Eastern Cape MEC for Transport, Roads and Public Works, will officially open the Provincial e-NATIS Anti-Fraud and Corruption Summit to be held at the Regent Hotel in East London on Monday 21 February 2011 at 9am.

The summit is expected to mark a turning point in the challenges facing the provincial traffic administration, which has recently experienced fraud and corruption activities.

“Currently, the Province has 6,749 invalid drivers’ licenses and the Department has further established that in our Provincial eNaTiS system from August 2008 to August 2010, a total of 5,846 administrative roadworthiness examinations were implemented at various registering authorities throughout the Province. We have further discovered that 4,612 administrative roadworthiness certificates were illegally processed from January 2010 to September 2010 in the Eastern Cape,” says MEC Marawu.

During July 2010, irregularities were established at Humansdorp Traffic Department pertaining to administrative roadworthiness processes by three (3) officials. All three of them have been suspended and de-activated on the eNaTiS system and disciplinary action is underway.

A total of 361 administrative roadworthiness examinations were performed by these officials and a criminal case has been referred to the SAPS Commercial Crime Unit in Port Elizabeth.

During September 2010, a total of 2,691 fraudulent administrative roadworthiness examinations were performed by one official at the South African Post Office in Port Elizabeth. The official has been arrested and charged in the criminal court.
Another official was investigated by the Post Office for processing fraudulent transactions on the eNaTiS and has appeared briefly before court and the case was postponed. These officials have now been de-activated in terms of the prescripts of the National Road Traffic Act 93 of 1996.

They have allegedly connived with traffic officer from Straundale Satellite Helpdesk, who has also been arrested and charged criminally for fraud and corruption.

A total of 22 motor vehicles were seized by the SAPS during our 27 October 2010 operation and they will be fully investigated to establish if they form part of the stolen vehicles that were identified.

In this summit, the department has invited experts, including people from SIU, risk and security managers from various public and private institutions to advise us on issues such as:
- Strategic approach to fraud and corruption
- Prevention, deterring fraud and corruption within the Provincial e-NATIS environment

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