

ALLIANCE FOR SOCIAL EQUITY

MANIFESTO

KEY TURNAROUND STRATEGY

1. WATER SECURITY & INFRASTRUCTURE STABILITY

Current Challenge:

Irregular water supply, aging infrastructure, leakages, poor maintenance, and lack of accountability.

ASE Strategic Turnaround Plan:

- Conduct an **independent municipal water audit** within 90 days of governance.
- Establish a **Rapid Response Water Maintenance Unit** in every region.
- Introduce **real-time water monitoring systems** to detect leakages.
- Partner with private sector engineers for infrastructure rehabilitation.
- Enforce strict accountability on water contractors.
- Promote **community water forums** to report disruptions directly.
- Invest in boreholes and water reservoirs for drought resilience.

Outcome Goal:

Reliable 24/7 water access for all communities within 3–5 years.

2. ELECTRICITY SHORTAGES & ENERGY SECURITY

Current Challenge:

Load shedding, illegal connections, infrastructure collapse, and energy theft.

ASE Strategic Turnaround Plan:

- Support municipal-level **renewable energy projects** (solar farms).
- Install smart meters to reduce electricity theft.
- Create a **Community Energy Protection Unit** to curb illegal connections.
- Partner with independent power producers (IPPs).
- Introduce incentives for households adopting solar systems.
- Upgrade aging transformers and substations.

Outcome Goal:

Reduced load disruptions and sustainable energy diversification.

3. DRUG ABUSE CRISIS

Current Challenge:

High youth addiction rates, crime linked to substance abuse, lack of rehabilitation facilities.

ASE Strategic Turnaround Plan:

- Establish community-based **Rehabilitation & Skills Centres**.
- Deploy joint anti-drug task teams with law enforcement.
- Introduce school-based prevention programs.
- Launch a “Youth Empowerment Against Drugs” campaign.
- Create employment-linked recovery programs.
- Crack down on drug trafficking networks.

Outcome Goal:

Reduced drug-related crime and empowered, rehabilitated youth.

4. ILLEGAL FOREIGN NATIONALS & BORDER MANAGEMENT

Current Challenge:

Unregulated migration impacting jobs, housing, and social services.

ASE Strategic Turnaround Plan:

- Advocate for stronger border control enforcement.
- Support legal documentation verification systems in municipalities.
- Prioritize local employment in public projects.
- Strengthen Home Affairs oversight mechanisms.
- Promote lawful and fair immigration processes.

Outcome Goal:

Balanced migration management while protecting citizens' economic opportunities.

5. HIGH UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

Current Challenge:

Limited local economic development and lack of youth employment opportunities.

ASE Strategic Turnaround Plan:

- Launch a **Local Enterprise Development Fund**.
- Prioritize SMMEs in government procurement.
- Introduce vocational training aligned to local industries.
- Create municipal public works programs focused on infrastructure repair.
- Incentivize private sector job creation.
- Promote agricultural and township economy projects.

Outcome Goal:

Significant reduction in youth unemployment within 5 years.

6. PUBLIC SERVICE & HOSPITAL QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

Current Challenge:

Poor service delivery, long waiting times, corruption, understaffing.

ASE Strategic Turnaround Plan:

- Implement a **Public Service Performance Scorecard** system.
- Introduce anonymous public complaint digital platforms.
- Recruit additional healthcare professionals.
- Modernize hospital equipment.
- Enforce zero tolerance for corruption.
- Establish community oversight committees.

Outcome Goal:

Efficient, transparent, and dignified public service delivery.

7. POTHoles & ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE

Current Challenge:

Poor Road conditions, delayed maintenance, unsafe transport routes.

ASE Strategic Turnaround Plan:

- Establish a **Municipal Roads Maintenance Task Force**.
- Allocate ring-fenced budgets for road repairs.
- Introduce a public pothole reporting mobile system.
- Employ local youth in road rehabilitation programs.
- Enforce strict contractor performance standards.

Outcome Goal:

Safe, well-maintained roads supporting economic growth and mobility.

IMPLEMENTATION FRAMEWORK

- **First 100 Days:** Audits, task team establishment, emergency interventions.
- **Year 1–2:** Infrastructure stabilization and job programs rollout.
- **Year 3–5:** Sustainable growth, renewable energy, and service excellence consolidation.