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## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

**TO: ALL NEWS EDITORS**  
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**ATTENTION: NEWS REPORTERS / TRANSPORT REPORTERS / NEWSWIRES**

### **RTMC CONCERNED ABOUT SPATE OF ROAD CRASHES INVOLVING TRUCKS**

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**GAUTENG:** The Road Traffic Management Corporation calls on truck drivers to exercise extra caution on the roads and to put more effort to avoid road crashes and fatalities.

This follows two crashes that claimed a total of 15 lives on Friday and Saturday. Six people were killed on R55 in Clydesdale, near uMzimkhulu in KwaZulu Natal when a truck pulling a trailer was involved in a head on collision with a passenger vehicle.

Another crash took place in the early hours of Saturday morning involving an articulated truck and a Toyota Venture on N1 between Mookgopong and Mokopane in Limpopo.

Nine people, five adults and four children, all occupants from the Venture died on the scene.



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It is alleged that the Venture, travelling direction Polokwane suffered a tyre failure that caused the driver to lose control of the vehicle to overturn in the opposite travel direction in the path of the approaching truck. The RTMC Crash Investigation Unit and the SAPS are investigating both crashes.

However, the RTMC call for extra caution to be exercised on the roads to reduce these avoidable crashes. Truck drivers must put more effort to assist the country's road safety efforts.

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