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Human Rights Violations

MONTHLY MONITORING REPORT

'Unprepared for disaster'

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Acronyms

GMB	– Grain Marketing Board
Zanu PF	– Zimbabwe African National Union Patriotic Front
Zapu	– Zimbabwe African People's Union
ZimPF	– Zimbabwe People First
ZNA	– Zimbabwe National Army

Executive Summary

Floods that have hit the country especially in the southern parts of the country particularly Masvingo, Matabeleland South, Matabeleland North and Bulawayo have left an estimated 250 people dead and thousands homeless. Thousands of people particularly in Tsholotsho



Figure 1: Flood victims at a camp in Matabeleland North, ZPP photos

have been displaced.

Crops, livestock and other property were destroyed by the rains. Schools and other infrastructure such as bridges have been destroyed in some parts of the country cutting off children from their schools and health facilities. Those already in need of food aid cannot be reached because of the flooded roads.

The Air Force of Zimbabwe has deployed helicopters to rescue survivors but the floods have

exposed government's poor state of disaster preparedness.

The rights to life, personal security, housing, health and education have been compromised by the floods.

Although the floods are a natural disaster which cannot be blamed on the government, the responses to the



Figure 2: Toilets at the camp, ZPP photos



Figure 3: Camp for flood victims

disaster have exposed the government which has now appealed for international help.

In Matabeleland North the hardest hit areas of Sipepa include Mahlosi, Mahlaba, Thamuhla, Mbamba, Mele, Lutshome, Maphili and Mbanyana. Over sixty families have been displaced resulting in them being housed at a camp. Five (5) schools were flooded forcing children to abandon their studies. In Matabeleland South a total of 4 schools were shut down after they were affected by the floods.



Figure 4: Situation in Matabeleland North, ZPP photos

Matabeleland South also hosted the 21st February Movement celebrations in Matopos and this resulted in the closure of schools. School children were ordered to attend the event while other violations such as harassment and intimidation and deprivation of property were recorded in the region.

In other provinces that have not been affected by the floods the usual violations were recorded. There were cases of political violence, deprivation of food and denial of rights to education and health care on partisan political grounds.

People continue to be deprived of food mainly by ruling Zanu PF functionaries on allegations that they are opposition supporters. In Mashonaland Central two people had their farms invaded after they defected from Zanu PF to Zimbabwe People First (ZimPF).

In a bizarre case, a citizen was harassed for wearing a t-shirt that appeared to mock President Robert Mugabe's birthday. People were forced to contribute between \$1 and \$2 for the President's birthday celebrations across the country.

Zimbabwe Peace Project (ZPP) report for February reveals a total of 147 violations up from last month's 108 cases. The month under focus had 663 victims altogether. Of these victims, those from the Zimbabwe People First (ZimPF) were 44 people 6,5 %, and those affiliated to the Movement for Democratic Change (MDC-T) stood at 1, 8% which translates to 12 people. Victims affiliated to the MDC-T declined while those affiliated to ZimPF increased. 90.8 % of the victims did not reveal their political affiliations. This suggests that political violence is no longer targeted to known political parties but against those who may be politically inactive.

A total of 663 victims and 139 perpetrators were recorded. 62,2% of the victims were male while 37, 8% were females. 89,9% of the perpetrators were male while 10,1 % were female.

One hundred and nineteen (119) perpetrators were affiliated to the ruling Zanu PF party which is 85, 6 % of the figure. Fifteen (15) perpetrators could not be established which party they were affiliated to and the remaining 5 perpetrators are members of the Zimbabwe Republic Police.

Risk Assessment

In most of the incidents reported in the month under review it is clear that the wheels for the 2018 elections are well in motion seen by the number of citizens threatened with unspecified punishment. Some who have been told in no uncertain terms that they should not come crying when action begins to be taken in the run up to the elections. To demonstrate that the structures of primary elections are well oiled Zanu PF has been seen to restructure its local structures from the cell. Some citizens have been told they are lucky to have gone past the 2013 elections and have been warned they might not be that lucky come 2018 if they do not conform.

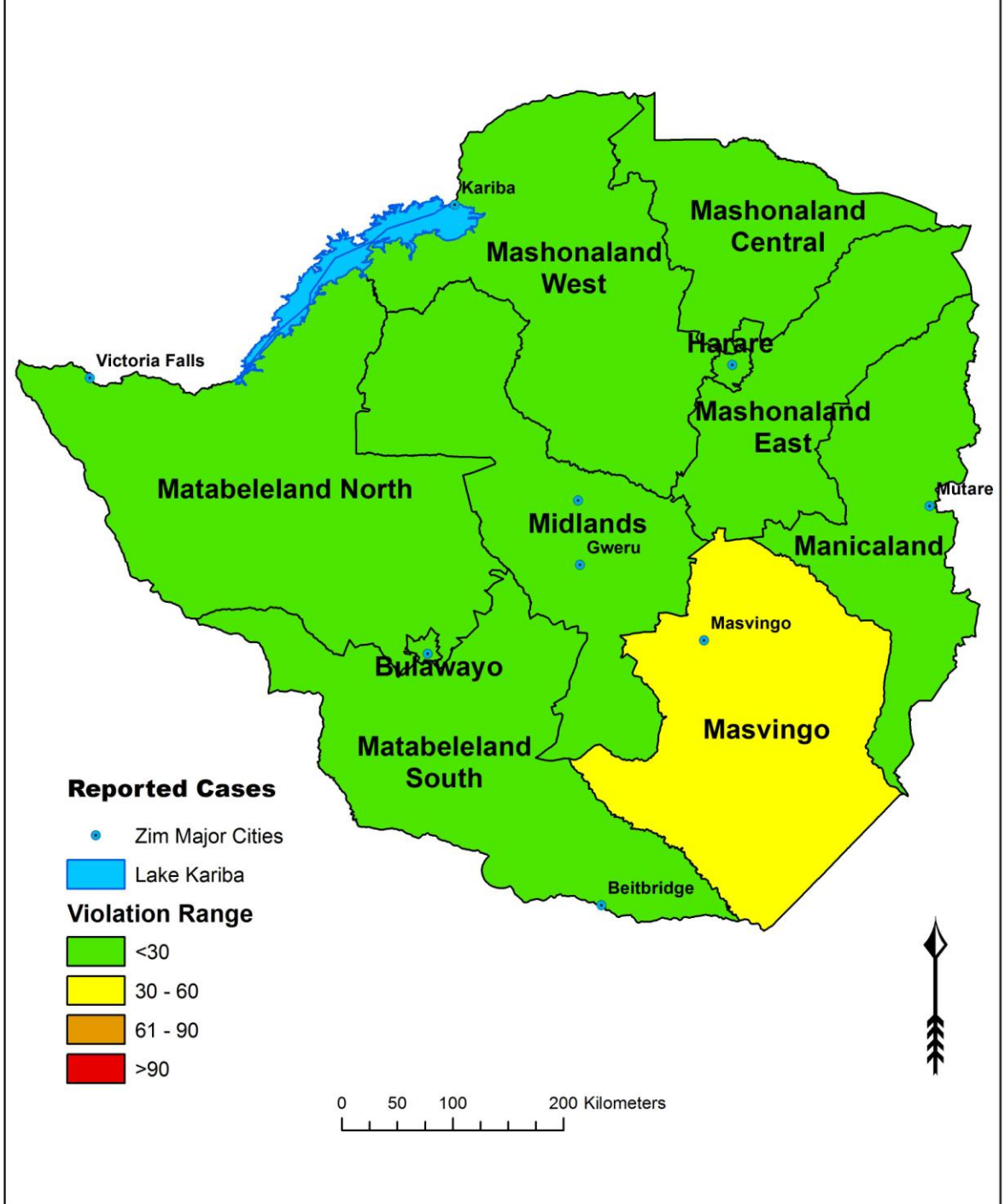
The President's birthday celebrations were a source of conflict where citizens were forced to part with their hard earned cash ranging from a dollar to five dollars or risk losing access to food aid. The distribution of rice whose origin is still quite unknown has reached most parts of the country and like all other aid it is distributed on a partisan basis. Zimbabwe is going through another by election in Mwenezi East after the seat was declared vacant. The by election is due on April 8.

Data Gathering Methodology

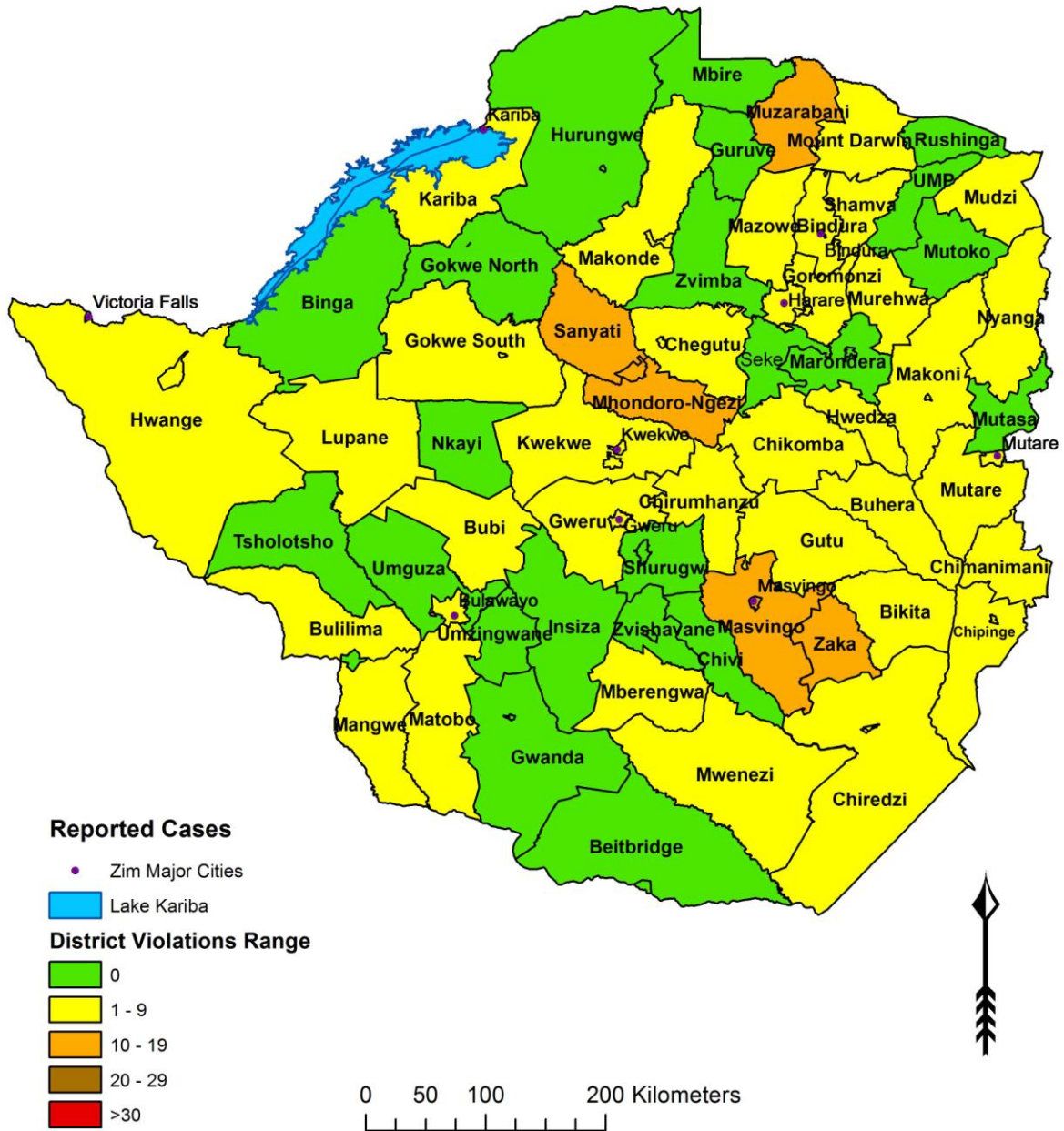
Information contained herein is based on reports from ZPP long-term community based human rights monitors, who observe and record cases of human rights violations in the constituencies they reside. ZPP deploys a total of 420 community-based primary peace monitors (two per each of the 210 electoral constituencies 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 published in retrospect.

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.

February 2017 Provincial Violations Map

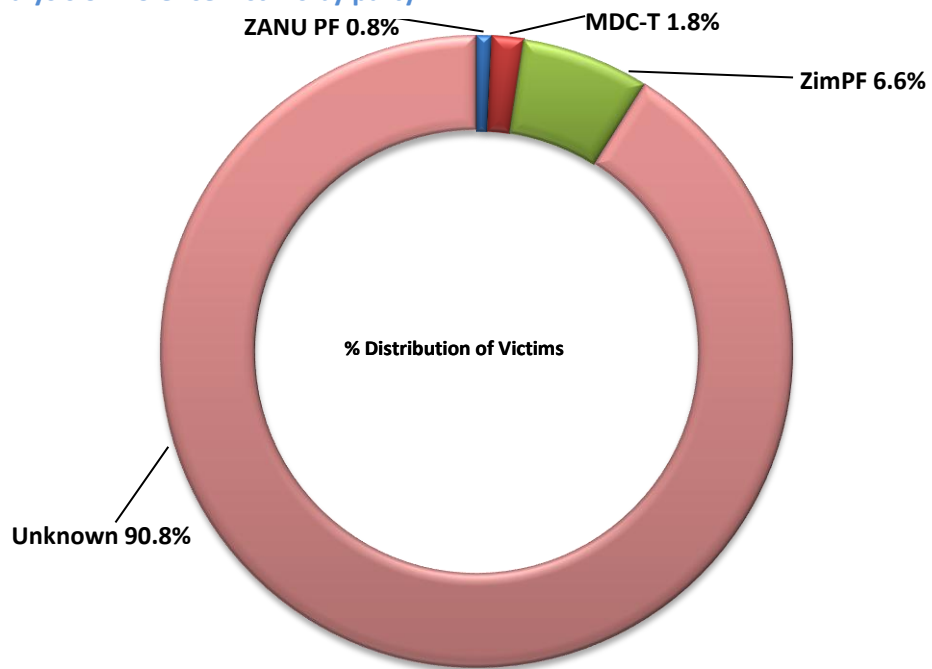


February 2017 District Violations Map

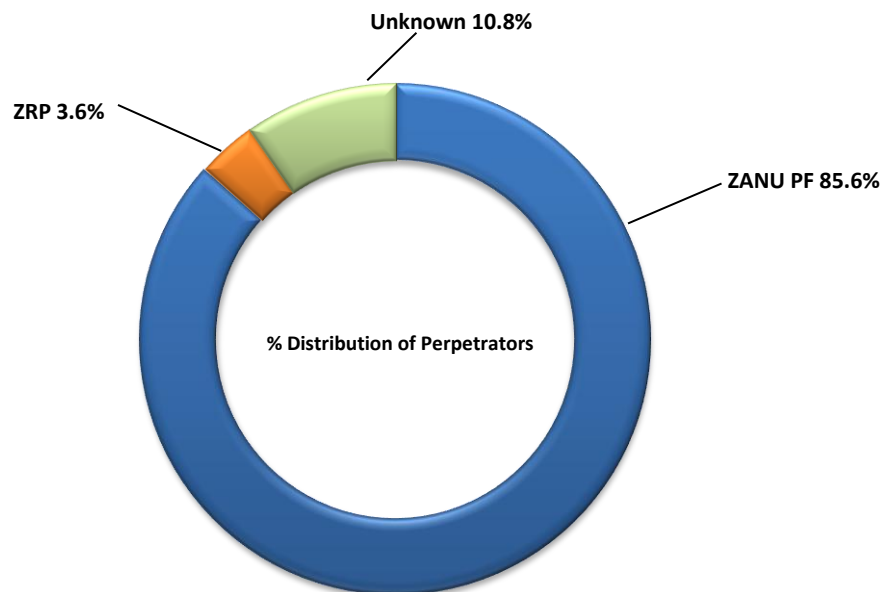


THE DASHBOARD – INCIDENTS' STATISTICS AT A GLANCE

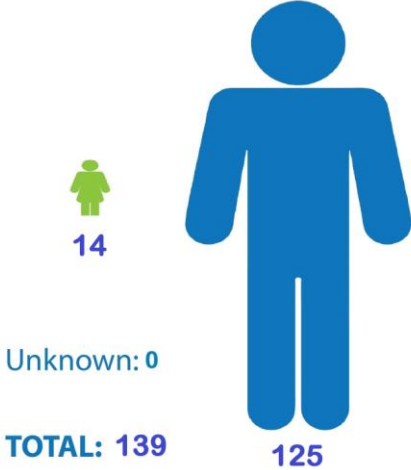
Analysis of violence victims by party



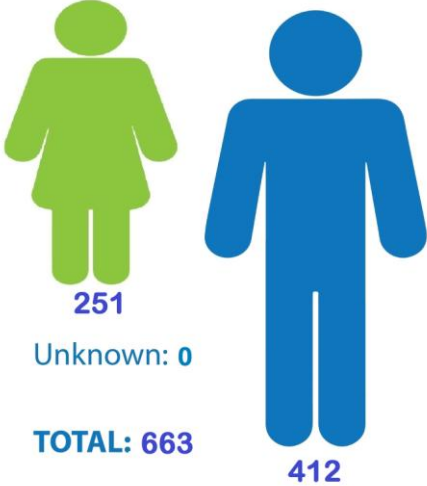
Analysis of violence perpetrators by party



Analysis of Violence Perpetrators by Gender



Analysis of Violence Victims by Gender



Recorded Intra-Party Violations

Province	MDC-T	ZANU PF	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	1	0	0	0	1
Mat North	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mat South	0	0	0	0	0	0
Midlands	0	1	0	0	0	1
Overall Total	0	2	0	0	0	2

Intra party violations were recorded for Zanu PF which had 2 cases

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	0	0	0	0	0	0
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	1	0	2	2	0	0	1	0	6
Theft/looting	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	2	3	2	11
Discrimination	6	1	1	2	9	6	0	4	5	6	40
MDP	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	5
Torture	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unlawful Detention	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Intimidation /harassment	7	1	0	5	16	6	5	11	14	13	78
Displacement	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	5
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	1	2
Total	15	2	3	7	31	14	8	18	27	22	147

Harassment and Intimidation cases continued to dominate the recorded violations with 78 cases, followed closely by discrimination with 40 cases and theft/looting a distant 11 cases. Masvingo had the highest recorded violations in February with 31 cases, followed by Mashonaland West with 27 cases and Mashonaland Central with 22 cases.

Provincial Summaries

Bulawayo

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
Date unknown	Right to education Right to birth documents	<p>Kenneth Nyazika goes to Lobengula Primary School. He has been denied access to a birth certificate, as his biological mother disappeared and left the child with her mother without any medical records. Kenneth's mother moved to South Africa while he was 3 months old. Currently, he is staying with his grandmother identified as Jane Tshuma. On several counts, it is reported that the grandmother visited relevant offices in the quest of procuring a birth certificate for her grandson- Kenneth. However, she alleges that her efforts became fruitless as relevant offices in the Registry cited huge amounts and pertinent documents that ultimately made it impossible for her grandson to be in possession of the birth certificate. While his mother has continued to dither in providing the much needed documents and costs, the grandmother has gone out her way in securing a place for Kenneth at ECD level. Kenneth is unable to proceed to grade one without a birth certificate. ZPP is referring this case to Zimbabwe Lawyers for Human Rights.</p>
27 February 2017	Labour Rights	<p>Two security guards employed at Maswazi Primary school are being victimized on charges of sabotaging the 21st February Movement celebrations. The two men, identified as Phillip Mukono* and Tabani Sithole* are accused of having locked school gates and went away with the keys on 24 February 2017, when a group of Zanu PF supporters from Mashonaland provinces were supposed to sleep there on their way to Matobo the following day for the President's birthday celebrations. The guards deny the charge of insubordination. The two guards are said to have appeared before a disciplinary committee for grossly undermining their employment terms and sabotaging the 'national event'. The two maintain that they only left after the Zanu PF supporters failed to turn up.</p>

Harare

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
11 February 2017	Deprivation of property	In Zengeza East constituency ward 13, near Chitungwiza General Hospital, three young women affiliated to Zanu PF aged between 20-25years were collecting money from vendors as contribution towards the President's birthday celebrations which were to be held in Matobo. They threatened vendors saying that if they don't pay the \$1 contribution; their stalls will be destroyed when 2018 election campaigns begin. One of them was wearing a Zanu PF T-shirt. It was also reported that the trio collected money from vendors and at nearby flea markets.
22 February 2017	Deprivation of property	In Epworth at Makomo home industry , Zanu PF youths Kudakwashe Mutungagore, the district secretary of Magamba district, ward 2 and chairperson of ward 2 Mr Mudada were allegedly collecting money from residents to cater for President Mugabe's birthday celebrations which was to be held in Matobo. Those who indicated that they had no money were forced to borrow since the contributions were compulsory.
25 February	Right to demonstrate	In Harare Central constituency ward 12 riot police brutally crushed a citizen demonstration at Parirenyatwa hospital leading to the assault and brief detention of human rights activist Lynda Masarira. It is alleged that Masarira and other protesters were demonstrating peacefully sitting on the lawns at Parirenyatwa Hospital expressing their displeasure with the birthday celebrations by President Robert Mugabe and his party while the situation at public health institutions deteriorates. The police suddenly arrived in a T35 vehicle and immediately attacked the protesting citizens. Five police officers attacked Lynda and assaulted her using baton sticks and clenched fists all over her body. They also arrested Lynda and 8 other citizens including her 17year old son before detaining them at Harare Central police station, only to release them at around 8pm on \$10 admission of guilt fine for criminal nuisance. Masarira was admitted at a private

		hospital badly injured. Her thighs, back and legs were swollen from the beatings.
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Manicaland

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
unknown	Right to education and child abuse	Mufaro Mungezi* aged 9 doing his 3 rd grade at Mahachi Primary school at Gecheche Growth point in Chipinge was assaulted by the school's School Development Committee (SDC) Chairperson Mr Kudakwashe Chiororo. This was as a result of remaining seated when his name was called out on the list of those who had not paid what they owed the school in fees. The reason for the gesture by Mufaro was because he knew that his fees had already been paid before the start of the first term. The development came after the child had been sent away from school for reasons of not having paid the fees which made the parents Shadreck Mangezi and Ellinah Sithole suspect that the child was being untruthful as they had paid the fees. They instructed him to remain seated in the event that his name was on the list of those who had not yet paid their fees. After the incident the parents approached the school with the receipt indicating the fees payment and the headmaster of the school Mr Lyson Sithole apologized. The perpetrator refused to apologize for his actions. The parents are considering making a police report.
24 February 2017	Right to freedom of association and assembly and	At Queens Hall in Mutare Central, the portfolio committee on Justice Legal and Parliamentary affairs conducted a hearing on amendment number one of the constitution. The meeting was aborted after chaos erupted. This came after Hon. Ziyambi Ziyambi who was chairing the proceedings interjected a certain speaker in order to

	expression	introduce Hon Justice Mayor Wadyajena and Hon Irene Zindi who had joined the meeting late. Matters then came to a head when the speaker who had the floor insisted on finishing his presentation instead of being interrupted midway for “late comers”. Instead of apologizing for the late coming of the two members of parliament, Ziyambi went into a tirade declaring that the speaker was not going to be allowed to continue with his contribution. A stand-off ensued with residents declaring that unless the speaker was allowed to finish his contribution, no one else was going to be heard. Ziyambi and Hon. Katsiru were adamant that they were not going to allow the speaker to continue. After only two speakers had contributed, the meeting was aborted.
February	Right to education	In Chimanimani West, ward 2, out of 121 pupils who sat for their exams in 2016, 21 of them have not enrolled into secondary schools due to the withholding of their results. The school accused of withholding results is Mashonjwa primary school in Mandariume’s ward 2. The school is adamant it will not release the results and clear the affected students due to these arrears. According to the School Development Committee chairperson at Mashonjwa, Mr Thomas Mberikunashe, parents should at least pay a certain fee before clearance or alternatively the parent or guardian come forward and make a commitment to a payment plan they will have to honour.

Mashonaland Central

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
13 February	Disruption of a	There was a Zim PF Provincial Executive meeting in Mashonaland Central led by Joice Mujuru held at Couch House

<p>2017</p> <p>16 February 2017</p>	<p>political meeting [Freedom of Assembly]</p> <p>Right to food Freedom of assembly and association</p>	<p>Inn in Bindura. Dzikamai Mavhaire and Dr Siphepha Nkomo from Matabeleland also attended. About 600 people from Mashonaland Central Structures were part of the audience. It was alleged that state agents also attended. The meeting was disrupted when two men suspected to be Zanu PF youths invaded the venue armed with sharp knives. They were apprehended by ZimPF security personnel inside the venue.</p> <p>Zanu PF Councillor for ward 3, Onesimo Gono is alleged to have ordered village heads to collect money from villagers for the President's birthday celebrations, which were to be held at Matobo in Matabeleland South. He is reported to have demanded that every household contribute a dollar and failure to do so would mean being automatically disqualified from accessing food aid from the Social Welfare department. On the same day around 1500hrs Gift Stima Masauso who is the village chairperson for Chibaya village is alleged to have gone to Stanley Mukorera's home and coerced him to pay the dollar as the Councillor had instructed. The victim was told that if he fails to pay the dollar for President's birthday then his name would be removed from the list of food beneficiaries. This happened at Muzarabani North where both the victim and perpetrators live. According to the victim, all villagers were reportedly forced to contribute for them to get maize from social welfare despite paying 2 dollars each as transport fees. The perpetrators are said to have said if one managed to pay 2dollars for transport and fails to contribute towards the birthday then, the Zanu PF leadership would subtract the balance from transport fees thus limiting the opportunity to benefit food aid.</p>
<p>23 February 2017</p>	<p>Political Rights Freedom of expression,</p>	<p>In Mazowe Central constituency Zanu PF ward 27 district members namely Tavengwa Chibira (39) and Nomore Kamusinje (34) who are farm workers at Forrester L section were threatening farm workers saying that 2018 is going to be a tough year as compared to 2008 in terms of violence against anyone who does not attend ruling party meetings and support its activities. They went ahead saying opposition supporters are going to be dealt with as the ruling party had</p>

	assembly and association	released vehicles which will be used to abduct the opposition supporters. They said this at various work places where they encouraged people to protect their lives by buying Zanu PF party cards. This threat has instilled fear among workers who find it difficult to enjoy rights enshrined in the Constitution. The duo is alleged to have issued these statements under the command of Cde Chatikobo [Zanu-PF District chairperson] who is an A1 farmer at a resettled Forrester K section in the same area.
23 February 2017	Political Rights Freedom of association, assembly	There was a Zanu PF rally held at ward 24 Wadzanai Township in Shamva South Constituency. The party chairperson Mr Kanyemba and Mr Eniwell Nyamharadzo a member of the party, were allegedly threatening residents "mukasauya kumusangano and mukasaregista kuma cell groups, kana chimurenga chatanga musazotii mavara angu azere ivhu" (you are encouraged to attend meetings and also to register in cell groups because if the situation gets hot don't say you were not warned). They are alleged to have said all those who were not registered were well known and they were going to be dealt with severely when the time comes. It is reported a lot of threats and hate speech were uttered during the rally
Unknown	Right to food Freedom of assembly and association	It is reported Local Government Minister and Member of Parliament Saviour Kasukuwere and Provincial Affairs Minister Martin Dinha held a meeting at Matope School in Mount Darwin South where it is alleged surrounding households, teachers, businesspersons, and all civil servants were made to contribute money towards the President's birthday celebrations which were to be held at Matobo. The working class and businesspersons were reportedly urged to contribute five dollars and the rest a dollar per household. Those who did not contribute were reportedly going to be removed from food aid programs starting from March.

Mashonaland East

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
10 February 2017	Freedom of association and assembly	It is reported that at a Zanu PF meeting in Murehwa North Constituency ward 5 youth officers are alleged to have encouraged residents in Mahachi Community to contribute at least \$2 towards the birthday of the President which, was celebrated on February 25 in Matobo. The youth officers were identified as Innocent Muteyebani and Tichaona Maperera who are reported to have threatened those defying their orders to be dealt with after the celebrations.
11 February 2017	Political Rights Freedom of association and assembly	In Mazowe North constituency it is reported Zanu PF youths were mobilized to force residents and farmers at Dharwe Farm to attend party meetings and participate in electing people into cell and district level structures. Initially residents are reported to have resisted the initiative resulting in poor attendance however party youths were reportedly sent on a massive door to door campaign threatening people with unspecified punishment if they failed to attend. Tobacco farmers are reported to have abandoned their scheduled harvesting to attend party activities. A known Zanu PF activist Tendai Nhau and his colleague Forgive Kwenda are reported to have given orders to party youths to mobilize people by force. They are suspected of having been given the powers and authority from a district chairperson who is also a war veteran called Cde Nhepera. The farm has a total of over 400 people who are residents. It is alleged that a register has been designed to keep records of all the residents and this instils fear in residents. In ward 26 all farms are reported to have been restructured according to Zanu PF cell structures in preparation of the 2018 elections campaign.
13-17 February	Freedom of association and assembly	In Goromonzi South Constituency in farm reserves, people were reportedly told to attend Zanu PF meetings held to appoint cell leaders who are responsible for the party's mobilization towards the 2018 elections. Residents were allegedly threatened by Zanu PF leaders that failure to attend the meetings was a sign of 'opposition mentality' thus all

		people suspected to be rebelling against the ruling party were going to disappear in 2018. Places such as Belmont Farm, Warren dale farm led by Kraalhead Marimbizhike, Eton Far, in ward 17 under councillor Kunyethu, Chiuta, Chakuinga and Rusike villages in ward 18 were also reported to be electing cell leaders to mobilize people for 2018 elections.
17 February 2017	Freedom of Association and assembly	At a rally in Murehwa North Constituency ward 16 under Kraalhead Chinake , Zanu PF chairperson Peter Chitaukire is alleged to have told the people that everyone must vote for the ruling party in 2018 or else they were going to experience more than what happened in 2008. He also reported to have said that if people don't comply with his orders then what happened in 2008 was 'little and the real darkness shall come'.
Unknown	Political Rights Freedom of association and assembly	In Maramba Pfungwe constituency, it is reported Zanu PF youths were busy as they went around all wards allegedly forcing residents to contribute a \$1 each towards fundraising for the 21 st February movement and celebrations. These youths are said to have gone around the business community with the fundraising initiative. In ward 16 namely Maramba 2,it was reported that people were coerced to contribute towards the President birthday celebrations despite facing serious economic challenges.

Mashonaland West

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
2 February 2017	Political rights Freedom of association and	In Chinhoyi District, Chipo Chakweza of 3049 cold stream and Hilda Wasiya of 9682 Mzari, a war veteran who works under Chinhoyi municipality are reported to have joined Zim PFled by Joice Mujuru in 2016. Both are former Zanu PF members who owned farms in the area. Chipo Chakweza was married to former Governor Faber Chidarikire

	<p>assembly Right to personal security</p>	<p>and when they joined Zim PF they were reportedly given prominent positions. Wasiya was elevated to Women's Provincial chair and Chakweza was elevated to main board Provincial Organizer in June 2016. Zanu PF youths invaded their farms and built huts as a way of demonstrating against the duo for abandoning the ruling party. This it is reported then forced the two ladies to go back to Zanu PF to protect their farms. When they approached Zanu PF leaders to plead for mercy, the youths and other party members are alleged to have demonstrated violently against them shouting and others singing in local language, 'mupanduki chera mwena' (sell out make this your last). They were asked to surrender their Zim PF cards and T-shirts. Despite handing over the regalia, they are reported to have been treated like outcasts in the area. Up until now the party youths are still reported to be camped on the farms of these two. The two are now living in fear.</p>
<p>16 February 2017</p>	<p>Property rights</p>	<p>It is reported Norton town council burnt clothes and other property at the Katanga flea market in ward 7. It is believed property worth over \$100 000 was destroyed. It was alleged the municipal police were on a cleanup campaign. Vendors complained about the incident claiming they were paying monthly subscriptions to the town council only to be surprised by the initiative conducted by the municipal police. Norton MP Temba Mliswa said that the council must explain the reason behind the violent behaviour and compensate the victims for loss of their property. The municipal police argued that the vendors were selling illegally on land which was not allocated for vending resulting in the property destruction.</p>
<p>18 February 2017</p>	<p>Political Rights</p>	<p>Reports from Kariba Urban constituency are that Zanu PF Mashonaland West Provincial Secretary for Security Hon Isaac Mackenzie and Zanu PF District chairperson Clever Chitofu addressed party rallies at Nyamunga 2 and</p>

	Freedom of expression and assembly	Mahombekombe suburbs denouncing opposition parties. It is reported they denigrated leaders such as Joice Mujuru who they accused of lacking direction. Mackenzie was quoted saying that the ruling party was on the verge of restructuring towards 2018 and that he expected no opposition affiliates in the area. He is alleged to have further instilled fear on the people and insisted everyone should vote for Zanu PF to avoid revisiting the 2008 era. The duo is also reported to have addressed people in Ward 12 of Nyaminyami Rural District Council. Residents were reportedly told to vote wisely in 2018 to avoid facing terrible atrocities as those faced in 2008. It is alleged people were forced to chant party slogans laden with hate speech, which denounced opposition political parties.
21 February 2017	Political rights Freedom of assembly and association	In Kariba urban constituency at Nyamhunga shopping centre ward 2, Mashonaland West Zanu PF chairperson for youths Privious Chibaira Magora and Enock Muziringa Councilor for ward 2 are reported to have summoned residents for a clean-up campaign at Nyamhunga shops. As part of the 93 rd birthday celebrations for the President, they allegedly forced people to pick litter and clean the area. They are said to have made people chant party slogans denouncing opposition political parties. A certain Taxi driver Titus Mangwiro*] and market vendors were forced to dance as party slogans were chanted.
21 February 2017	Political rights Freedom of assembly, association and expression	A Zim PF member Peter Kwangwari* is reported to have been harassed by Zanu PF youths for wearing a T shirt written "Nothing to celebrate but to mourn " on President Mugabe's birthday. This is reported to have happened at 10am in Rimuka Kadoma ward 13 at Rumwe Shopping centre. The victim aged 29 had the T-shirt confiscated by Tatenda Mapamure who is believed to work for the local council. The t-shirt was later burnt as other people watched. It was alleged that the police were watching the events from a distance but never took any action.

Masvingo

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
2 February 2017	Right to association and assembly Right to personal security	In Masvingo North, ward 14 at Zano Primary School it is reported there was a meeting to elect a Basic Education Assistance Module select committee. Prior to the election, war veteran Cephas Baramasimbe had intimidated parents when he said the committee should accommodate a large membership of the ruling Zanu PF leadership. It is alleged parents were told in no uncertain terms that anyone trying to campaign for or support a suspected opposition supporter to make it into the committee was going to be dealt with accordingly. The committee was then elected and the chairperson of that committee was from the Zanu PF Masvingo leadership. One Didymus Makoni* who tried to object was allegedly told to keep quiet or he would be dealt with.
8 February 2017	Freedom of Association	In Zaka Central, Ward 8 councillor Rasmus Weshiri is reported to have forced Govere and Tinarwo villagers to attend a Zanu PF campaign meeting with the aim of mobilising votes for the upcoming party's primary elections. This was done with the help of party youths. It is reported villagers were made to attend the meetings on the pretext of accessing food aid.
16 February 2017	Freedom of Association and assembly	Schools in ward 24, Zaka West namely Vhudzi Primary, Chipfuti Primary, Charuka Primary, Mushungwa Primary, Chiredzi Primary and Chimbwembwe Primary it is alleged received letters from Zanu PF party activists asking for "generous contributions" towards the President's birthday bash. Names of contributors and those who failed to contribute were reportedly recorded and kept.

18 February 2017	Right to personal security Political rights	In Masvingo Urban, at Runyararo West Hall during a build-up to the Zanu PF Masvingo Provincial chairperson election intra-party violence was reported. The two warring factions in Zanu PF (Lacoste and G40) are alleged to have clashed at Runyararo Hall. A fist fight ensued between the youth wings and all this is said to have been ignited by the praise singing of Ezra Chadzamira, which the other faction did not take well. It was started by one Manyanga. The police were dismissed by one Munganasa on the basis that it was an internal matter which was going to be solved within the Zanu PF party.
21 February 2017	Freedom of association and expression Right to personal security	An MDC-T supporter Shingai Chikwenjere*of Chiredzi West is alleged to have been assaulted by unnamed Zanu PF supporters. He was attacked reportedly for wearing an MDC-T t/shirt. He was approached and then asked to remove his t/shirt and when he refused to comply one of the perpetrators started tearing the t/shirt. Others joined in and assaulted him and said he was lucky to have made it past 2013 but this time they would deal with him. The matter was reported to the police and was heard in court before being postponed to the 21 st of March 2017.
21 February 2017	Freedom of Association Political rights	In Mwenezi East, Maparara Village head,Mr Maparara is reported to have called a gathering at his home for people to be given voter education by the Zimbabwe Electoral Commission. The ZEC officers made it clear that everyone is free to make their choices on the candidate they want to represent them in the House of Assembly. Mr Maparara took advantage of this gathering, after the ZEC officials had left, it is alleged when he told the people in his village that all of them were supposed to vote for the Zanu PF candidate Joosbi Omar on the day of the by-election as he is the right candidate for Mwenezi East constituency.
23 February	Right to	In Gutu South ward 22 at Mupata Township, it is reported that David Tirivaviri* was harassed by the ward

2017	personal security	councillor Elizabeth Tandavani during an event convened to discuss the building of a clinic in the ward. The councillor had proposed that since the legislator for Gutu Central Hon Lovemore Matuke had donated cement towards the building of the clinic, residents were supposed to volunteer their time and labour to build the clinic since the community does not have money to pay builders from other places and as it is part of community development. However, it is reported the community was told the brick moulders were to be paid since they belong to a Zanu PF youth group. David was allegedly insulted after seeking clarification on the matter.
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Matabeleland North

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
20 February 2017	Labour rights Equality and non-discrimination	Faith Ncube of Cowdry Park area in Nkayi constituency was reportedly denied employment because she is a non-native inhabitant of Nkayi District. She had gone to seek employment like any other individual at the Ministry of Transport offices at Nkayi Centre. However, she is said to have been turned away by an official of the Ministry of Public Service identified as Khumalo, who is said to have explicitly stated that employment was only permitted to those individuals bearing the district code of Nkayi. She has been residing in Nkayi for ten years and served in various community developments for the area.
20 February 2017	Right to education	On the 21 st February 2017 at 1000hrs, it is reported that a Lupane local board vehicle had been moving around Lupane Town Centre advising residents to partake in a clean-up campaign in honor of President Mugabe. In the midst of the clean-up all the schools namely Mabhikwa Secondary, Lupane Primary, Mtshibini Primary, Kusile Primary and the newly opened Roman Catholic Primary were allegedly compelled to attend without fail.

Matabeleland South

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
Unknown	Right to Education Right to birth documents Right to shelter	Samuel Phiri allegedly had his birth certificate confiscated and ultimately thrown out of his home by a woman said to be his step mother. Of importance to note is that Samuel Phiri is minor who after the death of Tsambane Ncube (Samuels's father), his step mother threw him out of his father's homestead and confiscated his birth certificate. Out of desperation Samuel ended up staying with his paternal relatives his uncle, cousin to his father. Without this birth certificate Samuel is unable to continue with his education.

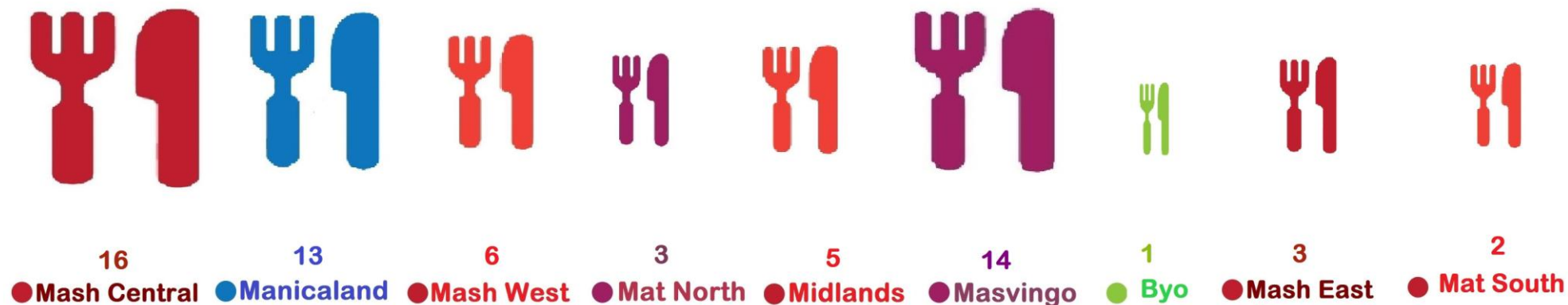
Midlands

Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
13 February 2017	Property rights Freedom of association and assembly	Lesley Moyo* was denied access to his allocated piece of land by Albert Chidhakwa who is the ward 10 Zanu PF chairperson. The victim was told not to occupy the land since it belonged to Zanu PF. The perpetrator Chidhakwa went on to remove the fencing poles which had been used by Moyo* as the boundaries and threw them away. Upon taking the matter to the village head, Moyo was reportedly told to "shut-up" since he was a member of the opposition MDC-T party. Chidakwa is reported to have told Moyo not to expose him to Zanu PF for assisting an opposition supporter and he urged him to seek land once he is back in Zanu PF.
unknown	Political Rights Freedom of	Zanu PF youths Lesson Mataga, Tariro Shoko, Editor Sirichena and Silas Shumba are alleged to be roaming around Mataga Growth Point instilling fear in the residents by demanding that they vote for Zanu PF in the 2018 elections. Heads of schools in Mberengwa South are reported to have been asked to submit staff lists to the Public Service office

	Association	for vetting processes in preparation for 2018 elections.
16 February 2017	Freedom of Expression Freedom of association and assembly	In Gokwe Central, Gokwe centre in the run-up to President Mugabe's birthday celebrations, youth officers were allegedly requested to donate \$5 each and then go on to collect a \$1 from youths who have benefited from any government assistance. Youths from the Youth Project Centre are said to have fallen victim to this. One Isaac Maramba* said the initiative was actually for the benefit of the officers. Those that are reported to have sought clarity and questioned the process were threatened with ejection from the Youth Project Centre premises thereby clearly denying them their right to freedom of expression.

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Summary of Food Violations by Province



Province	Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
Manicaland	4 February 2017	Right to food Equality and non discrimination	Food aid was reportedly secretly given to Zanu PF members only in Chipinge Central Ward 7. During the exercise those who attended were forced to chant party slogans and sing songs praising President Mugabe. It is alleged opposition supporters were barred from attending. The perpetrators were identified as Mr Thodlana, Eddie Chifamba and Mrs Mukogo.
	11 February 2017	Right to Food Equality and non	In Chikanga Mutare, Nelson Mutuma* was reportedly denied food aid meant for all residents. The victim was denied food aid for reasons which included failing to produce the names of 3 Zanu PF party chairpersons in his area and surrounding ones and a letter confirming that he

		discrimination	was needy and deserved to be given food aid. The perpetrator was Zacheus Makaya an aide to Esau Mupfumi the MP for the constituency. The food was said to be coming from Zanu PF for purposes of feeding only their members. Zacheus who is aged 49, married, and not employed runs a commuter taxi business and resides in Chikanga 2 in Mutare.
	17 February 2017	Right to Education	The first lady and Zanu PF women's league chair Grace Mugabe addressed supporters of the party as she drummed up support for Zanu PF 2018 presidential candidate R.G Mugabe in Buhera. School pupils from St John, St Albans, Gaza and Dorova missed their usual classes as they were forced to attend the rally. Business centres of Gaza and the surrounding areas were not spared.
	20 February 2017	Right to food	There was unfair distribution of food in ward 18 Buhera Central. Rice was to be distributed at ward level. The process was then allegedly hijacked by Mugombe Stanford and Tarisai Vangirai who are Zanu PF party chairperson and vice-chairperson respectively. They then started distributing the rice along partisan lines. One Nelson Mavhima* is said to have been denied the food as he was suspected to be an opposition supporter..

Province	Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
Mashonaland Central	5 February 2017	Right to Food Freedom of Association	In Mazowe Central constituency near Chiweshe villages, Zanu PF district leaders were reported to be moving around distributing maize at night in ward 27. They were chanting party slogans and distributing the maize to the ruling party structures. The beneficiaries were supposed to pay a dollar for transport then get a 25 kg bucket of maize instead of a full 50kg bag per individual. It is alleged that the remaining maize was shared among the party leadership. The district chairperson Cde Chatikobo was assisted by Cde Marufu and Mukahiwa from Forrester J and K respectively. They are both farmers in ward 27.
	10 February 2017	Right to Food Equality and non discrimination	Simon Makombe* was allegedly denied access to government inputs (fertilizers & pesticides) at Mukwengure farm shop, ward 16, Muzarabani south. He is an MDC-T activist and has never been in good books with the ward Councillor who leads the distribution of inputs. Yeukai Mathaba the Councillor for ward 16 supports Zanu PF whereas Simon is a well known supporter of the MDC-T. It is alleged that all farmers of ward 16 gathered at the farm shop. Sources said, when Councillor Mathaba and other Zanu PF supporters arrived, they requested to see Simon before the distribution started. When he presented himself it is alleged he was ordered to leave since government inputs are for those who support President Mugabe only not traitors. The victim complied and left.

	21 February 2017	Right to Food Equality and non discrimination	In Bindura North Constituency, the Zanu PF party is reported to have summoned people at short notice for a meeting at Progress shopping centre in ward 11. It is reported rice was distributed on partisan grounds while opposition parties were denigrated. The meeting was chaired by Lameck Bonde who is the Chairperson of the Simon Muzenda Zanu PF branch and Grace Bvunzawabaya who is the chairperson of women's league. It is alleged people were made to sing and chant party slogans denouncing Morgan Tsvangirai and Joice Mujuru. People attended in numbers because they were attracted by the distribution of rice. However, only 100 people are reported to have benefited 2kg of rice while the rest were turned away. An estimated 300 people were reported to have been in attendance.
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Province	Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
Mashonaland West	17 February 2017	Right to Food Equality and non discrimination	In Sanyati constituency ward 12, Firi Moyo [a Social Welfare Worker] was allegedly arrested for corrupt tendencies during food distribution from the social welfare department. It is alleged that Moyo corruptly distributed maize using village kraals inclusive of John Phiri [head of Chikonamombe B], Mulandusi Ntabeni [village secretary to A Mero, Simbarashe Muguchura [head of Madoda Village], who wrote fake names of people on the beneficiary list. Other people purported to collect maize on behalf of the ghost beneficiaries. It was further reported that Moyo would then sell the maize at Zapalala Sanyati branch or Mateesanwa shop at old council and give the village heads a token of appreciation from the profits made.

	23 February 2017	Right to Food Right to Personal Security Freedom of conscience	Zeria Wasarirevhu of Sanyati Constituency, Ward 18, was said to have been denied maize from Social welfare by Mrs Matanga the Zanu PF women's league secretary. It is alleged that the reason for this was because Zeria did not attend ruling party Saturday meetings as an Adventist. Mathanga accused Zeria of vote 'sabotage' saying that her religious beliefs influenced other church members to abandon party gatherings and not to vote properly during elections, which was a big loss to the party. Zeria was further accused of discouraging church members to vote for the ruling party because of her behaviour. She was told to receive food aid from her church.
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Province	Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
Mashonaland East	4 February 2017	Right to Food Equality and non discrimination	In ward 12 Mudzi South at Donzwe Centre the rice distribution programme was reported to be conducted unfairly and on partisan grounds .The rice was distributed by Zanu PF Executive members District chair David Kanjere, Youth Chairperson Tinei Mayibheki and other committee members namely Garikai Mutsimho, Muchaneta Vheremu, Shungu Karimbika, and Maidei Chagunda. It was alleged that they took 12 bags of rice from 71 bags that had been given at Donzwe centre. At Goromonzi they were given 71 bags of rice and the executive members including ruling party chairperson, women's league chair and other Committee members kept 35 bags of rice for themselves. It was alleged that these missing bags of rice were found at Joromani's shop following police investigations. Zanu PF members were the first beneficiaries during the distribution process. Others who do not belong to Zanu PF were the

			last to benefit and while others did not benefit when the rice ran out according to what they were told.
	3 February 2017	Right to Food Equality and non discrimination	In Chikomba East ward 27, MP Edgar Mbwembwe and Councillor Lawrence Watambwa from the ruling party are reported to have signed for thirty 50kg bags of maize meal from the department of Social Welfare on behalf of people who had not yet received their January allocation. The maize was supposed to be distributed to people who had not benefited the previous month but the distribution was done on partisan grounds. Mbwembwe is reported to have summoned Zanu PF party members to come and collect 50kgs of maize meal at Sengwe business Center. Chikomba East has 65 villages in ward 27 meaning that 117 members were registered as beneficiaries under the programme. The food aid was given to Zanu PF members only. It is alleged that Mbwembwe had told Social welfare officers that he was going to contact the responsible beneficiaries to come and collect maize, which was not true. Members of the opposition were allegedly told that they were not going to benefit.
	11 February 2017	Right to Food Equality and non discrimination	In Hwedza South Constituency at Makarara B/Center Zviyambe Ward 13 under Chief Ruzane, it is reported seed was distributed on partisan grounds. Only those chosen and written down by Party Village Chairperson were allegedly invited to get the seed. Most farmers who were suspected to be of any other party besides the ruling party were not invited. The seed distribution was done using names given by Village Chairperson as ordered by the ruling party.

Province	Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
Matabeleland North	28 February 2017	Right to food Freedom of association and assemble	Million Khabo of ward 20 village 15 was allegedly denied food because he had refused to be in the cell structures for Zanu PF. It is argued that the cell leader Dumisani Moyo had emphasized that the food aid was to be distributed to Zanu PF members only it is reported. As one of the few who rejected to be part of Zanu PF cell groupings, Million was denied food aid.

Province	Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
Masvingo	10 February 2017	Right to Food	A Zanu PF meeting held in ward 26 ended in disagreements it is alleged that resulted in residents not accessing food aid from CARE International. The results of the Zanu PF meeting led to part of the people in the two wards being victimised and labelled sell-outs belonging to Zimbabwe People First. The ensuing chaos saw some families not getting the usual food aid from CARE International after being removed from the list on allegations of being sell outs. CARE International has embarked on a new programme of using cards with breadwinners of each family pictured, number of dependants and identification number on the card.

	15 February	Right to food	<p>On Wednesday afternoon on the 15th of February, Ennessia Chihon'a from ward 6 in Zaka North, was denied food aid meant to benefit all the people in Zaka North by the government. She was denied this right on basis of her husband being an MDC-T supporter who mobilized opposition party youths to disrupt Zanu PF rallies in the 2008 election campaigns. Her husband has gone into hiding. The victim was humiliated and dismissed from the gathering which was at Zishiri Business Centre on the day in question by the Zanu PF party chairperson who was identified as Maduche .She was told that she was not going to get any assistance from such initiatives until her husband handed himself in to the Zanu PF chairman.</p>
	26 February 2017	Right to Food	<p>Some people were allegedly denied food aid from the Social Welfare in Gutu Central Ward 37. Village head Crediwel Munangarwa is alleged to have struck off some names of suspected opposition supporters from the list and replaced them with the names of his relatives. Upon being quizzed on why he had done that, Mr Munangarwa said they had agreed to have a new and updated list of names for those who were supposed to benefit from the initiative. One of the victims Gracious Chuma* denied that such a proposition was from the people in the village. The matter was then forwarded to Mr Gwara from Social Welfare in Gutu but no feedback has been received as yet.</p>

	23 February 2017	Right to food Freedom of association	Robert Banda* was denied a food hamper in Masvingo West Ward 12 it is alleged. William Shangwa and Jackson Chibaya both from Zanu PF were distributing food hampers in form of 10kgs maize and 2kgs of rice to each individual at a campaign rally for a council by-election for ward 12 which was slated for the 25 th of February. Those at a rally were asked to produce a voter slip and further pledge their allegiance to Zanu PF, which Robert did not have. They labelled him opposition and he was further threatened with unspecified action should Zanu PF lose the election.
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Province	Date	HR Violated	Provincial highlights
Midlands	6 February 2017	Right to food	There was a distribution of maize and fertiliser in Chirumanzu-Zibagwe ward 8. The initiative was supposed to benefit all the residents in the ward. The facilitators it is reported first demanded chanting of Zanu PF slogans before the process could go ahead. Only 10 villages received 50kg of maize to share and the remainder the facilitators and a party official Lawrence Mukwapuna shared it is alleged.
	22 February 2017	Right to Food Freedom of association and assembly Equality and	In Vungu Constituency, Bafana Ward 8 villagers gathered for the Social welfare food distribution it is reported. Lefton Moyo the village head is said to have approached Nomusa Ndlovu* and told her to leave the gathering since her name had been struck off the list for allegedly going around the ward and carrying out a serious campaign for the opposition MDC-T party. Lefton it is reported said Nomusa must go and be given food by her MDC-T

		non discrimination	party as he said the Social Welfare is under the ruling Zanu PF party and no MDC-T supporter was supposed to register for the programme in his village.
	20 February 2017	Right to food Equality and non discrimination Freedom of association and assembly	Stanely Ndlovu from Hoffice village, Benjamin Dlamini from Ngabi village and the Zanu PF district chair Elliot Ndebele and vice chairperson Andrew Nyoka are reported to have denied opposition supporters to access presidential agricultural inputs. Fertiliser was being distributed. All known opposition supporters in wards 24 and 25 were told to leave before the distribution started it is reported

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ANNEXURE 1. 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
B) AGGRAVATED INDECENT SEXUAL ASSAULT	the consent of the latter
	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)

C) BEATING

A form of assault whereby water is forced into the victim's breathing passages so as to simulate drowning.

D) OTHER ASSAULT

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.)

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 threatens 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

B) UNLAWFUL ARREST

The taking away of a person using intimidation, open force of violence

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 or 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.
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	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.
B) OTHER TYPES OF MDP	
Please describe briefly the alleged conduct	

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A Zimbabwe where there is Peace, Justice, Dignity and Development for all.

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To work for sustainable peace through monitoring, documentation, advocacy and community peace building interventions with our members and partners

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