## MEDIA STATEMENT

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## MEC MATHYE URGES RESPONSIBLE ROAD USE AS TRAVELLERS HEAD TO LIMPOPO

The Limpopo Department of Transport and Community Safety is fully prepared to manage the anticipated surge in road traffic, as thousands of travellers converge on the province for religious gatherings taking place from 5 to 7 September 2025.

To ensure a smooth flow of traffic and the safety of all road users, traffic law enforcement officers have been strategically deployed along major routes and critical intersections, including the N1, N11, R101, R81, R71, R579, R37, R36, R40, R528, R574, R516, R521, D4040, D19, R524 and R523.

Law enforcement operations will maintain a zero-tolerance approach towards reckless behaviour, such as speeding, overloading, drunk driving, and the use of unroadworthy vehicles. Motorists are equally urged to take responsibility by ensuring their vehicles are roadworthy, that all occupants wear seatbelts, and by avoiding fatigue and distractions such as mobile phone use while driving.

MEC for Transport and Community Safety, Ms Violet Mathye, extended a warm welcome to all visitors entering the province: "As we come together for these important gatherings, I appeal to all road users, whether visiting from afar or travelling within Limpopo, to make safety their top priority. Please drive with patience, care and respect for others. Avoid fatigue, speeding and overloading, which remain among the leading causes of crashes. On behalf of the Provincial Government, I wish you safe travels, a peaceful stay and a safe return home."

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