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MEC MTSHWENI URGES COMMUNITIES TO EXERSIZE CAUTION DURING THE TORRENTIAL RAINS IN MPUMALANGA

The Department of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs (COGTA) in Mpumalanga has cautioned communities and road users to exersize caution when crossing rivers and driving on the road. Mpumalanga is amongst the provinces that are currently experiencing torrential rains since last week, causing water levels to rise in the rivers, dams and water streams.

MEC for COGTA in Mpumalanga, Ms Refilwe Mtshweni has reiterated safety measures to prevent potential loss of lives. “The water levels are rising due to the torrential rains. Our roads are slippery. We urge our communities to exersize caution when crossing rivers and dams. Furthermore, we urge road users to drive carefully to prevent potential accidents that may lead to loss of lives and injuries. Prevention of loss of lives is everybody’s business,” Ms Mtshweni cautioned.

Municipal Disaster Management units are on a high alert to provide support in emergency and in life threatening cases. Ms Mtshweni urged communities to report emergency cases to the following Disaster Management Toll free number: **0800 202 507**.

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