



**2021 LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
ELECTION MANIFESTO LAUNCH**

**DATE: 01 OCTOBER 2021**

**VENUE: RIVER RANGE RANCH**

**TIME: 13:00PM TO 15:00PM**

**MF ALL THE WAY**

**#corruptcollapsingcities**

# MF DEMANDS

- Correcting lights, water and rates billing
- Fix ageing infrastructure
- Employ more metro police
- Improve local clinic conditions
- Pay community policing forum members
- Pay neighbourhood watches
- Remove slums
- Build decent houses for all
- Protect playlots
- Fix crematoria and burial sites
- Create local jobs for all
- Improve public transport
- Invest in climate change response: waste recycling, coastal management and green technologies and infrastructure

# **MF, TRIED AND TESTED, ALL THE WAY**

Namaste, Vanakkum, Namaskaram, As-salamualaikum, Sanibonani, greetings to all.

## **INTRODUCTION**

Once every five years, as South Africans are given the chance to exercise our only free right, the right to vote.

This 01<sup>st</sup> November, remember this free right, because for the next five years you, the ratepayer, will have to pay for everything, whether you get or don't get service delivery. Not getting service delivery will depend how you vote.

Please go out and vote or you will risk losing your voice in the councils. By voting and electing capable, honest councillors, on the 01<sup>st</sup> November you can

change the eThekweni and Msunduzi Council, political leadership.

You may ask, **What has the MF stood for?**

The Minority Front has always stood for promoting the dignity, human rights and cultural well-being for all, while specifically protecting minorities. The MF rejects all forms of dictatorship, which racially divides citizens, through unfair policies like Affirmative Action and quotas.

The MF's strength is its perseverance towards social cohesion and nation building activities, so that we live and prosper in an inclusive society, thereby achieving our aspirations through equal opportunities.

## **What are the key past achievements of the MF?**


The MF has done extraordinarily well, notably in:

- slashing the rates in former Indian townships in early 2000's due to slums mushrooming, crime and social ills increasing, while property prices dropped.
- In 2004, the MF held the balance of power in the eThekweni metro and ensured that in-fill housing gave higher quotas to local residents, funding for capital infrastructure projects in former Indian townships was at its highest.
- The budget for the 1860 monuments was motioned in the council and allocated from the Province.
- There was a halt on the moratorium of religious and creche sites and the destruction of playlots by greedy housing developers.

- The council was forced to stop its discrimination against and purging of Indian officials.
- MF took up the fight on the relocation of Verulam and Phoenix metro police.
- The establishment of the Phoenix and Brookdale markets, upgrade of the Bangladesh market and protection of street traders, even saving of the Early Morning Market.
- MF run wards, especially in Phoenix and Chatsworth, were well serviced: grass-cutting as per schedule, lowest crime rates, continuous development of roads, lanes, pavements, clinics and sporting facilities.
- The people were safe, culture and NGO's flourished and wards were free of crime and grime.

## **Let's turn to, what is the MF going to fight for when we get re-elected to council?**

- To finalise investigations and fire corrupt officials
- To blacklist corrupt tenderpreneurs
- Clearing out slums
  - Empowering community police forums and neighbourhood watches to combat growing crime
- Ensuring council allocates budgets for capital infrastructure i.e. replacing old water pipes, manholes, sewerage and storm drainage systems
- Strengthening laws on air and water polluting industries
- Improving local clinic conditions
- Expanding the fire brigade facilities
- Reducing unfair property rates, lights and water bills by overhauling the capacity and infrastructure

- 
- Building affordable and suitable homes for different socio- economic needs
  - Provision of local jobs by matching skills to jobs
  - Functional, accountable call centres and a single emergency number for prompt response
  - Investment in IT systems and social media platforms to meet requirements of ratepayers
  - Reliable, safe and affordable public transport systems in the city
  - Protection of the beaches and rivers with the allocation of prayer sites for religious purposes
  - Promotion of local subsistence fishing with reasonable licencing.
  - Protection of playlots, parks and sports facilities
  - Localising train infrastructure and services by building a rail route from eThekwini to Msunduzi like the Gautrain



With the MF, voters have a tried and tested party that works at grassroots, accounts to the people and is a servant of the people. We respect public opinion because we hold public trust. The MF will fight tooth and nail to ensure that our metro never becomes lawless, hurting honest citizens again.




## **The MF's priorities for the next 5 years will be?**

Currently, the eThekweni Metro, even Msunduzi are cities collapsing due to corruption:

### **#corruptcollapsingcities**

Our priorities, if elected to power includes:

- Reorganize the city's organogram and shed off the inefficient staff, mismatched for jobs vs skills to reduce the exorbitant wage bill
- Investing in state-of-the-art digital technology to improve billing, communication with ratepayers, speeding up daily services
- Create jobs through internships for talented, educated youth
- Rethink the waste management systems, i.e.: solid, water, industrial, organic, plastic, glass, IT and textiles. Be an enabler for start-ups in this sector.

- 
- Overhaul the public transport system especially for women's safety- pink transport. Free intercity mini taxis, bus-coupon systems and rail popularization. Improve waiting areas for bus and taxi stops.
  - Lease or sell vacant property to all race groups for specified developments
  - Overhaul the signage department
  - Build proper, sheltered street-trader blocks
  - Clearance of all city slums and renovation of dilapidated buildings
  - Building of suitable social housing, using housing cooperatives.

## **THE AFTERMATH OF VIOLENT ATTACKS ON OUR COMMUNITIES: 09-15 JULY 2021**

It is important to remember that, "Every Nation Writes Its Own Autobiography Through the Actions or Inactions of Its Citizens".

- Recently, various events led to parts of South Africa being engulfed by catastrophic violence, over 7 days. Some key disaster statistics were; a 337 death toll, of which about 7 were Indians. In Phoenix alone, 36 people were killed and three were Indians.
- Destruction took the forms of looting and arson of businesses, homes, religious sites and some farms.
- The cause was clearly an attempted insurrection.
- That timing matched the Zondo Commission's final report on corruption and passage of key land bills.

- In terms of law enforcement, the police were poorly equipped and overpowered, while the SANDF was deployed too late. There's still an uncertainty, post- violence. With respect to Phoenix: 12 Indians have been charged for different offences. Three marches have taken place by the eThekweni Community Church (which called it a 'Phoenix massacre'), the EFF and African United Activists. I, as the Minority Front leader has used every platform to denounce the use of the phrase 'the Phoenix Massacre', which made the minority Indian community scapegoats for no reason. For these reasons the local government elections, given the recent violence, the COVID-19 pandemic and the current restrictions, requires a dedicated effort by all, to ensure that you go out and vote on the 01st November 2021.

The MF has requested, in the KZN Legislature the following: all videos and audio clips which incited violence via social media to be examined; monthly investigation progress reports on the "Chaos Causing Toolkit" and recovery of stolen ammunition (> 1.5 million live ammunition rounds); social cohesion and moral regeneration programmes investment to build trust, harmony and peace. This violence reminds us of the critical nature of human identity, economic class, ethnicity and the politics thereof.

Currently, the Minority Front has one seat in the eThekweni council. On the 01st November, remember the ongoing unrest and riots our communities have faced and choose peace and political stability when voting. Vote for tried and

tested political parties, like the MF, that have always safeguarded your human and citizenship rights.

### **MF, ALL THE WAY**

As many of you may know that, the Minority Front was formed by the late Mr A. Rajbansi in 1993 to ensure that during the political transition, South African minorities were hand-held until they became fully integrated. That work continues. The MF remains the watchdog over the democratic dispensation to take good care of all minorities. This election, the MF is contesting all 111 wards in eThekweni and all 41 wards in Msunduzi.

- The recent violence shows that bigger parties are unstable. Now, more than ever voters should reinvest their vote and trust in the MF to fight against the following in council:

-Growing political instability due to mismanagement of taxes

- A divisive opposition, with absent leaders who neglect wards and service delivery.

# TOP MF ETHEKWINI CANDIDATES

## LGE 2021



A. DWARIKAPERSADH



S. MAHARAJ



P.R. PILLAY



P.KOBLALL



S. MATHURA



S. RAJBALLY



S. JUGDEO



R. SINGH



The MF's vision of the above planned activities is based on prioritizing competence and connectivity, both requiring strategic human and diversity management to promote business and community partnership development.

There are bigger threats we as communities have to be aware of:

- The badly demarcated wards in former Indian areas that makes it difficult to win wards, therefore every voter must vote MF on both ballot papers, for the ward candidate and the PR seats.

**DO NOT SPLIT YOUR VOTE**

|                                |    |  |   |
|--------------------------------|----|--|---|
| MINORITY FRONT                 | MF |  |  |
| <b>VOTE MF ON BOTH BALLOTS</b> |    |  |   |
| CANDIDATE NAME                 | MF |  |  |

## SUMMARY

The MF is giving you top candidates who will be your voice in the councils.

This election decides your future. Increasing crime-rate, whether it's on farmers, in shops, hi-jackings, kidnappings, drugs, schools and neighbourhoods is now unbearable if we do not act by voting out the majority who are corrupt and steal, rate and tax payers monies and don't get punished.

Instead our councils, like the parliament is run by costly commissions.

In eThekweni – the Manase Report of 2012 is still not acted upon. Last year 2020, Parliament was told that it was still sitting with Hawks.

Corruption in eThekweni and the Msunduzi Councils continues. These councils are supposed to be world-class, supposed to give us SMART cities but were

being reduced to slum-cities, which are expensive to live in.

Only you, the voter can put a stop to councillors who don't work for you but blame the system, so you must change the councillors and the corrupt system will change.

Do not believe in propaganda and lies spread about the MF. One party telecanvasses that the MF sell its votes to the ANC – These are '**destabilising agents**'.

Another party uses the loud-haler to say the MF is dead – this party thinks they're 'Good' but actually are '**good for nothing**', if they don't know the MF is alive for 28 years and beyond.

We will survive with your trust vote on the 01<sup>st</sup> November.

# TOP MF MSUNDUZI CANDIDATES

## LGE 2021



**S. SEWDUTH**



**A. BHIKSHU**



**R.B.SINGH**



**P. NUNKUMAR**



**S. HIRALAL**

## CONCLUSION

I want to conclude by saying 'The dream of all communities is to live with respect and dignity. Do we have it? **NO**, in July, we experienced the worst assault. A few innocent people are in jail and we must stand by them. Yes, the MF condemns the killing of human beings but stop being soft targets, let's stand up and be counted on the 01<sup>st</sup> November 2021.

**The voting venues** are schools and halls near you. Carry your ID, you must be over 18 years. You must be a registered voter.

**Special voting** takes place 2 days before on the 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> October.

**The times** for voting are between 7am and 9pm. The actual voting is on Monday, 01<sup>st</sup> November 2021, which we can be quite sure would be a public

holiday. Please note we are used to Wednesdays but this time it's a Monday.

Come out to vote, this will make a difference to your future as South Africa is heading in a dangerous direction. You, can make that U-turn. Vote MF on both ballots, for the party, PR and the candidate.

**Come back home, Let's move forward together.**

The Minority Front wishes you all well over these prayer periods, keep safe, social distance and wear your mask when going to vote.

Let the MF be your **Voice and Choice.**

**THANK YOU**

**Delivered by:** Hon Shameen Thakur-Rajbansi

**Leader of the Minority Front**

**01<sup>st</sup> October 2021**

Contact numbers:      **(c):** 083 777 8501  
                                 **(t):** 033 355 7760  
                                 **(e):** [legislaturemf2@gmail.com](mailto:legislaturemf2@gmail.com)  
   [legislaturestr@gmail.com](mailto:legislaturestr@gmail.com)

