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### **Media statement**

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### **Scholar transport contracts extended**

The Department of Community Safety and Transport Management wish to inform the communities of Bokone Bophirima that following numerous concerns raised public including scholar transport operators regarding the future of current contracts of bus operators, the Executive Council under the able leadership of Hon Premier SOR Mahumapelo has resolved to extend all existing scholar transport contracts until 31st December 2016.

This will guarantee uninterrupted transportation of learners for the period of extension across the Province. The Provincial Government wish to thank all bus operators for their cooperation and the cordial manner in which they engaged with the Department on 08 April 2016.



**“Together moving Bokone Bophirima forward”**



In the meantime, Government commit itself to resolve all matters raised by the operators with the Department. This includes the finalisation of and implementation of the forensic investigations recommendations to allow a new dispensation of scholar transport contracts after completion of due tender processes.

“We wish to inform and assure parents, leaders and educators that provision of scholar transport will not be interrupted, as Government values the education of our children. We have also noted cases of unfortunate accidents in the recent past and measures have been put in place working together with bus operators to improve the safety of learners using this service.”

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