's release of the Provincial Festive Season Road Safety Report. During last week's province wide operation between February 2-8, 2026, our law enforcement efforts yielded concerning results: 22 drivers were arrested for drunk driving and a staggering 1741 charged for overspeeding across the province.

Mopani District recorded the highest number of drunk driving arrests, with 10 drivers detained, one of whom had a blood-alcohol level of 1.39mg/1000ml. This alarming statistic underscores the risks these drivers posed to themselves and others on our roads.

Overspeeding remains a significant concern, with Capricorn District recording the highest number of offenders at 552, followed closely by Vhembe with 466. These numbers are a stark reminder of the importance of adhering to speed limits and driving responsibly.

The Department urges all road users to prioritize safety, plan their journeys, and avoid behaviors that could lead to devastating consequences. Your safety is our priority.

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