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MINISTER DIDIZA SADDENED BY THE TRAGIC DEATH OF 3 FARM WORKERS IN WORCESTER IN THE WESTERN CAPE

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The Minister of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development, Ms Thoko Didiza (MP), has learnt with shock the news of the death of three (3) farm workers in a vehicle accident that injured more than 20 people.

It is alleged that last night on the N1 nearby Rawsonville, a 4-ton truck was carrying 30 to 40 farm workers when the driver lost control of the vehicle.

The minister would like to call on all stakeholders in the sector to look at the issue of transportation of farm workers in the country. "The death of one farm worker is one too many and we need to avoid such accidents at all costs, by looking at how to better their transport conditions," said Minister Didiza.

The minister would like to send her heartfelt and sincere condolences to the families of the bereaved and wish a speedy recovery to all the injured. "We call on the law enforcement agencies to thoroughly investigate the cause of the accident," concluded the minister.

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