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MEC MCHUNU CALLS FOR CALM IN NQUTHU AFTER DEATH OF PROMINENT TAXI OPERATOR

KZN MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mr Willies Mchunu has called for calm in the Nquthu Pioneer taxi association following a brutal murder of a prominent taxi operator, Mr Jeqe Dlame.

Dlame who was a member of the Nquthu Pioneer Taxi Association was gunned down yesterday (1May 2012) at the Nquthu taxi rank.

According to the police, Dlame died on scene and two other occupants sustained injuries after the shooting.

Mchunu assures commuters that the situation is under control as police have been deployed in the area

“We condemn incidents of this nature as they possess the potential of destabilizing the taxi industry and the broader community. At this stage we cannot conclude that Dlames killing was related to taxi dispute. We have however deployed police in the area to ensure the safety of operators and commuters. We appeal for calm in the industry and I urge anyone with information to work with the police. Police are not going to rest until perpetrators of this incident are brought to book. I would like send my deepest condolences to the Dlame family”, said Mchunu.

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