

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

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SANTACO PRESIDENT MEETS WITH THE MEC FOR TRANSPORT IN LIMPOPO.

The President of the South African National Taxi Council – SANTACO, Mr. Abnar Tsebe, has today, 09th April 2024, met with the Limpopo MEC for Transport and Community Safety, Ms Florence Radzilani, ahead of SANTACO's inaugural National Policy Conference, to be held in Limpopo.

The high-level engagement was attended by the National leadership of SANTACO, together with its Provincial chapter, in the light of the forthcoming National Policy Conference, which will be held from the 13th – 16th May 2024, in the Limpopo Province.

The MEC was accompanied in this meeting by the Head of Department, Mr. Stephen Matjena.

The meeting between the two leaders was meant to chart a way-forward and heighten working relations towards this National Policy Conference.

SANTACO remains Government's strategic partner within the public transport.

The inaugural National Policy Conference will be held under the theme, 'Uniting the taxi industry to enhance economic empowerment and sustainability'.

It is earmarked to steer the taxi industry towards enhanced methods of embracing technology, ensuring gender parity and to fast-track the resolutions of the 2020 National Taxi Lekgotla. It is also meant to unify, professionalise, and formalise the taxi industry.

The meeting 'was a necessity, because through the Department's support, this Conference will result in marching orders that will improve the taxi industry', said President Tsebe.

Addressing the meeting, MEC Radzilani, assured the President and his delegation, 'of Government's unfettered commitment towards the Taxi Council, and its programmes'. She also appreciated the intervention mechanisms by SANTACO, within the Taxi industry.

The national policy conference will comprise of Government and industry leaders, academic experts on transport economics and policy formulation, civil society and commuter formations.

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