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REPORT OF THE PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS, INFRASTRUCTURE, ROADS, TRANSPORT AND HUMAN SETTLEMENT TO THE FREE STATE LEGISLATURE ON THE 2024/25 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ROAD TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CORPORATION (RTMC) BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SAFETY, ROADS AND TRANSPORT

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REPORT PROFILE

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1. Introduction

The Portfolio Committee on Public Works, Infrastructure, Roads, Transport and Human Settlement met with the Department of Community Safety, Roads and Transport to consider the Annual Report for 2024/25 of the Road Traffic Management Corporation (RTMC).

2. Members of the Portfolio Committee

The Portfolio Committee comprises the following Honourable Members:

(1) Van Vuuren, D	**(Chairperson)**
(2) Cloete, A	(Member)
(3) Foko, M. J	(Member)
(4) Gaorekoe, N. J.	(Member)
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(10) Sigwebela, Z.	(Member)
(11) Tshabalala, A. M.	(Member)

3. Procedure of the Committee

The Portfolio Committee on Public Works, Infrastructure, Roads, Transport and Human Settlement met with the MEC, Hon. J. Mbalula, and officials of the Department of Community Safety, Roads and Transport on 28 May 2026 to consider the Annual Report for 2024/25 of the Road Traffic Management Corporation (RTMC) by the Department of Community Safety, Roads and Transport.

According to the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, Section 65 provides for the MEC or minister of each department and public entity to table annual reports in the legislature within 6 months of the end of each financial year. Furthermore, Section 55(2) says that the National Assembly holds the executive accountable, and that includes scrutinizing annual reports of entities like the RTMC through Portfolio Committees.

4. Consideration of Annual Report for the 2024/25 financial year of the following Department:

4.1 Road Traffic Management Corporation (RTMC) by Department of Community Safety, Roads and Transport

The Acting Head of Department presented the Annual Report for the 2024/25 financial year as follows:

4.1.1 RTMC Mandate & Role

- Lead national agency on road safety in South Africa (20-year mandate),
- Tasked to reduce road fatalities and serious injuries through interventions,
- Coordinate uniform traffic law enforcement across provinces,
- Manage National Road Traffic Information System (NaTIS) and data analytics, and

- Develop national standards and regulations for road traffic governance

4.1.2 Performance Highlights

- 23 targets planned
- 23 targets achieved – 100%
- Best performance in 5 years
- 9% improvement year-on-year

4.1.3 Fatality Trends

- 11,883 deaths in 2023
- 12,172 deaths in 2024, which was a +2.43% increase.
- 45% are pedestrians
- Focus is on vulnerable road users

4.1.4 Enforcement Impact

- 12,392 national operations
- Focusing on speeding, Driving Under the Influence, as well as fatigue
- Joint national and provincial operations

4.1.5 Anti-Corruption

- The National Traffic Anti-Corruption Unit investigated 100% of its cases
- Zero internal corruption cases
- Strengthened ethics culture

4.1.6 Public Education

- • Road Safety in Schools held in Sept 2024
- 272 Driver Programme activations
- 142 Youth safety activities
- Digital & social media campaigns

4.1.7 Financial Performance

- Revenue generated is R1.68bn, which is a 9% increase
- Expenditure is R1.70bn
- A total of 2,446 invoices were paid within 30 days

4.1.8 Governance

- Clean audit (second year)
- All audit findings resolved
- Strong PFMA compliance

4.1.9 Strategic Alignment

- National Road Safety Strategy 2016–2030,
- United Nations Decade: Halve fatalities by 2030,
- National Development Plan: Safer Communities, and
- Department of Transport priorities: Zero corruption & safer mobility.

4.2 Challenges as reported to the Portfolio Committee

- Fatalities rising,
- Pedestrian risk remains high,
- Need uniform enforcement standards, and
- Public transport safety concerns.

4.3 Observations by the Portfolio Committee:

After the Department presented its Annual Report for the 2024/25 financial year, the Portfolio Committee made the following observations and/or findings: -

1. The RTMC achieved all 23 planned performance targets during the 2024/25 financial year.
2. The Committee commended the RTMC for obtaining a clean audit outcome for the second consecutive year.

3. The Committee noted with concern the increase in road fatalities despite the achievement of performance targets.
4. The Committee remains concerned about the high proportion of pedestrian fatalities.
5. The Committee welcomed anti-corruption initiatives and the investigation of all reported cases.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Portfolio Committee recommends:

1. The RTMC should continue implementing targeted interventions to reduce road fatalities, particularly among pedestrians and other vulnerable road users.
2. The Department and RTMC should strengthen road safety awareness programmes in schools, communities and the public transport sector.
3. The RTMC should support the implementation of uniform traffic law enforcement standards across provinces.
4. The Department, RTMC and Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality must address the functionality of traffic and speed-monitoring cameras to enhance road safety and revenue collection.
5. Quarterly progress reports on the implementation of corrective measures should be submitted to the Portfolio Committee.
6. That the House adopt this report.