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President Chamisa assures Zimbabweans of “Creme de la Creme” team for upcoming elections

By Citizens' Daily Bulletin
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President of Zimbabwe's biggest opposition party, Advocate Nelson Chamisa has reassured the nation that the reason for the delay in his party's candidate selection is due to a meticulous process of assembling a top-notch team that will represent the long-suffering people of Zimbabwe.

President Chamisa made the comments on Thursday while addressing thousands of his supporters in the Harare Metropolitan province, ahead of the last phase of the candidate selection process.

President Chamisa stated, “The gestation period of an elephant is different from that of a mouse, and that's why their young are different in size and stature.”

The analogy, he said, referred to the significant challenge his party faced in selecting the right candidates and building a robust team that would serve Zimbabweans well.

The president went on to reveal that his party has successfully nominated its candidates who went through citizens' consensus.

Only the Harare province is



yet to conclude its process, which will be completed soon.

Meanwhile, President Chamisa urged Zimbabweans to exercise patience as his party

worked hard to ensure that only the best candidates were selected to contest in the August 23 elections.

He assured the nation that his party's focus was on the people's interests, and he was

determined to deliver a leadership team that would transform Zimbabwe's fortunes for the better.

The nomination court is set to open on June 21st, and the President Chamisa's Citizens'

Coalition for Change (CCC) party is confident that it will have finalized the candidate selection process by then to enable them to field formidable candidates capable of winning the upcoming elections.

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President Chamisa Bullish Ahead Of August 23 Election

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President Chamisa has declared his confidence ahead of the country's next August 23 elections.

In a tweet, President Chamisa stated that they would not allow any games, alterations, or shenanigans this time around, making it clear that his party is ready and geared up for the upcoming elections despite the regime's shenanigans.

"This time, we will do things differently... if they genuinely won in 2018, why would they bother about us whom they defeated? We won in 2018, and because God is in it, we will surely win again," President Chamisa said in a tweet.

President Chamisa's message comes amid growing frustration among Zimbabwe's citizens regarding the regime's handling of the country's economy and political turmoil.

Zimbabwe has been beset by challenges for decades, but the situation has grown increasingly dire in recent months, with hyperinflation, corruption, and political instability taking a toll on everyday life.

Zimbabwe is currently grappling with an economic crisis that has left many citizens struggling to make ends meet.

The country's inflation rate



has surged to four digits, according to economist Professor Steve Hanke's weekly inflation report, causing prices of basic goods and services to skyrocket.

A loaf of bread now costs more than 10,000 Zimdollar (\$1.67). A week ago, it cost no more than 2,000 Zimdollar.

President Chamisa's message of hope offers a glimmer of

light in what has been a dark time for many Zimbabweans.

Many Zimbabweans are looking to leaders like President Chamisa to offer a different approach that prioritizes citi-

zen welfare.

President Chamisa's message will undoubtedly bolster the hopes of the majority of the citizens as they prepare for the next election.

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Moreblessing Ali's Daughter Refuses To Bury Mother Until Job Sikhala Is Released

By Citizens' Daily Bulletin Correspondent

The daughter of Moreblessing Ali, a Citizens Coalition for Change (CCC) activist who was murdered and dismembered last year, is refusing to bury her mother until Zengeza West lawmaker Job Sikhala is released from prison.

Sikhala has been in pretrial detention for a year, accused of obstructing justice and inciting violence.

He insists his persecution is a result of providing legal assistance to the Ali family. Meanwhile, Ali's alleged killer, Zanu PF activist Pius Mukandi Jamba, is yet to be tried.

Ali's daughter, Nyasha Ali, has stated that her mother's remains will remain unburied until Sikhala is released.

"We won't bury our mother until Sikhala is out of jail. He's not just a lawyer, he's like an uncle to us. Moreblessing is his sister," Nyasha told a Zimbabwean online publication, ZimLive.

She says he is the only person who can act as a legal representative for their family and guarantee the justice they seek.

"We want justice for him. Sikhala is the only person who can stand for us as a family. Besides him, the rest are not doing anything." Moreblessing Ali's remains

were found dumped in a shallow well at a Nyatsime, Beatrice, 18 days after she was reported missing on May 24 last year.

The controversy has reignited attention on the political and judicial turmoil in Zimbabwe, a country that has long faced deep-rooted political and economic instability.

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Zim Economist Declares Death Of Local Currency

By Citizens' Daily
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The Zimbabwean economy has been facing a series of challenges in recent years, with hyperinflation spiraling out of control and the local currency, the Zimbabwean Dollar (ZWL), losing its value rapidly.

In a recent tweet, top Zimbabwean economist, Professor Gift Mugano, expressed his belief that the ZWL was beyond salvation.

"We are at the graveyard burying the ZWL - no amount of propaganda nor threats/arrests will save the local currency. Its over. Even @MthuliNcube has accepted defeat hence the reason why he is now spending time at Crowdry Park when the economy is on fire," tweeted Mugano.

Mugano's tweet comes at a time when Zimbabwe is grappling with an economic crisis that has left many citizens struggling to make ends meet.

The country's inflation rate has surged to four digits, according to economist Professor Steve Hanke's weekly inflation report, causing prices of basic goods and services to skyrocket.

"I went into the supermarket to buy bread and other groceries items but I was shocked to see that prices had gone up.



It is like we are back in 2008," said Pride Munjeri, a 35-year-old father of two in an interview with Reuters, referring to a time when Zimbabwe experienced hyperinflation that forced the country to

abandon its currency in 2009.

A loaf of bread now costs 10,000 Zimdollar (\$1.67). A week ago, it cost no more than 2,000 Zimdollar.

"It is not possible for the retailer to procure goods with U.S. dollar and sell them in local currency," Confederation of Zimbabwe Retailers president Denford Mutashu told Reuters.

The regime in Harare has tried to mitigate the crisis by introducing a raft of poor and

inconsistent policies, but it has dismally failed to produce any meaningful results.

Professor Mugano's remarks on the fate of the ZWL seem to reflect a growing sentiment among Zimbabweans that the local currency is beyond redemption.

Many have resorted to using foreign currencies such as the US dollar and South African Rand as a store of value.

The plight of Zimbabwe's economy has not escaped

the attention of international observers. The International Monetary Fund (IMF) once warned that the country was facing a deep economic crisis and called for bold reforms to address the underlying issues.

In response, the ZANU PF government falsely promised to implement several measures to stabilize the economy, including a currency reform program.

Sadly, nothing has been done to that effect.

However, as Professor Mugano's tweet shows, skepticism remains high among Zimbabweans regarding the regime's ability to turn things around.

With the current regime, the road ahead for the country looks long and uncertain, and the fate of the ZWL remains up in the air.

As Zimbabwe prepares for its next election, citizens have a crucial opportunity to select leaders who will address the country's economic crisis.

One political party leading the charge for reform is the Citizens Coalition for Change (CCC), headed by Advocate Nelson Chamisa.

CCC has promised to introduce policies that prioritize the needs of the people, rather than benefiting only a small elite class.

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