

South Africans' views on Zuma and Nkandla

Sicelo Sithole, 41, of Sandton: 'What happened in Nkandla is just corruption. We could have used the money for security at schools.'

Tinyiko Hlangane, 26, of Soweto: 'The ANC doesn't need Zuma going forward. That money could have built a hospital or homes for the poor.'

Lindi du Plessis, 39, of Centurion: 'I feel betrayed by my president. He needs to apologise to the country and repay the money.'

Phumzile Zondo, 21, of Alberton: 'I've always been sceptical of the president because he's in the news for the wrong reasons.'

Simon Anderton, 29, of Durban: 'If he lies about Nkandla, how can we be confident that he's telling the truth on other matters?'

Rudy Brown, 39, of Pretoria: 'If the ANC wants to go anywhere, I don't think it would be a good thing to continue with him.'

Tshepo Molato, 29, of Langa, Cape Town: 'In KZN there are people with no water or electricity. They should build schools. He's taking advantage.'

Hennie Griesel, 75, of Cape Town: 'I worked as an accountant in an architectural firm, so I know the first guys they speak to on a project like this are the architects. It's standard that architects get 6% of the project fee, so that guy should not have earned more than R12-million, and he got more than R16-million.'

Nomonde Mdleleni, 43, of Khayelitsha, Cape Town: 'I'm sure that he spent even more than that. He should have used that money for schools or even health because most people are sick.'

Shahieda Bassier, 54, of Elsies River, Cape Town: 'Zuma does nothing for this

country. We need someone who looks after the poor.'

Doctor Sgudla, 42, of the Free State: 'Security for the president and his wives is important. I am just shocked that money was spent on the rest of the developments.'

Akshay Maharaj, 31, of North Beach, Durban: 'The money should rather have been spent on poverty alleviation. Our government is corrupt.'

Pinky Nzimande, 19, a student from Durban: 'He should be helping us by providing better education and health facilities.'

Claude Sterley, 44, of Durban: 'From the R200 000 spent on former president FW de Klerk's security upgrade to R32-million for Nelson Mandela, this R200-million is an unbelievably huge jump.'

Vash Ramsunder, 25, of East London: 'The moral fibre in government is tending towards this, so if you are the "king", why not? He is not fit to lead a country. He is stealing from his own people.'

Rachel Kinloch, 27, a teacher from Durban: 'I am worried for the future of our amazing country, built on a leadership where honesty and humility don't seem to be important.'

Nobuhle Cwele, 27, of Umlazi, Durban: 'I'm not even going to vote next year. How can he spend millions on a kraal and a swimming pool when we don't even have houses?'

Emmanuel Khambula, 38, of Pinetown: 'The ANC should not have Zuma as the face of the party because he could make them lose too many people.'

Zethu Cele, 22, of Umlazi: 'You can't build a house for that much money, even for the president. My shack gets flooded when it rains and I can't afford to fix it.' — *Sunday Times* reporters