

JZ PANICKING

President Jacob Zuma has come to realize that the sun will soon be rising on the morning of another day when he and the African National Congress will come to know that when people speak of poor or no service delivery they are genuine and not malicious.

The sight of incomplete ANC-built toilets scattered all over the show, from Viljoeskroon to the east rand is reminiscent of those of the days of the late Dr Viljoen. His dejection over the failure to deliver to the constituency that served the ANC loyally via their votes for the past 17 years is not enough; the best for him is to call it quits if even the dancing and sermonizing about his party being the be-all and end-all remains unheeded.

It astounds, while it is sensible, to listen to JZ saying that parties that want to reintroduce apartheid should not be voted for. The ANC is one such party; otherwise how does he justify the separate visits by Deputy President Kgalema Motlanthe and Minister Naledi Pandor, to black (Tswana) and Indian (Moslem) communities respectively on the same day in the same area, Zeerust, in the Ramotshere Moiloa Municipality. If this is not entrenching separate development then we should look elsewhere.

Whatever the outcome of the local government elections will be, the ANC should accept that they have a mountain to climb. The holier than thou attitude they have apportioned themselves will live to haunt them because they keep doing things not in keeping with liberation struggle they swear by.

We take note that they promise to ensure improved and strengthened monitoring and evaluation in order to detect problems much quicker. That is what they should have done in the first place instead of beating drums about inhumane conditions in municipalities run by other parties.

One thought that they of the holy word would have note that they should not laugh at the speck in the neighbour's eye while there is a splinter in theirs.

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