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Women in Law Enforcement Continues to Stamp Authority on North West Roads

Women in law enforcement stamped their authority on the borders of North West and Limpopo when they impounded more than 36 taxis and de-registered 7 vehicles from using our public roads. This was during the three inter-provincial roadblocks which were recently conducted simultaneously in all borders of the two provinces.

More than 1500 vehicles were stopped, searched and more than 30 were tested on the mobile testing station that was operating on the R510 road between Northam and Rustenburg.

One taxi that was transporting school kids from Mmakau to Tsogo Primary School was impounded for un-roadworthiness.

The vehicle was not registered and the driver did not have a driver's license either.

The Bokone Bophirima MEC for Community Safety and Transport Management, Dr Mpho Motlhabane raised his concern on the state of the vehicles that are transporting kids to schools in particular.

"We are experiencing serious challenges about taxis that are transporting kids to school. They are not road worthy and mostly overload the kids".

"This is a serious concern and it means we must continue to ensuring that tough measures are put in place for defaulting motorists. If you look at the taxi that is transporting 15 kids in Mmakau on daily basis you will realise how the lives of this kids are put to risk".

"Parents of these kids must also stop risking the lives of their children, how can a parent pay for his/her child to be transported in a moving coffin like this. It's like they are paying for the death of their kids".

"Road safety begins with us, let us all take responsibility to safe our own lives on the road," said the visibly irritated Dr Motlhabane.



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The North West, Limpopo inter provincial roadblocks were conducted by the women in law enforcement from the two provinces as part of commemorating the August Women's month.

Members of the public experiencing any challenges or non compliance on the road are advised to contact the Departmental Call Centre on this number: 0800 204 992.

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