

Media statement
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MEC Masemola calls on motorists to exercise vigilance on N1 following the loss of lives of a Police Officer and another motorist in two separate incidents around the Mookgopong Area

Hon. Namane Dickson Masemola, the MEC for Transport and Community Safety is saddened by the passing-on of a member of the South African Police Service in an accident that occurred on the N1 road next to Mookgopong off-ramp on the 5th June 2019 where three other people also sustained injuries. The accident happened while they were travelling from Pretoria where they were attending training, and allegedly the driver lost control of the car and it overturned, resulting in the loss of life of the driver and others being taken for medical attention at a hospital in Polokwane.

Whilst a case of culpable homicide is being investigated, the MEC wish to extend condolences to the family and friends of the deceased and will take time to visit those who are hospitalised in offering support towards their speedy recovery.

The MEC further sends words of condolences to the family of a female passenger who perished in the morning of the 6th June 2019 following collision between a truck and a car which was allegedly driving facing on-coming traffic, where in this incident one of the drivers sustained serious injuries.

A clarion call is made to all motorists to obey rules, for motorists to rest when they are fatigued, and to remain cautious and vigilant on the roads to avoid such unfortunate incidents that result in fatalities and subject families to unfortunate pain and discomfort. Law enforcement officers are again challenged to deal decisively with law breakers in totality.

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