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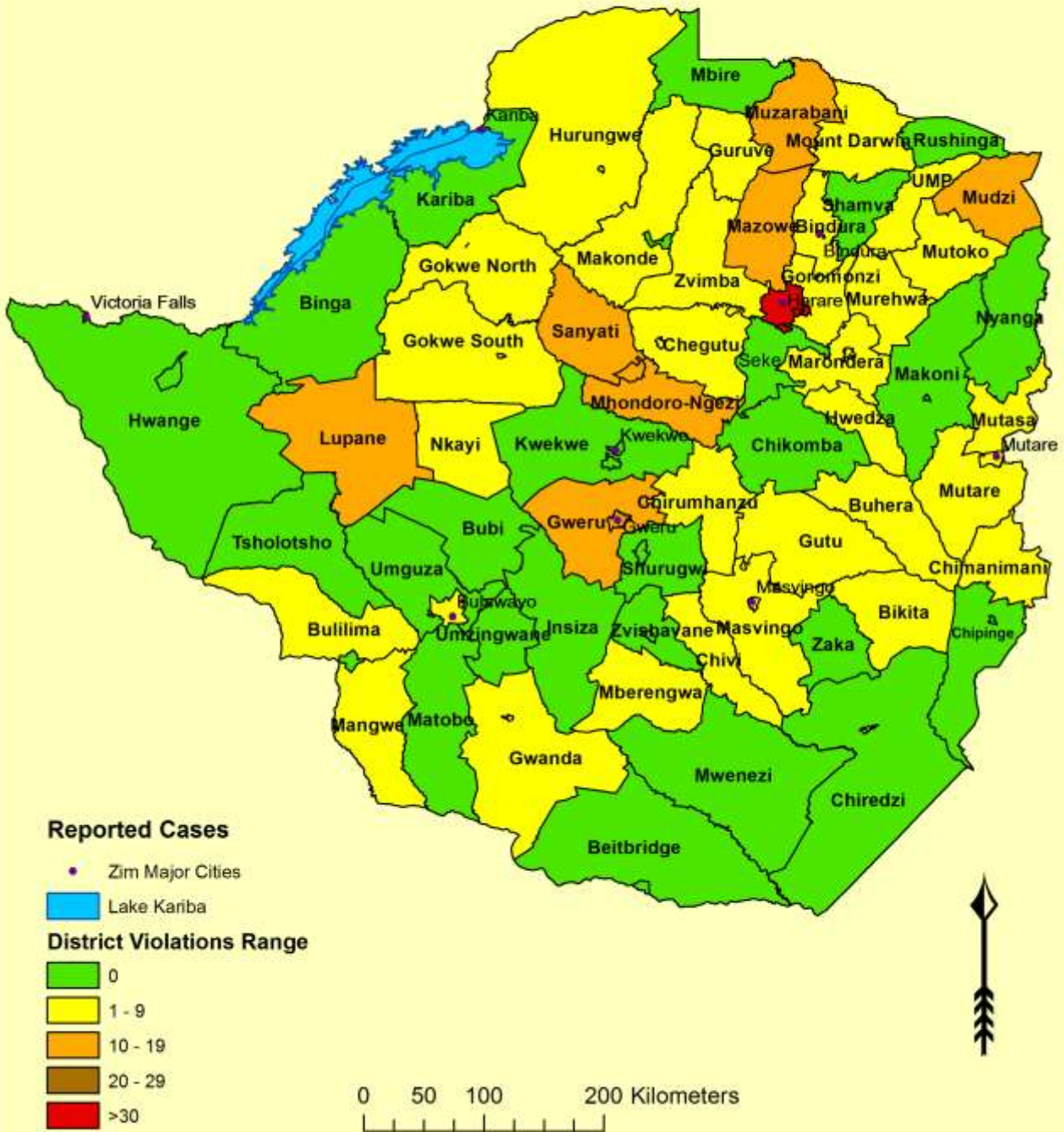


JULY 2017

**Of coalitions and interfaces
Monthly Monitoring Report**

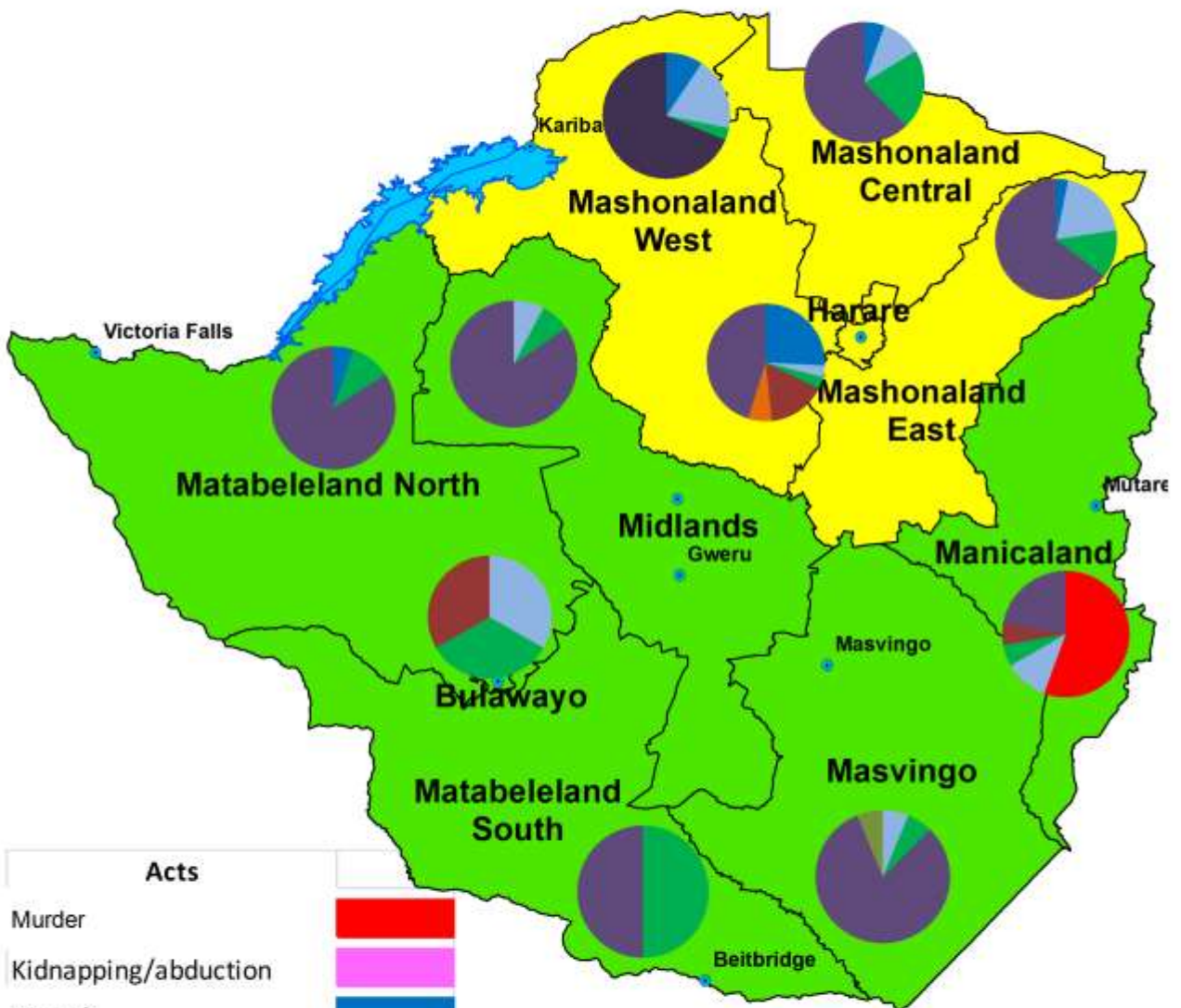


July 2017 District Violations Map

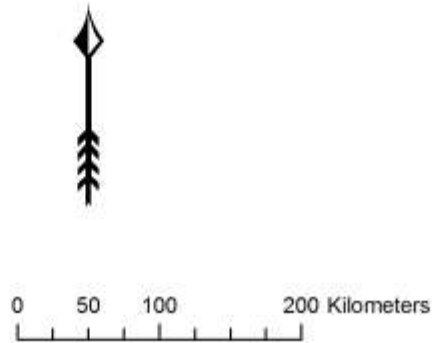




July 2017 Provincial Violations Map



Acts	
Murder	Red
Kidnapping/abduction	Pink
Assault	Blue
Theft/looting	Light Blue
Discrimination	Green
MDP	Brown
Unlawful Detention	Orange
Intimidation /harassment	Purple
Banned Political Party Mtg	Yellow
Disrupted Political Mtg	Olive Green



Reported Cases

●	Zim Major Cities
■	Lake Kariba
Violation Range	
■	<30
■	30 - 60
■	61 - 90
■	>90





EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

There has been nearly 50% increase in the number of human rights violations from 150 in June to 223 in July, as reported by Zimbabwe Peace Project (ZPP). This is owing to a wide array of human rights violations ranging from the right to life, political rights, right to personal security, freedom of association, freedom from arbitrary eviction, property rights and the right to food among others. Cases of theft and looting reached their highest in April when 26 cases were recorded. The numbers dropped to 18 in May, 10 in June and this month they rose notably to 23.

The violations reported in July stand out in that it is reported 10 artisanal miners lost their lives in clashes with security agents and security guards. In Mutare West and Chiadzwa conflict around the extraction of diamonds and gold has been brewing for a long time and continues to take a toll on human life. High unemployment has resulted in conflicts worsening as more people resort to artisanal mining as a means of making a living.

ZanuPF persists as the party with the highest number of perpetrators of violence. In June ZanuPF was responsible for 72.5 % of violations and the percentage reduced to 61.1 in July Zimbabwe Republic Police (ZRP) is second and responsible for 24.2% of violations compared to 18.5% in June. The total number of victims reduced from 1392 (597 females and 795 males) to 1184 (438 females, 708 males and 38 unknown). However, it is the adverse with perpetrators as the numbers increased. There were 342 perpetrators in June and the number has inclined upwards to 435 in July.

The period under review was dominated by violations that rooted partly from the presidential youth interface rallies and preparations for Heroes Day commemorations. Heroes Day is one of the events that has been highly politicised with ZanuPF supporters taking responsibility of mobilising people and resources for the day. Heroes Day is commemorated in August annually and in weeks leading ZanuPF party members and lower level office bearers have been known to coerce citizens to pool resources in their different localities. Presidential youth interface rallies and preparations for Heroes Day commemorations led to a

ABOUT ZPP

The organisation was founded in 2000 by church-based and human rights organisations. The current members of ZPP are Evangelical Fellowship of Zimbabwe (EFZ), Zimbabwe Council of Churches (ZCC), Catholic Commission for Justice and Peace in Zimbabwe (CCJPZ), Counselling Services Unit (CSU), Habakkuk Trust, Zimbabwe Human Rights Association (ZimRights), Civic Education Network Trust (CIVNET), Zimbabwe Lawyers for Human Rights (ZLHR) and Women's Coalition of Zimbabwe (WCoZ).

ZPP was established with the objective of monitoring, documenting and building peace and promoting the peaceful resolution of disputes and conflicts. The peace project seeks to foster dialogue and political tolerance through non-partisan peace monitoring activities, mainly through monitors who document the violations of rights in the provinces.

The monitors, who at full complement stand at 420, constitute the core pool of volunteers, supported by three Regional Coordinators. The Regional Coordinators relate with the national office headed by the National Director and programme officers in various units.

sharp hike of cases of intimidation and harassment from 85 in June to 141 in July.

This month ZPP received reports that government employees and business people were forced to contribute money from 50 cents upwards. In a circular that ZPP is in possession of, information was disseminated to different government stakeholders. On 21 July, Guruve District Schools Inspector, Phineas Dambudzo, convened a meeting with 86 school heads and instructed them to contribute money towards Heroes Day commemorations. See Annexure 1 for the circular sent to teachers.

Fundraising is an ongoing exercise for presidential youth interface rallies. Citizens who have been coerced to contribute \$1 in Chakari and Sanyati have been told that the money is meant for transporting people to and from the presidential youth interface rally slated for Chinhoyi. In previous rallies, for instance in Marondera and Lupane, those that went against their will have reported that no food was served; they were deserted and left to find their own way back home after the rally.

Numerous human rights violations have been propelled by presidential youth interface rallies. Students have





been forced to attend rallies forgoing classes resulting in right to education being violated. At the Lupane rally that was held at Somhlolo Stadium about eight schools were forced to ensure attendance of students. The schools Mabhikwa, Jotsholo and Fatima secondary schools, Lupane, Mtshibini, Kusile, and Roman Catholic primary schools. Civil and political rights have also been violated, in particular the right to freedom of association and assembly when people are forced to attend the ZanuPF rallies. ZPP recorded 34 incidences of this nature.

Some statements at the rallies have been noted to have the potential of inciting political violence. At the rally in Matabeleland North, President Robert Mugabe said, “...there are groups that move around beating people. No, that is not our way of doing things. If you see them, give them the punishment they deserve. Do not even wait for the police to come.” Other statements have incited a fresh wave of farm invasions by ZanuPF youths as the President continues to encourage the youths to take back land. For instance on 2 June at the Marondera rally President Mugabe said, “We are going to take those farms and re-distribute to our youths, some of whom did not benefit from the land reform programme.” At another presidential youth interface rally that was held in Masvingo on 30 June ZanuPF secretary of youth affairs, Kudzanai Chipanga urged President Mugabe to make land available in the province for the youth.

Village heads and other community leaders continue to contribute to the upward surge of human rights violations. This report has cases of people threatened with eviction for deviating from supporting ZanuPF. In Binga North, Sanyati, Chiwundura, Muzarabani South, Mazowe West and Mudzi North community leaders are on record threatening those in the opposition with eviction if they do not support or vote for ZanuPF.

Food violations slightly increased with 25 recorded during the month of July from 18 recorded the previous month. The highest were recorded in Matabeleland North (7) and Mashonaland Central (6). ZanuPF officials usually take charge of food aid distribution and take advantage of power and side-line those with divergent views. Harare, Mashonaland East and Central recorded medium threat levels while the rest of the

provinces remained low. Harare, Mashonaland East and Central owe their rankings to the violation of freedom to demonstrate and petition compounded by cases of intimidation and harassment as well as discrimination.

In July there were socio economic rights violations where school administrators have continued to bar pupils from attending classes based on the parents’ inability to pay school fees in full. Schools that have turned away learners include Kapotesa, Nharira, Forrester J P and St Nicholas primary schools. Schools continue to expel students despite that mid-year examinations are underway. Some school heads have been accused of even turning away exam classes like grade sevens. According to the Zimbabwe Vulnerability Assessment Committee (ZimVac) 2017 Rural Livelihoods assessment, 63% of learners in rural areas have been turned away for failure to pay school fees. With such huge figures Zimbabwe faces challenges of realising the Sustainable Development Goals and in the case of primary education the stance is ultra vires section 75 (1) (a) which provides for a basic state funded education.

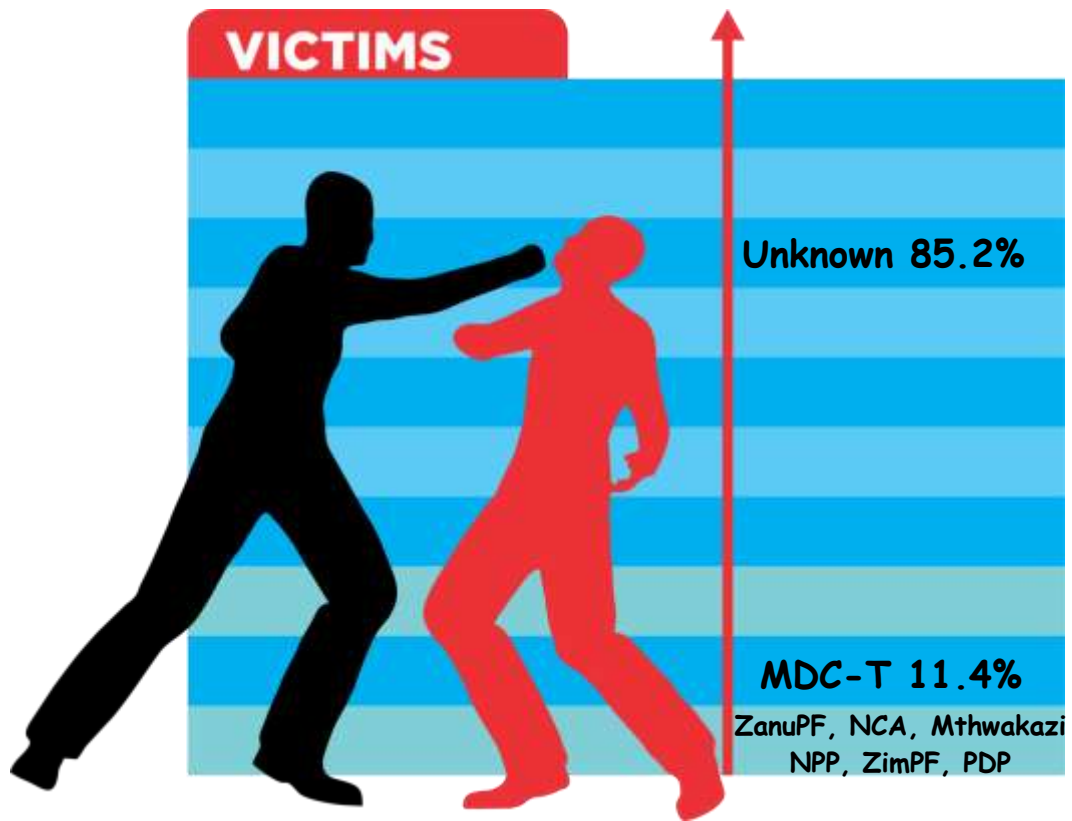
DATA GATHERING

ZPP long-term community based human rights monitors, who observe and record cases of human rights violations in the constituencies they reside. ZPP deploys a total of 420 community-based primary peace monitors (two per each of the 210 electoral constituencies of Zimbabwe). The monitors compile reports that are handed over to ZPP Coordinators who man the different ZPP regional offices in the ten administrative provinces of Zimbabwe. Upon receipt and verification of the reports from the monitors, the Coordinators compile provincial monthly monitoring reports, which are then consolidated at the national office into the ZPP Monthly Monitoring Report. This report contains some of the violations recorded by ZPP, the organisation has a data base with the rest of the injustices and gladly shares it with interested stakeholders.

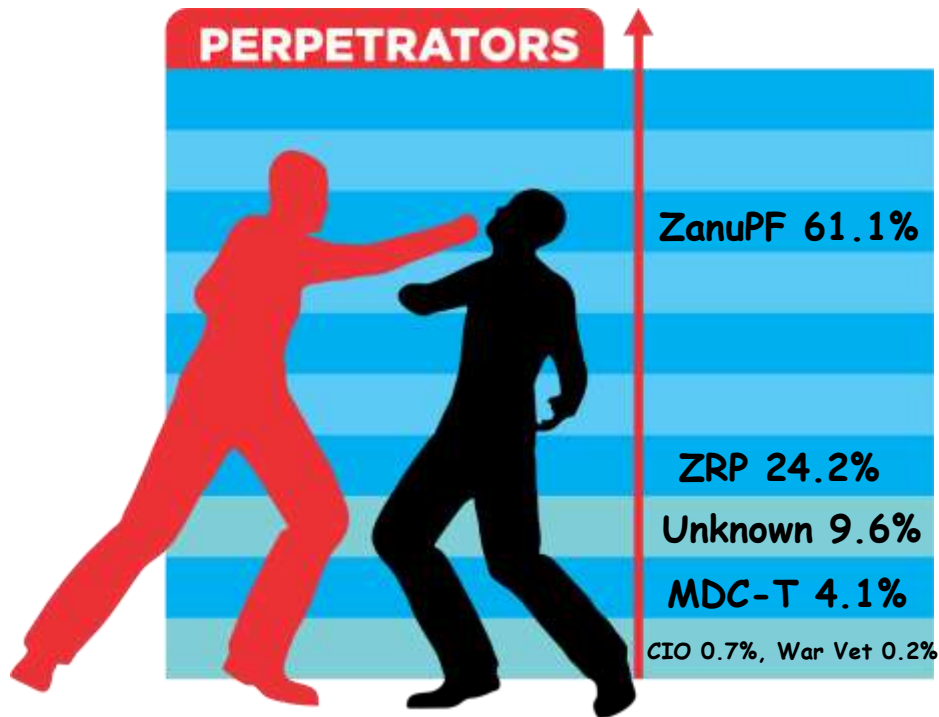




The Dashboard: Incident Statistics at a Glance

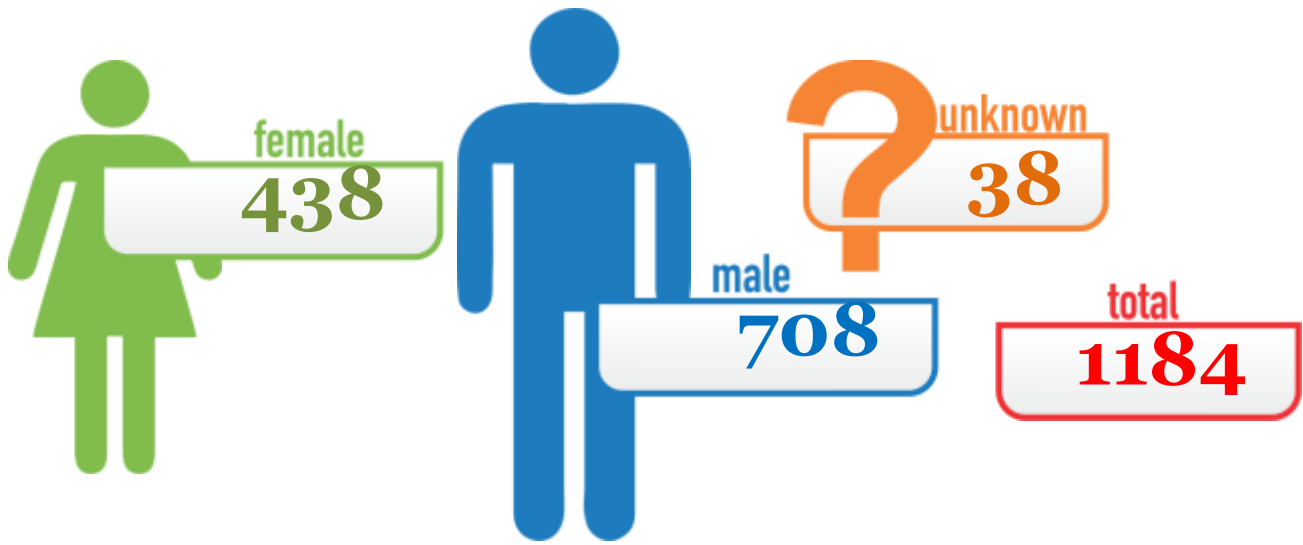


ZanuPF 2.1%, NCA 0.7%, Mthwakazi 0.3%, NPP 0.2%, ZimPF 0.1% and PDP 0.1%

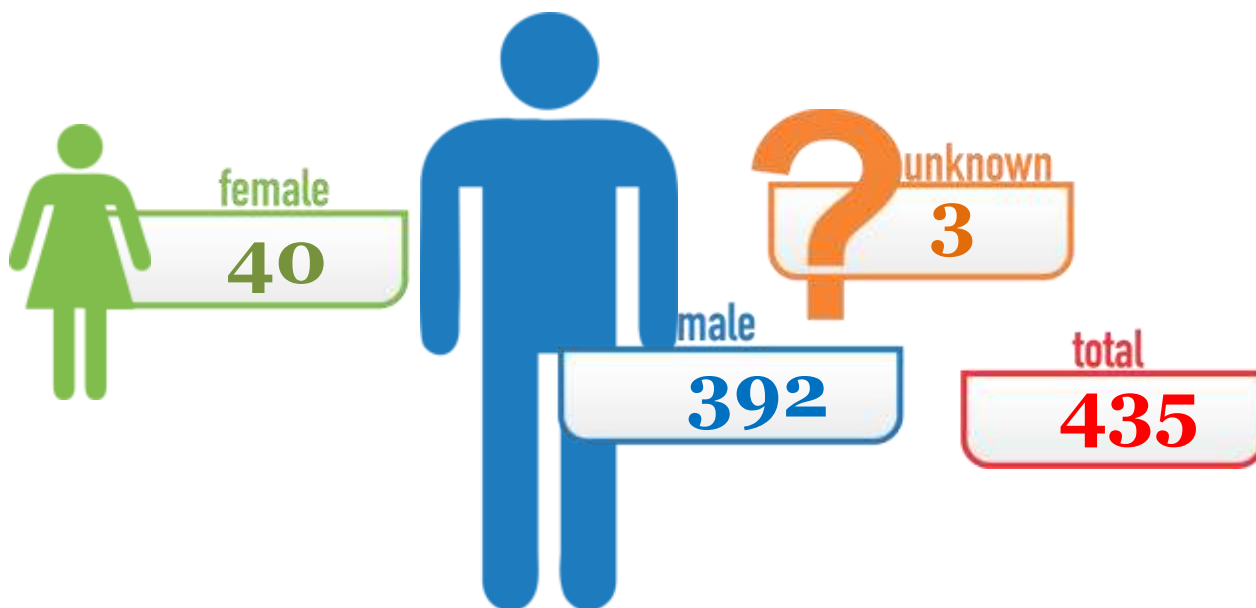




Analysis of Violence Victims by Gender



Analysis of Violence Perpetrators by Gender





Recorded Intra-Party Violations

Province	MDC-T	ZANUPF	MDC-N	ZimPF	PDP	Total
Bulawayo	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harare	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manicaland	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mash Central	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mash East	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mash West	0	0	0	0	0	0
Masvingo	0	5	0	0	0	5
Mat North	0	1	0	0	0	1
Mat South	0	0	0	0	0	0
Midlands	0	1	0	0	0	1
Overall Total	0	7	0	0	0	7

7 intra party violations were recorded for ZanuPF only for July

Distribution of violence by type across provinces

ACTS	Midlands	Byo	Mat. South	Mat. North	Masvingo	Manicaland	Harare	Mash. East	Mash. West	Mash. Central	TOTAL
Murder	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	10
Rape/Sexual Harassment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kidnapping/abduction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assault	0	0	0	1	0	0	9	1	3	2	16
Theft/looting	2	1	0	0	1	2	1	6	6	4	23
Discrimination	2	1	2	2	1	1	1	4	1	8	23
MDP	0	1	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	7
Torture	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unlawful Detention	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
Intimidation /harassment	22	0	2	20	13	4	15	20	22	23	141
Displacement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Attempted Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Attempted Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Banned Political Party Mtg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disrupted Political Mtg	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	26	3	4	23	16	18	33	31	32	37	223

Harassment and intimidation cases increased to 141 in July, followed by Discrimination and Theft/looting which each recorded 23, and Assault with 16. Of interest ten Murders were recorded in July. Mashonaland Central had the highest recorded violations in July with 37, followed by Harare with 33, Mashonaland West with 32, and Mashonaland East with 31





Provincial Highlights



It was reported that on 18 July at the People’s Democratic Party (PDP) Information Centre, in ward 7 of Makokoba, seven suspected MDC-T youths raided the centre and destroyed files belonging to PDP. It is alleged that the youths who included Admire Kashiki, Ian Gombeza, Kenneth Moyo and Homes Mtungwazi had intended to set the information centre ablaze. Police arrived while the MDC-T youths were still destroying documents and apprehended them. Of late, police officers have been seen patrolling the area.

In ward 3 of Bulawayo East it was reported that a man only identified as Mberengwa and known to be the Residents Association secretary, denied residents food aid in unclear circumstances. Community members had gathered around 1pm on 20 July at Mahatshula shopping centre anticipating to receive their monthly food aid under a drought relief food aid programme. As the food was distributed, it is said that Mberengwa denied various individuals telling some of them that their names were not appearing on the list of beneficiaries.



On 22 July in Harare along Churchill Road in Alex Park, while police were manning a speed trap one police officer threw a spike at a moving vehicle. This caused the driver to lose control and veer off the road hitting the University of Zimbabwe iron wall. There were adults and a child barely four years old in the vehicle. Four people were injured and two of them sustained fractures. The affected family filed a complaint with the police department but was instead charged with negligent driving and informed that they should have driven over the spikes instead of evading them.

In Chitungwiza South ward 23 it is alleged that there is a house popularly known as Damara that ruling party youths have turned into a terror base targeting opposition activists. ZanuPF youth Chairperson Peter Anusa, Timmy Chitembwe, Cephas, Charles aka Mbombo, Tinashe Chitsere, Robert, Reza are some of the people known to spend time at the supposed terror base. It is also reported that at this base opposition supporters are detained, questioned, assaulted and also have their regalia burnt. In June youths from this terror base were accused of assaulting an MDC-T supporter who was on her way to a rally and destroying property belonging to another MDC-T deputy organising secretary of women’s assembly from Chitungwiza. There are allegations of drug dealing associated with the said house.

After participating in a University of Zimbabwe (UZ) medical student’s demonstration against fees hike on 26 June, UZ political science student Fanuel Kaseke was allegedly abducted by unidentified state agents on his way home in Unit A Chitungwiza ward 22 on 28 June. He was found unconscious in Mbare on 5 July. Kaseke says he was assaulted, tortured and questioned on his involvement in the demonstration. He was made to drink an unspecified liquid and thereafter fell unconscious. His whereabouts were unknown for a week and his case was reported to Chitungwiza Police Station (RRB3190902).

Category of incident		July 2017	June 2017
Assault	↓	0	1
Theft/looting	↑	1	0
Discrimination	↓	0	1
MDP	→	1	1
Intimidation/harassment	→	1	1





When contacted by ZPP, Kaseke asserted that he had been advised not to entertain interviews regarding his ordeal as this may regress his psychological recovery.

Leadership conflicts within the Nehanda Housing Co-operative resulted in house demolitions, malicious damage to property and several families evicted from Dzivarasekwa extension Rainham farm Masuka area (ward 40). There was a vote of no confidence in ZanuPF Chairperson Never Kowo, vice chairperson Andrew Marauka and committee members Charles Matapo and Jotamu Nkala who were accused of corruption. A new committee was elected but the former Kowo led committee was disgruntled. On 7 July a gang of approximately 30 ZanuPF party youths was mobilised to demolish all structures built on stands allocated by the new committee. Many families were evicted and their property destroyed. The matter was reported to the police (RRB5226520).



*One of the houses that was destroyed as a result of the conflict
(photo by ZPP)*

In Harare Central Business District, anti-riot police threw teargas canisters and used water cannons to disperse MDC-T supporters during a demonstration against the Zimbabwe Electoral Commission (ZEC) on 12 July. The demonstration was meant to pile pressure on ZEC to implement reforms that include increasing registration centres in urban areas, de-politicization of the election governing body, removal of proof of residence as a requirement for voter registration and immediate commencement of voter education on biometric voter registration. Anti riot police were stationed at ZEC premises blocking the petitioners from entering the premises. Several people were injured trying to avoid tear smoke and evading physical attacks by the police.

Suspected ZanuPF activists were accused of setting alight an MDC-T youth assembly vehicle around 1am at Kuwadzana 2 car park in ward 37. This incident followed an MDC-T demonstration against Zimbabwe Electoral Commission (ZEC) that was held in Harare Central Business District (CBD) on 12 July. The vehicle had conducted several trips ferrying MDC-T youths to participate at the demonstrations against ZEC. The MDC-T representative for defense and security, Tafadzwa Chirombe, confirmed that after running party errands he parked the vehicle. It is alleged that unidentified Zanu PF members sneaked into the car park and razed the vehicle engine and seats to ashes. Chirombe confirmed that he received a message from the guard at the car park and rushed to the scene where he found guards putting out fire and the fire brigade arrived and extinguished the fire although the damage had been done. The police were notified of the incident and it was recorded under RRB 3220680R2 and scheduled for further investigations.



MDC-T youth assembly vehicle that was burnt in the wee hours of 13 July (photo by ZPP)

It is reported that at Nharira Primary School in Mbare ward 12, school authorities turned away pupils with outstanding tuition fees on 17 July. The schoolhead Stella Dhlakama went into grades six and seven classes where pupils owing fees were instructed to leave the school premises. Dhlakama is reported to have threatened to conduct the same process when pupils commence mid-year examinations. Three school employees were stationed at the gate restricting entry to





pupils without proof of payment.

In Kuwadzana 5, ward 38 unknown assailants invaded the home of MDC-T Kuwadzana councillor Winston Janjazi on 19 July at midnight resulting in malicious damage of property. Janjazi reported that at midnight the assailants destroyed the perimeter wall and damaged several windows at his home. An attempt to break into the house was unsuccessful as Janjazi's wife screamed to alert neighbours and that is when assailants escaped in two unidentified vehicles. The case was reported to Kuwadzana 2 Police Station under (RRB 3220779) although no perpetrators have been identified.



The people that attacked Janjazi's house were not identified as they attacked during the night (photos by ZPP)

In an incident recorded in Harare central, on 19 July unknown assailants invaded Duriro bar owned by MDC-T Vice President Elias Mudzuri resulting in malicious damage to property. Mudzuri reported that at around 2am the assailants broke in through the wall surrounding the premises and burnt a gazebo. Fire fighters came in to extinguish the fire but property worth thousands of dollars was destroyed including fridges, television sets, chairs, tables and phones. Mudzuri confirmed the

assailants also stole money. The matter was reported to Harare Central Police under case number IR072242PE4.



It's alleged that goods were looted before the gazebo was set ablaze (photo by ZPP)

An MDC-T activist *Byron Zuze was assaulted by ZanuPF youths after he was spotted wearing MDC-T regalia in Mbare, ward 3 on 25 July. Zuze was stopped on his way to the market by a gang of five ruling party youths led by Changara well known as Chairman. Zuze was taken to ZanuPF offices where he was assaulted and left unconscious close to Mbare police station. MDC-T youth representative for defence and security Tafadzwa Chirombe arranged for him to receive treatment at a local private clinic. The case was reported at Mbare police station (RRB 3204696). Changara who has been implicated in this attack was associated with vandalizing Ngaritutwe bottle store and assaulting MDC-T members in a case that is still under investigation since March.





Human Rights Violations MONTHLY MONITORING REPORT JULY 2017



ZPP is dismayed by the increasing cases of the violation of freedom of expression (photo by ZPP)

Category of incident		July 2017	June 2017
Assault	↔	9	9
Theft/looting	↑	1	0
MDP	↑	5	3
Intimidation/harassment	↑	15	5
Kidnapping/abduction	↓	0	1
Unlawful detention	↔	2	2



In Chimanimani East ward 13 Manase village head, Golden Manase, allegedly ordered villagers to each donate 50 cents towards Heroes Day commemorations. On 8 July *Peter Ruhanya of MDC-T and Allan Mashava expressed disapproval citing that such programmes are supposed to be sponsored by the government. It was then reported that Manase told them that he was working with orders of the acting District Administrator Lloyd Kasima.

It was reported that on 10 July in ward 19 Haikuimwe Primary School in Buhera Central, food aid was distributed along partisan lines. Murambinda Social Services department left rice to be distributed to villagers at ward level. However, it is alleged that one ward 19 ZanuPF councillor Sailas Vadzenenga took responsibility of the distribution and only gave the food to ZanuPF members. Those known to belong to MDC-T were denied food aid.

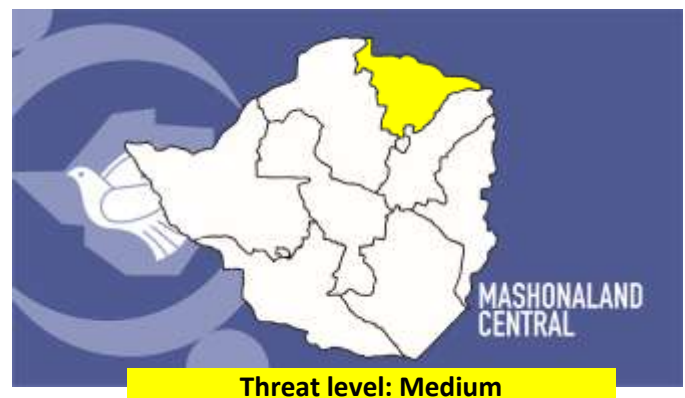
It is alleged that people that have been living in Mutare North, Nyarurwe Mountains since 2012 had their houses destroyed and burnt on 12 July. The instruction to destroy their homes was said to have been given by newly installed Chief Hama Marange. Chief Marange instructed his aides to evict the residents citing environmental degradation as the reason for them to move. The chief is alleged to have said that people were

degrading his grandparents' heritage.

In Mutasa South on 22 July, the Mutasa District Administrator, Tendai Kapenzi, was allegedly demanding Heroes Day contributions from civil servants. According to the Manicaland Amalgamated Teachers Union leader Obert Masaraure, the District Administrator for Mutasa District wrote a letter requesting contributions towards the Heroes Day commemorations. It was alleged that according to the letter from Kapenzi schoolheads are to pay \$3, teachers and other officers pay \$2, office orderlies pay \$1, villagers pay 50 cents, A1 farmers pay \$3, A2 farmers pay \$10 and small holder farmers also pay \$10.

In Mutare West, Chiadzwa mining area, it was reported that ten diamond panners were murdered in July. One of the deaths was recorded after a group of over 200 panners were shot at by police and Zimbabwe Consolidated Diamond Company (ZCDC) security officers. It is alleged that police and ZCDC security officers at Chiadzwa diamond fields tried to intercept a group of artisanal miners during an operation by the security personnel, which was clamping down on what they termed illegal miners at the site. Farai Maguwu, Director of Centre for Natural Resource Governance confirmed the incidents to ZPP.

Category of incident		July 2017	June 2017
Theft/looting	↑	2	1
Discrimination	↓	1	3
MDP	↓	1	4
Intimidation/harassment	↓	4	10
Displacement	↓	0	2
Forced to attend meetings	↓	0	5
Murder	↔	10	0





At plot number 26 Mutorazeni farm ward 28, ZanuPF Member of Parliament (MP) for Muzarabani South, Christopher Chitindi, allegedly threatened farmers with eviction from their plots if they do not join ZanuPF party structures and attend meetings. On 1 July, Chitindi instructed party chairpersons, councillors and elected village heads on farms to mobilize people to attend a party meeting. Chitindi is alleged to have said that those farmers who inherited farms previously owned by whites and are not supporting ZanuPF must be evicted. He also added that some people were prone to lose their land ahead of harmonized elections. Chitindi also blamed party councillors for allowing NGOs and opposition party activities in the area.

In Mazowe West at Highwood shopping centre ward 12, ZanuPF councillor Peter Chinyoka allegedly addressed residents and threatened that if they do not attend ruling party meetings they will lose their homes, land and residential stands. This is reported to have happened on 4 July. He is also alleged to have said they are keeping an eye on all the people not attending ruling party meetings ahead of the 2018 elections.

A Salvation Army pastor was allegedly threatened with eviction by suspected members of the Central Intelligence Office for allowing a Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) to conduct a workshop at Kakora church without notifying the police. On 5 July unidentified state agents went to *Maurice Chuma's homestead in Mazowe Central, Jekera village in ward 10 at around 10am and questioned him on why he gave one woman's organisations permission to convene a workshop at Salvation Army Kakora. Chuma was accused of dabbling in politics hence he was warned to desist from politics to evade eviction from the village.

It is alleged that on 5 July in Mazowe North at Mvurwi Primary School ward 4, schoolhead Richard Mudavanhu sent away pupils with outstanding tuition fees. Pupils were told not to report to school until the school authorities had received payment. This initiative was reported to be disruptive to pupil's preparation for mid-year examinations.

It is alleged that ZanuPF district chairperson Anyway Marikeza told *Clara Bedzi that, she would not get a residential stand in Bindura when President Robert

Mugabe launches a stands project because her husband *Ephraim Bedzi defected to National People's Party (NPP). Marikeza was quoted saying this on 5 July during a ZanuPF meeting that was held at Chiwaridzo Primary School ward 12 Bindura North.

It is alleged that ZanuPF youths Lovemore Munemo and Rangarirai Kefasi are advocating for the removal of Grafax Holding (Pvt) Ltd Mount Darwin foundation stone that was laid by former Vice President, Joyce Mujuru on 12 July 2007 because she is no longer a ZanuPF member. Munemo and Kafesi have argued that the stone is no longer relevant in Mount Darwin and have issued threats to demolish the headstone if their concerns are not addressed. Munemo and Kafesi reside in Chamagora village ward 15.



The controversial headstone in Mt Darwin (photo by ZPP)

In an incident recorded in Mazowe Central at Kanhukamwe business center ward 9, Zimbabwe Human Rights Association (ZimRights) member *Honest Makonese was intimidated by ZanuPF youths during a meeting with villagers in the area on 8 July. The meeting was hosted to raise human rights awareness and membership recruitment when a gang of ZanuPF youths led by Brian Jonga arrived at the venue, disrupting the proceedings. They accused Makonese of trying to





influence regime change and encouraging villagers to vote for opposition parties. They pushed him around and threatened to assault him if they saw him conducting meetings in the area again. An official from ZimRights confirmed that Makonese is a member of the organisation's national council and that ZimRights was looking into the issue.

ZanuPF Tongogara branch chairperson Steward Musokota summoned residents to a ruling party meeting in Glendale at Rujeko shopping centre in ward 33. It is alleged that at the meeting on 15 July Musokota said all residents not aligned to the ruling party were at risk of losing their farms ahead of the 2018 elections. He told residents to attend ruling party activities to safeguard their properties.

ZanuPF chairperson, Abraham Mhembere, and Bindura South MP, Religious Matangaira, allegedly forced villagers to attend a ZanuPF party meeting in Bindura South ward 12. Mhembere instructed village heads to assemble villagers by 9am on 15 July at Muonwe township but they arrived at 3pm. This initiative left villagers dismayed as they had abandoned their chores to attend the meeting.

In an incident recorded in Mazowe North ward 27, *Prince Mashunga, a grade three pupil was allegedly denied his right to education at Forrester J Primary School on 17 July. Schoolhead Takwana Ngoche and School Development Council chairperson Rhoda Chawawa sent Mashunga home on allegations of outstanding tuition fees. Ngoche and Chawawa have been accused of sending pupils home often and disrupting their preparations for midyear examinations.

In an incident recorded in Mazowe west ward 15 at DRC mining settlements owned by Haid Chatyoka, alleged conflict between anti-riot police and illegal gold miners resulted in violent skirmishes. It is alleged that on 19 July an anti-riot police unit was sent to raid illegal gold miners at a site called DRC. The miners retaliated and attacked police officers with stones and mining tools. Some of the police officers and miners sustained injuries. Police investigations are said to be in progress although no arrests have been made.

It is alleged that on 21 July, Guruve district schools

inspector, Phineas Dambudzo, convened a meeting with 86 school heads instructing them to contribute money towards Heroes day commemorations. Dambudzo said school heads must pay \$3 and teachers a dollar. He also instructed them to attend ZanuPF party meetings and join party structures. This incident was recorded in Guruve North ward 6, at a Better Schools Program in Zimbabwe stand. ZPP is in possession of a circular that was sent out to schools.

Category of incident		July 2017	June 2017
Assault	↑	2	1
Theft/looting	↑	4	1
Discrimination	↑	8	1
Intimidation/harassment	↑	23	14



Threat level: Medium

Residents from Chibvuti farm were forced to gather for a meeting at SeedCo where Councillor Mike Marongedza said he would send his own delegates with the help of branch leaders to register names of those who have ZanuPF membership cards for residential stands. At the meeting that was held on 5 July in Goromonzi West, ward 7 Marongedza said those without ZanuPF cards would not benefit.

Kagonda village head in Uzumba Maramba Pfungwe, Gladmore Nyamukapa forced villagers to buy exercise books for ZanuPF youths. Names of people who would contribute money towards national events, specifically the forth-coming Heroes Day commemorations would be noted in the books. On 6 July residents were each forced to pay 50cents towards Heroes Day commemorations. Nyamukapa told the gathering that the president had given youths powers to crush all those opposed to ZanuPF and would use violent means if necessary. Benard Nyamukapa a delegate during the proceedings, also echoed the same sentiments, and





added that ZanuPF youths were given power and authority by the president to ruthlessly clamp down all opposition movements.

A ZanuPF 2018 elections campaign meeting was held in Svosve communal lands at Masikana shops in Marondera East on 7 July. Ward 19 Councillor Norbert Hwenjere chaired the meeting. MP for Marondera East Jeremiah Chiwetu and Chief Svosve, Kumuziva Sakirayi were also in attendance. Sakirayi announced that if people support opposition parties they would face their fate when elections come. He added that people must emulate him as he only supports ZanuPF. Sakirayi cautioned all opposition party supporters and told them that they were not welcome in Svosve.

Pupils at Saint Nicholas Primary School in Marondera West were turned away from school on 11 July due to school fees arrears. School head John Sithole, and school clerk, Masline Badza, are accused of turning away pupils from grade zero to seven that had not paid tuition fees and/or levy. End of term examination classes were interrupted as they were also sent home.

Chakari and Sanyati residents are being forced to pay \$1 towards a Mashonaland West presidential youth interface rally slated for Chinhoyi. A meeting was held in ward 2 Chiwara business centre and chaired by Councillor Epton Mundandanda who forced residents and business people in the area to contribute money. Mundandanda visited a number of business people operating from Kingchim and Milverton forcing them to contribute. Ward councillors have been given tasks to mobilise resources towards the event from residents and business people.

Mutoko South ZanuPF chairperson Gift Chirova and district committee members collected names of youths who did not have national identity cards. It is alleged that the youths without national identification were to be assisted on condition that they vote for ZanuPF in the coming 2018 elections, while others were told to produce ZanuPF membership cards in order to get assistance. District Registrar Kenneth Mungate was asked to assist youths from Hoyuyu in the registration process. The registrar confirmed the fast track registration to ZPP but denied that the process was

partisan.

Fornius Chingwena the village head of Tizora under Chief Goronga of Mudzi North held a compulsory village meeting on 14 July. It is alleged that during the meeting *Timothy Gwenzi was threatened with eviction by Chingwena who accused Gwenzi of being an MDC-T member because he had failed to attend ZanuPF meetings.

The District Administrator (DA) John Misi of Mudzi district on 21 July ordered all teachers to contribute \$1 toward the Heroes Day commemorations. School heads around Mudzi North collected the money from their staff members. The DA had announced to school heads that teachers who fail to contribute the money will be considered opposition supporters and will be at risk of losing their jobs. It is alleged that all the teachers around Mudzi made the monetary contributions. ZPP contacted a teacher at Denhere High School who requested anonymity and confirmed the incident. He added that since time immemorial teachers in Mudzi are forced to contribute towards national events.

*Ronald Chitsa, an MDC-T member was intimidated and assaulted by Onesimo Matsika, ward 9 ZanuPF chairperson on 22 July. It is alleged that Chitsa was assaulted on allegations of being a bodyguard for MDC-T ward 9 chairperson, Shadreck Mutero. Chitsa was intimidated and assaulted until members of the public at Cherutombo shopping centre came to his rescue. The matter was reported at Cherutombo Police Station under RRB number 274599. In another incident, *Abel Katiyo was also assaulted by Matsika while he was watching soccer at a local bar. The matter was reported to the police under RRB number 2974600. ZPP contacted Mutero and he confirmed the two incidents saying people in Marondera East have been victimised for associating with MDC-T office bearers.

Rongani and Zhuwau 2 villagers in Mudzi North were ordered to contribute \$1 per household by their village heads starting from 23 July. The village heads received instruction that all households should contribute towards national activities and no one will be exempted from the process. It is alleged that the DA John Misi ordered village heads to collect contributions from their areas. The contributions would be channelled towards the





Heroes Day commemorations. Among the village heads conducting forced contributions is Never Kandigomba from Rongani village and Jeremiah Murira from Zhuwau 2 village.

Intimidation/harassment	↑	20	17
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Mudzi West parents were displeased when Kapotesa Primary School pupils were sent home on the day that end of term examinations were supposed to start (24 July). It is alleged that Farai Kufakwemba, the School Development Committee (SDC) chairperson ordered school authorities to turn away pupils who had tuition and levy arrears. More than half of the pupils are said to have failed to sit for their end of term examinations. Kufakwemba and Jonathan Chikono, the school head, did not entertain payment plans as parents came to negotiate with the school authorities.



Tobias Kuvarega is sending ZanuPF youths to threaten Keith Kashumba, an acting school head at St Anthony Zvidhuri Primary School in Hwedza South. It is alleged that Kashumba was accused by Kuvarega of being an MDC-T activist after Kuvarega was served with a suspension order by the Ministry of Education on allegations of improper association with schoolgirls. Kashumba filed the complaint. In a bid to avenge, Kuvarega circulated rumours that Kashumba is an MDC-T activist. Kashumba has since been constantly threatened by ZanuPF youths.

ZanuPF supporters threatened the Chitakatira family after accusing them of being opposition supporters. It is alleged that at the funeral of Chidochashe Chitakatira on 11 July, ZanuPF ward 9 shadow councillor Edmore Chirikure accused and verbally threatened the family for being sell-outs because MDC-T ward 9 councillor Edward Dzeka was asked to give a speech during the burial ceremony. The family was told that they would not benefit from upcoming ZanuPF projects in Pfupajena, Chegutu West.

The DA of Uzumba Maramba Pfungwe, Clemence Masawi sent a notice on 24 July requesting contributions from all government departments in the area. Government workers in different ministries are being forced to contribute towards the Heroes Day commemorations. It is alleged that heads in government departments are being forced to contribute \$2 whilst other government staff have to contribute \$1. The ministry of Rural Development; promotion and preservation of national culture and heritage notified its staff members of the contributions. It is alleged that government workers in the area received a notice that they are supposed to contribute toward the commemorations as well. ZPP is in possession of a copy of the circular and has attached a copy to the report.



MDC-T ward councillor Edward Dzeka addressing mourners at a burial (photo by ZPP)

Category of incident	↑	July 2017	June 2017
Assault	↑	1	0
Theft/looting	↑	6	3
Discrimination	↑	4	3

A group of demonstrating MDC-T youths clashed with ZanuPF youths and a fight broke out while MDC-T youths were demonstrating against poor service delivery and the delay in educating people about the biometric





voter registration process on 17 June. *Peter Nyahuni and *Brian Shava were among the demonstrators at Rimuka in Kadoma West. Tsitsi Mairoso and Tedious Murwira are alleged to have been leading the ZanuPF youths.

Chirebvu villagers were intimidated and threatened by village heads at a village meeting on 17 July. The Hurungwe West 2008 political violence incidents were used to intimidate and threaten local people. Villagers were forced to form and register to be part of cell structures. National identification numbers, names, ages and sex were included in registers and taken to the ZanuPF district chairperson Morgan Masewe’s office. It is alleged that at Chirebvu village, ZanuPF vice chairperson, John Maheya told villagers that the information gathered will be given to the central intelligence office. Village head Peter Masuku chaired the meeting and told the gathered people not to be associated with opposition parties but to only support ZanuPF leadership.

A meeting was held on 18 July to discuss how ZanuPF youths would be allocated pieces of land. At the meeting in Sanyati, Milverton village Stephen Rutsito, a ZanuPF supporter and war veteran, intimidated *Lovemore Shambare, a primary school head. Shambare was recently allocated land at Milverton village but this did not please some ZanuPF members and as a result Rutsito accused Shambare of being an MDC-T activist. It is also alleged that Shambare was told that he would lose the land if he was found supporting opposition parties. Rutsito urged all teachers not to support MDC-T, he told the gathering that all opposition supporters would not benefit in the land allocation program.

A ZanuPF activist from Kutama village in Zvimba South, Dafter Peter, allegedly forced teachers to attend a meeting, which was hosted at Kutama Day Primary School. At the meeting, held on 20 July, he also demanded personal details such as names and national identification numbers. The teachers were forced to form a ZanuPF cell structure. It is alleged that Dafter warned teachers that the 2018 elections will be a tough and perilous time for MDC-T and other opposition parties.

On 28 July Chegutu East ZanuPF chairperson, Fanuel Makamure, is alleged to have been forcing people to

attend the presidential youth interface that was held in Chinhoyi. Makamure ordered that every household should send a family representative to witness the rally. It is alleged that households were forced to fund village representatives to the youth interface rally each contributing \$1. Makamure is said to have threatened villagers as he used a village register to take details of people who were going to attend the rally and those who had contributed a \$1.

ZanuPF chairperson in Rusvingo district in Zvimba West, Reason Alifasi, approached school heads of Kawondera secondary school, Chirau Hall and Kawondera primary schools on 28 July and allegedly ordered them to contribute towards the presidential youth interface rally. The contributions were to be channelled towards ferrying people from Zvimba to Chinhoyi University of Technology. It is said that initially contributions were stipulated at \$5 but owing to the cash crisis the amount was deemed exorbitant. Schoolheads and teachers then agreed to each contribute \$2. School heads also received an instruction from the district school inspector Andrew Matsikiti ordering them to attend the rally in Chinhoyi.

A Methodist Church in Zimbabwe diocese in Chinhoyi quarterly gathering was disrupted after police denied the congregation a clearance for their scheduled meeting saying it clashed with the presidential youth interface rally. It is alleged that the meeting which was being held in the church premises was disrupted by police then a church steward, *Tinaye Zindove, was sent by church elders to negotiate with the officer in charge at Chinhoyi central police station. It alleged that the meeting later on proceeded. Vendors were ordered to stop business and also attend the rally.

Category of incident		July 2017	June 2017
Assault	↑	3	1
Theft/looting	↑	6	2
Discrimination	↓	1	5
Unlawful Detention	↓	0	1
Intimidation/harassment	↑	22	4





School heads in Chivi Central were requested to collect Heroes Day contributions from teachers on 6 July. It is alleged that this is said to be an important annual requirement. A register of all those who would have contributed is expected to be submitted at the Chivi District Education Office (DEO). All the money contributed is expected to be submitted at a meeting for school heads on 12 July. The Chivi DEO, Kenias Zendera, circulated this requirement to all school heads.

It was reported that on 17 July in Gutu Central Munangarwa village, *Moven Chishawa a ZanuPF village committee member was intimidated and harassed by Admire Munangarwa. Chishawa and Munangarwa are both said to be eyeing the position of councillor in the 2018 elections on a ZanuPF ticket. It is alleged that Munangarwa said he would set Mutikani’s homestead ablaze if he loses this candidature to him. Munangarwa then allegedly also said if he fails to lend this position he is going to set many homesteads ablaze, including those of people that he suspects to be campaigning for Chishawa.

On 22 July, in Bikita East, it was reported that *Moirra Dunduza a ward 18 junior councillor and form 3 student at Masekai secondary school was forced to attend a ZanuPF rally. She was approached while she was at her home and ordered to attend the ZanuPF rally that was held at Chikuku area. The rally was held to express gratitude toward procurement of new water taps, which were given to a few homesteads by the Bikita East MP, Kennedy Matimba. It is alleged that at the rally Dunduza was also forced to distribute ZanuPF T-shirts.

It is alleged that *Monica Nyahuni was threatened by Howard Madungwe at Chivi Business Centre on 23 July. It was reported that this threat came against the background of Nyahuni having been visited by the

National People’s Party (NPP) leadership comprising of Dzikamai Mavhaire and George Mudombo at her homestead in Gwenyanya village. It is suspected that Mavhaire and Mudombo lured Nyahuni to join the NPP and this did not go down well with Madungwe. Madungwe also accused Mutero of being a spy after it was established that she always attends ZanuPF meetings and is a known member.

On 26 July it was reported that the ZanuPF ward 16 youth chairperson Namiel Gumbu threatened councillor *Emanuel Shumba with unspecified action at a meeting held at Masunda South primary school in Chivi Central. Shumba was accused of worsening divisions in ZanuPF and belonging to Lacoste faction. This meeting is alleged to have been disrupted by the other ZanuPF youths who were suspected to have been hired by Gumbu.

In Chivi Central at Gwenyanya village ward 16, it was reported that Jairos Gwenyanya who is the kraal head threatened *Willard Zinomwe with unspecified action while at a traditional ceremony on 28 July. Gwenyanya said Zinomwe skipped protocol by holding the event without notifying him as kraal head. Gwenyanya went on and said all those who are going to have such activities without notifying him will be regarded as opposition supporters.

Category of incident		July 2017	June 2017
Theft/looting	↓	1	2
Discrimination	→	1	1
Intimidation/harassment	↑	13	4
Disrupted political meeting	↑	1	0



In Binga North, Chief Saba is reported to have called a meeting for village heads at his home for them to





complete monthly allowance forms on 15 July. When over 200 village heads gathered, it is said that Chief Saba verbally attacked MDC-T supporters found in his area and emphasized the need to punish and expel them from his area. At the meeting, it is alleged that Chief Saba officially recalled 43 village heads citing that they were irresponsible and that there are rumors they are supporters of MDC-T. Those accused of supporting the opposition were not given allowance forms. It is alleged that in other platforms the chief has been heard saying that village heads supporting MDC-T will never get their allowances.

ZanuPF youth officer, Mbongeni Mpofo, and other ruling party youths are alleged to have roamed around Lupane Business Centre in Lupane West instilling fear in the residents on 20 July. It is said that they were demanding that villagers attend the youth rally which was expected the next day and ultimately vote for ZanuPF in the 2018 elections without fail.

On 21 July at 10am schools in Lupane were allegedly ordered to close and students and teachers were told to attend the presidential youth interface rally at Somhlolo Stadium in Lupane West. It is said that the directive came from the units of the Ministry of Primary and Secondary Education although it was widely coordinated by ZanuPF youth officers. Some of the schools that were forced to attend include Mabhikwa, Fatima and Jotsholo secondary schools, Lupane,, Mtshibini, Kusile, and Roman Catholic primary schools. Members of the National Youth Service together with students from Kamativi primary marched, chanted and recited ZanuPF slogans as part of their displays.

Pupils from Ndamuleni, Makovula, Silwane, Jibajiba primary schools in Lupane East were left unattended after the teachers were forced to all attend the presidential youth interface rally. The rally disrupted many schools on 21 July as it came at a time when schools were writing mid-year examinations.

It is alleged that war veteran, Bigboy Sibanda, popularly known as Sandlana, threatened different individuals who had attended a Mthwakazi liberation party rally in Nkayi South on 22 July with unspecified punishment. It is reported that this happened at Mpumelelo business

centre.

At Siansundu business centre in Binga North Thedious Mwembe of ZanuPF allegedly assaulted *Mark Maposa as the two were at loggerheads over the organization and coordination of the presidential youth interface rally. Maposa was involved in arranging transport to ferry party supporters to Lupane for the rally on 21 July. However, when the lorry got to Siansundu ward which is Mwembe's strong hold it did not stop for more people. The youths that were left behind and many others teamed up and physically assaulted Maposa for leaving them behind. No police report was made.

Category of incident		July 2017	June 2017
Assault	↑	1	0
Theft/looting	→	0	0
Discrimination	→	2	2
Intimidation/harassment	↑	20	4



Threat level: Low

In Gokwe Chireya Ward 1 at Chireya Business Centre, on 2 July two MPs for Gokwe Kabuyuni and Gokwe Chireya, Leonard Chikomba and Cephas Sindi, called for a youth meeting. It is alleged that this meeting was held to discourage youths from supporting opposition parties. At the same meeting, ZanuPF youths were promised funds to start entrepreneurship projects. When the youths from the two constituencies had gathered, there was alleged victimisation and intimidation of those suspected to be opposition supporters.

On 3 July, it was reported that Mr Mazorodze who stays in South Downs Gweru but owns a grocery shop at Gambiza in Chiwundura was denied access to his business by unidentified ZanuPF youths. Mazorodze allegedly wanted to deliver groceries at his shop, but





was then blocked by ZanuPF youths wearing party regalia accusing Mazorodze of allowing campaigns and using his resources to fund National Constitutional Assembly (NCA) campaigns. NCA National Youth Chairperson, Terrance Mawoneke confirmed the incident and added that the party was aware that MDC-T and ZanuPF supporters were intimidating NCA members. He said that his party was reluctant to report to the police as they are aware that the system is tainted and biased towards ZanuPF. Mawoneke said NCA had successfully engaged MDC-T and called upon the party supporters to stop harassing those supporting NCA.

On 9 July, it was reported that Chiwundura ward 10 villagers were threatened with eviction from their homes if they voted for the opposition parties in the 15 July by-election. The meeting where this was uttered was called by the ZanuPF ward 10 chairperson Mr Albert Chidhakwa and all village heads in attendance. It is alleged that Chidhakwa told the village heads that they should warn everyone in their village that ZanuPF would evict anyone suspected or known to vote for the opposition. The ward chairperson is alleged to have made these direct threats at Muchakata Business Centre. On this day it was also reported that the NCA president, Professor Lovemore Madhuku, visited Gambiza Business Centre where he addressed people to drum up support for the NCA by-election candidate, Takudzwa Guzete. Professor Madhuku castigated the alleged intimidation tactics used by ZanuPF youths. Due to fear of victimisation by ZanuPF supporters, villagers also refused to attend to NCA members who resorted to door-to-door campaigns.

ZanuPF held a campaign rally at Kaguvi Youth Centre in Chiwundura on 9 July. It was reported that Chirumhanzu-Zibagwe legislator, Auxillia Mhangagwa, and former Minister and current ZanuPF Midlands deputy secretary for administration, July Moyo, attended the rally. Allegedly the guest of honour, MP Mhangagwa, told the gathering that going into the by-election villagers must not forget that ZanuPF is the only party that has maintained peace in the country since 1980. It was said that schools and hospitals were built by ZanuPF and to continue doing so the party must win the by-election.

On 10 July, it was reported that NCA wanted to hold

their campaign meeting at Gumbure Primary School in ward 11 but the school authorities denied the party leadership and its supporters access to the school grounds demanding clearance from the police if they wanted to go ahead with their plans. School authorities led by the School Development Association chairperson, Moses Lunga, insisted that they were not going to allow NCA Chiwundura leadership led by its chairperson Fungai Kashiri to use the school grounds without police clearance. After two hours of negotiations the NCA meeting was eventually called off.

In Gokwe Gumunyu at Mvumvurudze primary school it was reported that on 10 July the ZanuPF Gokwe district chairperson, Timothy Pamire, forced teachers to contribute towards Heroes Day commemorations. He told teachers that they were supposed to contribute nothing less than 50 cents. It is alleged that Pamire further said that this exercise was going to run from 10 July to 4 August and teachers who refuse to comply were going to have their names noted. Business people at Gumunyu business centre have also been told to contribute towards the commemorations.

People in Chiwundura were concerned about the increased movement of unmarked vehicles. It is alleged that the vehicles have been seen patrolling most shopping centres and main roads. Owners of these vehicles were not seen talking to any villagers but isolated themselves. As a result of the presence of these mysterious cars, opposition parties were afraid to hold their campaign meetings.

On 11 July, ZanuPF supporters went around Chiwundura telling every villager to attend the 12 July star rally in their numbers. The ruling party youths intimidated people that had no intention of attending the rally. It is alleged that MDC-T youths resolved that they will organize themselves and retaliate to ZanuPF attacks if they are faced with any in the remaining five rallies. The rally on July 12 was jointly addressed by vice president Emmerson Mnangagwa political commissar Saviour Kasukuwere and the ZanuPF candidate in the by election Brown Ndlovu.

It was reported that at Mateza village in Chiwundura, Masvori High in ward 10 on 11 July, three youths covering their faces with masks and wearing MDC-T T-





shirts visited and threatened former ZanuPF ward 10 chairperson, Benjamin Muzondiwa. It is alleged that the youths came to the victim's residence and initially took an empty tin and started beating it making loud noise. It was then reported that when the victim came out to see what was happening, the three youths then confronted Muzondiwa and allegedly told him if ZanuPF wins the coming by-election and the 2018 polls they will come back and deal with him accordingly.

Still in Chiwundura at Muchakata Business Centre it was reported that on 22 July the ZanuPF district chairperson, Nobert Muputa, told party supporters at a meeting that they should adopt a radical approach when dealing with the opposition going into the 2018 polls. It was alleged that Muputa further told the gathering that MDC-T party supporters must be assaulted. He then ordered the ZanuPF members who had attended this meeting to go back to their branches and devise ways of making the MDC-T fear to contest in Chiwundura in 2018. Muputa said he expects feedback on the task during their next meeting scheduled for 3 August 2017.

Category of incident		July 2017	June 2017
Assault	↓	0	3
Theft/looting	↑	2	1
Discrimination	↓	2	4
MDP	↓	0	1
Intimidation/harassment	↑	22	17
Disrupted Political Mtg	↓	0	1

**Names of victims have been changed.*





Food and Other Aid Violations

1/One	1/One	1/One	6/Six	2/Two	0/Zero	1/One	7/Seven	3/Three	3/Three
Bulawayo	Harare	Manicaland	Mashonaland Central	Mashonaland East	Mashonaland West	Masvingo	Matabeleland North	Matabeleland South	Midlands



In Chikanga/Dangamvura at Rujeko Primary, it was reported that on the 14 July at a distribution of Sussex chicks the Manicaland Senator, Judith Mawire, who is also a ZanuPF member allegedly threatened teachers with unspecified action if they failed to ensure success of ZanuPF projects. Mawire is alleged to have added that as the country heads towards 2018 elections, people must be careful not to sabotage ZanuPF projects. On the day, the senator handed over 50 chicks to the school. She said that the chicks were part of the Zimbabwe Agenda for Sustainable Socio-Economic Transformation (ZIMASSET) blueprint.



It is alleged that on 7 July, *Isabel Zarura was stopped from fetching water from a local borehole by ZanuPF chairperson, Susan Mangondo, on allegations of being an National People's Party member. On 7 July Mangondo blocked Zarura on her way to fetch borehole water in Chamagora village, ward 15 of Mt Darwin

South. Mangondo labelled Zarura a sell-out and told her to revert to the ruling party if she intends to continue fetching water at the site.

ZanuPF Muzarabani South acting secretary, George Mutemakungu, allegedly discriminated against MDC-T members at a ward meeting held in Mutemakungu village ward 18 on 8 July. Mutemakungu convened a ward meeting whose objective was submission of names of food aid beneficiaries, preparation for biometric voter registration and identification of ZanuPF traitors. *Victor Midzi and *Onias Chikozho were labelled traitors and were not short-listed as beneficiaries because they are known MDC-T activists. Other ruling party members, Wellington Gweru and Prosper Tsvuura, told opposition supporters to join ZanuPF prior to the 2018 elections if they want to be registered as food aid beneficiaries.

It is alleged that ZanuPF youth, Maxwell Kwanda, and two unidentified ruling party youths went around Amandas villages in Mazowe West ward 5, creating a database for food aid beneficiaries. Kwanda and his team were writing down names, Identity numbers, contacts and addresses of residents in ward 15 on 9 July. Residents were told the information compiled was important for the ruling party to define social welfare department food aid beneficiaries. Many residents raised concerns on the initiative, questioning the credentials of the youths although most villagers still registered.

It is alleged that in Mazowe South ward 16, an MDC-T-activist was denied food aid during a social welfare distribution at Kwayedza farm. ZanuPF Kwayedza branch chairperson Darlington Mbeve distributed food hand-outs to beneficiaries and denied allocating *Emily Nyikadzino, on allegations that she was an MDC-T activist. On 9 July ZanuPF party members were the first to benefit.





It is alleged that an MDC-T activist *Aaron Jena was denied food aid by ZanuPF councillor Onismo Gono during a social welfare food aid distribution in Mazarabani South Nyadukutu business centre ward 3 on 14 July. Gono took over the distribution and omitted Jena's name intentionally because he is an MDC-T activist. This incident left villagers concerned because Jena is 72 years old and is in dire need of food aid.

It is alleged that ZanuPF councillor Samuel Machumi forced villagers to contribute a bucket of maize towards the upcoming Heroes Day commemorations. Machumi ordered village heads to move around Mpinyuri, Nyanhete and Mubaiwa villages collecting maize contributions. This incident was recorded on 23 July in Muzarabani South ward 11.



Chegutu East ZanuPF chairperson Fanuel Makamure threatened and intimidated social welfare beneficiaries at a food distribution point on 12 July with punishment if they did not vote for ZanuPF. The social welfare food distribution targeted food for work beneficiaries, the elderly, people with disabilities and chronically ill community members. Makamure added that his party would punish opposition supporters during the coming 2018 elections. The punishment was not specified.



Seven village heads are forcing people to contribute food to a builder who is constructing teachers' houses at Donzwe Secondary School in Masahwa ward 12 of Mudzi South. Villagers are being forced to contribute a bucket of maize and a bucket of cowpeas until the builder finishes building. Masahwa villagers are not happy with these forced contributions stating that they suspect village heads will take some of the food for themselves. Nyamhanza village head, Rudo Makombe and Nyakutira village head, Howard Bvunzawabaya are among the village heads being accused. Some of the villagers who were forced to contribute are *Jairos Mbizi, *Enoch Mumba and *Joseph Kashumba.



ZanuPF women's league secretary for Masvingo West, Lydia Sigauke, allegedly ordered residents to register for food aid on 5 July in ward 33, King Mine Mashava. During an exercise that should not be executed by a party secretary, Sigauke is said to have announced that those who do not register will be viewed as MDC-T supporters and will be dealt with accordingly when the right time comes.

In Chivi Central at Nyamakwe Business Centre, it was reported that on 18 July ZanuPF supporters, Chiedza Muvengi, Ketai Mafa and Sostina Zivuku discriminated *Kudzanai Ropa at a food distribution. It was alleged that the three denied Ropa rice which was said to have been from the constituency's MP Ephraim Gwanongodza before accusing her of being an MDC-T activist. They are alleged to have said since the rice was





from a ZanuPF legislator, Ropa was not supposed to get anything.

Ncube and *Helen Ndlovu their monthly allocations citing the fact that they do not support ZanuPF.



In Gwanda North at Lumeni village ward 4, it was reported that the village head and a ZanuPF member Aniweli Ncube deprived a group of ten women access to water for watering their vegetable gardens on 6 July. It is said that the community had agreed that the women would use the borehole for watering their vegetables as a means of empowering them so that they can ultimately supply the community with their produce. Ncube barred the women and stated that the borehole was not meant for, “women of limited knowledge who belong to pressure groups clamouring for regime change”. He further made remarks that no one was to use the borehole without his consent.

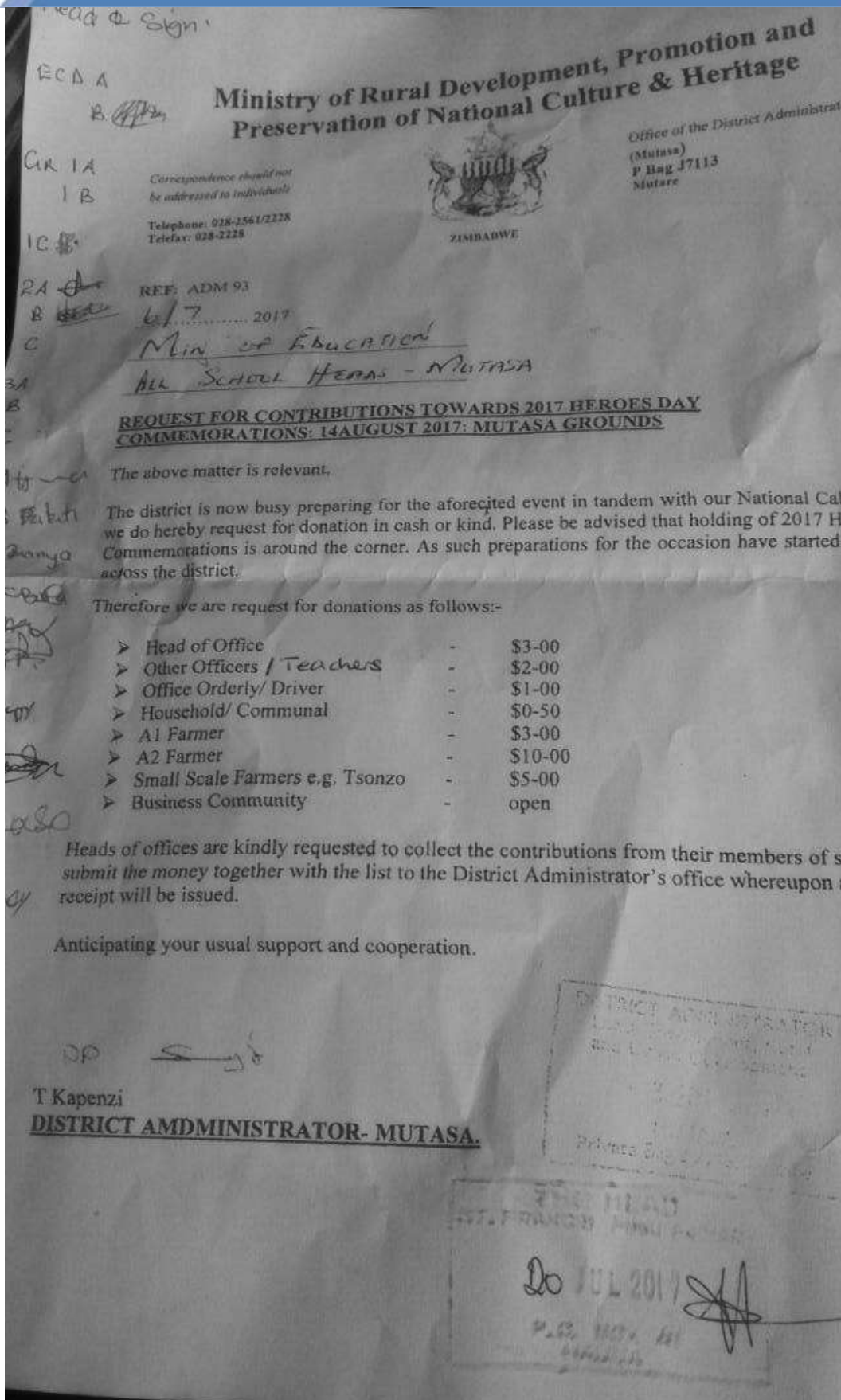
In Bulilima West Constituency, ZanuPF ward 26 councillor Benjamin Nleya, is reported to have denied three beneficiaries their monthly food hand-outs on 14 July. It is said that the community had gathered in village head Adelaide Hikwa’s kraal anticipating receiving food hand-outs. During the food distribution, Nleya allegedly denied *Thamani Ndlovu, *Butho

On 21 July at Masese Primary School in Mberengwa West, *Peter Mundowa who is a ZanuPF member was denied food aid which was in the form of rice by the ZanuPF youth chairperson for Mberengwa, Mhofela Macheza. Mundowa was victimised for failing to chant the ZanuPF slogan properly.

*Faith Sigauke was allegedly denied food aid on political grounds on 22 July in Gokwe Sesame, Nemangwe village ward 2. Nemangwe villagers were given cooking oil and beans as part of food aid when Pilate Marimbe, the Dickson village kraal head reportedly struck-off Sigauke’s name from the list of beneficiaries because she is suspected to be an MDC-T supporter.

**Names of victims have been changed.*





Annexure 1: A circular notifying school staff to donate towards Heroes Day commemorations





ANNEXURE 2. DEFINITIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS.

TERM	DEFINITION
MURDER	Unlawful and intentional killing of another person
SEXUAL ASSAULT:	It is knowingly causing another person to engage in an unwanted sexual act by force or threat.
A) RAPE	Is whereby a male person has sexual intercourse or anal intercourse with female person without the consent of the latter
B) AGGRAVATED INDECENT SEXUAL ASSAULT	
	Is whereby a person including a female commits a sexual act involving the penetration of any part of the victim's body, other than a male person having sexual intercourse or anal intercourse with a female person, without the consent of the victim, including active and passive oral sex and anal sex between two individuals of any gender.
ASSAULT	Is whereby a person commits an assault upon another person intending to cause that other person bodily harm.
A) FALANGA (FOOT WHIPPING)	Is a form of corporal punishment whereby the soles of the feet are beaten with an object such as a cane, or rod, a piece of wood, or a whip. The victim may be immobilized before the application of the beating by tying, securing the feet in leg irons, locking the legs into an elevated position or hanging upside down.
B) SUBMERSION/SUFFOCATION (WATER BOARDING)	A form of assault whereby water is forced into the victim's breathing passages so as to simulate drowning.
C) BEATING	Is any form of physical assault including hitting of a person with or without an object such as a stick, belt, whip, barbed wire, log or any other object including bare hands. It also includes the kicking or head-butting of a person; and includes stabbing, shooting and forced consumption (forcing a person or overeat or eat something poisonous or their own excreta.)
D) OTHER ASSAULT	
TORTURE	Any act by which severe pain or suffering, whether physical or mental, is intentionally inflicted on a person by or instigation of public official or other person acting in an official capacity for purposes of obtaining from the victim or a third person information or a confession, punishing him/her for an act s/he or a third person has committed or is suspected of having committed, or intimidating or coercing him/her or a third person, or for any reason based on discrimination of any kind
THREAT	It is whereby a person threaten to commit a crime, including but not limited to murder, rape, aggravated indecent assault, unlawful detention, theft, malicious damage to property thereby inspiring in the person on whom she/he communicates the threat of a reasonable fear or belief that he or she will commit the crime.
HARASSMENT/INTIMIDATION	Unlawfully subjecting one to pressure, insult of threat with intent to cause him/her to suffer anxiety discomfort and/or the feeling of insecurity.
MOVEMENT VIOLATIONS	
KIDNAPPING/UNLAWFUL DETENTION	Is whereby a person deprives another person of his freedom of bodily movement without lawful justification and/or authority (based on section 93 of the Criminal code Act)
A) ABDUCTION	The taking away of a person using intimidation, open force of violence
B) UNLAWFUL ARREST	Is the arrest of a person by another person (usually a police officer), whereby the latter's position generally authorizes him/her to arrest the other person, but not in this particular case. Essentially, it is a form of abuse of power on the part of the police officer
C) UNLAWFUL DETENTION	Depriving a person of his or her freedom of bodily movement without lawful justification and/or authority.
D) FORCED DISPLACEMENT	Internal displacement of persons or groups of persons "...who have been forced or obliged to flee or leave their homes or places or habitual residence, in particular as a result of or in order to avoid the effects of armed conflict, situations of generalized violence, violations of human rights or natural or human made disasters, and who have not crossed an internally recognized border"
PROPERTY RIGHTS	
THEFT	Is whereby a person takes property from another person "knowing" that the other person is entitled to own, possess or control this very property.





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ROBBERY

Is whereby a person steals, borrows or uses the property of another person without authority, thereby intentionally using violence or the threat of immediate violence to induce the person who has lawful control over the property to relinquish his/her control over it.

STOCK THEFT

Is whereby a person takes livestock from another person knowing that the other person is entitled to own, and possess or control this very property.

MALICIOUS DAMAGE TO PROPERTY

Is whereby a person knowing that the other person is entitled to own, possess or control any property, damages or destroys that very property (Note: MDP to communal/household property should only be chosen for one family member: the victim or head of household in that order)

- A) DESTRUCTION OF HOME
- B) OTHER TYPES OF MDP

Is a form of malicious damage to property, it occurs when a home is burnt to the ground or otherwise made inhabitable in such a manner as the only option toward the making the home habitable is to completely rebuild it.

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