

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

of CIAAs Economic Policy Plan

The economy of South Africa is experiencing many challenges:

- a continuous failure of electricity supply,
- low levels of economic growth and development,
- inadequate direct investment in order to create job's,
- high and unacceptable levels of poverty,
- high and unacceptable levels of unemployment,
- economic inequality that has made South Africa the most unequal society in the world,
- ineffective public service and wastage of state funds at all levels of government
- increasing inflation resulting in less disposable income in the pockets of ordinary SA'ns,
- spiralling & excessive levels of State debt,
- high levels of taxation,
- Vat levels which are excessive,
- endemic corruption and malfeasance in the public sector, manipulated by certain parts of the private sector,
- individual rights and property rights are threatened as a result of Socialist, Marxist and neo liberal policies,

The policies that the current National government have created to address these challenges are based on Socialist and Communist policies. The Provincial Govt also drives neo Liberal ideological policies.

Both these Govt's through their policies have failed to address the socio-economic challenges SA'ns face on a daily basis.

Therefore, as the CIAAs, we champion social Conservative Policies and we reject:

- certain aspects of the proposed nationalisation agenda of the governing Party,
- centralisation of State power,
- this unitary State,
- over-regulation of markets,
- Govt's excessive borrowing and the enormous debt our country is burdened with,

As CIAAs, we continue to champion the cause that in order for SA'ns to prosper and flourish socio-economically, the country needs to renounce Socialist, Communist, neo Liberal ideals and adopt pragmatic solutions based on tested, workable, successful and empirical Conservative values, ideals and principles which are clearly demonstrated across the world where Conservative socio-economic values and systems have been incorporated.

CIAAs identifies that the best solutions to address our economic challenges are:

- Free Markets and Fair Competition,
- Driving an entrepreneurial policy approach in order to reducing the oligopolistic and monopolistic markets,

- Individual Rights,
- Property Rights,
- Quasi deregulation with limited Government Intervention, in certain markets,
- Strengthening of law & order with increased Police personnel and additional Police Stations, across the country,
- Clean, transparent State governance and added Oversight Authoritative institutions,
- Financial Discipline and Prudence
- Reduction in Taxes, viz, personal income tax, corporate taxes and VAT,
- Stabilize the Rand,

As the CIAAs, we are resolute in our approach that our economic Policy proposals can produce the meaningful economic reforms SA so desperately needs and can contribute to an increase in standards of living for all ordinary SA'ns.

ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLAN

OUR NINE ELEMENTS TO STIMULATE ECONOMIC REFORM

As the CIAAs, our economic recovery plan focuses on the following key policy areas:

1. ENERGY & POWER SUPPLY

- - Review, revise and set aside corrupt, unethical, and wasteful tender/s and or contracts acquired unlawfully.
- Identify weaknesses and employ technical & operational experts, so as to ensure we keep ESKOM fully operational.
- Immediate promotion of private generation of electricity supply.
- Source, research and identify new energy technology including sustainable renewable energy.
- PPP joint ventures to harness and enrich our energy supply goals.
- Fix Eskom immediately through PPP intervention, rightsizing & attraction of critical skills,
- Encourage additional private energy Suppliers into the grid,

2. FISCAL POLICY REFORM

Immediate review and revision of:

- Waste, viz, bloated State administration across all 3 tiers of Govt,
- Income tax thresholds,
- Reduction of fuel levies,
- Import tariffs, to create local beneficiation,
- Loan debt agreements through negotiations with lenders,
- Reduction of State debt immediately,
- Wastage, through thorough audits, viz, personnel, quality of work and quality of services,
- Reduction of taxes, to grow the economy,
- Stabilize our currency, the Rand,

3. CLEAN GOVERNANCE

- Institute recruitment policies to ensure that Govt is reflective of the demographics of society.
- Promote federalism and devolution of power with clear checks and balances.
- Bring in private and public participation into all State tender boards at national, provincial and local government.
- Ensure at least 40% representation of Auditors and accounting firms for all work in State institutions.
- Review the local Govt Act to ensure that structures like SALGA are more of an Authoritative Oversight, as opposed to having political party leadership in control.
- State Tender Boards must draw from an open and transparent skills data base.
- Immediate rightsizing, improvement and or restructuring of all State departments, viz, home affairs, licencing, Police, Court's, etc.
- Introduce additional chapter 9 Institutions to oversee State administration,,
 - Place focus on Peer review Audits, Oversight & Authority levers of Govt to review waste, bloated administration, tender Boards and reforms to strengthen governance,

4. FOREIGN & LOCAL DIRECT INVESTMENT

- Create and safeguard property rights by rejecting private land expropriation without compensation,
- Institute a quasi national health insurance for ordinary citizens,
- Create State mines & State development banks who's object is to help small & medium sized businesses,
- Reject targeted retribution towards groupings within our society that could lead to expropriation of assets,
- Revisit all Bilateral Investment Treaties with major trading partners,
- Offer more protection to foreign investors through the revision of onerous legislation,
- Drastically improve the quality of services by municipalities, SOE's and other government departments,
- Remove obstacles to international competitiveness,
- Review, implement and drive infrastructure growth,
- Remove inefficient government bureaucracy, red-tape, over-regulation, high input costs,
- Review labour laws that are onerous on small and medium businesses,
- Create an entrepreneur-friendly economic climate by supporting all forms of business across all sectors, and by removing the barriers to entry for start-ups,
- Encourage private sector partnerships to promote competition and improve efficiency,
- Clamp down on all forms of anti-competitive behaviour in markets that allows monopolistic and oligopolistic cartels to flourish,
- Stabilize our current, the Rand,

5. INFRASTRUCTURE & JOB CREATION

- Boost infrastructure through Govt spending,
- Provide a sensible labour regulatory environment by reviewing and introducing sensible and rational legislation in line with ILO standards.
- Introduce legislative framework that make it possible for SMEs to have access to funding,

- Ensure economic capacity that enhances and assists the private sector to employ vast numbers of low-skilled jobs.
- Target and reinvigorate the agriculture, mining, fishing, manufacturing and tourism sectors,
- Reintroduce export incentives for businesses,
- Offer exemptions from existing labour regulations to young people who want to work.
- Review plastic and encourage the migration through Govt subsidization of paper packaging,
- Support the waste collection and recycling sector, to absorb unskilled labour,
- Work towards a radical GDP growth of (minimum) 3 - 6% within 18 months,
- Create innovative policies that encourages job creation,

6. SKILLS EMPOWERMENT

- Revitalize the broad-based economic empowerment initiative for the majority and to look at innovative ways to include the minorities,
- Introduce legislation that encourages and enhances the attraction of skilled personnel from around the world,
- Introduce legislative subsidies that encourages Firms to employ and develop SA'n graduates,
- Reintroduce fully subsidized training Colleges,

7. JUDICIAL REFORM

- Review and correct appointments to the Judiciary particularly as appointments to our highest courts are mainly left leaning Justices, with strong links to the ruling party.
- Review the criteria which has led to the bypassing of competent, experienced Judges because of the color of their skin, for top positions,
- Encourage a climate for Court Benches to have Judges with Conservative and liberal philosophical ideological views,

8. IMMIGRATION

- Implement tighter controls and increased security at our borders,
- Review and introduce strict legislation that is focused on the attraction of highly skilled immigrants as opposed to the attraction of unskilled and semi skilled labour,

9. LOCAL BENEFICIATION & INNOVATION

- Reduce imports through the establishment of local beneficiation in the mining and steel industries,
- Re introduce auto industry manufacturing facilities like ADE in Atlantis,
- Review and reinvigorate the following industries, namely:
 - tea estates, textile, leather, hospitality, tourism, motor, white goods industries,
- Re introduce Innovation subsidies to stimulate Industry,
- Re introduce manufacturing grants to stimulate to Industry,
- Reintroduce specific grants and subsidies to encourage migration of Industries to rural areas

CIAsa POLICY POSITION

South Africa needs solutions that will be easy and cost effective to implement within a short period of time so that the turnaround can happen as soon as possible. In contrast to the current grand plans that exist, as the CIAsa we propose an IMMEDIATE REDUCTION IN THE TAX REGIME for taxpayers.

In light thereof, South Africa urgently requires urgent prudent and pragmatic economic solutions.

The current framework of socialist & neo liberal policies have failed to produce any significant economic growth, resulting in our economy in a weakened state that has adversely created record levels of unemployment and poverty.

CIAsa will support and endorse any policy proposals brought forward by any political party on the condition that:

- It places the citizens of SA at the forefront,
- It is in line with our Conservative policies and values,
- It does not discriminate against any grouping,
- It promotes nation building, national reconciliation and national reconstruction for the benefit of all South Africans.

We will never support any initiative brought by any political party that divides SA on religious, tribal, racial or economic grounds.

Likewise, we will not subscribe nor endorse any neo liberal policies of any political party.

Similarly, we will not support nor endorse any ultra-Conservative, nor liberal Conservative ideals nor will we subscribe to or endorse any religious re-constructionist ideals, whether Christian, Muslim or otherwise.

As a centre-right political party, our policy positions are crystal clear and unambiguous.

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