

Gunmen at Agriculture head's home 'highly connected'

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THE attackers involved in the shooting on the property of a top Department of Agriculture official had wanted to force their way onto the property no matter what. This was according to the department's spokesperson, Khaye Nkwanyana.

On Saturday night the house of the head of department, Jerry Mfusi, who is said to have received death threats after rejecting some tenders, was stormed by gunmen, who shot one of his protectors.

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ed to get to the head of department."

Nkwanyana said the man shot on Saturday was still in a critical condition in hospital.

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"The head of department opened a

case last month, but there are worries that police are not doing anything," he said.

Nkwanyana said it was clear that the individuals responsible for the attack, were "highly connected".

"Our worry is that KZN as province is leading in the country in terms of political killings," he said.

"We have seen so many politicians and officials being killed. There is no way that one would take this lightly. This comes about at a time when the department is taking a new direction in terms of how it is doing its work."

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