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'Gauteng on the Move' app takes hassle out of commuting

Gauteng MEC for Roads and Transport Ismail Vadi has launched a mobile app that will provide commuters with real-time public transit information, timetables and fares for Gauteng-based public transport operators.



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The new application will allow users to plan their journeys with the option to select their desired transport modes, travel times and criteria specific to travel modes such as shortest versus cheapest trip.

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Speaking on the sidelines of the "Fourth Industrial Revolution and Mobility Seminar" in Midrand, MEC Vadi said the provincial department recognised the need for smart technology and intelligent transport systems as inherent contributors to the development of the transport system.

"We are already seeing the power of technological innovation that is reshaping public transport services, marketing, and consumption.



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"There's no doubt that global technological changes are sparking a revolution in the transport sector, and we must adopt and adapt to these changes," he said.

According to MEC Vadi, the 'Gauteng on the Move' app fits into the province's modernisation agenda, providing commuters with real-time and point-to-point information when moving from a current to a desired location.

He said the province will use innovation, research and development emanating from the Fourth Industrial Revolution to promote a smart province to improve efficiency and access to transport services.

"This will be pursued through strategic investments in ICT infrastructure. The Gauteng provincial government has invested time, effort and resources into the development of this journey planner application that will allow commuters to seamlessly connect to major transport modes within the province," MEC Vadi said.

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