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RTMC HOSTS NATIONAL ROAD SAFETY DEBATE AND PARTICIPATORY EDUCATIONAL TECHNIQUES COMPETITIONS

BLOEMFONTEIN -: The Free State Department of Community Safety, Roads and Transport and the Road Traffic Management Corporation (RTMC) will host the National Road Safety Debates and the Participatory Educational Techniques (PET) competitions from the 23rd -27th of September 2024 in Bloemfontein.

The exciting event will bring together passionate young minds to explore and debate critical issues surrounding road safety in South Africa, under this year theme, We aim to empower the youth to actively contribute to road safety awareness and policy through dynamic debate competitions and interactive educational sessions.

The Participatory Education Techniques & Debates Competitions are annual competitions that are hosted in partnership with the Department of Basic Education and Provincial Departments of Transport.



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The Programme is a national initiative which is coordinated by the RTMC and implemented by all nine provinces with great success since 2007. This effort is directed at secondary/ high school learners in grades 10 and 11 and is conducted in line with the World Schools and United Nations Style of Debating adapted for the purposes of imparting road safety knowledge amongst peers.

Learners competing in the debate are provided with motions related to road safety in advance to enable them to conduct extensive research in preparation for the competition which takes place in the form of a prepared debate.

PET competitors on the other hand are encouraged to identify and conduct thorough research on road safety challenges in their community from which they develop and implement sustainable solutions that will positively contribute to safer road use. These solutions are reflected on models and presentations which learners are adjudicated on.

The programmes do not only empower learners to find sustainable solutions to road safety problems but also develops presentation and leadership skills among learners.

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