



EFF NORTH WEST PROVINCIAL PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY STATE OF READINESS

MEDIA STATEMENT

Friday, 02 September 2022

The Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) will host the 3rd Provincial People's Assembly of the North West Province, between the 02nd to the 04th of September 2022 at the City of Matlosana Hall. The Provincial People's Assembly, is a gathering of duly elected delegates, from a minimum of 90% of branches in the Province, who will deliberate on the term of the outgoing leadership, conditions confronting the organisation in the province and the election of new leadership.

The conference of the EFF is known as the People's Assembly, because it is a conference of the people. It is a gathering of the ordinary masses of our people, sent by their branches, to ensure that grassroots struggles find expression in the organisation and in resolutions.

This gathering is convened as a means of renewal of the mandate of the Provincial structure in the province, which has completed its four-year term, as the last Provincial Assembly was convened in 2018. We commend the work and progress made thus far, which amongst other things has seen the EFF retain its position as the Official Opposition in the Province of the North West, over two elections, namely the 2019 National General Elections and the 2021 Local Government Elections.

The Assembly will reflect on this, and the need for the removal of the ruling party from its position, and for the EFF to assume its rightful place as the government of the people in North West. To be an official opposition is not sufficient, the EFF must win elections in the North West, because there is effectively no other stable organisation

in the province. The people of the North West need water, jobs, housing, roads and adequate health care, and currently, the highly factionalised ruling party is unable to provide these services and is riddled by corruption.

The Assembly of the EFF will respond to these realities and conclude on a comprehensive plan to unseat the failing ANC government.

The EFF Provincial Command Team in the North West held its final meeting, yesterday, on the 01st of September 2022 to finalise the state of readiness ahead of the People's Assembly. The North West Provincial People's Assembly begins with registration of an expected 853 delegates, who come from branches and representative structures such as our Regional Command Teams of Bojanala Region, Dr. Kenneth Kaunda Region, Ngaka Modiri Molema Region and Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati Region. These Regional Structures were all elected in 2021 and have executed the task of ensuring we have a strong elections machinery ahead of Local Government Elections last year, as well as preparing branches for this Provincial People's Assembly.

Of the 853 expected delegates, 750 delegates come from branches, 83 come from Regional Command Teams and 20 come from the outgoing Provincial Command Team.

The branch delegates to the Assembly come from 375 branches, which convened their Branch People's Assemblies or Branch General Assemblies, to nominate and elect delegates to the PPA. This number is reflective of 90% of wards in the province having branches of the EFF. This is commendable, and regional structures are encouraged to continue with convening of Branch People's Assemblies and Branch General Assemblies, to elect leadership where necessary and to adopt programs of action which are responsive to the needs of our people.

All disputes relating to the convening of Branch People's Assemblies to elect delegates have been processed by the Special National Disciplinary Committee and the Office

of the Secretary General. There are currently no outstanding disputes, and we expect a smooth conference characterised by robust discussion and healthy contestation.

Day 1 of the Assembly will exclusively be the arrival and registration of delegates from all four regions of the North West, and this registration is happening at a separate venue.

Day 2 will be constituted by both open and closed sessions for the media, as the business of the day will include the Opening and Welcome, the Keynote Address by the Official Deployed to the North West EFF National Chairperson Veronica Mente, Adoption of Credentials, the Political Report by the Chairperson, the Organisational Report by the Secretary and the Financial Report by the Provincial Treasurer amongst other things.

Nominations for the Top 5 Officials of the Province will happen on Day 2, as well as nominations for Additional members, to constitute the 21-member Provincial Command Team, which will lead the province over the next four-years. Voting and announcement of results for the Top 5 will happen on Day 2.

The Assembly will break into Commissions on Day 2, to discuss various issues which include primarily, Organisational Character and Re-design to Consolidate the Ground towards Socialist Power!. Within this discussion document, will be reflection on the character of the EFF, the nature of EFF Structures and What Should Define Them, organisational processes, the political conditions confronting the country and the continent as well as Specific Constitutional Amendment Provisions. Conference will discuss the various manifestations of the EFF, which include;

- a. THE ORGANISATIONAL MANIFESTATION
- b. THE IDEOLOGICAL AND POLITICAL MANIFESTATION.
- c. THE ACTIVIST, CAMPAIGNING AND MASS MOVEMENT MANIFESTATION

d. THE GOVERNANCE MANIFESTATION.

e. THE PAN-AFRICANIST AND INTERNATIONALIST MANIFESTATION

f. THE EFF STUDENTS' COMMAND MANIFESTATION

All these discussions will always reflect from the Founding Manifesto of the EFF and the 7 Non-Negotiable Cardinal Pillars, which are the primary guide to the attainment of Economic Emancipation in our Lifetime.

On Day 3, the Assembly plenary will receive reports of Discussions in Commissions and the announcement of the results of the Top 5. The newly elected leadership will conclude the conference and assume the mandate of Consolidating The Ground Towards Socialist Power.

The Commander in Chief and President will give the closing address on Day 3, Sunday, 04th of September 2022 to the Provincial People's Assembly and provide guidance and a line of march to delegates and the newly elected leadership.

All delegates are encouraged to adhere to the rules and procedures of the Assembly and remain highly disciplined throughout this process. The EFF must emerge united and ready to seize power in the North West in 2024

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