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Speech by party leader Manifesto Launch: F4SD 09 March 2024 North West Province Dr Mbahare Joe Kekana,

# WALK WITH US TO RESTORE A BETTER SOUTH AFRICA!!!



Ndi matsheloni, Avuxeni, Dumelang, Thobela, Sanibonani, Lotshani, Molweni, Goie More, Good Morning.

Programme Director, Deputy President of F4SD, National Chairperson, General Secretary, Deputy Secretary General, Treasurer-General, National Spokesperson, all members of our National Executive Council, Leaders of our fearless ground forces at provincial and regional level, leaders of our youth and women revolution structures, representatives and officials of various municipal councils present here today, dignified comrades and leaders of our political coalition partners, dignified members of all media houses present today, leaders of our ward /branch structures, All residents of the North West Province, fellow country men and women of South Africa in general:-

Allow me to greet you all and express my sincere and deepest gratitude in recognition of your presence here in Verdwaal Stadium, North West, in the Ditsobotla Local Municipality. It is indeed very encouraging and fulfilling to see all of your clad in party regalia and recognizable F4SD colours as well as brandishing other party paraphernalia, a symbiosis of the magnanimous support that our party enjoys in North West and elsewhere in the Republic of South Africa. Today marks another historic day for the Forum for Service Delivery(F4SD) as we officially launch our party manifesto in readiness to contest and win the coming national government elections.

Before many of you start throwing a plethora of inquisitive questions ignited by curiosity as to why did we choose North West Province to host this historic milestone since the launch of our party in 2015, I hereby wish to inform and share with all of you our considerations for this choice. The Selection and preference of North West amongst other strategic provinces, was not a random one and neither was it made indiscriminately nor for reasons suggested in our midst by some of us that F4SD is a regional party only grounded in the North West Province.

We made the decision to gather here for obvious and resonant political reasons which I categorically ask for your kind permission to share with you as follows:

North West was incorporated after the end of apartheid in 1994, and includes parts of the former Transvaal Province and Cape Province, as well as most of the former bantustan of Bophuthatswana. It was the scene of political violence in Khutsong, Merafong City Local Municipality in 2006 and 2007, after cross-province municipalities were abolished and Merafong Municipality was transferred entirely to North West. Merafong has since been transferred to Gauteng province in 2009.

#### Massacre of Marikana Workers

It is in this same province on 16 August 2012 where 34 Lonmin mine workers were killed by members of the South African Police Service (SAPS) who opened fire on a crowd of striking mineworkers at Marikana. This catastrophe left 78 of the mine workers seriously injured and about 250 of the miners were arrested. This event culminated after an intense week-long protest by mine workers seeking living wages and better working conditions.



# • Radio Bop- Contemporary Radio Station

Radio Bop was the first popular radio station to be launched in this province during the Bantustan administration of the Old South Africa. Many of the current commercialized radio stations in South Africa drew their inspiration from this radio station as it was the first to introduce urban contemporary radio offering educational, entertainment and music content to its audience.

The station was home and training ground for many of great media personalities of our time such as the Late Romeo Khumalo, the Late Bob Mabena, Treasure Tshabalala and Glen Lewis until the station was closed down in the year 2000.

# • Birthplace of Freedom Fighters and political activists

This province is the birthplace of prominent political figures such as **Moses Kotane, Ahmed Kathrada, Abram Onkgopotse Tiro, Ruth Mompati, J. B. Marks, Aziz Pahad, Essop Pahad, Lucas Mangope** as well as anti-Apartheid and human Rights activist Archbishop **Desmond Tutu,** among others.

#### Birthplace of Sportsmen and entertainers

It is in the same province where sports and social personalities such us, Cricket player Marnus Labuschagne, Rugby player Wimpie Van Der Walt, South African Cricketer Marco Jansen, internationally acclaimed model and actor, Motsi Mabuse were born.

#### Place of Platinum and Diamond

90% of South Africa's platinum is mined in this province. A quarter of the South African Gold along with Granite and Diamond are also produced in this province.

#### Northwest as a tourist Hub

- Sun City is one of the world's biggest entertainment and hospitality destination with centres such as a casino, an 18-hole golf course, theatres, concert halls, beaches as well as a wave pool at the valley of the waves.
- Pilanesberg National Park is an ideal safari destination with game viewing as well as top of the range accomodation.
- Hartbeespoort Dam is another phenomenal tourist attraction found in this province.
- Madikwe Game Reserve is one of the country's prime safari destinations with an approximate number of 300 resident and migrant bird species.

It is with no doubt that the province is one of the economic hubs of South Africa with a huge potential of playing an even much bigger role than it does to create jobs for the local community and influence formal and informal entrepreneurship strategies.

Fellow countrymen and women, citizens, political activists from here and far, ladies and gentlemen, allow me to state that South Africans have no hope under the leadership of the ANC led by Cyril Ramaphosa. The party has deepened itself from one crisis to another with little or no prospects of a recovery strategy or plan.

After almost three decades of post-Apartheid administration under the auspices of the ANC, unemployment remains incredibly high as if it has become fashionable. The land reform agenda has not been adequately dealt with following the rhetoric that became synomous with the frustrating & hopeless anecdotes of the now defunct "Thumamina" campaign.

In this country, class society is increasingly characteristic of the order of the day with levels of wealth inequality becoming extremely, intolerably and extensively conspicuous. Crime, Gender-based violence and Corruption have now gravitated to the highest proportions ever. The only thing known in the vocabulary of the ANC and its leaders is the repetition of a plethora of imaginative monotony coined in bold yet empty promises.

The Ruling party has seriously run out of ideas such that it has lost its vision, the party cannot present any solid and or actionable and or implementable plan to address a myriad of critical challenges faced by the people of this country.

It is crystally clear that the ruling party has inexcusably and incogently lost both the political will and the moral rectitude needed to take the responsibility of leading the state and its people. Its head of elections almost conceded in public recently that this party has compromised the trust and confidence bestowed on it by the electorate when he openly and unashamedly declared that the ANC is losing its popularity on the ground but claims that the party president is polling slightly above the ANC as an organisation.

It is a regrettable lie for this leader to accept in one hand that the people are not happy with the performance of the ANC and on the other hand proclaims that there is no obvious alternative, at the leadership level, to that provided by the ANC. This position as espoused by this leader, who is one of the top election officials of the party, is not only symbolic of sheer ignorance, but an unprecedented insult to the intelligence of our people for wanting them to believe that the President of the ANC is better than all political leaders in the South African political spectrum.

We hereby vehemently caution our people to seriously examine these ill-timed propagated statements that are made to hypnotise and psyche votes on the pretext that Ramaphosa's perceived popularity will salvage what is left of hope in the coming national elections.

The May 2024 National Elections presents F4SD and the people of South Africa with an opportunity to say NO to the frequent charade portrayed by the Ruling Party and its elite manipulators and say YES to 80% service delivery and 20% politics. We are not here to stand before the masses of our people for purposes of heroic political speeches and empty promises, we are simple men and women who are proponents of service delivery delivering the message that will help restore the promise of freedom, peace and equality.

We do not shy away from publicly stating that if there is any political movement that has sold and compromised the freedom of the people of South Africa, "IT IS THE ANC". Let us all join hands in unison and *in tandem* and galvanise our energies and efforts to extricate our beloved South Africa from the *tyranny of hypocrites*.

Going into the coming national elections, the ruling party will be faced with a contest it has never faced before considering that there is more opposition now than before protruding from more directions. As Forum 4 Service Delivery, we will win these coming elections and restore the promise of freedom to the people of South Africa.

The ruling party is being attacked from the left, right and centre as the electorate has grown tired and impatient of all its empty and or broken promises.

In his usual rhetoric, the President uses one language but in action, it is another. Cyril Ramaphosa has actively worked against his own anti-corruption promises. He has retained David Mahlobo and Dipuo Peters in his cabinet despite findings by the Zondo Commission and Parliament against them. The National Prosecuting Authority lost the Nulane case, which it described as the blueprint for State Capture trials. Corruption charges involving R2.2-billion were dropped against former Eskom acting CEO Matshela Koko. Others accused of corruption have simply not faced any prosecution at all. Sifiso Buthelezi still holds a key position in the ANC parliamentary caucus despite the role he played in plundering the Passenger Rail Agency of South Africa (Prasa).

Perhaps more crucially, we will not be astonished to see that the ANC is preparing to allow those implicated in corruption to represent the party in Parliament and Provincial legislatures post the outcome of May 2023 National Elections.

F4SD is making an open challenge to all South Africans to stand and be counted, to be gallant enough to use the power of their votes to fight the escalating scourge of joblessness, corruption, lack of economic growth, poverty, load shedding and crime to mention just a few of the problems that continuously threatens the sovereignty and democracy of our country which is undoubtedly at its most debilitating state. The above factors together with what all South Africans have witnessed amid chaotic local, regional and provincial conferences and the deterioration of decorum has seriously impaired and undermined the ruling party and its leadership's integrity.

As the election season is rapidly closing in with a litany of uncertainties as to which political party has pedigree to perform well, the South African political terrain is now more precarious than ever before given the fact that previously, the ANC has enjoyed significant influence on the South African voters over a long period of time. This position has been consistently diminishing, therefore presenting an erratic electoral ball game to the voters.

One journalist from one of the media houses, Corrie Kruger, had the following to say about the ruling party and I quote "In his State of the Nation address, President Cyril Ramaphosa promised a new dawn, promising to be the new broom that sweeps clean, promising to address major constraints in the economy, unlock job opportunities and clean up the state of crime and corruption. The only problem is that the broom is not that new, Mr President. It has been around for an exceedingly long time" unquote.

I will not be surprised if our people bestow the nickname "Ramapromise" to the President of the country, the same fate that befell Piet Koornhof once popularly known as Piet Promises who during his tenure as minister of cooperation and development declared to an audience in Washington in 1979 and I quote "apartheid back in South Africa is dead as you all know" unquote. At the time

Koornhof made this declaration, PW Botha was just settling into power with perpetual succession of apartheid as his key mandate.

It is needless to remind our people that for the last two decades post 1994, the ruling Party has been consistently making one promise after another on key national issues such as growing the economy, creating jobs, eradicating poverty and inequality and fighting corruption.

All these issues have not been addressed but if any, it will be just a fraction of it with the chunk of promises remaining unimplemented. The irony of it all is that the same political party still goes around to the masses of our people to galvanise and canvass for another 5 years of **sleeping and snoring** in office.

Allow me to give you a helicopter view of what we intend to address soon after the national elections. As it is illustrated in our complete elections manifesto document, South Africans are faced with key national issues that the ruling party is unable to address.

- We need to direct our efforts at growing the economy, alleviate poverty and create most wanted jobs. The weakness of our economy is attributed to the high Rate of Unemployment as a perennial concern to all of us in this country, followed by poverty, inequality and crime.
- We must fight the scourge of corruption and ensure that those implicated in the State Capture Report are prosecuted with immediate effect.
- The energy crisis in this country is increasingly affecting economic growth and the only solution the president of the country could think of is to declare a state of disaster and appoint a dedicated Energy Minister. We have not heard a clear plan from the government to address mismanagement at Eskom including poor maintenance practises in all our energy plants. Our government does not have a plan to meet the growth of energy demands amid the growing population and industrialisation. Up to this end, we have no idea as to when will load shedding be a thing of the past.
- Our education system is in tatters, it is not standardised and it is not based on quality and characterised by inequality of the class society, a painful remnant of the apartheid past. We are opposed to 30% matric pass rate and we need to double our efforts into the integration of Early Childhood Development into the country's educational mainstream.
- Our environment and ecosystem is under siege due to neglect and poor policy provision on environmental management.

We appeal to the people of South Africa to give F4SD an opportunity to bring change, an opportunity to restore the promise of democracy, freedom, equality before the eyes of the law and all the fundamental values enshrined in our constitutional dispensation.

We are only left with less than two months to go and exercised our right to vote and to that I say:-

#### "I want to listen"

As we start this campaign, I want to spend a lot of my time listening to the people, this is what I will continue doing if F4SD is the new government of the country. I promise to be available even if we do not receive enough votes to restore power back to the people! With time, tenacity and resilience, our dreams for a better South Africa shall be realised. I want to listen to South Africans, young and old.

- I will be listening to you, my people, the ordinary people, the poor of the poorest, the marginalised, the oppressed!!
- I will be listening to their plea, the pleas to change and better their disheartening living conditions.
- I will be Listening to your concerns about the poor quality of education in this country, listening to your fears of being unable to pay for the education of their children!
- I want to listen to my people, who are tired of empty promises by politicians!
- The People want clear commitment and action plan to address issues that affect them!
- I will listen to your needs, you all need stability and long-term investments for the success of your businesses, a boast to the growth of our GDP and the economy at large.
- You need someone who will listen to you, someone who is not powerhungry, someone with your best interests at heart. That someone is the Forum For Service Delivery!
- This campaign is not about winning political arguments, it is not about propaganda, it is not about empty promises, it is not about rhetoric and jargon, it is about winning seats in parliament, it is about electing the government of the people by the people.

- We want victory for our land, we want the land to be distributed directly to the people
- We want victory for our children and grand children
- We want victor for our schools and hospitals
- Let your vote count! There is only one way to make your vote count. And that is to vote for what you want. To vote for what you believe!
- If you want change, vote F4SD, if you want a change of direction and not just a change in government, walk with us, march with us for there is a silver lining beyond the dark clouds!

As we prepare for the next century, we need a new journey

 Now this is a new journey, a journey of hope, a crusade for new opportunities, a crusade that presents people of South Africa with a real choice.

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Over the past three decades, the ruling party did not hide it from all of you, they cannot be trusted. You need someone to walk with you to restore the promise of freedom.

Victory by F4SD is your victory for freedom

Walk with us to create a better South Africa.

Amandla, Maatla, Matimba, All Power to the people, I thank you!!!!!!!!!!

# LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS / ACRONYMS

Acronym	Definition
AG	Auditor General
CDWP	Community Development Workers' Program
PP	Public Protector
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
DBE	Department of Basic Education
ELP	Early Learning Program
EDPS	Economic Development Plan and Strategy
SME	Small Medium Enterprises
F4SD	Forum For Service Delivery
Prasa	Passenger Railway Agency of South Africa
NDP	National Development Plan
NWF	National Wealth Fund
NDPP	National Director of Public Prosecutions
ECD	Early Childhood Developmentt
SWS	Social Welfare System
CRL Right Commission	The Commission for The Promotion and Protection of the
	Rights of Cultural, Linguistic Languages,
SOE	State Owned Entities
NT	National Treasury
CGE	The Commission for Gender Equality
IEC	The Electoral Commission (IEC)
120	The Electoral Commission (IEC)
NEC	National Electoral Commission

# Introduction and Background of Forum for Service Delivery(F4SD)



The Forum 4 Service Delivery (F4SD) is a South African civic political movement founded in 2015 to tackle grassroot issues such as the supply of water, sanitation, housing, immigration laws, electoral reform, electricity, education (including ECD), issues affecting the youth, equality and economic emancipation and empowerment of our people, especially the disadvantaged and historically marginalised sector.

The party registered to contest the 2016 and 2021 South African municipal elections in five provinces: North West, Mpumalanga, Northern Cape, Free State, Gauteng and Limpopo. The party amassed 31 Council Seats in 2016 and subsequently 39 Council Seats in 2021. This is considered to be a significant milestone considering that the party was just under five years of its existence.

After a broader and far-reaching consultation with its member- constituencies and possible coalition partners within the South African political spectrum, F4SD finally made a call to contest the National and Provincial Elections in May 2024.

F4SD want citizens, young and old, to again be invigorated with the same euphoria they had when anti-apartheid liberation movements and the general citizenry resisted and ended the draconian policy of apartheid. We want society to live in an age of excitement and possibility and to build a constitutional and rights-centred democracy, with a maturing economy coupled with it. We are the new political party on the South African firmament designed to appeal to voters disenchanted with empty promises of the ruling party, the African National Congress.

F4SD wants to inspire and put back in charge the millions of disillusioned residents to renew their belief in their capacity to create their own future. We want all citizens, of whatever culture and creed, to join hands in building a country worth living in. We are a party with a simple implementable plan- to build a Fresh South Africa for all who live it.

We intend to build a Fresh South Africa and the opportunity to do so has finally dawned on us. It is just our vote away. A Fresh South Africa is well within reach if we exercise our right to vote for the benefit of the nation and for the good of posterity by voting the Forum 4 Service Delivery.

#### Our aims and objectives

- Replace the current economic system with one that works for all South Africans.
- Focus on the improvement of education by various means, including:
  - training teachers,
  - o increasing teacher salaries,
  - o improving and building libraries,
  - o filling teacher vacancies, and
  - o social grants to families with well-performing students
  - Improving ECDs and integrate into the country's education mainstream.
- Improve healthcare by various means, including:
  - o expanding training facilities,
  - o giving more control to local government, and
  - o increasing private sector operational ability in the industry.
- Improve public service by:
  - banning conflict of interest deals,
  - o protecting whistle blowers,

- training government officials in anticorruption best practices, and
- o introducing a culture of transparency in government.
- Improve safety and security by de-militarising the police,

# **Our Founding Pillars**

- Grassroots democracy our organization is civil-based activist membership
  made up of people who have the right to call their leaders and elected
  representatives to account. We do not support the proportional
  representative electoral system as it promotes complacency, laziness and
  comfort zones. As F4SD, we choose an electoral system that enhances and
  promote more accountability and truly democratic.
- Economic and social justice South Africa is the most unequal country in the world, and we cannot rest until that is corrected and our people are completely socially and economically emancipated.
- Non-violence as a democratic society, we should be able to achieve our goals peacefully, and nonviolence includes saying no to hate speech, discrimination in any manner and form as well as no to xenophobia.
- Environmental sustainability if we use up everything today and destroy the ecosystem, we are stealing from our children and the next generations to come.

#### **Our Motto**

#### WALK WITH US TO BUILD A NEW SOUTH AFRICA

# South Africa, a proud nation

Apartheid and colonialism took away our pride and dignity. These are things that can only be taken away if we let them be taken. We can take them back and that means we must start today by rejecting racism, inequality, substandard education, corruption and failure of service delivery. We must demand that our leaders and elected representatives start treating us, the ordinary people, as their bosses, and stop treating us with disrespect and disdain, just like apartheid and colonial rulers before 1994.

# Our Differentiation from other political Parties

We do not see leaders as heroes to look up to. Ordinary people who struggle every day to put food on the table are our heroes. In a democracy, politicians work for the people and the people are entitled to call them to account if they do not perform. F4SD wants to put you back in charge of your future. **Walk with us to restore a South Africa we are all going to be proud of.** 

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#### **Our Political Beliefs**

# Forum 4 Service Delivery believes that:

- Non-violence and peaceful means of conflict resolution are the best solutions to national problems.
- Social Justice and equal opportunity while focusing on personal and social responsibility guarantees a better future.

- We believe in consulting citizens and requesting for their opinion on major policy matters before taking decisions. Participatory Democracy is rooted in community practice at the grassroots level. Citizens have the power and Government exists to serve them. Unity and reconciliation of South Africans should be promoted and ethnic politics be rejected.
- Promotion of agricultural production. The Government must subsidize prices for agricultural produce. We should also balance the interests of a regulated market economy and community-based economics.
- Government must take special care to protect and defend the rights of the innocent and defenseless members of our society.
- Government must practice fiscal responsibility, limit taxation and control spending. Progressive taxation should be encouraged.
- No citizen is above the law, all South Africans have equal rights

Government exists to protect and ensure the unalienable rights of the people, which include the right to life, liberty, peaceful assembly, expression, worship and the pursuit of happiness.

#### How we will do this?

Our people need to learn to live free. Apartheid and colonialism took away our rights. We could do nothing unless the government gave permission. In a democracy, the government needs *our* permission to govern. We need to stop thinking like citizens of a police state. In a democracy there are many ways ordinary people can call the government to account. We will train our people in their rights and how to demand what is theirs.

#### The Seven Pillars of the South African Constitution

As the next national government of the country elected by the people who are tired of a long wait for freedom, we will execute our duties and responsibilities in line with the 7(seven) Fundamental values or Pillars of the South African constitution which are:

- Democracy
- Equality
- Reconciliation

- Diversity
- Responsibility
- Respect
- Freedom

If regard is had of the current state of affairs in this country, the ruling party only gives lip service to the supra values. F4SD delivery will change the way of doing things by adhering to the above fundamental pillars with impact and not just a mere showroom activity.

# Our Manifesto will focus on the following key issues and policy instruments



# Our action plans

- If given the mandate to govern, we will grow the economy of the Republic of South Africa with at least 5% in the next Five (5)-Ten (10 years in office). We are aware of the practical challenges associated with achieving this milestone but any emerging and developing economy should consider it acceptable if the growth rate is above 2-3% of its middle term objectives. F4SD delivery plans to come with an economic policy meant to achieve faster economic growth for South Africa as follows:
- Increase access to start-up and scale-up finance for small businesses...Reform the South African Business Banking Environment to eliminate and or

completely do away with red trapes and bureaucracy which are increasingly marginalizing the provision of business financing and strategic support to emerging and developing Small, Medium Enterprises (SMEs).

- The people of South Africa should entrust Forum 4 Service Delivery(**F4SD**) with the mandate to govern so that we introduce a national development policy that will ensure 4% of the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is invested in research and development that will as a matter of fact; subsequently culminate into the establishment of a National Wealth Fund (NWF). The NWF will set up a democratically institutionalized governing structure with a defined objective to help benefit all South African citizens through setting up of centres for transfer of skills, infrastructure developmental projects and initiatives that will enhance community development, create sustainable employment as well as forge the culture of entrepreneurship and collaboration. The overall oversight of the (**NWF**) will be vested in the office of National Treasury (**NT**) under the auspices of the office of the Auditor General (**AD**).
- We will reform the state payment system for provision of goods and services to ensure that SMEs who render services or do business with state organs, state or government departments or State-Owned Entities (SOEs) are paid within a fairly reasonable period of time.
- In order to set up business in the Republic, All Foreign based companies and investors will be required to present a mandatory comprehensive and practically realizable Economic Development Plan and Strategy (EDPS) aimed at benefitting local communities in areas where the business will operate from.

We can only succeed in our mission to liberate our people socially and economically if you vote wisely and walk with us to restore the promise of peace, freedom and equality.

# We will introduce Robust Solutions in the key sectors of the economy

In order to succeed in our goal underpinned at the restoration of the promise of total emancipation and freedom which has eluded South Africa for almost over a decade, we need a robust action plan to improve our Gross Domestic Product, a strategy that is critical in the overall growth and development of our economy.

The agile economy went into a serious strain in the past decade coupled with unavoidable ramifications of covid 19 as well as the consideration that the GDP per capita was already low in 2019 than in 2008. Unemployment remains very high at about 35% and with the youth sector unemployment rate exceeding 50%. The

country is in immense pressure to close the financial gap in health, infrastructure and higher education. Should we, F4SD, be conferred with the mandate to govern, we will ensure that measures are put in place to finance those needs whilst finding a way to restore confidence by implementing a sustainable public Finance Model accompanied by reasonable increment on government tax revenues.

# Our action plans

 F4SD will channel its efforts into the introduction and implementation of radical policies in our primary, secondary and tertiary sectors that will seek to improve GDP contribution of key industries such as Agriculture, Mining, Transport, Energy, Manufacturing, Tourism etc. Without a radical policy review and implementation, growing our economy remains a pie in the sky for our people.

Evidence gathered from a Statistical Report by Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) have shown or reported some positive Growth in a few industries in the first and last quarters of 2023.

# Primary Sector

- In the primary sector consisting of Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing a 4% increase with an overall GDP contribution of 0,1% was recorded.
- We shall encourage a strong "green economy" that creates new jobs. This
  will include green energy, green tourism, sustainable farming, sustainable
  planning, green transportation, sustainable industrialization and many
  others.
- We will encourage increased employment opportunities in all sectors, which will result in improved wellbeing of all South Africans.
- We shall demand that commodity prices match with the purchasing power of citizens.
- We will encourage a responsible taxation policy that encourages domestic trade and investment. We also need a harmonisation of the taxation system.
- We will encourage export policy and mechanisms to increase revenue, and measures to ease the pressure on small businesses, which are the heart of the economy albeit disadvantaged compared to big businesses.

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National tenders should benefit the local community other than foreigners.
 Foreign companies should seriously consider employing nationals in both senior and low-level jobs other than bringing foreigners to implement national projects. Open competition and transparency in national tenders are

We shall call for transparency in the recruitment, selection and appointment
of candidates for Government jobs. Employment opportunities should not be
based on political party orientation but on merit. Power sharing should be
made clear to all political actors.

• There is need to encourage more investment in the tourism sector and improvement in service delivery.

• The public transport sector still needs government support. The national transportation agency needs to be revised and support transportation in rural areas. City of Tshwane and Riya Vaya transportation new program needs careful analysis and revision.

It is through the power of your vote on the 29<sup>th</sup> March 2024 that you can **walk** with us to create a better South Africa in which we will all live in peace and harmony!!!

WE WILL IMPROVE THE EDUCATION SYSTEM

called for.

Improvement on ECD Centres in South Africa.



Early Childhood Development in South Africa has received very little attention and support from our government especially in rural and informal settlements where the majority of our people living below poverty lines are concentrated and reside. The South African government is continuously ignorant of the fact that ECD centres are the basic fundamental feeders of our education from a cognitive, mental, social, physical and psychological point of view.

The Department of Basic Education, under minister Motshega, has dismally failed to recognise the importance of the foundation phase of the country's education system. This is a very critical phase of education as it is a period in which children experience significant growth in various aspects of their development, laying the most-sought foundation for future learning and well-being. The National Integrated Early Childhood Development Policy in place is unable to transform service delivery in this area, it is failing to address gaps and it is not creating an environment where there is equitable access to comprehensive early childhood development across South Africa.

The Harvard University Centre for Early Childhood development in its research document had the following to say: "healthy development in the early years (particularly birth to three) provides the building blocks for educational achievement, economic productivity, responsible citizenship, lifelong health, strong communities, and successful parenting of the next generation."

For us as F4SD, education starts at this phase of growth and if little or no focus is directed at this, we will be failing in our civil duty and natural obligation to shape the future and success of our children. It is a matter of fact that ECD encompasses not only formal education but also the nurturing and holistic care that children receive during these formative years, which significantly help shape their well-rounded development. We will implement the follow interventions and measures to ensure ECDS are given their proper role in the development of society in our country.

#### **F4SD Action Plans**

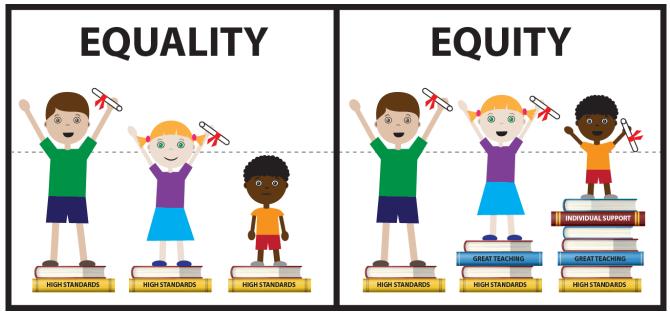
- Our urgent and immediate implementation plan is to migrate and integrate ECD centres from the department of social department into the Department of Basic Education (DBE).
- We will increase the enrolment of Early Childhood Leaners from the current 72% to 95% meaning that 9 out of 10 children from birth to 4 years must be enrolled with the early childhood learning centres. The figure will rise from the enrolment of 1.6 million children to at least 1.9 million children.
- Early Childhood care centres will now be fully funded by the government through its agencies which will see a funding increment from the current 20% to 100% for all ECD centres funding as opposed to the conditional grant allocated to them from treasury.
- We will introduce high quality Early Learning Programmes (**ELP)** and create a culture of continuous improvement.
- We will introduce state quality Rating and Improvement Agencies to continuously monitor that quality education standards are maintained at this level of foundational learning.
- We will build adequate partnerships to support quality by introducing centres and facilities where young children are given access to health care and medical homes that focus on family support and related interventions
- We will review salaries of the early childhood caregivers and educators to ensure they are paid a living and decent wages considering that ECD plays a pivotal role in shaping the civil society and its positive outlook of life.

In December 7, 2012 Professor James Heckman, an American Economist and a Nobel Peace laureate who serves as the Henry Schultz distinguished service professor in Economics at the university of Chicago said

"the highest return rate in early childhood development comes from investing as early as possible, from birth through to age five, in disadvantaged families".

Walk with us to achieve the ideals that we all wish to live for and achieve!!!!

• Standardisation of the National Education into a globally-positioned Education System based on Equality, Equity and Quality Standards.



The various curriculum reforms that South Africa embarked on post 1994 have all failed to address the issues affecting education precisely because the existing state of the socio-economic inequalities and imbalances in the country remains unchanged.

South Africa needs an education system that is competitive and ranked amongst the best globally. It goes with little or no argument that the best education shapes the individual and society as a whole as it reflects the respective countries and communities' social, economic and cultural circumstances. Under the government of Forum 4 Service Delivery, early childhood education will be mandatory for children from the age of 2(two) while primary and secondary education will be mandatory until age of 5(five) to 16-17 years and thereafter, students can pursue higher education or vocational schools (institutions of applied sciences) of their choice.

We need a standardized world class public school educational system throughout the Republic with a landscape that features or focuses on academic and non-academic(practical) subjects whilst encouraging critical thinking, Creativity, Innovation and Community Engagement. We need a South Africa with a high employability rate of at least 70%. This milestone can only be achieved if the country's quality of education is significantly overhauled and fundamentally improved. We need to encourage and enthuse a learning culture that focuses on independent learning and collaborative interdisciplinary cooperation.

- Forum 4 Service Delivery will work tirelessly to ensure that subjects such as Business Management, Research, Technology, Mechanical Engineering, Artificial Intelligence, Aerospace Engineering, Health Sciences, Maths and Architecture etc, form part of our core field of study in all our school curricula, at both primary and secondary levels of education. With this system in place, we will ensure that our young people, who are the future of South Africa, have choices and chances and are able to take the steps they want towards attainment of economic freedom, social cohesion and self-dependance. F4SD proposes a revision on Education Policy that will enable free and equal opportunities for real education for all South Africans.
- F4SD calls for improvement in the quality of education and stability in the
  education policy. There is a need for more investment in the education sector
  but with special focus on social needs. There is also a high need for specialised
  professional teachers.
- All public schools in South Africa should be treated equally with the same quality standards as a measure to address inequality and the ramifications brough about by poor living standards in various sectors of our communities.

Abolish the ineffective 30% Matric pass rate and replace it with a 50% or more pass rate.



We will ensure that the matric pass rate is consistently above 50%.

Gone should be those days that as a nation, we are incrementally known to be comfortable with the celebration of mediocrity. In order to attain the 50% pass rate, it is incumbent upon us as the future government to steadfastly aim to bring about radical and robust reform in the country's education system which, inter alia, will necessitate the following outcomes and objectives:

- Building of teacher capacity and enhancement of teaching methods and methodology. This will require an institutional framework led by subject matter experts tasked with a primary responsibility to review the salaries of educators, current bursary programmes and funding schemes as well as any other intervention needed to promote and encourage the best learning and teaching environment.
- Fostering Relationships and accountability amongst stakeholders who are part of the school system.
- Combining or Merging the Basic Education and the Higher Education Ministries into one.
- Under the current administration of the ANC, we have only seen the
  increment of a lost generation of learners who are not educated nor
  employable, especially those from the historically disadvantaged sectors of
  the population. All this is due to or attributed to the poor quality of the
  current education system that does not invest in the critical elementary
  phases of education.
- We will revive and build more teacher colleges, nursing, agricultural and other technical educational institutions of higher learning. School shoes and uniform to be free as well as provision of free sanitary towels for our girls to encourage them to be in schools.
- We will reduce subjects that are taught to 6(six) and not more than that. The said subjects will consist of Mathematics as a compulsory subject for all learners in South Africa.
- We will improve the crumbling public school infrastructure and address the shortages of school teachers.
- We will make sure that in line with section 29 of the constitution, basic education in the country is offered for free and it is compulsory.

- Education is a very important tool that can be used to alleviate poverty and help in the economic growth of the country. It is on this basis that we want
- education to be depoliticised and that the Minister should be appointed by members of parliament and not subject to the executive authority of the State President.
- We will demand 100% pass rate for all leaners each year and teachers who do not perform will have to be released of their duties.

There is one solution for us to be able to implement our action plan: We want the people of South Africa to **Walk with us on our journey to restore the promise of freedom and democracy!!!** 

Acquisition of Technical and or vocational skills are very import as they create the opportunity for self-reliance and entrepreneurship development, thereby contributing to the country's GDP. We shall encourage the increase of Technical and Vocational Training Centres and give them sufficient resources. They are currently few and poorly equipped.



- One school should be allocated with one social worker, one police officer. All schools to be fitted with super-fast WIFI service in preparation of the revolution of information technology and Artificial Intelligence in the 21st century.
- We shall encourage reviews and changes in the students financing policy [].

- We will emphasise the need to give equal value to both English and South African Official languages as languages of instruction. We will call for increment of teacher's salary and benefits.
- We shall call for a nation-wide increase of nursery schools. They are currently few and based in towns and very expensive.
- We shall encourage for a review of the 12-year basic education and make sure
  it gets the value it deserves. Some of the courses studied are not marketable
  and seem outdated.
- We call for the increase in teacher's capacity building and continuous use of teaching aids. Teachers need proper training in English language and also need motivation. The graduates from this 12-year basic education have less capacity compared to pupils from other schools.
- The schools of reference charge a lot of money which pupils from poor families cannot afford to pay, yet education is considered to be free.
- We shall call for re-introduction of health education at high school level and also allow the private sector to invest in medical education.
- We shall encourage the University of South Africa to introduce a school of Aviation studies and, awarding Bachelors of Piloting, Cabin Crew, Flight Attendance, etc.
- Forum 4 Service Delivery will request a clarification and review in the national civic education program given to secondary school leavers. This national program has become a recruiting ground for some political parties. This needs to be stopped. We shall also review the 'Community Development Workers Program' (CDWP), which is currently becoming like a program of some political parties in contrast to being a national program.
- We will advocate for national leadership on sustainability by encouraging support for interdisciplinary education, research, and engagement, and influence development and implementation of strategies for a sustainable development.

These robust and critical measures cannot be achieved without your support,

# Walk with F4SD to deliver the South Africa that we will all be proud of!!!



#### WE WILL REFORM THE ELECTORAL SYSTEM



# Our action plans

We are going to make it our main task and responsibility to thoroughly study and assess the current electoral system as well its legislative instrument and introduce a more transparent system best suited to the prevailing electoral conditions of the Republic of South Africa. To this end, F4SD intends to implement the following reforms: -

- F4SD will bring about an electoral reform that resonates with the democratic principles enshrined in our constitution.
- We will gradually review the current manual ballot paper electoral system and replace it with an electronic voting system as we believe the current system has passed its sell by date (outdated) and cumbersome. This proposed new electronic system seeks to eliminate vote rigging and other forms of bypass or manipulation of the voting and counting system.
- We are calling for National and Local elections to be held at the same time to ensure continuity of government administration and efficient co-operative governance at both national and local spheres of government.
- Whilst we undoubtedly appreciate and are cognisant of the advantages of
  proportional representation in the current electoral system and its
  promotion of multi-party democracy by ensuring that even smaller political
  parties are included and represented, we as F4SD are critical of this system
  as it does NOT guarantee that seats in the legislatures are occupied by
  politicians who are accountable to the electorate.
- The current system renders elected representatives unaccountable for those who elected and it favours the current Ruling party which has shown complete reluctance to reform and were vehemently opposed to the recognition of independent candidates contesting national elections.
- We want an electoral system where Members of parliament are appointed directly by their constituencies (the voters) and not through political party slates. In our first term in the national government, we will set up a special electoral committee made up of knowledgeable experts who will be tasked with the examination and assessment of key electoral legislative framework so that the envisaged reform can be accelerated in order to bring about the desired or most needed fundamental democratic changes and adjustments in the system.
- We are steadfast in our resolve to eradicating and demystifying the notion that members of parliament are only beholden to the party and its leadership rather than the voters and if this is achieved, it will be a resounding victory for our democracy in this country as MPs will be forced to refrain from placing party political interests and loyalties ahead of effectiveness and service delivery to the people.
- As part of this radical electoral reform mentioned in the supra paragraphs, we want to introduce a system which will do away with proportional representation and introduce a fully-fledged constituency-based system in which representatives are elected directly by the people. This will entail the

dividing of the demarcated geographical areas of the country into districts (or "multi-member constituencies"), each represented by three up to 10 MPs elected directly by the people. It will be the electorate in the form of member constituencies who will elect the total number of members of Parliament.

- The National Assembly should still consist of 400 representatives with 300 of these being elected directly by the people. A further 100 should be compensatory seats based on the proportionality of the votes received in the 300 seats. This was the proposal that was presented by a team led by Dr Van Zyl Slabbert but was thwarted and blocked by the ANC using its majority in parliament.
- The Doctrine of Separation of powers as enshrined in the current constitutional dispensation and the Rule of Law with not be changed except where applicable on *mutatis mutandis basis*. It is for this reason that we are making a call to all South African in the country and the diaspora to join us in the walk of restoring the promised peace, stability, freedom, equal opportunities, crime & corruption free South Africa!!!

#### WE WILL CHANGE THE STRUCTURE OF GOVERNMENT

# **Restoration of South Africa into a Unitary State**

#### Introduce √



#### **Abolish**×



#### Our action plans

• We want to revert back to position wherein South Africa was a unitary State with only two tiers of government being the central government(national) and regional consisting of Local or administrative districts.

- It is our view as F4SD that the structure and composition of government in South Africa seriously need urgent refurbishment and be replaced with a system that transfers ruling authority to the central government. We will introduce legislative framework within the confines of our constitutional regime which will completely abolish federal features and abolish the autonomy of provincial government Authority.
- in our view, provincial governments are a set of unnecessary, unprecedented and or unwarranted duplicated responsibilities that should be performed at central and local levels.
- The budget currently allocated to the Provincial Capital Expenditure including salaries, benefits and allowances and other operational costs can be redirected and used an investment initiative for purposes of implementation of national economic development plans, objectives and strategies. This can unlock new opportunities for job creation as the buffer from treasury allocation is inevitable if the structure of the state in reconfigured to exclude provincial authority. The provinces are a waste of time and a blockage to service delivery as it has been apparent over the years that these provincial authorities behave like rusty post boxes.

We can only attain and achieve our goals if you decide to join us, walk with us to create a better South Africa!!!

# WE MAY CONSIDER COALITION GOVERNMENT

**Does F4SD Believe in coalitions?** 



For as long as we SHARE common values and objectives

# Our action plans

We believe that during this coming May 2024 elections, several smaller parties are also presented with prospects to be political gamechangers and to an extent, deciding factors in the making of the new coalition government. The volatile situation means every party stands a chance to be part of government, which is a great milestone for multi-party democracy in South Africa.

- Our position as F4SD is that Coalition government is not a new phenomenon in South Africa as it was evident in the 2016 local government elections wherein no single party won a majority vote in the city of Johannesburg. This led to the formation of a coalition government between the two main opposition parties The DA used its influence as the largest opposition party to appeal to smaller parties, including the EFF, to form new municipal governments. Needless to say, these political arrangements have held municipalities to ransom across the country due to ideological political differences thereof, and as a result, the voting citizens are now convinced that coalitions are not an answer to the service delivery plight faced by many South Africans.
- F4SD is prepared for the possible Ruling Party and one of the main opposition striking deals for coalition governance as an inevitable electoral outcome in the coming elections but as we stated before, the ANC and the DA are birds of feathers who perambulate in same vicinity with both wanting power to satisfy their interests: one being looting from the coffers of the state and the other one focuses on liberal policies meant to perpetuate class society.

There are several factors though that could thwart the success of the purported coalition between the Ruling party and its opposition. The political arrangement between two or more parties could be challenged with a policy gridlock: it is an inescapable fact that coalition parties must compromise on the ideal policies that shape their identity to accommodate the diverse interests of the participating partners. This will lead to gridlock and dawdling decision-making as participants will have to constantly negotiate. This process could cause adverse results that can lead to service delivery goals not being reached.

F4SD would like to assure all South Africans that if there is a need for a coalition government, we will not hesitate to form part of such political arrangements however this should not be done for the sake of adding numbers to secure the required majority to govern or be the opposition. F4SD does not wish to end up being trapped in the quagmire of being associated with political parties who do not share our vision and have nothing to offer South Africa. We do not want to be a coalition partner to rubberstamp and be complicit of perpetuation of White Monopoly Capital (WMC), Neo Liberal ideology, extreme far left wing and or extreme far right-wing populism as well

as parties seeking rights for minority groups self-determination in a democratic South Africa.

In order to achieve our objectives of delivering peace, freedom and equality in your doorstep, walk with us through the might of your vote and help us rebuild our beloved South Africa!!!

#### **CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM**

#### **Chapter 9 Institutions**

The separation of powers doctrine is a central tenent of the South African Constitutional democracy and the rule of law, which entails for checks and balances between the executive, legislative and judicial organs of the state. These checks and balances are the constitutional measure aimed at strengthening democracy. In conformity to this principle, institutions were created in chapter 9(nine) of the constitution as additional checks and balances of the three branches of the state mentioned above. The said institutions are as follows:

- The Public Protector (PP)
- Auditor General (AG)
- The South African Human Rights Commission (SAHRC)
- The Commission for the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Cultural, Religious and Linguistic Communities. (CRL Rights Commission)
- The Commission for Gender Equality (CGE)
- The Electoral Commission (IEC)

Whilst we believe these chapter 9 institutions serve as crucial watchdogs for our democracy in so far as accountability of our organs of the state as well as public officials is concerned, it our view that establishing 6(six) of these institutions was not fully examined as they appear to be an unnecessary duplication of structures.

As F4SD, we owe our existence to the people of South Africa, our members in particular and citizens in general, and it is to these people that our resolve to restore the promise of freedom will forever be embedded in our conscience.

Our Fiscal in treasury is unable to absorb the amount of spending involved to ensure the full functioning of our state machinery and as a result, where opportunities arise and or present themselves to have to minimise spending and save the surplus for other economic improvement initiatives, any government with the interests of the nation at heart must take bold steps to take reformatory measures without looking back nor blinking an eye.

30 years of promises is over, we cannot walk alone in this journey that begins on the 29<sup>th</sup> May 2024!!!

# **Our Action plans**

- We do not see a need for separate existence of three of the above chapter 9 institutions. The constitutional mandates of the CGE, CRL Rights
   Commission and the SAHRC are inextricable interwoven and similar in intent, objectives and purpose. They are all set up to deal with matters that are enshrined in the entrenched Bill of Rights of the South African
   Constitution and as a result, these institutions have to be merged and integrated to fall into one authority of the South African Human Rights
   Commission.
- The office of the AG must be absorbed into that of the PP and fall under the authority of one institutional structure.

F4SD view the co-existing of these two offices as a waste of resources moreover that the Office of Auditor General has less teeth as compared to Public Protector. We are there calling for merger of both offices so that the huge corruption happening at the local government level is dealt with decisively.

- In so doing, we will manage to narrow down and simplify the current tedious complaint processes that are apparently cumbersome in each of these six institutions as we will only have three chapter 9 institutions being the SAHRC, The PP and the EIC.
- The Budget originally allocated for these abolished institutions can also be directed to the National Wealth Fund or to the country's education.

# The National Director of Public Prosecutions (NDPP)

In terms of section 179(6) of the SA Constitution, the Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development is entrusted with the final responsibility and oversight of this office. The incumbent is appointed by the State President who, by virtue of being the leader of government, has entrusted the delegated power or authority to the Minister of Justice and constitutional development. The exercise of executive authority by the State President functionally and the Minister of Justice, on the dotted line, over the NDPP creates potential conflicted relations because should the President of the country or the Minister of Justice be arrested for an alleged commission of a criminal offence, it is the office of the NDPP that must take a decision to prosecute or otherwise as the latter deems necessary.

#### Our action plans

• The office of the NDPP should therefore be appointed by and made to account to parliament to ensure a greater deal of independence and

impartiality in fulfilling its constitutional mandate of investigation and prosecution seeing that the Investigating directorate will now become a permanent entity of the NDPP.

• F4SD will promulgate to deal with and or outline the new constitutional mandate outside the sphere of the executive authority of the president and the minister of Justice and Constitutional development.

In all these contemplated changes and action plans, we need the support of the people on the 29<sup>th</sup> May 2024 through their constitutionally entrenched right to vote so that together we walk the path towards restoration of the sovereignty and the dignity of the Republic of South Africa!!!

# We will introduce a Flexible Public Service System

The Forum 4 Service Delivery of South Africa shall encourage political reform in public service. Political reform must be accompanied by changes in our civil and public service.

## Our action plans

- We will require that all senior public servants especially district Mayors, provincial Governors and permanent secretaries of ministries not to hold any leadership positions in political parties. Those currently holding leadership positions in political parties should either resign from those posts or leave the public service.
- The civil service should maintain its non-political character while engaging in more interaction with the political system.
- We encourage all concerned authorities that have service contracts with the private sector, especially Small Medium Enterprises (SMME) to ensure payments on time in order to avoid unnecessary losses to businessmen.
- We shall encourage greater accountability of both the Local and National Government.

#### **REDUCTION OF CABINET**

The last cabinet reshuffle by the Presidential reduced the number of cabinet ministers and their deputies from 32 to 28. This is still a huge number considering

that the majority of the ministers are failing to deliver on their promises. This is reflected in the current economic state of affairs, the high rate of unemployment, crime as well as the energy crisis we have had for a substantial period of time.

#### Our action plans

F4SD is of the view that there is no need for deputy ministers per each ministry or department. Only few critical ministries may have a justifiable reason to appoint deputy ministers. It goes with little argument that the duplication of ministerial responsibilities to Deputies is meant to perpetuate cadre deployment opportunities for party loyalists. This has nothing to do with the best interests of the citizens at heart but rewarding individuals based on political affiliation.

# **Our Action plans**

- The Office of the State President does not require two ministers as it is currently the case. Only one Minister responsible for performance planning, Monitoring and Evaluation is required.
- Childhood early development, Basic Education and Higher Education must be combined into one ministry under one cabinet minister. It may be justified to have a deputy minister in the resultant integrated department.
- We will take away the responsibility of public prosecution from the Minister of Justice and Constitutional Development as the office of the NDPP should be appointed and be directly accountable to parliament. There will be no need for a deputy minister.
- There is no need to have a Minister responsible for electricity when there is already a minister responsible for Mineral Resource and Energy Affairs.
- The Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries to be integrated or combined with the ministry of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development and have one cabinet minister and a deputy.
- The Ministry of Trade Industry must be integrated with the ministry of public enterprises with one Cabinet Minister and a deputy minister.

- We will introduce a stand-alone ministry focusing on the affairs and interests of the youth in South Africa. The youth are a critical component of society hence a dire need to invest on their education and social welfare.
- The Minister of Social Welfare and Development will also have his/her scope of work extended with the inclusion of Women and persons with Disabilities.

The Cabinet can be reduced into **15 cabinet Ministers with only 3 deputy** ministers appointed only in critical ministries. This downsizing will give us surplus resources to fund some of key projects needed in our country.

# National Agenda based on the Truth, Unity and Reconciliation Action Plans

- The Forum 4 Service Delivery will propose a national dialogue on Truth, Unity and Reconciliation. This national dialogue will bring together all South Africans from different walks of life to discuss matters of national importance. It will be composed of members from the Government, Opposition, civil society, media, religious institutions and opinion leaders. We shall encourage truth telling while guarding against ethnic politics, genocide ideology and promoting freedoms including, free speech and free press.
- We will encourage truth-seeking processes, responding to specific needs and realities, influence establishment of similar institutions or fora, whether born of executive decree, an act of parliament, a judicial decision or a peace agreement, to engage in genuine dialogue and consultation for rendering justice and restoring dignity.
- We will ensure that our national history is well recorded and well taught.
- We will ensure that the rights of victims of the serious human rights violations are respected; help facilitate their access to justice through official justice mechanisms, such as reparative justice, reconciliatory justice and criminal prosecutions.

# We will implement a Sustainable Agriculture, Livestock and Land Policy Our action plans

- The Forum 4 Service Delivery will encourage, promote and partner for better methods of farming that will help South Africans have enough food to eat and export.
- We will also promote sustainable agriculture techniques of weed, pest, disease and erosion control, high soil quality, research-based agriculture, crop-rotation, natural pest predators, soil enrichment by organic manure, livestock farming, cover crops, agro-processing industries etc.
- We require that farmers be consulted by state officials before taking decisions on what type of crops are suitable for their land. We shall encourage scientific verification of which crops are suitable with the land in question.
- We shall propose increased public spending on Agriculture in order to increase productivity and investment in Agricultural infrastructure.
- We will call for the introduction at the Cell Level of Agriculturalists, so that they can assist with training and mobilisation of farmers. Farmers need to be given seeds and organic manure at no cost.
- The issue of land ownership, needs to be revised, it's unfair for citizens to rent
  their ancestral land from the Government. The current expropriation policy
  only considers properties on land but does not land itself. This needs
  immediate change. Citizens should have a right to own their land instead of
  renting it from the state.
- Wetlands in villages should benefit the people concerned by allowing them
  a chance to plant several household crops. Monoculture in those wetlands
  should be discouraged.
- We shall expand this sector by harnessing and growing our international reputation as 'the Green Land of Africa', by positioning ourselves at the premium quality end of the market.

• We will discourage industrial agriculture that is unhealthy—for our environment, our climate, our bodies, and our rural economies.

As we walk to restore the beauty of our environment and its ecosystem, It is your vote that will make it happen!!!

# Social Welfare System (SWS)

#### **Our Action Plans**

The Forum 4 Service Delivery of South Africa will implement policies in order to help create a modernized social welfare system.

- We will propose policies that can provide un-employment benefits and search for more job opportunities for the youth. We will also strengthen policies that can support people living with disabilities to have more access to education, employment and better living conditions.
- We will also call for a fund and or a project for the elderly at the community level.

It is time to choose a party that you can walk with to reclaim your human dignity and that party is Forum 4 Service Delivery.

# **Environmental Management**



# **Our action plans**

- We will encourage and enforce sustainable planning, environment and social impact assessments, Green Growth mechanism, climate change sound policies and legislation, etc.
- We shall call for appropriate compensation for properties of the citizens forced to leave their homes to new settlements due to environmental risks.
- We will partner to fight the consequences of climate change (large wildfires, dangerous heat waves, extreme storm, floods, severe droughts), which are already having significant and harmful effects on our health, our environment, and our communities.
- We will encourage clean vehicle and fuel technologies that provide the foundation for the practical, realistic oil savings plan.
- We will request the Government to install a machine testing gas from vehicles, so that appropriate advice could be given to stop dangerous vehicles from polluting our skies.
- We will encourage renewable energy resources like wind and solar power generate electricity with little or no pollution and global warming emissions and discourage dirty and dangerous energy sources like coal and nuclear power.
- We will propose and campaign for a national Biosecurity Authority or Agency to protect us from pests and diseases in a world facing climate change.
- We shall also propose the establishment of a national Wildlife Authority to help in taking care of our wildlife.
- We will encourage a better social welfare for all South Africans, which will include special care for the elderly.

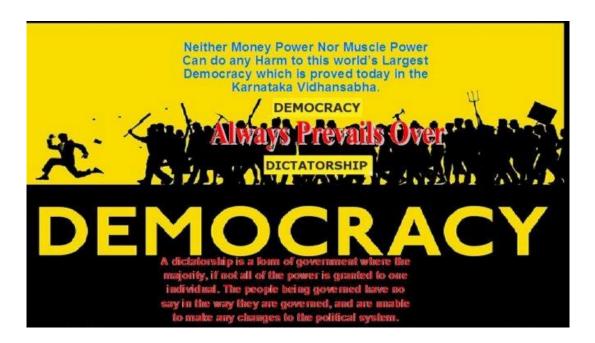
#### **Peace and Non-Violence**

#### **Our Action Plans**

- The Forum 4 Service Delivery will encourage peaceful means in conflict resolution.
- We shall encourage Government to have dialogue with its political adversaries and understand that political opponents are not state enemies.
- We shall encourage medical examinations to criminal suspects before court judgements. This will ensure that people who are mentally unstable are not taken to prisons but rather to mental hospitals.

## **Participatory and Grassroots Democracy**

"We vehemently proclaim that Democracy always prevail over dictatorship"



#### **Our Action Plans**

 F4SD will encourage a broader opening of the political spectrum to all people of South Africa and the insurance of equal opportunities to all South Africans.

- We will ensure that the Government allows opposition parties to exist and exercise their role in nation building.
- We require the Government to promote the culture of public debates on policy issues and ensure that political debates are not limited to the national consultative political parties' forum.
- The Government should make sure that opposition parties are provided with draft policy and legislative documents in advance, so that they are able to add their inputs.
- We will encourage the Government to ensure that all South Africans are protected and treated fairly and equally according to the law.
- We will support the promotion of women, youth, children, people with disabilities and marginalized people. Women representation should go beyond national levels, they also need to be equally represented in all local administrative levels of the country.
- We will promote a change in the electoral law and introduce the constituency-based elections, instead of national party lists.
- We will ensure that even opposition parties are well represented in all structures of the National Electoral Commission (NEC).
- We will support and influence all citizens to have the opportunity to choose those that represent them in the government and ensure elected representatives work on behalf of the citizenry
- We will promote freedoms of association, media, speech, religion and other civil liberties.

#### Support to Media Development

#### **Our Action Plan**

• Forum 4 Service Delivery will support media development policies and programs. It shall seek support for media capacity building, while promoting

the freedom of speech, expression and media. Access to information and publication of state matters should be made easier. The Ministerial decree contradicting the Media law should be revised or removed.

- Forum 4 Service Delivery will support and campaign for discrimination of defamation in the media law. Defamation should be a civil case other than a criminal case.
- We shall plan to give awards to the best performing media practitioners in different domains, such as: democracy, environment, gender, human rights etc.

### **Human Rights**

#### **Our Action Plans**

- Forum 4 Service Delivery will promote the respect and revision of laws regarding human rights.
- State authorities, especially local government leaders should ensure that citizens are not persecuted and or discriminated against. Cases of beatings and unlawful imprisonments of citizens shall be condemned.
- We shall promote the separation of powers and more especially the independence of the judiciary.
- We will ensure people have the right to think and speak as they wish and in line with the law.
- Forum 4 Service Delivery will advocate for strengthening of existing institutions in charge of human rights enforcements, so that they become citizen's advocates rather than being Government's mouthpieces.
   Dissemination of human rights practices should be availed to all local administrative levels of the country.

#### Sustainable Health Care

- The Forum 4 Service Delivery of South Africa will promote a multidisciplinary approach to HIV/AIDS, sexual and gender-based violence (GBV) challenges.
   We will support one-stop centers, as well as sexual and reproductive health programs.
- We encourage and ensure dental care to South Africans especially those unable to afford proper dental care.
- We will influence and advocate for sustainable health care that's good for the environment, good for patients and staff. We shall encourage hospitals and health centers to: reduce and recycle solid waste, reduce regulated and chemical waste, reduce energy and water consumption, create healing environments, and establish green purchasing policies.
- We shall promote population growth control mechanisms and encourage South Africans to produce a few that they can afford to take care of.
- We will also call for transparency and improved monitoring of traditional healers and traditional medicine.

### **Security and Foreign Policy**

South Africa needs progressive national security policies that are grounded in respect of democratic principles, accountability, the Rule of Law and the Constitution.

- We will have to identify our true alliances in Africa, Asia, Europe and America and start focusing on the revitalization of our international relations and diplomacy.
- Forum 4 Service Delivery would like to see South Africa at peace with itself and its neighbours.
- We have to redefine the South African Security considering today's threat to the environment.

- We will strive for a culture of peace and cooperation between states, inside societies and between individuals, as a basis of national and international security.
- We believe that security should not rest mainly in military strength but on cooperation, sound economic and social development, environmental safety and respect for human rights.
- Forum 4 Service Delivery believes that South Africa should only defend itself
  if and when attacked or threatened but should not be the one to start wars
  or attack others.

# UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE SYSTEM WITH ONE CLINIC, ONE AMBULANCE IN EVERY VOTING STATION

#### **Our Action Plans**

- There will be one well-equipped clinic, one ambulance, one doctor, one psychologist and one police officer in every voting district.
- There will be one well equipped hospital in every municipality with no less than five medical doctors, not less than two traditional doctors and faithbased practitioners.
- Enough medical supplies and not less than two medical suppliers in every hospital.
- There will be more nurses and doctors training colleges build and our nurses and doctors must be well be remunerated. The community health workers will be highly trained and be absorbed into health department and their current level of education will be recognized.
- There will be well-equipped home-based care centres in every tenth ward and the home-based care givers well trained. Medicines for those who are chronic will be delivered at the door steps of our chronic patients. On a weekly basis, the doctors will be compelled to visit our chronic patients at their homes for general check-ups.

#### **R200 000 HOUSE BUILDING VOUCHERS FOR ALL DESERVING CITIZENS**

#### **Our Action Plans**

- We will issue R200.000.00(Two Hundred Thousand Rands) worth of buying power voucher to a deserving citizen to build their own houses at their own designs.
- This voucher system will be managed through accredited building materials warehouses and or through state owned building materials warehouses. Our senior citizens and child headed families will be prioritised to get houses first.
- No foreign national will be allowed to benefit from this government initiative as it is meant for South African Nationals.

#### LAND TO BE EXPROPRITED DIRECTLY TO THE PEOPLE

#### **Our Action Plans**

All expropriated land must be distributed directly to the people not in the hands of the state as this will cause a serious backlog and also eliminate corrupt activities. There must All expropriated land must be redistributed directly to the people who have claimed it under the land claim process. There must be a clearer agricultural land allocation to previously deprived people and intensive agriculture training to our agriculture graduates.

# FREE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM FOR YOUNG PEOPLE UNDER THE AGE OF 25 AND SUBSIDY FOR THOSE ABOVE 25 YEARS OLD.

#### **Our Action plans**

This is a bold policy change that will require concerted political will for the authorities to modify existing social transfers to encourage poor unemployed youth to enter the labour market.

 This will further enable increased public access and movement for young people and above which will in turn benefit more to those looking for work, this will also advance social integration and business opportunities. This will also reduce traffic jams since there will be less use of personal cars, leading to significant reduction on transport costs.

 This together with a partial increase or a direct subsidy over and above the Covid Social Relief Grant of R350 per month will ensure that young people who have just entered the labour market and those that are job hunting have sufficient money in their pockets.

#### **DECOMODIFICATION OF WATER AND SANITATION**

The main challenges in the country with regards to water and sanitation are due to a number of factors: 1. Scarcity of water, 2. Poor Sanitation facilities and 3, Inadequate water treatment, 4. Unequal access to wash services, 5, Climate Change, 6. Limited access to finance, 7, Poor Governance, 8. High Poverty Levels.

#### **Provision of Basic Sanitation Facilities**

According to the survey conducted by the United Nations, approximately 4.2 million people in South Africa lack access to safe drinking water and 21 million do not have access to basic sanitation facilities. This is attributable to lack of infrastructure to provide safe drinking water and sanitation facilities. In many rural areas, people still rely on water from rivers and streams for their water supply, which is often contaminated.

**Our Action Plans** 



- Desalination and reuse of water is the way to go for Africa as a whole.
- Water and dams and free quality clean water to be nationalized immediately.
- Reintroduction of boreholes and windmills to complement our natural water resource which is now negatively affected by global warming.
- Every ward to have not less than five boreholes and windmills and not less than two water reservoirs to store quality clean water. The sanitation infrastructure has aged and the current sanitation infrastructure system needed to be renovated as a matter of urgency and the sanitation plants to be improved.
- We will implement stringent measures to reduce water losses.
- We will increase wastewater treatment initiatives
- We will forge the participation of the private sector in funding some of the solutions-driven projects and assist the government in raising awareness campaigns.

- We will increase community-based water management projects by sourcing as well as supporting local entrepreneurs.
- We need to train more water technicians and engineers in South Africa to be deployed in our water systems and treatment plants as it is a sector of the economy that is still not saturated.

