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HIGH SCHOOL LEARNERS TO DEBATE SOLUTIONS TO COMBAT SOUTH AFRICA'S ROAD CARNAGES

GAUTENG-: The effectiveness of traffic law enforcement and the use of new technology to reduce road accidents are said to come under the spotlight this week when high school leaners from all 9 provinces debate the state of road safety in South Africa.

The debate will see about 250 leaners from urban and rural schools as well as leaners who live with disabilities discussing the best methods the country can employ to reduce the high levels of accidents and fatalities.

The event will be held in Benoni from today, Monday (October 01) until Friday (October 05) as part of Transport Month Activities. It brings together leaners from grade 10 and 11who are champions in road safety in their schools.

The event is organised as part of ongoing efforts by the Road Traffic Management Corporation, provincial transport authorities and the Department of Education to inculcate a culture of safe road usage among the youth.

Young people are the most vulnerable road users and constitute a third of

people who die on South African roads every day.

The debates will culminate with a grand finale on Friday where leaners will

showcase their best debating skills and solutions in front of an audience that will

include high profile politicians and administrators.

Members of the media are free to attend the debating sessions, as follows:

Lakes Hotel and Conference Centre.

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