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## **MEC FRAZER VISITS FAMILIES OF MATRICULANTS WHO TRAGICALLY LOST THEIR LIVES IN A CAR ACCIDENT**

The KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Education, Ms Mbali Frazer, along with the HOD for Education, Mr Nkosinathi Ngcobo; DDG for Curriculum Management and Delivery, Mr Mbongiseni Mazibuko, as well as other senior officials from the Department today visited the families of the learners who tragically lost their lives in a recent motor vehicle accident in AmaJuba District.

Upon receiving reports about the accident, MEC Frazer promptly sent a delegation of senior officials to all affected families. Today, she visited the bereaved families to convey her condolences.

MEC Frazer and her delegation first went to Mnyanande Secondary School to meet with the educators where she expressed her understanding of the profound pain they are experiencing. She further acknowledged that these educators had invested a lot and many years in shaping the perished learners for a brighter future.

The three learners who passed away - Thandokuhle Khumalo (19), Luyanda Vilakazi (18), and Anele Majola (18) - were described by their educators as dedicated individuals with tremendous potential for success.

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During her meeting with the bereaved families, MEC Frazer empathised with them, emphasising that no parent ever wishes to bury their child. She said that parents always envision a bright future when looking at their children.

"Tragedies like these are always difficult on us in the Department because we share a common goal with their parents and educators - the aspiration to witness all our learners prosper in life, because we know that they are the future of this country. We want to, once again, extend our heartfelt condolences to their loved ones, educators, and fellow learners," said MEC Frazer.

MEC Frazer further requested all stakeholders in the community of Ntendeka and the rest of Amajuba District to support the bereaved families during this difficult time.

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