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### **Gauteng takes fight against the spread of COVID-19 to the West Rand**

Gauteng MEC for Public Transport and Roads Infrastructure Jacob Mamabolo will tomorrow, 23 April 2020, visit the West Rand District Municipality's taxi ranks as part of Gauteng government's continuous monitoring of adherence to preventive measures to curb the spread of COVID-19 in public transport.

Throughout the lockdown period, MEC Mamabolo has been to various main public transport nodes, taxi ranks in particular, in the Cities of Tshwane, Johannesburg and Ekurhuleni as well as the Sedibeng and Emfuleni District Municipalities to encourage compliance to set regulations.

These visits also serve to strengthen and further enhance interventions where weaknesses are identified.

The visit forms part of the Gauteng Provincial Government's efforts to ensure that all taxi ranks comply with all set of regulations.

These include ensuring that all facilities are deep cleaned, operators and commuters hands sanitized while all vehicles are disinfected before ferrying passengers.

#### **Details of the visit are as follows:**

**Date** : Thursday, 23 April 2020

**Time** : 10h00

**Venue** : Randfontein Taxi Rank, West Rand District Municipality

**Ends!**

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