



ROAD TRANSPORT AND SAFETY AGENCY

PRESS STATEMENT

RTSA REVOKES LICENCES FOR PSV DRIVERS VIOLATING TRAFFIC RULES AND REGULATIONS

LUSAKA, 22nd September 2020 – The Road Transport and Safety Agency (RTSA) has revoked the Driving Licences for four (4) Public Service Vehicle (PSV) drivers for violating traffic rules and regulations.

RTSA Director and Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Gladwell Banda, has observed that the affected drivers neglected their responsibility to drive with due care, thereby, causing road traffic accidents resulting into loss of lives and inflicting injuries on the passengers.

According to accident investigations, Mr. Enoch Malama, while driving a public passenger bus, caused a fatal road traffic accident in Serenje district on 21st September 2020 which claimed the lives of five (05) people and nine sustained injuries due to excessive speed.

In another incident, Mr. Hestron Kapembwa, on 11th May 2020 caused an accident by driving in a dangerous manner and at an excessive speed of 118km/h against a posted speed of 60km/h along Great North Road, Chaisa area in Lusaka resulting in the death of one (01) person.

The third driver, Mr. Anthony Mwamba caused a road traffic accident along Great North Road at Kabangwe area due to careless driving, while the fourth driver, Mr. Robert Banda caused an accident along Great North Road at S.O.S traffic circle due to excessive speed.

From the foregoing, the RTSA Director is invoking Section 68(1) of the Road Traffic Act No.11 of 2002 which empowers his office to revoke a Driving Licence, if in the opinion of the Director, the conduct or character of the holder of such a Licence renders to be unfit to drive such a vehicle from the point of view of the safety of the public.

The Agency is of the view that PSV drivers are expected to drive with due care bearing in mind the level of responsibility they assume. Similarly, PSV operators are cautioned to monitor the conduct of their drivers through the Global Positioning System (GPS) to mitigate the risk of road traffic accidents involving PSV Buses.

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