

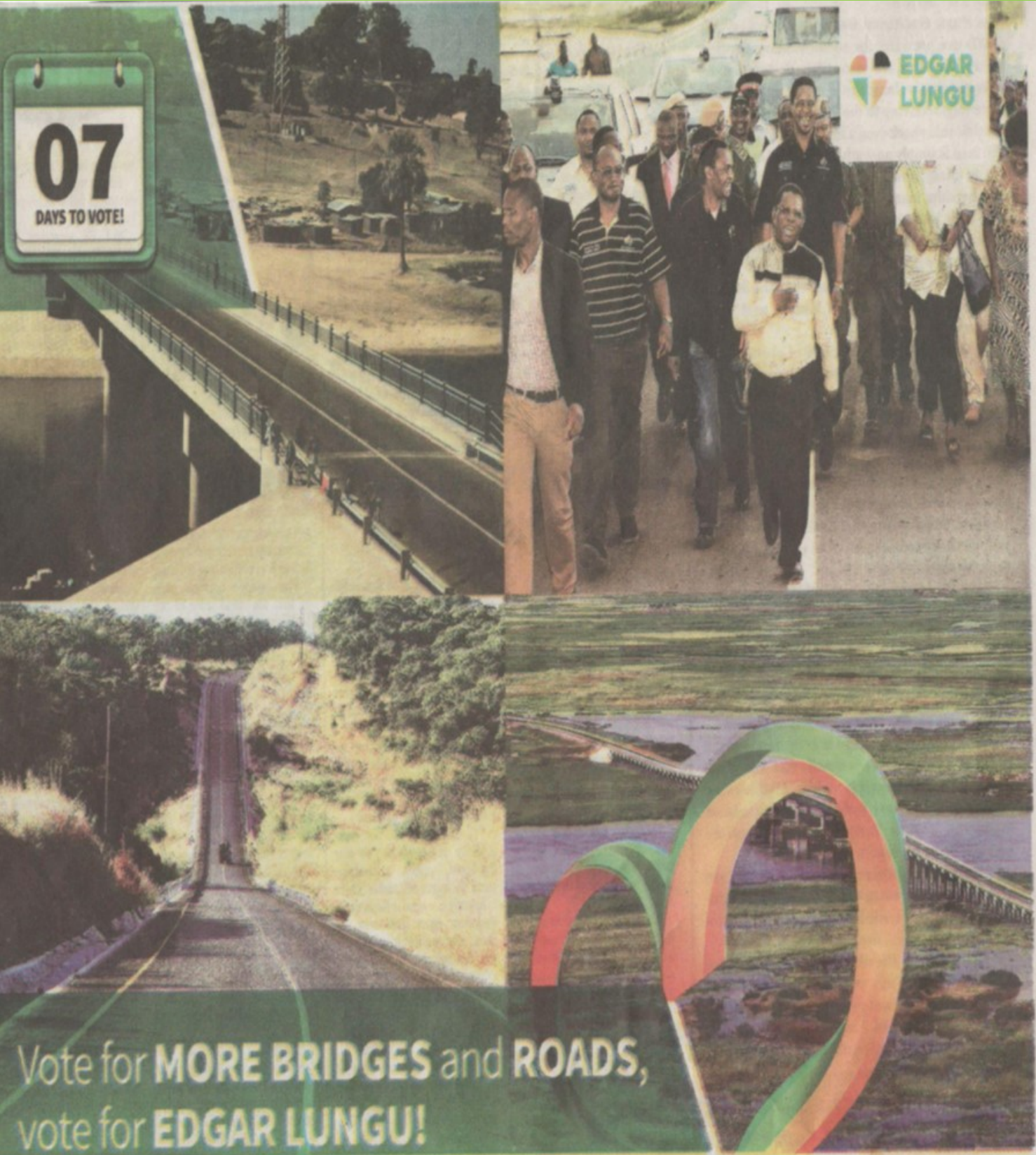
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# Lungu assures marketeers of continued support

By Nation Reporter

**PRESIDENT** Edgar Lungu says his government will continue empowering Zambians through the presidential empowerment fund once re-elected into office because he wanted to uplift the lives of all Zambians across the country.

And First Lady Esther Lungu said she has halted her women empowerment programme during this period because some politicians had started politicising programme by alleging that it was meant to solicit for votes for the Patriotic Front (PF).

Speaking during a public rally at the Presidents Park in Lusaka yesterday, President Lungu said it was illogical for the opposition to tell the marketeers that it would stop the project if they won elections and that those who had already benefited would not pay back because the loans were a revolving fund scheme.

He said the opposition was jittery towards the empowerment of Zambians because they were selfish as they only wanted to enrich themselves while the majority suffered.

"This initiative for marketeers will continue because we want to empower all Zambians. The opposition is saying they will halt it when they come to power and al-

low those who have already benefited not to pay back. Honestly, is there sense in that? This money is not coming back to government but it is a revolving fund in which marketeers give loans to each other to empower themselves," President Lungu said.

And president Lungu assured the people of Luwingu that government will facilitate the construction of a filling station in the area to alleviate the fuel challenges the area was facing.

He said it did not make any sense for people in the area to travel as far as Kasama to fetch the commodity.

And speaking at the same event, First Lady Esther Lungu said her women empowerment programme will resume once elections are over.

Ms. Lungu said she had visited eight provinces so far since the programme started adding that she would visit all areas to acquaint herself with the challenges women were going through to find ways of alleviating them.

"I have so far visited eight provinces out of 10 and I want to promise you that I am still coming here to continue my programme. I only halted it because some people started saying that I was soliciting for votes for the PF," First Lady Esther Lungu said.

# Thousands mark close of Lungu's Muchinga tour

JACK ZIMBA  
Isoka

**PRESIDENT** Lungu yesterday completed his campaign tour of Muchinga Province with a huge rally in the border town of Nakonde.

And President Lungu says Government will soon install a hammermill in Nakonde to help reduce the price of mealie-meal.

In three days, Mr Lungu crisscrossed the vast province by helicopter, holding seven Patriotic Front (PF) rallies in five districts.

With only 12 days until poll day, Mr Lungu used the rallies to boost his popularity in the region, largely accepted as the PF's stronghold.

The President had the biggest rally in the more populous Nakonde. But the most electrifying support for the PF presidential candidate was in Chinsali.

Mr Lungu urged support for the PF in the August 11 general elections, and 'yes' votes in the referendum.

Mr Lungu also had a candid warning for perpetrators of political violence, which has affected some parts of the country.

Mr Lungu said he will not hesitate to arrest anyone involved in violence regardless of political affiliation.

He also urged his party members to remain peaceful.

Mr Lungu's campaign has recently been boosted by soccer icon Kalusha Bwalya.

The 1988 Africa footballer of the year had one simple but impactful message to the electorate: "You don't change a winning team."

Musicians JK and Mampi also added some oomph to the campaign, so did Mr Lungu's campaign manager Samuel Mukupa, with his animated praises of the PF presidential candidate.

The President flew back to Lusaka, confident he had reached out to the 349,411 voters in the province.

Addressing a huge rally here yesterday, Mr Lungu said the border district has high maize production and yet still has expensive mealie-meal.

"Government knows there is a lot of maize here. We want to bring a half-a-million kwacha hammermill through the Citizens Economic Empowerment Commission," he said.

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# Empowerment fund not campaign gimmick - Lungu

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And speaking earlier, TV deputy secretary general Mureki Njiru urged people to elect veteran politicians in the August 11 general elections.

Mr Njiru told the voters to give the ruling party a 100 per-

cent vote on August 11. Mwanishi, the head of State yesterday visited Chiefdom Secretariats of Nakonde district who lost her husband.

President Lungu's campaign manager Samuel Mubaga told the chiefdoms that the Presi-

dent would not attend the funeral due to other engagements.

And addressing another mammoth rally at Nakonde grounds, President Lungu maintained that the Patriotic Front remained committed to improve people's lives anchored on the

proper policies. He said Government through the CEDC will soon install a milling plant in Nakonde because the area produces enough maize to support the operations of the plant.

# Empowerment fund not campaign gimmick - Lungu

By Nation Reporter

PRESIDENT Edgar Lungu has rebutted assertions by the opposition that the Presidential Empowerment Initiative Fund is a campaign tool to hoodwink voters, stating the initiative is not going to be abandoned even after the August 11 general elections.

And President Lungu has announced that Government, through the Citizens Economic Empowerment Commission, would install a K200,000 milling plant in Nakonde within the shortest possible time.

The President said he was concerned with the reports of some representatives going round charging voters to obtain the Presidential Empowerment Fund loans in order to access the funds.

Addressing a rally at Luika Forum, President Lungu described as false statements that the empowerment fund was a campaign gimmick to win votes.

He said the initiative was aimed to empower individuals and the less privileged in society.

He appealed to the electorate to the urge to vote for the PF candidates in order for them to complete all the development and empowerment programmes it had embarked on.



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# Lungu sets business plan

Focus to be on accelerated economic growth

Daily Mail 19, August 2016

MWEMWE MWALE

**RESIDENT-ELECT** Edgar Lungu has assured the private sector that the Patriotic Front (PF) administration will be a conducive environment for business interests in its quest to grow the economy.

Lungu said Government is eager to listen to and engage with the private sector to work with them to grow the

economy for the next five years. He also hinted at broad policy measures to accelerate economic growth and control spending during his next five-year tenure.

Addressing over 70 captains of commerce and industry in Lusaka yesterday, President Lungu said Government will also ensure compliance among businesses to effectively grow the economy and enhance the social sector.

"As Government, we are here to listen to you and ensure that our local businesses are protected from the absolute advantages international companies have."

"I have five years now, which

is sufficient time to take more decisive actions. I will take measures to grow the economy and control expenditure. Some measures will be painful but they will yield results and by 2021, people will reward us for having taken such action," he said to a cheering audience during a closed session.

The meeting attracted business executives from various sectors of the economy including manufacturing, agriculture, transport, construction and tourism among others.

"We have been constrained to take certain measures due to

political considerations.

"But I am glad that one of the major benefits from the current constitutional order is that it assures stability in policy formulation and implementation because there is no fear of disruption in the Presidency at least for a period of five years under the running-mate arrangement," he said.

Mr Lungu said business confidence has oftentimes suffered because of the frequent changes in the Presidency in the past seven years.

He said the private sector is a key partner in growing the

country's economy and that it should continue to work closely with Government.

"All sectors put together are going to see that we move our economy forward including through the formation of public-private partnerships."

"We will provide a conducive environment to protect the interests of the private sector and ensure compliance," Mr Lungu said.

The President said the growth of the private sector is key because Zambia Revenue Authority (ZRA) has to collect taxes from businesses, which are channelled

to the social sector such as health and education.

"And without you people, the much-talked-about jobs won't be realised. All of us are partners and when we listen to each other more, we can together achieve more."

"You have to tell me how we are going to deal with each other for the next five years because whether you like it or not, I have five years and that's the reality. I hope that no one will supplant the will of the people for now and if that happens we will go back to the elections again," he said.

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# More electricity coming - Lungu

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The President said the project is aimed at diversifying energy sources and reduce dependence on hydro power.

"Development is incremental. We have to keep increasing and as we have said, we need diversification of our sources of energy. We should not just be dependent on hydro power alone and God willing, we will be launching the first set (Unit One) early next week," said President Lungu.

Sources disclosed that Maamba Collieries Limited on Sunday synchronised Unit One 150MW

generator into the Zesco national grid.

The sources further stated that the generator is picking up generation gradually to reach 150MW rated capacity.

President Lungu is accompanied by his special assistant for press and public relations Amos Chanda, his campaign manager Samuel Mukupa and former Football Association of Zambia (FAZ) president Kalusha Bwalya.

The Head of State was seen off at the airport by Minister of Home Affairs Davies Mwila, service chiefs and Patriotic Front Lusaka Province youth chairman Kennedy

Kamba among other government and ruling party officials.

Meanwhile, President Lungu says he will continue preaching peace and that it is a necessary mantra to recite for the country to hold peaceful elections.

Mr Lungu said while some political party leaders have heeded the message of peace, it is unfortunate that others have not.

"My message now is just peace. We prayed and God is answering our prayers and let us campaign on the basis of peace, unity and love. We are obviously not angels but at the end of the day if we follow the teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ

and the love that he showed, we can turn round and be better.

"Listening to some of the opposition political party leaders you get the impression that they have bought into the message of love but there are a few who are causing us worry but probably that's their nature and Zambians will decide," said President Lungu.

On his campaign trail to some parts of the country, President Lungu said it is not over yet and that after all is said and done, Zambians will decide in his favour.

The President said running for the highest office in the land should not however be done at all costs and

desperately as exhibited by some opposition political party leaders.

"For me it is not our emotions or our desires. I was just reading about some people saying they will do anything and go to any length to become President, even if it means snatching 'whatever' from the buffalo they will do it."

"That kind of talk is not good, it (becoming President) should be for the people of Zambia and not for me as Edgar Lungu or for those others as leaders of political parties, why should I go at all costs? Do I have to be President at all costs, no! I think let Zambians decide," Mr Lungu said.

# PF to upgrade 2,000 basic schools to secondary

**CHOMBA MUSIKA**  
*(Lusaka)*

THE Patriotic Front (PF) says it will in the next five years upgrade about 2,000 basic schools to secondary level if it wins the August 11 general elections. The ruling party says in its 2016 manifesto to upgrade 1,800 basic schools in effort to improve on the government's transition rate from Grade Nine to 10.

The party says it intends to complete the rehabilitation of old secondary schools which were built in the first bid to earn foreign exchange. The PF also pledges to deal with the indebtedness of higher learning institutions in order to improve service delivery.

republic.

And to improve provision of education at tertiary level, the PF intends to construct universities in the Eastern, Northern, Southern and North-Western provinces in another five years.

It plans to upgrade institutions of higher learning to attract students and researchers from other countries and bid to earn foreign exchange.

The PF also pledges to deal with the indebtedness of higher learning institutions in order to improve service delivery.

And the party plans to increase grants to colleges and give them a facelift.

To enhance access to early childhood education, it plans to establish community-based early childhood education centres in all the provinces.

The PF manifesto has also promised training, recruitment and deployment of more early childhood teachers annually.

It also pledges to prioritise teaching and learning materials and monitor closely all early childhood education centres.

With climate change having robbed Zambia of its greatest resource, water, which made the country the regional leader in hydro power, the search for alternative sources of power has become critical. The energy mix of hydro, thermal, wind and solar need to be exploited to the full to make Zambia great again.

No wonder the Government has launched a master plan to woo investors into the renewable energy industry so that the energy mix can make the country safe from unforeseen environmental emergencies that may cripple our hydro power plants.

Non-renewable sources are limited in scope, costly to source, establish and maintain and environmentally unfriendly. On the other hand renewable sources are sustainable, abundant and renewable. The sun and the wind will be there for another billion years and yet we have these great potential sources of clean energy going to waste.

The Maamba project will provide a dependable and sustainable electricity supply and significantly reduce the current energy deficit. This will enable our manufacturing industry and the mining sector to work full steam 24 hours a day, increasing production and productivity, creating new jobs and pulsating the economy.

What remains is for Zambians to agree on a cost-reflective power tariff structure that will encourage locals as well as foreigners to invest in the energy sector, knowing that their money will be recovered in the next 10 to 20 years.

The Maamba coal-fired power plant is a fine example of a profitable enterprise undertaken using public and private finance to create a high-value product that will work for the benefit of all.

As President Lungu put it yesterday, Maamba power plant is a concrete example of something we can "sontapo" and say "we have done it".

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## Lungu's 'sonta'

PRESIDENT Edgar Lungu yesterday pressed the button to switch on the Maamba coal-fired power plant that pushed 150 megawatts of high-velocity electricity into the national grid, making Zambia almost power secure after a one-and-a-half-year deficit.

This single investment, the first of its kind in southern Africa and the only such public-private partnership in Zambia, has moved Zambia to a new level in energy self-sufficiency by creating a diversified and sustainable energy mix that will soon make Zambia a net exporter of the commodity.

No wonder President Lungu was in high spirits when he commissioned the multi-million dollar project and declared: "In my address to the nation in September 2015, I promised to transform Zambia into a net exporter of energy in 18 months. We are on course to achieve that goal."

Reiterating the now famous Patriotic Front "Sonta epo wabomba" slogan, he added: "When we say we have something to point at to justify our record, we say so with justified pride because we are delivering."

And digging at his opponents, he said: "Those who are promising must be told we (PF) are doing it. Zambians have every reason to trust us to do even better."

As he spoke, Zesco assured Zambians that the days of load shedding will soon be over as the remaining 150 megawatts will soon be uploaded on the national grid. The Maamba coal power plant is expected to produce 300 megawatts of electricity when fully operational.



# Jobs galore!

## ....Mulungushi Textiles to open on 1st Aug

By SYLVESTER MWALE and  
JAMES KUNDA

**PRESIDENT Edgar Lungu has announced that the moribund China-Mulungushi Textiles in Kabwe will be reopened on 1st August nine years after it was closed.**

Mr Lungu said the Industrial Development Corporation (IDC) is finalising the process to oversee the operations of the firm which is set to employ 2,500 people by December this year in addition to the current 300 that have already been engaged.

The Government had in 2015 engaged Mohammed Enterprise of Tanzania to reopen the textile firm which was closed in 2007. However, the two parties differed over the lease agreement before seeking legal redress from the courts of law.

But addressing a campaign rally in Kabwe's Makululu Township yesterday, Mr Lungu said

the residents of Kabwe should not despair or be cheated by the opposition party over the textile firm.

"There were issues with the contractor who was found by the Government and the matter is currently in court," said Mr Lungu amid wild applause from the hundreds who attended the rally.

"But I want to tell you that Mulungushi Textiles will be opened on 1st August; 300 people have already been employed and are working and by December there will be 2,500 workers."

He said he would remain accountable to the Zambian people because he realised that he would not have been President without their support.

Mr Lungu said he would also work with ordinary people to develop the country.

He said it was sad that the opposition United Party for National Development (UPND) had failed to appreciate the good work his Government was doing and chose to criticise everything including his height.

"In 2011 we promised you roads here and we have given you the roads, we have also built clinics and schools and I think we deserve another chance," he said.

In apparent reference to UPND leader Hakainde Hichilema, Mr Lungu said the opposition leader was promising to do things that were already being done by the current Government.

The Head of State who also introduced the party's parliamentary candidate for Bwacha Sydney Mushanga said mealie-meal price in Zambia would reduce as soon as the Government buys the maize.

This will in turn increase stock for 200 solar hammer mills that are being installed across the country.

At the same rally, Mr Mushanga said he would find it easy to win because the ruling party had delivered on promises made in 2011.

He noted that the people of Makululu were in a celebratory mood after the roads in the area were tarred for the first time since 1964, while cholera which was the hallmark of the

country's biggest slum was a thing of the past.

He said while the MMD government had built just two health centres in Bwacha Constituency, the PF administration had erected 10 in five years.

Football icon Kalusha Bwalya was among political bigwigs in Mr Lungu's campaign team which included former vice-president Enoch Kavindele, former Kabwe Central Member of Parliament Austin Chewa and some opposition leaders.

Mr Bwalya reiterated that President Lungu was loving and compassionate man who should be given another chance to rule Zambia.

The 1988 African Footballer of the Year who distributed 11 footballs at the rally said he had worked with Mr Lungu when he was FAZ president and realised that the Head of State was a good leader.

The President also addressed another rally at the Civic Centre grounds where he introduced PF Kabwe Central parliamentary candidate Tutwa Ngulube and Local Government candidates.

# President Lungu reopens Mulungushi Textiles



Mulungushi Textiles workers on duty

By Nation Reporter

PRESIDENT Edgar Lungu on Monday reopened the Mulungushi Textiles plant in Kabwe after a 9-years break, to the delight

of several youths and the business community who anticipate trickle down benefits.

President Lungu was accompanied to Kabwe by Commerce Minister Mar-

garet Mwanakatwe and First Lady Esther Lungu, Industrial Development Corporation (IDC) chief Andrew Chipwende among other dignitaries.

When fully operational, the largest

textile plant in the country is expected to create an estimated 3,000 direct jobs and also provide a ready market to several cotton farmers in the country. Initially the ginney, weaving and garment sections opened with an injection of US\$2 million.

"Today marks yet another milestone in what we promised the people in 2011, and indeed we are walking the talk. About 900 people are already employed in the garment section which is manufacturing uniforms for nurses, schools and prisons officers," said President Lungu.

The President, who gave a brief background of the industry which opened in 1983, urged the prospective employees to work extra hard in order to make the company the best textile factory which would also provide ready market to about 10,000 cotton farmers in an out grower scheme for small scale farmers. And President Lungu shamed critics of infrastructure development, saying the PF government invested its energy in the first five years in infrastructure development because it was well known that no true investment could come without good infrastructure.

And Mr. Chipwende said that his organisation was geared to revive the industry and keep reopening other closed industries so as to make Zambia an economic hub in the region.

The ceremony was attended by several Kabwe residents who expected jobs at the industry which was closed in 2007.



President Lungu

## Miners reassured of better days

By Nation Reporter

President Lungu has assured the people on the Copperbelt that the mines would be revamped and go into full operation as soon as the copper prices improved.

The President said the owners of the mines had reduced production which had resulted into mining companies reduce on workforce because the business was not profitable in view of low copper prices.

THE mining sector has continued to face challenges because the copper prices on the global market have remained stunted after the world's economic meltdown, President Lungu has said.

The Head of State on his continued campaign trail on the Copperbelt told the people in Luanshya and Kalulushi that he was aware of the problems they were facing and that the Patriotic Front (PF) government was also concerned about their plight.

In Luanshya, the President said he was aware about the water problems and pledged that government was going to do everything in its means to ensure that there was clean and safe drinking water in all the communities

in the district.

The Head of State said the UPND had been hoodwinking people on the Copperbelt that once in government, they would reopen closed mines but wondered where they would find the market for copper when the global prices were not attractive.

And the Head of State has reaffirmed that the vision of late President Michael Sata would continue to live because the PF was founded on the principle of serving the poor.

He said those who were claiming that the vision of the PF had died with Mr Sata were disappointed that he had continued with the infrastructure development which was ambitiously started by Mr Sata.

President Lungu that his critics were chocking with envy that he had managed to solidify the development agenda of the PF which they wished had died with President Sata.

And President Lungu has challenged the UPND to change its leader, Hakainde Hichilema because he had been rejected by Zambians for many years.

President Lungu said for as long as Mr Hichilema remained the president of the UPND, the opposition party was never going to form government.

# President promises to develop entire nation

By CHILA NAMAIIKO in Lupososhi  
PRESIDENT Edgar Lungu has promised the people of Zambia that he will not leave any part of the country underdeveloped as long as the Patriotic Front (PF) remains in power.  
Meanwhile, the President has called on Zambians to turn up in huge numbers to attend the national day of prayers slated for July 24 this year to ask for God's intervention ahead of the elections.

Mr Lungu's campaign trail has heightened in many parts of Northern Province, where thousands are turning up to listen to his messages woven around peace, unity and

national development.

In Lupososhi Constituency, the President yesterday held a huge rally at Mumba Primary School grounds where he assured the local people that he would continue to take development countrywide regardless of people's religious, political and ethnic inclinations.

"We shall make sure that we continue to take tangible development in every part of this country like in Lupososhi here where we have plans to declare it a district to bring development closer to you the local people," he said.

This, he said, would be done in consultation with traditional leaders since they represented

many communities and were aware of the many challenges facing their subjects.

Mr Lungu assured that he would remain focused on providing quality social services that the people of Zambia wanted and appealed for more support ahead of the August 11 general elections.

At the presidential park in Luwingu District, Mr Lungu, who was accompanied by First Lady Esther, reaffirmed the Government's commitment to implementing more beneficial development projects if the local people could give him support.

He urged the residents to be wary of some politicians who wanted to bring about

anarchy as a way of amassing support and garner the over 50 per cent threshold to win the elections.

President Lungu said he had a heart for every Zambian and had proved to be hard working and, therefore, deserved a fresh tenure of office to bring about more economic development.

He assured the locals that he would ensure a fuel service station was set up in the central business district and upgrade more roads to ease movement of agricultural produce.

On the national day of prayers, Mr Lungu said Zambia, being a Christian Nation, should continue

seeking intervention from God, hence the need for all the citizens to respect the day.

On Chilubi Island, President Lungu unveiled the PF parliamentary candidate Rosaria Fundanga when he addressed another rally where the First Lady assured women that she would continue to lobby for more empowerment projects to help uplift their living standards.

Mr Lungu later commissioned a dredging machine on Lake Bangweulu before he proceeded to commission the newly-built Chilubi Mainland District Hospital.

# Lungu pledges to split Mpika into 3

By CHUSA SICHONE  
in Mpika

PRESIDENT Edgar Lungu has pledged to split the vast Mpika into three districts to speed up development.

He said Mpika was a vast district compared to the Copperbelt Province in land size, and that development was not being administered accordingly, hence the decision to demarcate it into three districts to accelerate the process.

Addressing a public rally at Muwele ground in Kanchibiya Constituency yesterday, President Lungu said he would engage Local Government and Housing Minister Stephen Kampyongo and technocrats to ensure that the demarcation process was properly done.

Mr Lungu said he would ensure that the three districts, once created, received a fair share of development in various sectors such as health, education and agriculture, as well as having police stations.

"We are going to create three districts out of Mpika to accelerate development because if you have three districts it means you will have three district hospitals, three post offices and three police stations.

"In case you don't know, Mpika is very vast. Mpika District alone is bigger than Copperbelt Province. It is for this reason that to foster development here in Mpika, we want to demarcate Mpika District into three," the Head of State said.

He further assured the people in Kanchibiya that a road to Mpika would be constructed, and health and education facilities erected.

He said the existing communication towers would be boosted and more installed to improve communication, while electricity would be connected to the area.

He implored the electorate in the area to vote for Patriotic Front (PF) parliamentary candidate Martin Malama, who is a former inspector general of police, for him

to be reminding the Head of State about the pledges.

He said other PF candidates vying for various positions should also be voted for.

Paramount Chief Chitimukulu's brother, Chanda Sosala appealed to the people in the area to turn up en masse on August 11 and give the PF 100 per cent votes, especially that its founder member Michael Sata hailed from Muchinga Province.

Former Football Association of Zambia president and soccer icon Kalusha Bwalya reiterated his support for President Lungu and the need for the electorate to give him a full five-year mandate as Head of State.

PF deputy secretary general Mumbi Phiri urged the people in the area to shame those who branded the Bisa people as a minority tribe by ensuring that the ruling party bounced back into power by turning up in large numbers on polling day.

Ms Phiri said President Lungu had proved his critics wrong by appointing Bisas and Bembas to influential Government and party positions and yet his opponents were spreading falsehoods that he had sidelined the two tribes.

PF provincial chairperson Mwansa Kapeya assured that people in the province would give Mr Lungu and all the 10 parliamentary candidates 100 per cent votes.

Meanwhile, President Lungu has promised that the people who were sold TAZARA houses in 2004 would be offered title deeds and that those who retired would receive their terminal benefits the same year.

The Head of State further directed Mr Kampyongo to ensure that his ministry upgrades Mpika District Council into a municipal council.

Addressing a mammoth rally at new Mpika Market ground yesterday, Mr Lungu implored the electorate in Mpika to vote for the PF at all levels for the area to continue receiving development.

# Mpika to be split

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July 27, 2016

The President also made an impassioned plea to parents not to marry off their children before they reach adulthood.

"Let your children get education. I beg you, mothers and fathers to rescue your children from early marriages," he said.

President Lungu, who upon arrival at Muwele School had a brief interaction with some pupils, said the vision of Mr Sata was for each child to have a secondary school, and that they could follow that vision.

He urged the people to vote for the PF in the forthcoming parliamentary elections. "I know the problems the people face in this area very well."

The President also promised to improve communication in the area by installing more communication towers.

"We will bring more network towers to improve communication," he said, as the crowd cheered.

The President also promised that his administration would build police posts in the area.

The nearest police post is 175km away, in Mpika Central.

The President's entourage includes party officials and football icon Kalusha Bwalya, who accompanied Mr Lungu.

While speaking when he addressed another group in Mpika, Mr Lungu said: "They say the President (President Lungu) has no vision, but you have the vision. We have collective vision; we have collective wisdom."

Mr Lungu also promised sitting tenants who bought TAZARA houses in 2004 that he will ensure they get title deeds and to pay retirees their terminal benefits.

"I'm there to maintain law and order. That is my job as commander-in-chief of the armed forces. I shall not allow myself to succumb to intimidation. I shall act even with the international observers around."

"The best time for the UPND to win was in 2005 when I did not know anything, now I am in the State House and I am ripe," President Lungu said.

## Lungu to recommission Mulungushi Textile

By **MAIMBOLWA MULIKELELA**

PRESIDENT Edgar Lungu is this week expected to recommission Mulungushi Textile Industries of Kabwe which ceased operations in 2007 as a result of financial difficulties.

Once fully operational, the textile industry will create more than 2,000 job opportunities along the whole cotton value-chain.

Zambia Industrial Development Corporation (IDC)

indicated that so far more

than 300 jobs have been created in the garment and blanket section as well as technical specialist who are undertaking various maintenance and servicing of equipment and machinery.

Mulungushi Textile Industries was now under the IDC, whose chairperson is President Lungu.

IDC indicated in a statement that the Head of State is expected to recommission the Mulungushi Textile Industries this week which will stimulate economic activities in Kabwe.

The Head of State last week on Saturday mentioned that Mulungushi Textile will be recommissioned within the first week of August.

According to an update from IDC, the garment and blanket section was already operational with Personnel Protective Equipment (PPE), health personnel and prisoner uniforms under manufacture.

In related news, the IDC is set to sign a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Cotton Association of Zambia which will see the two entities collaborate on the development of the cotton industry.

## Speed up Ngabwe works, officials ordered

By **PASSY HAACHIZO**  
PRESIDENT Edgar Lungu has directed Government officials in Central Province to monitor closely developmental projects for quick completion.

Speaking on Friday when he toured the sites for the construction of a police station, council structure and the administration blocks at the newly-created Ngabwe District in Chief Mukubwe, the president said it was a duty for officials to ensure that projects were done accordingly.

The president was also reacting to comments from Chief Ngabwe who expressed dismay that some contractors were not doing the job as expected.

He also urged local contractors that were awarded contracts in the

country to work on the projects in the same way their friends were doing the job.

President Lungu said the Government had taken keen interest and would ensure that the National Council for Construction (NCC) was engaged for thorough execution of the projects.

He assured Chief Ngabwe and Chief Mukubwe that the Government would tar the road from the two chiefdoms to connect other districts for easy reach to the market.

The two chiefdoms depend on agriculture and fishing but it was hard for the farmers to reach the market.

He said through the link Zambia 8,000 the area would also have its share of good roads as the rest of the country.

# Lungu pledges to split Mpika into 3

By CHUSA SICHONE  
in Mpika

PRESIDENT Edgar Lungu has pledged to split the vast Mpika into three districts to speed up development.

He said Mpika was a vast district compared to the Copperbelt Province in land size, and that development was not being administered accordingly, hence the decision to demarcate it into three districts to accelerate the process.

Addressing a public rally at Muwele ground in Kanchibiya Constituency yesterday, President Lungu said he would engage Local Government and Housing Minister Stephen Kampyongo and technocrats to ensure that the demarcation process was properly done.

Mr Lungu said he would ensure that the three districts, once created, received a fair share of development in various sectors such as health, education and agriculture, as well as having police stations.

"We are going to create three districts out of Mpika to accelerate development because if you have three districts it means you will have three district hospitals, three post offices and three police stations.

"In case you don't know, Mpika is very vast. Mpika District alone is bigger than Copperbelt Province. It is for this reason that to foster development here in Mpika, we want to demarcate Mpika District into three," the Head of State said.

He further assured the people in Kanchibiya that a road to Mpika would be constructed, and health and education facilities erected.

He said the existing communication towers would be boosted and more installed to improve communication, while electricity would be connected to the area.

He implored the electorate in the area to vote for Patriotic Front (PF) parliamentary candidate Martin Malama, a former inspector of police, for him

to be reminding the Head of State about the pledges.

He said other PF candidates vying for various positions should also be voted for.

Paramount Chief Chitimukulu's brother, Chanda Sosala appealed to the people in the area to turn up en masse on August 11 and give the PF 100 per cent votes, especially that its founder member Michael Sata hailed from Muchinga Province.

Former Football Association of Zambia president and soccer icon Kalusha Bwalya reiterated his support for President Lungu and the need for the electorate to give him a full five-year mandate as Head of State.

PF deputy secretary general Mumbi Phiri urged the people in the area to shame those who branded the Bisa people as a minority tribe by ensuring that the ruling party bounced back into power by turning up in large numbers on polling day.

Ms Phiri said President Lungu had proved his critics wrong by appointing Bisas and Bembas to influential Government and party positions and yet his opponents were spreading falsehoods that he had sidelined the two tribes.

PF provincial chairperson Mwansa Kapeya assured that people in the province would give Mr Lungu and all the 10 parliamentary candidates 100 per cent votes.

Meanwhile, President Lungu has promised that the people who were sold TAZARA houses in 2004 and that those who retired would receive their terminal benefits the same year.

The Head of State further directed Mr Kampyongo to ensure that his ministry upgrades Mpika District Council into a municipal council.

Addressing a mammoth rally at new Mpika Market ground yesterday, Mr Lungu implored the electorate in Mpika to vote for the PF at all levels for the area to continue receiving development.

# Lungu talks peace

## . We must co-exist as brothers, sisters

By CHILA IKO, MILDRED TONGO and IAMWEETWA EDGAR  
has challenged us to bury differences, respect other and cam-

within the rule of way of curbing violence.  
Lungu has assured that as Head of State, he will continue to defend and promote peace and unity as the way to the polls.  
Lungu said all politicians and the people at large should exercise and use sober judgement towards each other and pray freely devoid of bias.

"We all need to campaign freely and peacefully. For this reason, we should not give room to violence in our Christian Nation. Never should we leave room for loss of precious life, but we must co-exist as brothers and sisters," he said.

Mr Lungu, who was accompanied by First Lady Esther, Vice-President Inonge Wina and former Republican president Kenneth Kaunda, was speaking at the National Day of Payer at the Showgrounds in Lusaka yesterday.

The celebration was held under the theme 'Seeking God's intervention:

Saying no to violence and committing to peaceful elections through forgiveness, tolerance, love and unity'.

The Head of State said all political party leaders should have a serious duty to counsel their cadres to restrain them-

selves from provocation and retaliation.

"To all my fellow political leaders, let us remember that Zambia is bigger than any candidate. Therefore, let us respect and operate within the rule of law. All of us have a responsibility to maintain our unmatched record as a beacon of peace," he said.

The President has since called on the electorate across the country to turn out in huge numbers to go and exercise their right to vote.

He hailed the National House of Payer which, in collaboration with the

Church mother bodies, took a bold step to lead the nation into a sacred gathering.

Mr Lungu was confident that God would prevail on all national matters going by various prayer networks to petition God's intervention against

political violence.

In his purpose statement, National House of Prayer Board chairperson

Bishop Joshua Banda said there was no need for bloodshed ahead of the polls and called for issue-based campaigns among politicians.

Dr Banda urged Zambians to refrain from using the social media to spread hate speech and fabrication of lies which he said if left unchecked had potential to trigger violence.

In his homily, Father Robert Sihuwa of the Anglican Church appealed to all Zambians to desist from acts of violence but adhere to the tenets of the country, being a Christian Nation.

Among the political party leaders that attended the prayers were MMD's Felix Mutati, United Party for National Development vice-president for politics Canisius Banda, Edwin

Sakala of Zambia Democracy and Development and Christian Democratic Party leader Dan Pule.

In Ndola, Copperbelt Permanent Secretary Howard Sikwela appealed to members of the public to continue praying for sustained peace in the country.

Reverend Sikwela said prayer was very important and that members of the public and aspiring candidates should not relent from using prayer to address the country's challenges.

"Today again we meet

to pray for peace and unity ahead of the elections. It is only through prayer that God will answer. Those that do not believe that miracles happen, let me assure you that they do happen even today," he said during prayers held at the Anglican Cathedral of the Holy Nativity yesterday.

In Kitwe, several Christians joined in prayer to counter the political violence that has befallen the country ahead of general elections.

The prayers held at St Margaret's United Church of Zambia Congregation were

characterised by singing and dancing to praise the name of God and seek his intervention.

UCZ Reverend-in-Charge Chipasha Musaba said that the Church had a bigger role to play in times of uncertainty.

He said it would be a sin to sit back and watch violent tendencies continue in the country.

Kitwe District Commissioner Chikafuna Banda reaffirmed the Government's commitment to call for God's help and continue spreading words of peace and unity in the country.

By CHUSA SICHONE  
in Mafinga

TIMES

**P**RESIDENT Edgar Lungu has warned that he will not tolerate anarchy fanned by sections of the opposition that have been consistently saying they will reject the results of the August 11 general elections.

The Head of State said whatever the results would come out would reflect the will of the people.

Mr Lungu instructed Inspector General of Police Kakoma Kanganja to be on standby and flash out elements of anarchy.

"As Commander-in-Chief, I will not let the country slide into anarchy, and the law shall prevail on anyone who fans anarchy regardless of their perceived political clout. Let this be a warning," Mr Lungu said.

The Head of State said he would guard Zambia's peace jealously.

He sounded the warning during a ground-breaking ceremony for construction of Muyombe Hospital in Mafinga District yesterday.

He also handed over a basic life-support ambulance to Muyombe Rural Health Centre which would facilitate prompt transportation of critically-ill patients.

Once completed, Muyombe Hospital will help prevent people in the area from walking more than 170 kilometres to access first-level hospital healthcare services at Isoka District Hospital whenever they are faced with an emergency.

Meanwhile, a day after announcing that the Government would demarcate Mpika into three districts, President Lungu has yet again made another major pronouncement that plans are underway to create another district in Chinsali.

Mr Lungu said he was eyeing Mulilansolo as an area with potential where a new district would be created, and pledged to engage Local Government and Housing Minister Stephen Kampyongo to strategise on how best the

new district would be created.

Addressing a public rally at Kaunda Square in Chinsali District yesterday, President Lungu said he had observed that in areas where his predecessor Michael Sata had started districts, development had started manifesting and that was why he wanted to create more districts to accelerate development.

"There at Mulilansolo side we would want to create one district so that development spreads to areas like Chambeshi because everywhere Mr Sata created districts development is taking shape," he said.

President Lungu also observed with sadness the slow pace at which construction of township roads was progressing in Chinsali and directed Muchinga Province Minister Mwimba Malama to find out why that was so.

Mr Lungu said Chinsali was one of the Patriotic Front (PF) strongholds and wondered why projects such as that of township roads were lagging behind while those in areas where the ruling PF received less votes were advancing well.

He held another rally at Matumbo in Shiwang'andu District where he said there was no wind of change as there was no sign to that effect.

He said those claiming that they would remove the PF from power in next month's general elections were in for a rude shock.

Mr Lungu said the opposition lost the opportunity to form Government during the time the PF was facing leadership wrangles after the death of Mr Sata.

He held another mammoth rally in Muyombe in Mafinga District, where he pledged to pay back the people in the area for their loyalty to the party by constructing a road linking Chama and Isoka districts.

He said the Government

would also build more schools and health facilities, as well as electrify the place.

Mr Sata's sister, Hilda, also spoke at the rallies and refuted allegations that President Lungu had neglected her family.

Others who spoke at the rallies were PF deputy secretary general Mumbi Phiri, who implored the registered voters in the respective areas to emulate their colleagues in Southern Province by voting in large numbers.

Former Football Association of Zambia president and soccer icon Kalusha Bwalya said in football, it was not right to remove a winning team and the same should be the case with regard to the PF on August 11 this year.

Former MMD Mafinga parliamentarian Catherine Namugala pleaded with the electorate in Chinsali and Mafinga districts to give President Lungu another chance as he had so far demonstrated to be a hardworking leader.

The crowds at all the three rallies went into a frenzy when President Lungu took to the stage to dance to the PF campaign anthem *Dumuna Reverse*.

## MUSA SICHONE in Nakonde

PRESIDENT Edgar Lungu has directed police to act decisively against political violence by arresting any party cadre involved in breaking

order of State is also 'very' concerned at the United Party for National Development continued show of contempt towards order ahead of the general elections in

the past few days. President Lungu said that as a Christian, he was distressed to see that no one should needlessly spill blood. He said that at several political gatherings, he has urged members to decelerate violence.

President Lungu said that during a rally yesterday, he said that regardless of status, we should act with fear, whether the perpetrators are from the Front (PF) or the two parties that on many occasions

during a mammoth rally.

He said in Bemba that, "Chilabakalipa ati umulumendo waku Chawama nyo basulile nomba e President, Chilabakalipa - as a brother from Chawama I beat them convincingly in 2011 and they have continued to stew in hate".

Meanwhile, six traditional rulers in Chinsali have condemned opposition leaders planning to dispute the poll results for the August

elections. Those who met President Lungu are chiefs Mukwikile, Nkuba, Mubanga, Nkweto, Chibesakunda, and Kabanda.

The chiefs warned that there was no need to engage in violence over the elections and that peace remained cardinal in the country.

Chief Mukwikile, who spoke on behalf of others, praised President Lungu for working to improve

living standards in rural areas and that Chinsali was no longer the same under the PF.

He said Mr Lungu had demonstrated to the Zambians that he was a leader for all, judging by the scale of infrastructure development he had undertaken.

The President urged the traditional leaders to help educate the opposition on the need to maintain peace.

Mr Lungu said chiefs should take advantage of

the opposition leaders' courtesy calls on them to emphasise the need for peace and unity.

"This will help because chiefs are role models in society and they command a lot of respect," he said.

The President also commissioned Robert Makasa University, saying that he used the occasion

to shame the opposition for failing to acknowledge the unprecedented infrastructure development programmes

the PF administration had successfully implemented since 2011.

The university will start operating in September this year, and Mr Lungu was hopeful that the K132 million infrastructure would help decongest the Copperbelt University and University of Zambia.

He said that ceremony demonstrated that he had not abandoned the legacy of late President Michael Sata.

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# Lungu urges North to vote for credible MPs

By CHILA NAMAIKO in Kasama

PRESIDENT Edgar Lungu has cautioned the people of Northern Province against voting for candidates that will not adequately represent them in Parliament and fail to deliver tangible development.

Mr Lungu said the province was lagging behind in terms of development despite having massive

investment opportunities in agriculture and tourism.

The Head of State was speaking here yesterday when he featured on a special live programme on Radio Mano.

He appealed to the local people to rally behind Patriotic Front (PF) candidates in the province.

"I want to appeal to you the people of Northern Province not to choose leaders who will not even bring development in your areas. You need to elect leaders who will help to address your challenges," Mr Lungu said.

He said the PF should be given another term of office because it had performed well contrary to what other opposition politicians could offer to the people of Zambia.

Mr Lungu said efforts by the Government to develop the country could be seen through the on-going infrastructure development

projects, while many others had already been completed.

He wondered why some leaders were desperate to gain political mileage by spreading misleading information about the referendum.

Mr Lungu said some opposition politicians only wanted to criticise the Government even when the country had achieved positive economic gains.

He said he was also aware of the suffering of retirees in the country and assured that the Government would continue to put up measures to improve their livelihood.

On agriculture, the President said the Government would continue investing in the Nitrogen Chemicals of Zambia to help reduce prices of fertiliser while delivering more farming incentives.

President Lungu said the Government's desire was to see a further reduction in prices of farming inputs to help increase food security in the country.

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■ Lungu commissions Kapasa Makasa University in Chinsali



PRESIDENT Lungu during a rally in Nakonda yesterday.

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**CHIMWEMWE MWALE**, *Mungwi*  
PRESIDENT Lungu has promised the people of Mungwi constituency that Government will develop the agriculture sector and improve the road infrastructure in the area. President Lungu said improved road infrastructure will ease the delivery of farm inputs to farmers in the area and also enable farmers to deliver their produce to the market. The President said the Zambia National Service (ZNS) is already in the area to construct roads and bridges.

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cannot be President. This has hurt them and it will continue hurting them as I am winning again."

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# #HH MUST FALL

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## I AM WINNING AGAIN - LUNGU



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other global factors which were beyond his control.

"When the nation experienced a drought, they said it was me. When copper prices dropped and we could not earn enough foreign exchange, they said it was me. You don't have to be an economist to understand how these things work."

These are the same people who mocked us when we called for prayers saying we had failed to run the country. Now that God answered our prayers and gave us rain, they have seen His power and have now turned around saying they will run the country on God's principles. They still refuse to pray for peace even as they say this. Are these people you can trust. They are just fooling you," President Lungu said.

And former vice-president Enock Kavindele said the huge crowd that had come to listen to President Lungu was testimony that those who have going round saying that Kasama had gone to the opposition were liars.

MMD president Felix Mutati and leader of the opposition consortium, Reverend Dan Pule said President Lungu deserved a full five year term in which he should be assessed.

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## LUWINGU DISTRICT CHIEFS ENDORSE PRESIDENT LUNGU

CHIEFS from Luwingu District of Northern Province say there is no need to change government because the PF administration has performed remarkably well.



The chiefs also said they would encourage their subjects to turn up in numbers to exercise their right to vote.

The meeting was attended by Senior Chief Shimumbi, Chief Chipalo, Chief Chabula, Chief Tungati and Chief Katuta.

Senior Chieftainess Chungu who spoke on behalf of six other chiefs during a meeting with President Lungu in the district last weekend said the Head of State was a hero and a outstanding leader who had succeeded where others had failed.

## HH IS BIZZARE AND WIERED SAYS KELVIN BWALYA

It is bizarre and weird for opposition leader Mr Hakainde Hichilema to ask President Edgar Lungu to hand over power in the back-drop of an election that has not been held yet. It is also dangerous.

the noise and won.

We have no doubt he will make Mr Hichilema a "four time loser" on August 11 because he (President Lungu) has a record of winning while Mr Hichilema has a fantastic well documented public record of losing elections. He is a Loser!

He has never won an election and there is no indication on the ground that he can change his misfortunes into fortunes any time soon. There is none at all. We beseech Mr Hichilema to tame his tongue and dream quietly.

This is because his party's careless statements have the ability of negatively exciting his few sympathisers that may take it as an order to fan chaos and anarchy in the most probable event that President Edgar Lungu trounces Mr Hichilema again next month.

President Lungu beat Mr Hichilema clean in the last poll of 2015 that was tightly contested, even by insiders, of the ruling party that partially distracted President Lungu of taking out his campaign message clearly. President Lungu still cut through



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## GBM 'DE-CAMPAIGNS' TRIBAL UPND

UPND has said that it will dig up all the new roads the government has constructed for them if it wins the

# Hikainde Hichilema Campaign Promises



UPND presidential candidate Hichilema at a rally in Solwezi on Friday - Picture by Brian Mwiinga

## HH to reduce fertiliser cost

*THE POST NEWSPAPER*  
By Correspondent  
**UPND presidential candidate Hakainde Hichilema says reduced mealie meal prices will easily be achieved by cutting the cost of fertilizer.**

Addressing a mammoth campaign rally at Kyawama grounds in Solwezi on Friday afternoon, Hichilema, a livestock farmer, said he understood agriculture better than President Edgar Lungu.

"Reducing the price of mealie meal will be easy after reducing the price of fertilisers. The PF are not paying attention to where the real problem is. There are a lot of illegal deals, corruption and bribes in the fertiliser tenders. That is where the problem is, the moment you take care of that, the moment you reduce the cost of fertilizer, cost of growing maize will reduce and the benefit of that will trek down

to the millers and eventually the household consumer," Hichilema said.

"We are coming to give Zambia a break from the sufferings they have undergone under the PF. People are hungry; if you people are hungry, how are you going to grow food to feed your families? This is the kind of punishment that the PF has given you and you must show them the way out on August 11."

And Hichilema bemoaned the lack of development in the province and promised to tar the township and the Solwezi-Chingola roads where he said many people had lost their lives.

"We are going to build a university in this province. We shall work on water and roads in all townships, including the Kasempa-M u m b w a , Solwezi-Mushindamo roads, and other major roads dotted all over the province," he

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said.

Hichilema told the crowd that waited for his arrival from as early as 08:00 hours that the UPND government would genuinely empower Zambia so that they take their children to school.

"We shall provide business loans with no annual trading licence renewals. We shall also give transport contracts to Zambia trucks only. No more foreign tucks," he declared.

Hichilema added that the UPND-led government would increase salaries for civil servants.

"Teachers, police officers, nurses and other civil servants will have their salaries increased and get professional allowances. All those who were dismissed or suspended will be brought back after 11th August 2016 and should consider themselves as being on leave," he said.

Hichilema told the

gathering that he knew the problems Zambia were facing in their homes.

He said President Lungu and the PF had failed to develop the country as the cost of living kept rising.

"Only one party, the UPND, can bring development. Not PF, not UNIP and not FDD can bring development to this country. On August 11, whether Edgar Lungu likes it or not, kuya bebele (he is going)," said Hichilema to a jubilant crowd.

Speaking earlier, Sara Sayifwanda, the former gender minister and Zambezi East member of parliament, told Hichilema to consider developing North-Western Province, which had been tortured by the PF government for supporting UPND.

Sayifwanda said North-Western, like other provinces, needed better schools, hospitals and roads.

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# We'll prioritise value addition - HH

**CHIMWEMWE MWALE,  
BUTTYSON KANDIMBA**  
Lusaka, Solwezi

UNITED Party for National Development (UPND) president Hakaimde Hichilema has pledged to prioritise value addition to agricultural produce such as maize to ensure the product earns the country's foreign exchange if voted into office on August 11.

Mr Hichilema said the UPND plans to ensure that maize is processed into mealie meal, which should be exported into neighbouring countries where there is high demand for the commodity.

He pledged that the UPND will reduce the cost of farm inputs to boost

agriculture.

Mr Hichilema said if voted into office, the UPND will harness various resources that the country is endowed with and create wealth.

Speaking when he featured on a special programme on QFM Radio yesterday, Mr Hichilema said his party intends to introduce a law that will only allow Zambian transporters and trucks to transport goods being exported.

Mr Hichilema said the party also has plans to build hospitals in some sprawling and populated townships to take health infrastructure closer to the people and enhance healthcare service delivery.

"We will also ensure that we

purchase equipment in hospitals because it is not just about having infrastructure and ensure that medicines are provided and provide more ambulances.

"We want to employ more health workers so that one nurse is not attending to 100 patients and we want health workers to be paid well so that they are motivated. Our leadership will be judged by a systematic delivery of development in various sectors," he said.

He said the UPND also wants to improve maternal and antenatal health care and introduce telemedicine services.

Mr Hichilema pledged that the UPND will create more job and

business opportunities.

"Zambians have an opportunity on August 11 to make a calculated choice and vote for the UPND," he said.

And Mr Hichilema has promised to deliver development to North-Western Province if his party is voted into office.

"The only party that will bring development to this province is the UPND and we want all the people to turn up in large numbers and vote for a party that will bring *bukomo* (development) in this area," he said.

The UPND leader was speaking when he addressed a public rally at Kyawama Secondary School grounds in Solwezi Central constituency on Friday.

# UPND will reduce presidential powers - Hichilema

By Kombe Mataka in  
Lusaka and Misheck  
Wangwe in Chingola

HAKAINDE Hichilema says the UPND will in the first six months give Zambians an amended constitution that will reduce the powers of the Head of State.

And Chililabombwe residents warned the UPND "not to turn against the people like the PF has done".

Speaking when he featured on Muvi TV's Zambia Decides programme on Saturday evening, Hichilema said Zambia's current constitution was being driven by PF interests and not the citizens' desires.

"We want to deliver another constitution. The work is done already; the full draft constitution that was released is what Zambians want. That is what Zambians had given to themselves through submissions. That is what we want the Zambians to have as a full constitution," Hichilema said.

"The seat of the presidency is overly too powerful, diluting the powers of the judiciary and the legislature and worse still the fourth estate. The UPND will change this by reverting to the draft constitution that has reduced presidential powers."

He said all the stakeholders had already been involved in the process.

"Civil society had already been involved, the church was already involved. We have all been involved, except we have an arrogant PF government that decided to do something against what citizens achieved consensus on," Hichilema said.

"We did not support this referendum because you have a government of the PF that is so greedy, that went into the draft constitution and amended clauses against the wishes of 15 million Zambians through a representative process. The idea of drawing ministers outside parliament was meant to strengthen the separation of powers and reduce the powers of the executive."

He reiterated that poor and vulnerable children would have free access to education up to university.

"You can see the price of ignorance in the PF leadership; it is joblessness and job losses, increase in food prices and an ignorant leadership. How can we develop without economists, architects, doctors or engineers? How can we argue that we don't need education," Hichilema wondered.

"We (UPND) are going to ensure children from poor families access education. We the UPND government, will pay up to university. We will save money because we don't need 70 ministers, we only need 30 of them."

Meanwhile, Chingola and Chililabombwe ex-miners and an

excitement and neither are we doing this so that you pay us. Our endorsement for Hichilema is based on the fact that we have a responsibility to protect the future of children, the future of this country and the responsibility of making Chingola and Chililabombwe great towns again on our shoulders," a representative of ex-miners Javes Simukonda told Hichilema in Chingola.

"We can't shout pa maka when the hearts of the people have remained hopeless under the PF. Everything has just gone bad. Our hope is in God, who commands us to do something about this suffering. We have resolved to change government. It's bye bye to PF. We warn you never to betray this trust."

And the jobless youths association said all they wanted was a serious form of empowerment so that they could begin to work for themselves because the PF had failed and everything about youth empowerment had been politicised.

"People are wondering why there is so much crime in Chingola, why the poor people, grandmothers with little food are being robbed the little they have. It's nothing but poverty. Such behaviour cannot be justified but that's what happens in a poverty stricken society, morals are lost. Chingola today is a den of drunkards; young people get drunk at 09:00 hours in those local taverns because there is nowhere to run to in terms of getting employment. If you run away, we will travel and camp outside State House there in Lusaka. If it means being arrested, you will arrest all of us. Don't change, don't betray us like the PF has done," Vincent Chileshe told Hichilema.

Hichilema, in response to the ex-miners' pleas, said he would do everything possible within the presidential powers to restore the lost glory of all Copperbelt towns and ensure that people get back their jobs once he goes to State House.

He said he was deeply touched by the massive support he had received from the Copperbelt and promised to change the situation within a short possible time after forming government.

Hichilema said time was up for PF.

"The UPND government will be for the people, for you. I promise, I will not go anywhere away from you when you put us in office. Our task is to ensure that you get back your jobs in the mines. If it means investing, we will do that, there will be serious discussions with the investors shortly after forming government.

# Chagwa tizagwetsa - UPND

By Christopher Miti in  
Chipata

DZINA la msogoleri wadziko lino ndi Edgar Chagwa Lungu; tsono mwadzina lao zimhu zagwa, zatha, zikagwa zatha nachitako zina. UPND vice-president for politics Dr Canisius Banda told residents of Chiparamba on Wednesday.

And Lupando Mwape says it is stupidity to kill people in the name of politics.

Addressing a campaign rally in Chiparamba, Dr Banda said President Lungu had grounded Zambia and must be voted out of office next month.

"Dzina la msogoleri wadziko lino ndi Edgar Chagwa Lungu; tsono mwadzina lao zimhu zagwa, zatha, zikagwa zatha nachitako zina (The name of the President of this country is Edgar Chagwa Lungu; like his name suggests, things have fallen and have ended; if things have fallen and ended then we should do other things)," Dr Banda said.

He said almost everything had fallen in Zambia.

"Mwadzina lao khobili la dziko la Zambia, kwacha, yagwa; maphunziro agwa; magerisi yagwa; migodi yagwa; ulimi wagwa; tsono

mwachidule, dziko lagwa, tsono naonso a Chagwa tibagwetsa (true to his name [Chagwa], the kwacha has fallen; the education sector has fallen; electricity sector has fallen; the mines have fallen; agriculture has fallen; so in short the country has fallen; we too shall ground Chagwa)," Dr Banda said.

He said the UPND leaders and their president Hakkaide Hichilema feel pity for Zambia because of the suffering they were being subjected to in their own country.

Dr Banda said Zambia was a rich country but that the current leadership was abusing resources.

And Mwape said it was sad that Zambians had no freedom in their own country.

"Our parents fought with the colonialists so that we are liberated. They fought for our freedoms and that we should be coming up with our own rules. Now what is shocking is that this freedom has been taken away from us. In areas like Lusaka, what is happening [is that] there is nothing good. Those who are saying 'we are in government' are behaving like the vigilantes in the UNIP era such that when they see a woman wearing

red, they either kill her or strip her naked," Mwape, the former Republican vice-president, said.

He said it was sad that police officers were no longer protecting Zambians.

"I have pictures in the phone (of violent activities) that you cannot look at twice. Our President is not stopping these bad acts, which are happening. When we ask him about what is

happening, the President gives us answers as if he is talking to young ones - 'no, it's just politics'. Killing people is not politics," said Mwape who further wondered why President Lungu had allowed security officers to be enemies of the people in the country.

Chipata businessman Johabie Mtonga said Zambians would cry if they give PF another term of office.

Andrew Banda, Rupiah Banda's son, said Zambians should replace PF with UPND so that they could have a better future.

At the same meeting, Dr Banda introduced UPND Chipata mayoral candidate Musa Gear Nyirenda, Kasenengwa candidate Dr Faustin Sitima Banda and the party's local government candidates.



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# We will fight until we rescue Zambia from this dictator - HH

dictatorship is that which is done in the name of democracy, fooling people that the party in power respects the rule of law when in the night, state agents are beating up people, beating up ECZ officials, shooting people at campaign rallies," Hichilema said.

He said the PF was using guns to shut critics up.

"This is dictatorship through a fake democratic process. We have seen how Lungu has declared himself winner of a fraudulent election through the barrel of a gun. PF criminals mobilized themselves with the help of foreigners to manipulate the electoral process. They could not afford to face their loss in this election because of the criminality they have been involved in," said Hichilema.

"For us, it's not over, our lawyers are already in court because there is evidence to prove that this was a fraudulent election."

And speaking to journalists shortly after ECZ chairperson justice Esau Chulu declared President Edgar Lungu winner of last Thursday's election at Mulungushi International Conference Centre yesterday, Mwiimbu said the party would petition the results in court.

"We are not speaking from without, we have the evidence. We would like to tell the nation that the law is very clear. Once we commence the process tomorrow (today),

before the end of the day, the constitutional provisions of this country will take route. When there is a petition, someone else is going to be acting president of this country until elections are held. We are not going to allow impunity in this country. This country is for all of us. This is a very sad day for this country," Mwiimbu said.

"We are so ashamed that we can have an electoral commission that colludes with a particular party, that is not what we wanted when we put those people in power. We never thought that such travesty of the law could take place here. There's a failure of understanding of the laws of this country by people whom we assume to be knowledgeable. We cannot allow travesty of justice in this country. We are resolved and we will not be constrained by anybody. We will protect democracy."

He said the presidential election petition would run concurrently with the judicial process that would be heard this Wednesday.

"I also want to make mention that last night we commenced a judicial process, the court has already given us leave to commence a judicial process. This matter will be heard on Wednesday (tomorrow) in the morning and concurrently, we are petitioning the results of this election," he said.

Mwiimbu cited some examples of how the PF rigged the



UPND leader Hichilema, his vice-president Geoffrey Mwaamba and Nevers Mumba at Mulungushi International Conference Centre on Sunday

election.

"The chairperson of the Commission has made a pronouncement as to whom they believe has won these elections. As UPND, we have no doubt in our mind that our candidate Hakainde Hichilema has won these elections. We have a PVT in place which indicates that he has won by more than 53 per cent. The decision has been made by the electoral commission despite the presentations we have

been making to them. You are aware that we raised issues of hacking into the server of the ECZ and we had demanded that the tabulation of results be done manually, they never responded. We did make a request to the Electoral Commission of Zambia to avail us the raw data pertaining to the compilation of results, that was never available," said Mwiimbu.

"We made several representations to them, they

never listened to us. We have evidence to the effect that the votes for Hakainde Hichilema have been deliberately reduced in collusion with the ECZ. Just a few minutes ago, ECZ announced with impunity that Hakainde Hichilema in Kanyama constituency got 30,000 votes when in fact he got 32,000 votes. We have seen that there is a pattern of reducing the votes for Hakainde Hichilema. We have the evidence.



# Lungu will kill more Zambians if a rerun Hichilema

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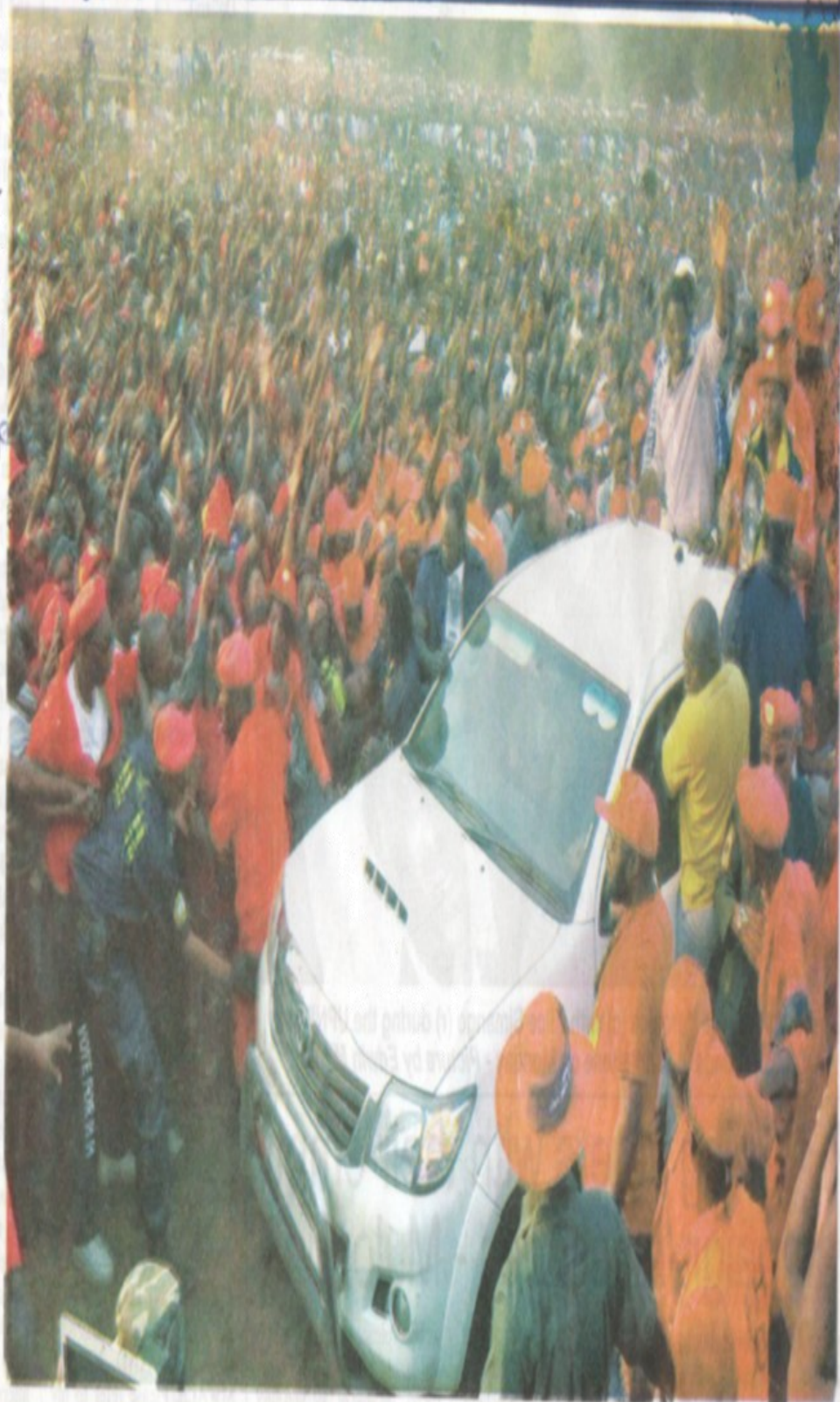
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UPND presidential candidate Hichilema arrives at Villa grounds in Livingstone for a political campaign rally on Monday - Picture by Edwin Mbulo