

What has happened to all Gumede's supporters?

POLITICS

Zimbabwe has run out of food as bread prices increased seven fold, petrol stations run dry, shops are closing down and government employees queue for salaries as less money is in circulation. All of this is as a result of years of corruption and ordinary people kept voting for one party. A colleague from Zimbabwe sends food items home monthly and keeps telling us that 'South Africans must learn quickly that corruption and a one party dominance is a recipe for disaster. If we don't vote for change we will also suffer like Zimbabweans in time to come.'

The DA is fighting the ANC and none of them are fighting for the citizens for a better future.

It saddens me to think I paid taxes even now as a senior citizen to help the poor and needy only to discover that it ends up in the hands of the rich and greedy.



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ETHEKWINI MUNICIPALITY

Finally, finally, Zandile Gumede is no more! They say 'let sleeping dogs lie', but I'd like to know what's happened to all her supporters who caused mayhem in our streets during her suspension? | Waller71

A vehicle assigned to eThekwini Electricity is often seen at the Newlands Checkout and Saverite shopping centre with a school kid in tow at 2.45pm. What a waste of taxpayer resources yet our critical electricity issues can't be solved. It can't be business as usual because we taxpayers are being abused by this

non-caring municipality.

SCHOOLS

Did you know that even at some expensive private schools, boys and girls have to undergo the indignity and embarrassment of asking the teacher to loan them a toilet roll before going to the loo? | Ese

Corporal punishment needs to be brought back. We are growing a nation of thugs. They are just bullies who intimidate teachers, police and the community. This bullying spills into the tertiary education sphere and into the workplace. This is why our country is in dire straits. The political parties help fuel this so they can manipulate these thugs.

MEC Kwazi Mshengu wants schools to return to sports fields. Minister, what sports fields? Most sports fields in schools are occupied by trucking and construction companies. Our uncaring City officials do not care. Their excuse

is that they cannot get hold of the Department of Public Works to serve notices. Minister, please send contact details for this department to the eThekwini Municipality. | TJ

The Education MEC wants schools to embrace sports. Is he prepared to reintroduce PE, like back in the day? Currently, Life Orientation covers PE, and does no justice at all. Better still, can you deploy sports coaches that only private schools have. | Concerned Educator Phoenix

ODDS AND ENDS

Brave journalists with truth and integrity are the bulwarks of society. They are under threat from unruly, malicious, corruption-tainted thugs, some in the guise of politicians. The country as a whole needs to protect our journalists.

On Sunday at the India Day celebrations at the Old Durban Drive Inn, I observed numerous Metro

Police officers issuing fines at cars parked at the above parking lot for minor offences. It's strange that when big soccer matches are held at the Moses Mabhida Stadium, which is nearby, not once have I seen Metro Police officers issuing fines to any cars, even to those cars parked illegally... It's a sad state of affairs in this country.

Glenwood rubbish was not collected on Monday as it should have been. There seems to be problems with DSW. Sorry to say Glenwood is becoming a slum as the municipality cannot get a grip. | Arnie

I agree totally with your writer about singers and musical entertainment from India coming here at a high entry cost to us, for which Sars must investigate the promoters and I think our local artists must be given the respect they deserve as well by greedy promoters!