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MEDIA STATEMENT

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PEOPLE ARRESTED FOR NOT WEARING MASKS IN PUBLIC SPACES

Executive Mayor of Sekhukhune Cllr Keamotseng Stanley Ramaila applauds traffic officials for arresting 32 people for violating national disaster management regulations.

A total of 32 people were arrested this afternoon in Jane Furse.

Three of them were arrested for using an alcohol-based sanitizer at their shop, while the rest were arrested for walking in public spaces without wearing masks.

Executive Mayor Ramaila, along with mayors of local municipalities, as members of the District Command Council that he chairs, did a walk about with law enforcement officers in the small town to ensure there's compliance with regulations regarding Level-4.

Ramaila was worried by a few members of the public who don't comply with regulations.

"What we noticed was that all the elderly people we came across with were wearing masks. All of those who were arrested for not wearing masks are young people, so this tells you that generally people are aware of the fact that it's compulsory to wear a mask when in public spaces, we're just dealing with a few young people who're carelessly defiant. But they'll face full might of the law," says Executive Mayor Ramaila.

Ramaila reiterates that it's compulsory to wear a mask when in public spaces.

He emphasizes that even during Level-4, people should observe safety precautions.

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