



## **Save Our Economy, Save Our Country, Ensure A Future For Our Children & Generations To Come**

***#“Let Us Ensure A Future for Our Children & Generations to come”***

There are a number of issues that we need to find quick and sustainable answers to as South Africans otherwise our children and generations to come will not have a future. We need to find answers to the following:

- South Africa does not have country home grown big conglomerates/corporates that are the ones that are currently driving the economy. Most of big corporates are foreign owned. Key problem statement:
  - What happens to our economy, jobs and our way of life when these companies leave because they have sucked the country dry of everything they wanted. This includes mining companies and other related companies
- Our minerals are non-renewable resources that will soon run out without the country having established secondary economy with industries that will replace mining as the key driver of our economy. Already this is happening in certain parts of our country e.g Kimberly, Welkom, Rustenburg etc.

### **Call to action**

We need to start with serious and impactful conversations that will:

- Ensure establishment of sustainable economy not driven only by mining. Each community where mining is taking place needs to form and drive platforms for these conversations
- These communities and South Africans at large, need to lobby for significant ownership of minerals and mines by the state so mining financial proceeds can fund establishment of industries that take the country beyond the mining economy. This is what Dubai has done and that is why it is one of the richest countries that uses proceeds from its natural resource (oil) to better lives of its citizens. South Africa on the other hand is a rich country with a majority of its population that is suffering from poverty.
- Mining companies to contribute to a special community based and managed funds to establish and grow alternative industries to sustain economies of places and towns they are currently doing business in

- Active citizen participation by communities in ensuring sustainable economies in their areas

“we shall not be victims of circumstances”

“We will take back our power to determine our own future”

“we are not incapable but capable”

“We will be our brother’s and sister’s keepers”

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