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## **Tribute paid to fallen paramedic killed in crash**

KwaZulu-Natal Health MEC, Dr Sibongiseni Dhlomo has paid a moving tribute to Wonder Madubela, the paramedic who died in an Ambulance crash over the weekend.

Madubela, 41, and a colleague, Siphro Robert Khanyile, were transporting a mother and her baby from Hlengisizwe Clinic to RK Khan Hospital when they were involved into an accident. Their Ambulance collided head-on with an Audi sedan at Higginson Highway opposite SAPS Training College in Chatsworth.

Madubela, an Intermediate Life Support Paramedic, was attending to the baby patient at the back of the Ambulance when the crash happened. It is alleged that he demised instantly, due to the impact of the crash.

In paying tribute to Madubela; MEC Dhlomo said;

‘With the passing on of Madubela, we have lost a paramedic who had a scarce skill, whose training enabled him to have an expanded range of duties. He was capable and permitted to administer different medications and could conduct IV treatment and endotracheal intubations. We have indeed lost a committed health worker.

We have to accept that it was the will of God that everyone in the Ambulance survived but only his life was taken. We thus say, he has fulfilled his mandate.’

Madubela will be laid to rest at Hammersdale over the weekend and he leaves behind his mother; fiancé; a 3 year-old son as well as a sister and a brother.

MEC Dhlomo also visited Siphro Robert Khanyile at St Augustine Hospital, the paramedic who was driving the Ambulance. After interacting with the doctors and nurses, he said he was satisfied that Khanyile could be discharged by Friday so that he is able to attend the funeral service of his late colleague.



*Dhlomo and Khanyile family visiting Siphro in Hospital*

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