

FACT SHEET ON OPERATION VULINDLELA





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WHAT IS OPERATION VULINDLELA?

Operation Vulindlela is an initiative driven by the Presidency, supported by National Treasury. It is aimed at accelerating the implementation of prioritised economic structural reforms.

WHO ARE THE IMPLEMENTERS OF THE OPERATION VULINDLELA?

Departments and state owned entities supported by the Vulindlela unit. The reform implementing Minister remain accountable for implementation of reforms which they are responsible for.

WHAT IS THE ROLE OF THE VULINDLELA UNIT?

The Vulindlela unit monitors progress against reform implementation plans provided by the reform implementers. Where implementation of reforms is complex and requires a range of actions by different departments and entities and crosscutting implementation plans are not yet in place, the Vulindlela unit will work with departments and entities to facilitate and coordinate the development of cross-cutting reform implementation plans. The unit escalates challenges, and provides support to fast-track implementation.

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MONITORING OF PROGRESS MADE BY REFORM IMPLEMENTERS?

Progress reports will be submitted to the President, Ministers and Director Generals, Economic Cluster and Cabinet Committee wherein analysis and recommendations will be provided drawing on information from both the reform implementers and others sources, thus enabling critical assessment and identification of possible delays and provide support measures to address them.

IS OPERATION VULINDLELA NOT ANOTHER BUREAUCRATIC PLAN?

No, it will assist government to ensure the expeditious implementation of key reforms in the Economic Reconstruction and Recovery Plan. It focuses on a limited number of prioritised structural reforms that have been identified in various government policy documents, including the National Development Plan of 2012, the Towards a Growth Strategy document published by the National Treasury, and more recently the ERRP of 2020.

HOW MANY REFORMS HAVE BEEN PRIORITISED BY OPERATION VULINDLELA?

Prioritised reforms are mostly in the network industries of electricity, digital communications, water, and freight transport, because of their potential high impact on economic growth. Work permit and visa reforms have also been prioritised to enable scarce skills into the country and to enable increased tourism.