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**SAFETY MEASURES TO REDUCE THEFT OF MOTORCYCLES AND ACCIDENTS
INVOLVING MOTORCYCLES**

The Malawi Police Service is still registering cases of theft of motorcycles and assault to motorcycle riders in the country. The incidences are prevalent during night hours. The service, while executing new measures to curb the vice, is also warning motorcycle operators against operating during odd hours to decrease the occurrence of these cases.

The service has also observed that most of the motorcycles into Kabaza business are still not cleared and registered by the Malawi Revenue Authority and Directorate of Road Traffic and Safety Services, respectively. This, however, turns out to be a fertile ground for criminals to steal the motorcycles and making it hard for the owners and the law enforcers to trace the stolen motorbikes. Furthermore, a random inquiry has shown that a larger percentage of riders has not yet acquired driver's licence.

The service will therefore book for an offence any rider found with an unregistered motorcycle, found without crash helmets, carrying more than one pillion passenger and riding a motorcycle without working lights and brakes. The service is assuring Malawians of its commitment to rooting out theft of motorcycles in the country.

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