

Media Statement

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CREECY AND HLENGWA GRAVELY CONCERNED AT PUBLIC TRANSPORT MODES INVOLVEMENT IN ROAD CRASHES

PRETORIA: The Minister of Transport, Ms. Barbara Creecy, and Deputy Minister, Mr. Mkhuleko Hlengwa have expressed serious concern with the persistent rise in the number of road fatalities due to road crashes involving public transport modes.

Their concerns were raised amid today's tragic loss of eleven lives from a serious collision between a truck and a minibus in Durban. The Road Crash occurred on Thursday, 29 January 2026, at approximately 08h30 on Wanda Cele Drive, Isipingo in Durban.

The crash involved a one (1) Toyota minibus Taxi and one (1) Hino interlink truck type vehicle, which was involved in an angled crash. The crash resulted in eleven (11) fatalities.

The precise cause of the crash remains the subject of ongoing investigation.

Creecy and Hlengwa have directed the RTMC to investigate the cause of the crash working together with local authorities. The preliminary investigation report is expected in 48 hours once the RTMC begins its investigation.

Creecy and Hlengwa have also extended their heartfelt condolences to the families of the deceased during this challenging time and they wish for a swift recovery of all the injured. They have also urged all road users to be extremely cautious on the road.

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