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## PUTCO, MEC Mamabolo to unveil new fleet of busses for Moloto Road

Gauteng MEC for Public Transport and Road Infrastructure, Jacob Mamabolo together with his Mpumalanga counterpart MEC Gillion Mashego, will on Friday, 31 January 2020, join PUTCO Bus Company as they officially unveil a new fleet of 50 busses to service communities along Moloto Road.

The introduction of the new fleet follows discussions between the two MECs and PUTCO management on measures to address road safety concerns after a series of accidents involving their buses.

Last month, the bus company entered into an agreement with Gerotek, an agency of Amscor, to train PUTCO drivers on the advance defensive driving programme in an effort to improve safety and reduce the number of accidents involving their busses.

PUTCO is contracted to the Department to provide the subsidized bus services in various parts of the province.

The launch of the new fleet is envisioned to address major road safety concerns around breakdowns and accidents on the bus company's fleet as well as to improve reliability of service.

## Details of the event are as follows:

Date: Friday, 31 January 2020

**Time** : 10h00

**Venue**: Roodeplaat Dam - Moloto Road, Pretoria

## Ends!

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