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THE ROAD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CORPORATION CONDEMNS STRIKE ACTION DEMONSTRATED BY DRIVING SCHOOLS AT DRIVING LICENCE TESTING CENTRES IN GAUTENG

JOHANNESBURG -: The Road Traffic Management Corporation (RTMC) notes with concern strike action demonstrated by driving schools at various Driving Licence Testing Centres (DLTCs) in Gauteng. Whilst the RTMC recognises their democratic right to protest, we strongly condemn action that disrupts the delivery of much needed services.

The RTMC assures members of the public that it remains its' top priority to support the Gauteng Department of Transport to eradicate corruption whilst providing an efficient booking service to members of the public. The RTMC notes the numerous enquiries from concerned members of the public who are struggling to get slots at DLTCs near them for renewals and bookings and wishes to assure them that the Corporation is working tirelessly to stabilise the platform and make sure, in consultation with the province that all hurdles are cleared to create a seamless booking experience.



The online system has had a positive impact in the fight against COVID-19 as it

minimises crowding at DLTCs, particularly in Gauteng where there is still a high

number of cases.

The Corporation is encouraged that the Gauteng Department of Transport and driving

school associations have opened a dialogue and are establishing a structure where

any valid concerns can be addressed.

The Corporation is satisfied that the introduction of online bookings in Nelson Mandela

Bay Metropolitan Municipality at the Ggeberha and Kariega DLTCs demonstrates the

benefit of the transparency that the online system provides to members of the public

who would previously have to gueue from the early hours of the morning in an attempt

to access services, and more often than not get turned away later in the day with

advice to try again later.

The RTMC calls for swift action from law enforcement to demonstrate the full might

of the law against any individuals who deliberately disrupt much needed service

delivery to members of the public.

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