

## MEDIA STATEMENT

## MINISTER DIDIZA CALLS ON THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR TO PRIORITIES SAFE TRANSPORTATION OF FARM WORKERS

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The Minister of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development, Ms Thoko Didiza calls upon the agricultural sector to priorities the safe transportation of farm workers.

This Ministers call comes following yet another accident involving farm workers, with the recent one involving 80 seasonal farm workers injured in a truck accident this morning.

The Minister wants the sector to have an urgent and honest discussion on how to improve the livelihoods and safety of all farm workers.

"Farm workers are an integral part of a successful agricultural sector and therefore their safety and better working conditions should be prioritised" said Minister Didiza.

The Minister calls on all role players, including NGO's, Labour unions, farmers, farm workers and government to urgently put their heads together and arrive at a sustainable solution.

The Minister would like to wish all the injured a speedy recovery.

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