



Eastern Cape Premier conducts an outreach programme

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On 21 April, Eastern Cape Premier Phumulo Masualle led the Provincial Executive Council on a campaign to tackle attacks on foreign nationals. The move followed a Presidential directive requesting all leaders across the country to engage communities and foster peaceful coexistence between South Africans and foreign nationals.

The Premier was accompanied by MEC for Sport, Recreation, Arts and Culture Pemmy Majodina, MEC for Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs Fikile Xasa, Executive Mayor of Buffalo City Municipality Zukiswa Ncitha, Speaker of Buffalo City Municipality Luleka Simons and other stakeholders such as representatives of foreign nationals.

The programme started with a road intersection blitz next to Orient Plaza which was followed by an interaction with motorists, taxi drivers and foreign nationals owning shops. The Premier and his delegation continued the outreach programme in the afternoon with a train activation where political principals interacted with commuters from East London to Berlin station. They condemned all acts of violence and mobilised communities to continue living peacefully with foreign nationals.



Premier Masualle interacting with motorists during the road intersection blitz.



Premier Masualle and other dignitaries interacting with community members during the outreach programme.



An interaction with taxi drivers and shop owners.



Premier Masualle interacting with train commuters during the activation.



Premier Masualle and Executive Mayor Ncitha engaging with commuters inside the train.



Premier Masualle interviewed by the media after the train activation.