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A Zimbabwe African People's Union [ZAPU] government will deliver to all Zimbabwe citizens the following (Article 4 Objects of the ZAPU Constitution):

1. A democratic nation that respects human rights

A democratic Nation State that respects human rights and freedoms of all its diverse citizens without regard to race, tribe, religious belief, sexual orientation or social status

2. United Provincial Governments

A national Government supported by Five (5) strong Provincial Governments of:

- (i) Manicaland,
- (ii) Mashonaland,
- (iii) Masvingo,
- (iv) Matebeleland, and
- (v) Midlands;

that will bring government to the people using the first past the post electoral system. The provincial governments will be responsible[with their people] for economic, cultural, social and political development e.g. the creation of full employment and poverty eradication as well as education and health services

3. Proportional Representation

The national government will be elected using Propotional Representation in honour of our belief that all human beings are

born equal and our diverse provinces must contribute to national government according to their numbers. All our political parties in the national assembly should reflect the exact vote strengths obtained nationally.

4. The Government shall respect the rule of law

A government that shall respect the rule of law and be fearless in prosecuting violations of the law without regard to political or economic status

5. A corruption free nation

A government that will not tolerate corruption from whatever quarter – public or private sector.

6. Representation and participation of women

A ZAPU government will commit to achievement of a target of 50% representation and participation of women in all spheres of national life, in line with its gender policy

7. Integration of youth in programmes

YOUTH constitute about 60% of our voters, and are the future of Zimbabwe, and ZAPU will integrate youth in all development and governance programmes

8. Employment creation and poverty elimination

Employment creation and poverty elimination will be a priority of a ZAPU led government. “From Poverty to abundance in our time”. The Millennium Development Goals will dominate ZAPU economic plans

9. Re-establishment of non-partisan public service

A ZAPU government will re-establish the principle of a non-partisan public service including all law enforcement organs of national and provincial government services

10. Acknowledgement and celebration of diversity

The unity of our people will be fostered through acknowledgement and celebration of our diversity - linguistically and culturally

11. Language protection and development

All our languages shall be protected and developed by our school system and a vibrant literature for all languages shall be developed

12. Free association in political activities

ZAPU will create circumstances for our people to associate freely in political activity and compete fairly for public office on merit based on their constituents

13. Non-violent measures used

ZAPU will NOT use violent means on Zimbabweans to achieve its political objectives. Instead, ZAPU will work [and influence other

political parties] to achieve a tolerant society that defends freedoms of association and expression

14. A culture of tolerance for foreign nationals

All provinces shall defend the sovereignty of the Nation State of Zimbabwe and work for a culture of tolerance for foreign nationals that work in Zimbabwe lawfully

15. Integration of Southern African States

Regional integration of Southern African States shall be encouraged – economic, educational, social and political - for the purpose of developing all the peoples of the region

16. African Unity

African Unity will be the ultimate target and African Union can count on a ZAPU led state to play its full part

17. A better world for future generations

In a global village and knowledge society, ZAPU will lead Zimbabwe back to full participation in World affairs through all organs of the United Nations, to create a better world for future generations of Zimbabweans as World citizens

18. Turnaround Objective

A ZAPU led government shall set up a Turnaround Objective on the economy, governance, transparency of elections, and people's service charter

19. A new Independent Electoral Commission

A ZAPU led government will set up a new Independent Electoral Commission whose members will be scrutinized and vetted by the National Parliament in a transparent way

20. Leader of the Official Opposition

In a ZAPU led government, the status of the Leader of the Official opposition will be receiving official protocol at Cabinet Minister level and, as President-in-waiting

21. Reorientation of all Public Workers

A ZAPU led government shall reorient all Public workers to act always in the best interests of the country and not themselves as individuals or political parties

22. Formulation of a retirement package

A ZAPU led government will negotiate with all democratic political parties and with civil society the formulation of a retirement package for all Former Nation State Presidents to enhance their looking forward to retirement. The resulting list of emoluments and security as well as immunities will be approved by a free vote in the National Parliament after a similar passage through all 5 Provincial Parliaments

23. Condemnation of tribalism and/or racialism

A ZAPU led government will not propagate but condemn tribalism

or racialism as that contradicts the logic of Nation building and ZAPU considers and associates tribalism and racialism with barbarism

24. The fear factor on citizens

A ZAPU government will NOT use the fear factor on citizens to achieve political objectives

25. Lack of justice

For ZAPU, injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere

26. Justice and peace to all citizens

ZAPU is focused on a future that delivers justice and peace to all citizens of Zimbabwe

27. Minimum direct control

A ZAPU government will minimize direct control of the key sectors of the economy and encourage private sector competition and eliminate monopolies

28. Skills training in entrepreneurship

A ZAPU government will economically empower youths and women through skills training in entrepreneurship to create employment and grow the economy

29. Tax breaks

To boost investment by new players in the productive sector, a ZAPU government will create tax breaks for both local and approved

external investors of up to five years where women and youth are/
form the majority of shareholders

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