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Bophuthatswana Civil Movement Condemns Provincial Leadership Vacuum Following Disastrous QLFS 2026 Q2 Unemployment Figures

The Bophuthatswana Civil Movement (BCM) notes with grave concern the release of the Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS) for the second quarter of 2026 by Statistics South Africa. The data paints a devastating picture of socio-economic collapse in the North West Province. Endowed with immense mineral wealth, the province now ranks as the highest in the country for unemployment, recording an astronomical 56% rate—sitting merely 10 percentage points shy of doubling the national average. This crisis is a direct indictment of sustained administrative failure, misplaced priorities and poverty of foresight servant political leadership.

Rather than implementing urgent, decisive interventions to address this economic emergency and the myriad of pressing challenges facing our communities, the North West Provincial Executive remains consumed by self-serving intra-party factional battles. The cynical cabinet reshuffle executed mere 24 hours after the release of the QLFS report is a glaring symptom of a profound leadership deficit and moral bankruptcy within the provincial administration. In light of these persistent failures, the Bophuthatswana Civil Movement issues an earnest and resolute call to all communities across the province. We urge citizens to view 04 November 2026, as a historic day of reckoning—an opportunity to decisively break away from decades of decline and ensure that the historic missteps of 1994, which plunged us into this systemic crisis, are never repeated.

The electorate is urged to cast their votes for the Bophuthatswana Civil Movement to secure dependable service delivery, accountable governance, and functional, transparent local government that genuinely serve the populace. BCM will soon share details regarding our upcoming LGE Manifesto Launch and the official unveiling of our mayoral candidates.

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