



One Nation Manifesto

Preamble

For too long, the South African people have been shut out of the most important decisions that shape our society. A small group of elites and insiders have amassed power in Pretoria while ignoring the will of the citizens they are supposed to represent. Real democracy has been sacrificed at the altar of top-down, centralized control.

One Nation rejects this fundamentally undemocratic system. We demand that power be returned to the people through direct democracy mechanisms like binding referendums and citizens' initiatives. No longer will backroom deals and party politics determine our national destiny on issues that will impact generations to come.

We also believe that power has become dangerously concentrated, with too many decisions made from Pretoria that are blindly applied in a one-size-fits-all manner nationwide. This ignores the realities on the ground and diverse interests of different communities. Decentralization and localized democracy is essential.

Finally, our political system has been corrupted by conflicts of interest, undue corporate and special interest influence, and a lack of transparency and accountability. We will clean up this ethically bankrupt system and implement tough new rules to ensure the public good is prioritized over moneyed interests.

One Nations core principles of empowering citizens through direct democracy, decentralizing governance, and upholding the highest standards of integrity in government will reinvigorate our democracy and belief in self-rule.





Manifesto

I. Direct Democracy and Citizen Empowerment

Establish a robust national referendum system allowing votes on constitutional changes, UN membership terms, acts of war/peace, and ratification of major treaties
Lower signature thresholds for citizens to get policy initiatives on national/local ballots via petition.

Automatic voter registration and increased accessibility to polls.

Explore viability of secure online/digital voting and other modernizing reforms.

Require two-thirds parliamentary supermajority to overturn democratically approved Referendums.

II. Decentralized and Localized Decision-Making

Devolve more powers from Pretoria to Regional/Local Authorities on matters like education, healthcare administration, policing priorities, land-use planning, etc.

Allow municipalities to opt-out of certain centralized policies/mandates on issues of local governance, provided they uphold national rights/standards.

Push for a new constitutional settlement increasing Regional autonomy while maintaining a unified South Africa.

Reform the Upper House to enhance representation of regions/localities.

III. Government Integrity, Ethics and Transparency

Ban all members of Parliament from becoming private lobbyists or corporate consultants until 5 years after leaving office.





Prohibit stock trading by politicians, government officials, and their spouses while in a position of influence.

Mandate comprehensive transparency of funding sources for political parties, campaigns, advocacy groups, think tanks, etc.

Establish an independent Ethics Commission to investigate conflicts of interest and enforce rules.

Severely limit "revolving door" between private and public sector roles related to government contracts/regulations.

Enact "anti-corruption" legislation probing illicit money flows and tightening accountability.

The path to real positive change runs through the empowerment of citizens as the ultimate arbiters through direct democracy. Top-down edicts have failed - it is time to trust the people. Vote for the ONE NATION PARTY to claim your democratic birth right.

POLICIES

Democratic Governance

Establish an robust independent electoral commission with more powers .

Ensure equal access to media and campaign financing.

Implement robust voter registration and verification processes.

Economic Development:

Develop strategies for economic growth, job creation, and sustainable development.

Foster partnerships with international organizations and investors

Establish a sovereign wealth fund for resource management



Social Justice:

Address historical land dispossession and restitution fairly on the basis of win-win scenario.

Implement policies for equal access to education, healthcare, and social services

Promote fair, merit based employment equity

Cultural Preservation:

Establish a cultural heritage commission

Protect and promote indigenous languages, arts, and traditions

Support cultural exchange programs with international communities

International Relations:

Establish diplomatic relations with African and international nations

Join international organizations, AU, UN, Commonwealth.

Negotiate trade agreements and economic partnerships

Constitutional Framework:

Draft a constitution enshrining democratic principles and human rights

Ensure separation of powers and checks and balances

Establish an independent judiciary and human rights commission

Public Engagement:

Foster participatory democracy through public consultations and town halls

Establish a citizen engagement platform for feedback and suggestions

Ensure transparency in governance and decision-making processes

Transparency and Accountability:

Implement a robust public finance management system

Establish an independent anti-corruption agency

Ensure access to information and whistle-blower protection

Inclusive Decision-Making:

Ensure representative decision-making bodies

Foster dialogue between diverse stakeholders and interest groups

Establish a council for traditional leaders and cultural authorities



Cape Independence Referendum: If all else fails.

If a motion is tabled in Parliament for Cape Independence, we will hold a binding Referendum on the Independence of the Cape on behalf of the Citizens of the Western Cape to put to rest the debate around Cape Independence.

Ensure international observation and monitoring

Determine a clear threshold for Independence, if the Citizens so desire, will be, 50% + 1 vote.

These policies aim to address the political, economic, social, and cultural aspects of South Africa and its Citizens. We will fight to unite South Africa and to alleviate the fears Minority Peoples have in South Africa. For the sake of clarity, Cape Independence will be a last resort if all other channels have failed. It should be a need rather than a want.