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MEDIA STATEMENT

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RTMC CAUTIONS DRIVERS TO DISPLAY EXTREME CAUTION AS THEY TRAVEL BACK FROM VARIOUS HOLIDAY DESTINATIONS

GAUTENG: As the joyous holiday season comes to an end and many travellers embark on their journeys back home, the Road Traffic Management Corporation (RTMC) urges everyone to prioritize safety and patience on the roads. The post-holiday travel period is often characterised by high travel volumes and this calls for a critical need for heightened safety measures from all road users to ensure that all travellers reach their destinations safely.

Whether you are driving, taking public transportation, or utilizing other modes of transportation, please consider the following safety tips:

Plan Ahead:

Check weather and road conditions before starting your journey.

Plan your route in advance and be aware of alternative routes.

Get Sufficient Rest:

Ensure you are well-rested before embarking on a long journey. If driving, take breaks to prevent fatigue.





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Buckle Up:

Always wear your seatbelt, and ensure all passengers do the same.

Avoid Distractions:

Keep your focus on the road and avoid distractions such as mobile phones.

If using navigation systems, program them prior driving.

Follow Traffic Rules:

Adhere to speed limits and all traffic regulations.

Be cautious in construction zones and adhere to all signage.

Be Prepared:

Carry an emergency kit with essential supplies.

Make sure your vehicle is in good condition before starting your journey.

Stay Informed:

Keep updated on traffic conditions through local news or navigation apps.

Be aware of any potential road closures or detours.

By following these guidelines, travellers can contribute to a safer and more enjoyable

post-holiday travel experience. The RTMC wishes everyone a smooth journey back

home, filled with wonderful memories of the holiday season.

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