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MEC KAUNDA WELCOMES THE SEIZURE OF DRUGS WORTH R15 MILLION BY THE POLICE

The newly-appointed MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mxolisi Kaunda, has welcomed the seizure of drugs worth R15 million by police in Durban, saying this was a major victory against drugs in the province.

The drugs were recovered in an intelligence driven operation conducted by Hawks, SARS and Durban Harbour ORS members at Durban Container Terminal.

Members recovered approximately 60 kilograms of crystal methamphetamine well known as tik. The drugs were hidden in the cargo bags which were mixed with food boxes.

The street value of the drugs seized is approximately R15 million. No arrests have been made at this stage and Hawks members are following positive leads.

Today (Tuesday, 07 June 2016), MEC Kaunda applauded the police for this “good work”, urging communities to work closely with police to ensure that drugs and other illegal substances were removed from communities.

“This is, indeed, a major achievement by our police. Research shows in no uncertain terms that drugs are key drivers of the decline in morals and they destroy our communities, especially the youth.

“The province is concerned at the easy availability of drugs. In this regard, we urge our communities to work closely with the police and the government to ensure that these destructive substances were removed from our communities,” said Kaunda.

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