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## MEDIA ADVISORY

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## ROAD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CORPORATION INVESTIGATES MAJOR CRASH THAT CLAIMED TWELVE LIVES

The Road Traffic Management Corporation (RTMC) is investigating the cause of a crash that has claimed twelve (12) lives and left eight (8) others injured.

The crash occurred earlier this morning at approximately 06H42 on the D92 in Fochville in Gauteng where a bakkie collided in a head rear end type crash with a minibus transporting nineteen (18) school children.

It is alleged that the slower-moving minibus was traveling in front of the bakkie in a northerly direction on the D92 when the bakkie crashed into it. This caused the minibus to veer into an embankment and overturn onto its right side, subsequently catching fire with the occupants still inside.

The devastating crash resulted in twelve (12) fatalities (11 learners and minibus driver) while eight (8) individuals sustained injuries, including the driver of the bakkie.

The RTMC extends its heartfelt condolences to the families and loved ones of those who lost their lives in this tragic incident. Our thoughts and prayers are with them during this difficult time. The RTMC further wishes those who are hospitalised a swift and full recovery.





The cause of the crash is currently under investigation by the RTMC Crash Investigation team, which is on scene to gather further information and determine the circumstances surrounding this heartbreaking event.

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