



EFF STATEMENT FOLLOWING CENTRAL COMMAND TEAM VISIT TO THE KWAZULU-NATAL STRUCTURES, AFTER 2024 PROVINCIAL AND NATIONAL ELECTIONS

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The Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF) Central Command Team (CCT) conducted a working visit and fact-finding mission in the province of KwaZulu-Natal, from the 23rd to the 26th of August 2024, in order to determine the root-cause of the electoral decline the EFF experienced in the recent elections in the province, and assess the state of all organisational structures.

The CCT is the highest decision-making body of the EFF in-between National Peoples' Assemblies, and began the working visit with a meeting on the 23rd of August 2024 to reflect on the Final Elections Report for the 2024 Elections. They deliberated on all prevailing political conditions confronting the domestic and international terrain.

The engagements with the structures of the EFF were led by the EFF Officials, and all Members of the EFF CCT, and sought to establish from the branches of the EFF, the regional structures and the provincial structures what were the conditions and circumstances ahead of and during the elections period, that may have led to an objectively poor electoral performance.

The EFF is pleased that these engagements were robust, frank and honest across all of the eleven (11) regions of KwaZulu-Natal, with meetings held with branches and regional structures of the EFF in the form of Regional General Assemblies. It is through these engagements with organic volunteers, activists and branch leaders of the structures of the EFF, that a diagnostic report of the state of the organisation in the province was developed.

The meetings culminated with a meeting, on the 26th of August 2024, between the War Council of the EFF and the Provincial Command Team (PCT) which runs organisational activities in the province on a day-to-day basis and formed part of the election machinery. The nature of these engagements is the hallmark of self-introspection and democratic centralism, to which the EFF remains committed to, where the views of all structures of the EFF are considered before a decision is taken. As a result, War Council gave directives to the PCT to build solid structures, provide support to regions and branches, and prepare branches for the upcoming 3rd National People's Assembly in December 2024.

The EFF reiterates its commitment to the people of KwaZulu-Natal and the membership of the organisation in the province to rebuild the EFF in KwaZulu-Natal, and remains committed to servicing the needs and interests of the people of KwaZulu-Natal regardless of electoral outcomes. We remain an organisation with a national footprint and influence, and we will never retreat or succumb to narrow and tribalistic sentiments, due to negative electoral outcomes.

We remain an organisation of the poorest of the poor, and our immediate task is to oppose the ANC and DA Grand Coalition which presides over the Provincial Government of KwaZulu-Natal, and will ultimately undermine African people, our struggle for liberation, and ultimately disrespect and undercut the authority of our heritage which rests in the Zulu Kingdom.

We call on all organisational structures to remain disciplined ahead of preparations for the 3rd National Peoples' Assembly, not only in KZN but across South Africa. Let us conduct the Branch Peoples' Assemblies and Branch General Assemblies which will elect delegates with dignity, and guard against elements that seek to sow factionalism and division in our glorious movement!

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