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# Misty Roads: 27 Hurt in Horror Crash



**Kanana/Sun City Road** – Emergency Paramedic Personnel received a distress call during the early morning hours of Friday, 22 April 2011, approximately 06h30.

Purportedly, a taxi and a bakkie collided head-on on the Beestekraal road, near Mosenthal.

What's more, only seconds after this car accident, a second taxi came slamming into the already chaotic situation.

The state of affairs was described as "very dramatic" by emergency personnel when they arrived on scene where they found both the bakkie and one of the taxis lying on their roofs.

Apparently it was difficult to assess who was to blame for the accident, as the mist on the road was too dense. "You could not even see 20 metres in front of you," said one of the eye witnesses on scene.

Even the emergency personnel had difficulty reaching the car crash site in the misty weather conditions.

Approximately twenty patients (male and female) were taken via ambulance to different hospitals and clinics for treatment.

They sustained various lacerations, abrasions, as well as possible fractures. Two individuals, the driver of the bakkie, as well as a passenger of a taxi, were trapped in the separate vehicles and had to be

removed, using the Jaws of Life.

Another man, passenger of one of the taxis, was seriously injured. He sustained femur fractures and dislocations as well as serious ankle tibia and fibula fractures.

To make things even worse, the emergency personnel requested additional ambulances to accommodate all the patients on scene – and were turned down, so to speak. The backup ambulances were well on their way when they encountered yet another car accident on their way to the accident scene. "This must have occurred only minutes after the first accident," commented one of the emergency personnel.

Approximately 07h00 a taxi and a 4x4 Mitsubishi collided head-on on the Thabazimbi road (R510). No serious injuries were sustained by most of the individuals involved in the accident.

However, 6 patients (3 male and 3 female) were taken to local hospitals for treatment.

Furthermore, the driver of the 4x4 sustained serious eye injuries, as his vehicle's window shattered accosting him severe eye- and face lacerations. "I can't see!" was his outcry to paramedics who swiftly transported him to a hospital. This accident also occurred in severe misty weather conditions. Please take care as mist on the roads is not only a Cape Province phenomenon anymore...

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## Prisoner Murdered in Cells



**Potchefstroom** – According to North West police, an inmate at Potchefstroom Prison has allegedly been murdered by fellow prisoners (Saturday, 23 April 2011).

Ten prisoners have been charged with murder after 19-year-old Reginald Sethibe was killed during a fight in the holding cells. Sethibe, who was stabbed, was taken to the Potchefstroom hospital, but was certified dead on arrival.

An argument supposedly ensued between two gangs, and in the process Sethibe was stabbed. Three other prisoners sustained minor injuries and received medical treatment before they were sent back to their cells. Self-made knives used in the attack were confiscated by police.

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