



THE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF NAMIBIA

2024 MANIFESTO

STATEMENT OF FAITH

The Republican Party of Namibia (the RP) acknowledges God, the Trinity, as the Sovereign creator of the universe, who has entrusted to humanity the right and responsibility to rule over the affairs of the world.

The RP of Namibia believes that Namibia must be a nation in submission to the Almighty God as well as a constitutional state that promotes Christian moral values and as such rejects the concept of Namibia as a secular state.

The RP is committed to raising a new generation of God-fearing leaders of integrity, dedicated to serving the nation as we strive to mobilize all Namibian citizens, regardless of race and ethnic origin, bound by common democratic values, to exercise their fundamental right of participation in all governmental institutions and processes in order to:

- Uphold the Constitution of the Republic of Namibia.
- Strive tirelessly towards the achievement of freedom and equality alongside the eradication of all forms of corruption, suppression, unfair preference and nepotism.
- Promote improved human relations and national reconciliation.
- Secure peace, security and stability by means of social, economic and human development.

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY'S FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES

RP believes are:

- A Government based on the Word of God with right and wrong and no in-betweens.
- The Government is chosen by the people for the people to the benefit of all the people of the land.
- Male and Female as created by God.
- Life is given by God and therefore the RP rejects abortion.
- The Homely Structure of God then the father, mother and the children.
- Discipline in schools.
- A God-fearing educational system.
- Reading of the Bible in schools.
- A Judicial system according to manner of transgression.
- A Judicial system based on the Word of God.
- Looking after the elderly and the orphans.
- Free and fair elections.
- Democratically elected government.
- That Namibians come first in all decisions and that the outcomes should benefit the people and the county as a whole.
- That all Natural resources and their financial benefits belong to all the people of Namibia.
- That Government are servants of the people and not people in high places with high positions.
- That good service delivery from state departments is the right of every Namibian without looking at colour or race.
- That Government should never allow racial discrimination or participate in favouring any ethnic group based on colour or ethnicity.

REPUBLICAN PARTY GOVERNMENT

The RP Government for Namibia will have the following Ministries:

- Foreign Affairs
- Justice & Constitutional Development
- Defence
- Finance (to include National Planning)
- Education
- Works and Transport (to include Information)
- Trade & Industry (to include State Owned Enterprises)
- Health (to include Social Welfare, Gender Equality & Child Welfare)
- Home Affairs & Immigration (to include Safety & Security)
- Ministry of Natural resources (to include Fisheries & Marine Resources, Mines & Energy)
- Regional & Local Government, Housing & Rural Development
- Agriculture, Water & Forestry (to include Lands Resettlement)
- Environment & Tourism
- Labour (Ministry for Employment Creation & Poverty Reduction)

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

The RP will oppose any irresponsible and party motivated amendments to the Constitution of the Republic of Namibia as well as any effort to infringe upon the fundamental rights enshrined in Chapter 3 of the Constitution.

However, one constitutional change that the RP will promote is for the dissolution of regional councils and for the National Council to be constituted with two representatives from each region. These representatives are to be elected in a National Council election where nominations will be submitted by regions and the two candidates with the most votes will be elected to the National Council.

. 1. Unemployment and Poverty

- The RP will strive to eradicate poverty and address the failure of the SWAPO government to manage the unacceptable and ever-increasing rate of unemployment among all sections of the population. The RP shall apply all its efforts.
- To have the Ministry of Labour include an Employment Creation & Poverty Reduction established, with employment creation units in all major towns across Namibia.
- To initiate, support and subsidize sustainable, labour-intensive development projects throughout the country.
- To ensure preference be given to the least developed and poorest regions regarding development projects, infrastructure development and provision of basic services.





- To identify international markets for locally developed goods.
- To ensure that preference be given to local companies in the awarding of government tenders and contracts.
- To encourage outside expertise, who can transfer their skills to Namibians.
- **To regulate the uncontrolled influx of Chinese and other foreigners not contributing to skills transfer and capacity building of Namibians.**
- To introduce financial incentives for private entities and farmers, to encourage them to employ more workers.
- To ensure that government provides labour intensive projects.
- To have land and processing facilities provided in the areas where informal enterprises could contribute to urban agriculture.

2. Housing

The RP shall apply all its efforts:

- To ensure that Local Authorities speedily supply the demand for fully serviced (water, electricity and sewerage) erven and to make these erven available at the lowest possible prices for the low and medium-income housing market.
- To have the Local authorities provide basic services like water and electricity by subsidization of those that prove they cannot pay of pensioners and those who prove that they cannot pay.
- To ensure that Local Authorities introduce policies and regulations that will remove unnecessary red tape and simplify the process of approving building plans.
- To encourage property developers to provide houses at affordable prices, not only by subsidising their labour cost, but also to introduce tax incentives for the developers.

The RP will focus on the following housing campaigns to alleviate the pressure on the housing shortage.

- Any tender on natural resources will include that a certain percentage of the profit of the bidder must end up in a housing project identified by the government with essential services being supplied by Local authorities.
- All companies and entities that supply housing for lower-income employees will qualify for tax benefits.
- To develop an Employers' Assistance Scheme (EAS) that will partner with the Development Bank of Namibia to encourage private companies and employers to assist with the provision of affordable houses for their employees by giving either tax incentives or by providing loans at subsidised rates, as is currently the case with commercial farmers through the Agribank.

3. Education and Training

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The RP will not allow a Curriculum for Sexual Education (CSE) as prescribed by the United Nations or its institutions in any private or public school up to Grade 12. The RP distances itself, and does not acknowledge, the WOKE agenda (Willingness to Overcome Knowledge inequality and Engage) forced onto sovereign international members and states by the United Nations and their associated institutions.

The RP will not allow the United Nations (UN) or their associated institutions (UNICEF, etc.) to prescribe to the Namibian people and their Constitution, any measures or suggestions not accommodated in the Founding Statement of the Constitution of the RP.

Due to the vastness of the Namibian landscape the RP as the government, would bring back a strong Hostel system supported via the Feeding schemes and see to a healthy and functional system with skilled mentors to assist Namibian parents to leave their children in the care of well qualified teachers. A good hostel system based on caring and wellbeing of the children will build a strong and positive well educated Namibian youth.

The RP shall apply all its efforts:

- To involve all stakeholders in creating a more advanced Namibian education system. The consequence of the current system is resulting in inferior degrees, diplomas and certificates.
- To ensure that the curriculum will educate learners moral values and understanding that they have to accept the responsibilities as per the Constitution, which include self-reliance, self-confidence, curiosity, creativity and empowerment.
- To convince the authorities that more emphasis must be put on the teaching of mathematics, science, languages and history.
- To have more technical schools established throughout the country for a more practically orientated education rather than a purely academic one.
- To make pre-primary free of charge and fully subsidised by the government.
- To fully subsidise school materials and books.
- To encourage the appointment of competent, well-trained, qualified and responsible school principals and teachers, that are well remunerated, and able to manage their respective schools responsibly.
- To employ Namibia's own qualified and experienced teachers and other experts in education to draw up syllabi and avoid using costly foreign consultants.
- To propose incentives that will encourage teachers to further their studies and obtain higher qualifications.
- To provide decent and affordable housing to the teachers in rural areas.
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- To place a moratorium on any new governmental development by placing different Ministries in the same governmental buildings – because of under utilization of Governmental buildings and office blocks. This will lead to many empty Governmental Ministry buildings being utilized to overcome the shortfall of classrooms and school buildings.

4. Land Reform, Agriculture, & Resettlement

Land is a scarce, valuable, and non-renewable natural resource. Land should not be a bargaining tool and seen as wealth in itself, but rather as an instrument for wealth creation, using all national resources, with special reference to mineral-, fishing resources and agricultural land, which must be utilized productively, wisely, and responsibly. Once the resource is destroyed, it will necessarily result in job losses, the decrease of production and economic activity, leaving Namibians stranded and disadvantaged to other countries in the SADC (Southern African Development Community) region.

The RP shall use all its efforts:

- To assist in rectifying the current failed Land Reform Policy of the government. The RP will introduce a new and comprehensive Land Reform Policy which will begin with public consultation with all stakeholders, including farm workers and farmers, as per the official viewpoint on agriculture of the RP as set out in our policies.
- To ensure that the land reform strategy is coherent, consistent and is done strictly in terms of the provisions/stipulations of the Namibian Constitution. At all instances it must be in the public's interest, which according to our understanding means that it must benefit all Namibians economically.
- To ensure that the policy will contribute to alleviating poverty and not aggravating it, for example, resettled farmers should not be allowed to retrench any of the farm workers who used to work on the farm.
- To identify vetted and experienced black farmers through a selective process of evaluation that ensures that those who would like to become farmers will be selected, based on their potential and capacity to ensure that they will become efficient and productive farmers who will contribute to the economy at large.
- To ensure that the government provide financial support to those beginner farmers who are not in possession of enough livestock, for them to utilize their farms optimally and to contribute to the economy of the country.
- To encourage the development of a sustainable program through which the government will provide the necessary technical assistance and training for beginner farmers, in cooperation with the Agricultural Unions and with their respective Farmers' Unions.
- To implement a suggested training period at any educational institution such as udam Agricultural College before land is handed over

- To convince the Government that farms acquired for resettlement should be used for beginner farmers as the first step towards ownership of a farm and not as a dumping ground where beginner farmers are condemned to endless poverty.
- To encourage Government to have the damage done by resettled farmers restored as a priority and to treat that land as a non-renewable natural resource.
- To ensure that the policy of willing buyer / willing seller is respected, as per the Constitution.
- To ensure that market-related prices are paid for the land.
- To have the condition waived whereby commercial farmers who want to sell their farms, first have to offer their farms to the government. Those commercial farmers should be allowed to withdraw their offer to sell their farms, should the price offered by the government not meet with the official property evaluations. It should be obvious by now that these conditions only resulted in the increase of farm prices, putting it beyond the ability of new beginner farmers to acquire land, even through the Affirmative Action Loan Scheme.
- To encourage commercial farmers in possession of excessive land to sell it to the government.
- To ensure that farms that have been already allocated under the existing failed and Reform Scheme of the government, which, amongst others, were allocated to governmental figures, SWAPO elites, and their relatives, which are not productively utilized but only used as weekend farms, be expropriated by the state, re-advertised, and allocated to those who are serious and committed to use the land productively.
- To introduce policies through which the agricultural wealth of communal areas can be brought closer into the formal economy by rewarding protection of occupancy, security of investment and equitable infrastructural development.
- To develop feeding scheme programs on commercial and communal land that will be given preference in supplying food to Namibian schools, hostels, and governmental ministries such as National Defence.

5. Natural Resources & Minerals

Natural resources, defined as minerals, fisheries, oil/natural gas of Namibia belong to every Namibian citizen and the wealth created from these resources should therefore be shared by the entire population.

Non-renewable natural resources such as minerals, fish, water and land are limited and irreplaceable and should be exploited responsibly and in the interests of the entire population.

Since independence, the Namibian nation has been robbed of billions of dollars by multi-international companies and entities who solely benefitted from our natural resources with minimum income for the government. The RP, as government, will nationalize all current mines and the fishing industry and will have such operations conducted through a tender process which will result in the Namibian government maximising the income from such resources.





The RP sees water as a scarce and life-important natural resource that should be managed according to strict standards specifically when it comes to international investments that will influence a water source. Focus should be on advantages towards Namibians and any threats to the source should be a non-negotiable standard. Water described as above and below ground should be handled on the same standard.

The RP, as government, will also not allow any local individuals and companies, who clearly do not have the resources, to be partnered with international companies in order for the international companies to obtain mining and fishing licenses, while also recalling and cancelling all current licenses.

The RP as government will put in place legislation to protect and recover our fish resource over a period of two years which will include no fishing vessels and no commercial fishing allowed in Namibian waters. Small commercial fishermen and local fishermen will still be allowed on the normal fishing permit basis to catch for own consumption. A catch-and-release system will be incentivised to allow the growth of the fishing resource.

The RP will not allow any international factory ships to operate in Namibian waters and will ensure that all catches be processed on Namibian soil. In order to ensure no illegal fishing operations will occur, the Ministry of Fisheries will be empowered with the necessary aircraft and vessels to patrol and secure Namibian waters.

To protect our fishing resources from the overpopulation of seals along the entire coast, the RP, as government, will put a program in place to reduce the seal population by 90 percent.

6. Corruption

Corruption is an evil and a sickness that has been allowed to root itself in Namibia and as long as it is evident, will continue to have a devastating impact on the social, economic and political development of the country. It is well-known that corruption thrives when decision-making is unclear and arbitrary, when there is a lack of accountability and where the Government fails to introduce effective and adequate control measures. Unfortunately, Namibia's bad governance is putting the country in this dismal situation.

It is a pity that those who have expected to be liberated from oppression and poverty, the poor and unemployed, are particularly the ones who suffer most due to the high level of corruption.

The high level of corruption in Namibia has caused a lack of resources and thus caused the SWAPO government to fail in ensuring that Namibia's resources are spent on activities and productive programs that would promote growth, such as primary education and basic health care, which promote economic growth. Such spending would benefit the poor and unemployed tremendously. SWAPO would rather be distracted by large procurement projects like the State House, Government office blocks, aircraft purchasing as well as arms and defence contracts.

It has long been evident that elections in Namibia are not free and fair because the SWAPO Government continuously tries to consolidate its political power and will do everything possible to reduce political competition. The result therefore is that political development has been distorted and delayed, while transparency of political decision-making is being neglected.

The RP has the political will to fight corruption and we will do whatever necessary to ensure:

- That the Anti-Corruption Agency (ACC) be allowed to, effectively and without interference, audit and monitor institutions and persons.
- That the Anti-Corruption Agency (ACC) be able to appoint non-corrupt policing and detective personnel.
- That the Anti-Corruption Agency (ACC) has access to a non-corrupt judicial system, including the Minister and officials.

7. Persons with Disabilities, Vulnerable Children and Orphans

The RP shall apply all its efforts:

- To create a Ministry that will exclusively deal with the plight of the persons with disabilities, vulnerable children, and orphans. To ensure that the persons with disabilities enjoy equal status and respect when it comes to the employment, sporting events, allocation of tenders, promotions, resettlement and housing acquisition.
- To ensure that the vulnerable children and the orphans receive free medical care, and education to be subsidised by the state.
- To ensure that government infrastructures are accessible to persons with disabilities and to facilitate the organisations and associations of the people with disabilities.

8. Health

The SWAPO government inherited an excellent health infrastructure at Independence, but allowed it to deteriorate to the point where our hospitals and theatres have become totally dilapidated. It will cost millions to repair because it is obvious that very little, if any maintenance has been performed on state hospitals and hospital pharmacies are no longer stocked with the required medicines with the result that many patients, rather opt to go to private hospitals at great cost.

The RP shall apply all its efforts:

- To ensure that all state hospitals and clinics are well-maintained and properly equipped.
- To ensure hospital and clinic pharmacies are consistently equipped with the required medicine.
- To ensure that priority is given to Namibian nurses and sisters to be employed, trained, and for them to meet international standards while being remunerated accordingly.
- To ensure that those Namibians who cannot afford medical services (the poor, unemployed and pensioners) be subsidized by the government.
- To ensure that only medical doctors, nurses and sisters are appointed who can properly speak the National language in order to be able to communicate with the patients and therefore make the correct diagnosis.





9. Minority Groups

Although the RP has accepted ethnicity as a fact that cannot be ignored, we will at no stage support the institutionalisation of ethnicity or a government based on ethnicity. We are seriously concerned about obvious discrimination against minority groups resulting in some groups finding themselves at a disadvantage when it comes to employment in the civil service, resettlement and development of communal areas. The RP will not tolerate any discrimination especially when it comes to employment opportunities in Government Ministries and State-Owned Enterprises, resettlement and land distribution.

10. Affirmative Action

The RP fully supports the provision in our Constitution enabling Government to enact legislation providing directly or indirectly for the advancement of persons who have been socially, economically or educationally disadvantaged. Unfortunately, it was/is not done in accordance with the letter and spirit of the Constitution.

The SWAPO Government has based its Affirmative Action program on groups and ethnic differences, which without any doubt, has led to blatant discrimination on the basis of race, colour or ethnicity. It is no secret that the ruling party is hiding behind government's Affirmative Action policies to employ their own comrades and friends in positions for which they are not qualified.

The result is a government littered with employees who are totally incompetent with the result that in many if not all ministries and State-Owned Enterprises there is very little evidence of quality service delivery, but has only opened the door for large-scale corruption.

A RP government will not allow any form of discrimination and will treat every Namibian purely on merit. We will do whatever is necessary to have the policy of Affirmative Action abolished as soon as possible.

11. Black Economic Empowerment

The RP of Namibia wholeheartedly welcomes the economic empowerment of the previously disadvantaged fellow Namibians, as long as it does not contribute toward a decline in direct foreign investment. The concept of Black Economic Empowerment was supposed to be a vehicle to economically empower the previously disadvantaged Namibians, but it has been proven to be deficient and elitist.

The current Black Economic Empowerment scheme did not seek to reduce poverty or to distribute resources equally among the economically disenfranchised sector of the Namibian society, but was an economic strategy aimed at creating a black capitalist class and not an anticipated black egalitarian society.

Despite its laudable intentions, the BEE initiative failed to address the basic requirement of wealth redistribution amongst the nation as a whole. The RP has the political will to fight corruption and we will do whatever necessary to ensure:

- That the BEE includes the empowerment of all black citizens of Namibia, including the workers, women, the youth, people living with disabilities and those living in the rural areas and not only the middle class.
- That BEE addresses the expansion of enterprises to create more employment opportunities for the ordinary citizens, the workers and the rural communities.
- That BEE increases the number of competent and technically skilled black people who own and manage enterprises and productive assets, while enabling the ownership, control and management of enterprises and productive assets by black communities, workers, cooperatives and other collectives.
- That BEE charters and codes of good practice should be developed on consultative basis by stakeholders with the broader civil society formations and comply with the national policy.
- That communities and the civil society formations actively participate in the appointment of trustees and other aspects of administering and managing such empowerment scheme in the same capacity as shareholders of private companies.
- The BEE deals invest in the productive sectors of the Namibian economy and should be built around the development and reconstruction programmes of the country.
- The private sector should recognise their collective obligations and play a vital role to invest in the country and assist the national government in achieving development goals and should increase affords for real and effective empowerment.

12. Finance

The RP does not acknowledge the international move towards a cashless and Artificial Intelligence society. The RP recognizes that Namibians are protected by the security and ease of transactions through the handling of cash and therefore acknowledges the fact that Namibians have the right to cash and as government would bring in policies to protect this right.

Foreign Investments either through financial investments or property investments should be encouraged as a priority through an easy process and minimalization of red tape to encourage such investments.

Foreigners should be incentivized to invest in Namibia's property markets and not fear victimization because of colour and ethnic connections. Foreigners should be welcomed and incentivized to reinvest into Namibia and not take any ROI out of Namibia.

The RP supports monetising internet opportunities such as YouTube, which will lead to local Namibians benefiting from these opportunities.





13. Policies

As per the Founding Statement of the RP of Namibia, the policies of the RP are reflected in its beliefs and principles regarding:

- The RP does not condone same-sex marriages and will not allow any law for its use and cultural assimilation in Namibia.
- The RP sees the benefit and moral value of the nuclear family, with a man as husband, a woman as wife, and children forming the foundation and backbone of society in general and humanity's fundamental structure at large. Added to the basic principle of the nuclear family is a foundational love for human life, therefore the RP condemns the destruction of any human life through the process of abortion and will reject, condemn, and resist any law allowing its use or acceptance in Namibia.
- The RP sees the need for and will, through public referendum and discussion, reinstate capital punishment for appropriate criminal offences if deemed necessary and in the public interest.

