



National Transport and Safety Authority

PRESS STATEMENT

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FATAL CRASH AT KABATI AREA

On Tuesday 7th November, 2017, at 0710 hours at Kabati area along Thika – Makuyu Road, a vehicle, registration number GVN 019A belonging to Nyeri County Government was involved in a crash while heading to Nairobi. The vehicle had four occupants including The Nyeri Governor, H.E Dr. Patrick Wahome Gakuru. Due to the impact of the crash, the passengers sustained serious injuries and were evacuated to Thika Level Five Hospital where the Governor succumbed to his injuries. The driver of the vehicle escaped unhurt and the others two are currently receiving treatment at a Nairobi hospital.

Preliminary investigations indicate that the vehicle lost control after a tyre burst, forcing it to veer off the road and as a result rammed into a guard rail. Further investigation to ascertain the cause of the crash is ongoing.

The Authority condoles with the family, friends and the People of Nyeri County for the sudden loss of the Governor, H.E Dr. Patrick Wahome Gakuru.

During this rainy season, we urge motorists to be extra careful while driving as the roads are wet and slippery and this may easily lead to a crash.

DIRECTOR GENERAL