

REPORT TO THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE WORK OF THE NATIONAL TASK TEAM 28 JULY 2023

1. INTRODUCTION

The ANCVL National Task Team (NTT) was appointed during the tenure of the former ANC NEC after the lapse of the term of the ANCVL NEC. The NTT conveys its congratulations to the National Officials and NEC members elected at the 55th national conference, and appreciates the support of the NEC for its work to rebuild the ANC VL as a formidable structure of the ANC contributing to the renewal and rebuilding of the ANC.

Rule 11.2 of the ANCVL Constitution provides for the national conference to receive and discuss reports of the NEC (NTT), including the Secretary General's (Coordinators) report. This report provides an overview of the work of the NTT over the last 9 months.

2. APPOINTMENT OF THE NTT

The NTT was appointed on 4 November 2022 by the ANC NEC after the term of the ANC VL NEC lapsed.

Convenor	Snuki Zikalala
Deputy Convenor	Mavuso Msimang
Coordinator	Natso Khumalo
Deputy Co-ordinator	Susan Shabangu
Fundraiser	Moosa Ismail

Additional members:

Frank Chikane	Mpumelelo Makapela	Dipuo Peters
Thanduyise Chiliza	Nomvula Nellie Mcasa	Peggy Qwelane
Eric Dampies	Moitheri Mogorosi	Lisa Seftel
Nora Fakude	Aaron Molaoa	Connie September
Makwenkwe Fikizolo	Valli Moosa	Mongane Wally Serote
Cynthia Gongotha	Bahlakana Mosala	Nomazulu Sidu
Trish Hanekom	Stan Motimele	Sheila Sisulu
Lipuwa Patricia Kondile	Ratshivanga Ndou	Zakes Tolo
Ilva MacKay Langa	Ntombovuyo Nkopane	Baby Tyawa
Mac Maharaj	Patricia Nkomombini	

The following three members have not attended any meetings of the NTT:

Cynthia Gongoto	Ratshivanga Ndou	Nomazulu Sidu
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The following five members of the NTT have attended only one full meeting of the NTT, a physical meeting with the ANC SG, 1st DSG, National Organiser and Head of Elections:

Thanduyise Chiliza	Mpumelelo Makapela	Bahlakana Mosala
Makwenkwe Fikizolo	Moitheri Mogorosi	

Four members have never attended any committee meetings and have missed over 50% of NTT meetings without apology:

Eric Dampies	Nomvula Nellie Mcasa
Aaron Molaoa	Patricia Nkomombini

All other members of the NTT have participated in the work of the NTT and its committees and all meetings of the NTT, National Working Committee (NWC) and National Office Bearers have quorated. Complete records of these meetings are available for the incoming National Executive Committee (NEC).

The NTT met every month, the NWC every two weeks and the National Office Bearers on a weekly basis. Special meetings were convened on an ad-hoc basis and the three committees of the NTT met regularly and will report to the conference on their work.

Structure	No of meetings
NTT	17
NWC	19
NOBs	28
Lekgotla	2 day Lekgotla

3. MANDATE OF THE NTT

When the NTT was appointed, an ANC NEC task team made up of comrades Gwen Ramokgopa, Nomvula Mokonyane, Thandi Modise, David Mahlobo and Dakota Lekgoete briefed that NTT on the priority tasks expected of the NTT. The tasks were identified as follows

- a) Prepare for the ANC 55th National Conference in December 2022;
- b) Clarify eligibility criteria for membership include all ANC members over 60 years old and with unbroken service of over 40 years;
- c) Set up organizational structures including:
 - An NWC;
 - PTTs in each Province (excluding NW Province which had a properly constituted PEC) taking into account national question, gender, geographic and generational representativity;
 - Support PTTs to launch branches;
 - Communication, Organizing and Membership, Renewal, Finance, etc committees; and
 - Appoint representatives to ANC Policy Committees such as the ETC, STC, Peace and Stability, International, Legislature and Governance

- d) Develop and implement a roadmap to National and Provincial Conferences **by the end of July 2023;**

There has been a qualitative leap forwards in the work of the ANCVL in the nine months since the NTT was appointed and the incoming NEC will have a launching pad to take this work forward so that the ANCVL plays a role in supporting and reinforcing the ANC as envisaged in the ANCVL Constitution.

4. ANC 55TH NATIONAL CONFERENCE

The ANC VL was represented by 25 voting delegates and 10 non-voting delegates at the 55th national conference.

The critical input of the delegation focused on the importance of restoring public confidence in the ANC and the state of the ANC. Inputs were made on renewal and a Programme of Action was proposed which sought to address unrelenting criticism in the public domain, political instability especially at local government level, the need to speed up service delivery and the need to stamp out corruption.

The outcomes of the national conference and the ANC NEC Lekgotla inform the programme of political and organizational work of the ANC VL through its committees and provincial structures.

5. ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURES

5.1 The NWC

The NWC was elected at the first meeting of the NTT and has, together with the National Office Bearers, guided the work of the ANCVL between NTT meeting

The following comrade served in the NWC:

Frank Chikane	Ilva MacKay Langa	Sheila Sisulu
Norah Fakude	Mac Maharaj	Zakes Tolo
Trish Hanekom	Wally Serote	

Comrades Trish Hanekom and Ilva MacKay Langa were appointed by the NTT to assist the National Office Bearers and were responsible for the preparation of document packs and minutes of meetings as well as providing an interface between the NOBs and NWC and the Organising, Campaigns and Membership Committee of the NTT which led the process of setting up Provincial Task Teams and implementation of the road map to Provincial Conferences.

The NTT established 5 committees:

Committee	Chairperson	Deputy Chairperson
Renewal	Mongane Wally Serote	Baby Tyawa
Organising, Campaigns and Membership	Zake Tolo	Trish Hanekom
Policy	Frank Chikane	Sheila Sisulu

Communications	Mac Maharaj	
Fundraising	Moosa Ismail	Norah Fakude

The Communications Committee was dissolved and instead comrades Mac Maharaj and Lisa Seftel coordinated the communication work of the ANCVL including preparation of media releases and establishing a functional website for the ANCVL.

The reports of the committees are included in the document pack and each of the committees will report on their work to a plenary session of conference in preparation for commissions.

5.2 Renewal Committee

The NTT approved terms of reference and a programme of action for the Renewal Committee:

- a) To implement the Programme of Action for the Renewal of the ANC as compiled with the Provincial Secretaries of the ANC and adopted by the NEC of the ANC.
- b) To provide strategic direction and leadership for hosting the Renewal Conference and subsequent sustained activities to strengthen the ANC.
- c) To advise the National Executive Committee of the ANC on the content of the Renewal Conference and strategies to strengthen the ANC e.g. embarking on a cadre development programme at branch level.
- d) To advise the NEC of the ANC on the intended outcomes to be achieved by the Renewal Conference.
- e) To develop and popularize a roadmap to be followed by all structures of the ANC towards a revitalized organisation.
- f) To provide a conducive environment for members of the ANC to debate the form and shape of the ANC they want.
- g) To promote and inculcate internal democracy through the inclusion of all members' voices in the decision-making.
- h) To provide a forum for members of the ANC to freely debate the quality improvements required for their organisation to thrive.

5.3 Policy committee

The NTT approved terms of reference and a programme of action for the Renewal Committee.

The following areas of focus were identified in so far as there are policy matters involved, inclusive of monitoring of policy implementation, policy review and adjustments:

- a) Energy crisis;
- b) Service Delivery crisis;
- c) Economic crisis;
- d) Veterans League Trust;
- e) Policy issues relating to the upcoming ANCVL Provincial Conferences and the National Conference;
- f) Committees/Commissions like the Conference Preparatory Committee (Rule 10.2) and Electoral Commission (Rule 22) which have a bearing on the policy development processes leading to the Conferences;

- g) Policy issues relating to the Integrity of the Electoral process of the ANC, including corrupt practices and use of money that negate the free will of members to elect the best leaders with integrity for the organisation;
- h) Policy on Coalitions in Government;
- i) Policies to stamp out lawlessness or disrespect for the law and the constitution, rules, and regulations;
- j) Amendments to the Constitution of the Veterans League to clean it up as well as deal with related policy issues;
- k) Policy matters relating to “specific issues and problems affecting Veterans of the movement” as per the 50th Conference of the ANC;
- l) Policy matters relating to challenges faced by MK Liberation War Veterans (MKLWV) as most of them qualify as members of the Veterans League; and
- m) Related to the national question, the non-racial character of the ANC and the building of an inclusive and equitable society.

5.4 Fundraising Committee

The fundraising committee was mandated to develop a budget and raise funds for the convening of the provincial and national conferences.

The NTT agreed that the Fundraiser should request the head of finance at Luthuli House to assist with financial information in order for him to prepare a detailed report on income and expenditure:

- a) Audited statements to the end of October 2022, being the end of the political term of the former NEC;
- b) Budget for the ANCVL NTT;
- c) Complete organogram and payroll for ANC VL nationally and in provinces; and
- d) Complete asset register of the ANCVL.

5.5 Organising, Campaigns and Membership Committee

The NTT approved terms of reference and a programme of action for the Organising, Campaigns and Membership Committee and agreed that the committee would be responsible for making recommendations for approval by the NTT on the establishment of PTTs and supporting PTTs with the implementation of a priority programme of work as follows:

- a) PWC and committees
 - Elect a PWC and establish committees;
 - Involve veterans who are not part of the PTT in committees; and
 - Establish a provincial OCMC to serve as conference preparatory committee and develop a roadmap to the provincial conference, guided by the Constitution of the ANCVL, the national OCMC and informed by the circulated roadmap developed in preparation for the NW Provincial Conference.

- b) Organisational and political work
 - Participate in the programme of organisational and political work of the ANC based on outcomes of 55th ANC conference; and
 - Define specific focus/programmes of the VL in the province.

- c) Identify membership and launch branches
 - Identify qualifying members of the VL and ensure that branches in the province are properly and inclusively launched in the period to the end of March as part of the build up to a provincial conference;
 - Circulate a “national call up for the ANCVL” as a supplementary tool using the membership data for identifying and confirming membership of the VL;
 - Assist comrades to register on the ANC online membership system and complete the VL members application and political biography; and
 - Launch branches corresponding to an ANC branch or cluster of branches with at least one branch per region or sub-region / zone.

- d) Prepare for provincial conferences
 - Set up a programme of BGMs so that 95% of delegates to conference are elected at properly constituted branch general meetings;
 - Allocate the number of delegates per branch complying with the 95% rule and proportional to the membership of the branch; and
 - Report to the NTT via the NTT OCMC committee and coordinators.

6. CONCLUSION

The ANC VL NTT is confident that it has delivered on its mandate within the time frames set by the ANC NEC.

The NW Province held its Provincial Conference in March 2022 prior to the establishment of the NTT. Six Provincial Conferences of branch delegates have taken place successfully. Provincial Conferences will take place in Gauteng and KwaZulu Natal after the National Conference.

We are of the view that the NTT has successfully executed its responsibilities to bring the ANCVL to the Conference within record time. We ask the Conference to rise and applaud the NTT and all those who assisted it to achieve its objectives.