

## **Press Statement**

**Monday 27 May 2013**

### **Six die on the R30 outside Rustenburg**

MEC for the Department of Human Settlements, Public Safety and Liaison in the North West Nono Maloyi has called on drivers to be extra careful and have patience on the provincial roads. The MEC's appeal follows the death of six people this morning, on the R30 road between Derby and Rustenburg.

According to police and traffic authorities, the two vehicles were driving opposite directions when they collided head on, around 06H00 this morning. Police further report that a jaws of life had to be used to cut both vehicles to remove the bodies of all six occupants. The Police suspect that one of the two vehicles might have encroached on the other side, after failing to negotiate a curve, resulting in the fatal crush.

All desists are said to be male, and police are still verifying their age as well as contacting their next of kin. Police said that speed might have also contributed to the unfortunate accident.

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