

A photograph of a construction site on a dirt road. In the foreground, a yellow and black striped traffic cone stands on the left side of the road. A line of orange and black road rollers is parked on the right side of the road, facing away from the camera. The background shows a dirt road stretching into the distance, flanked by trees and a cloudy sky. A large orange curved shape is on the right side of the image.

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Half Year Review (Jan – Jun 2021)

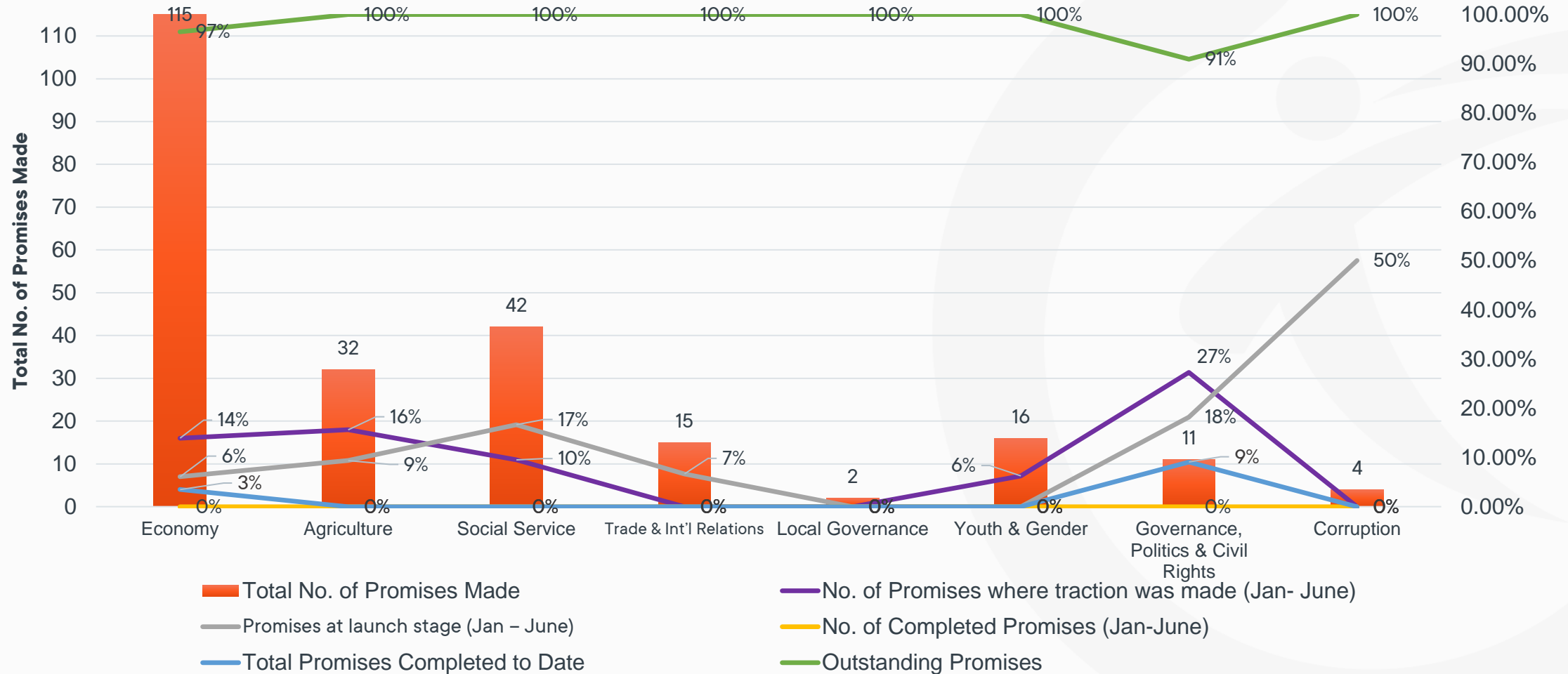
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Overview of Performance (1st Half of 2021)

Area	Total No. of Promises Made	No. of Promises where traction was made (Jan- June)		Promises at launch stage (Jan – June)		No. of Completed Promises (Jan-June)		Total Promises Completed to Date		Outstanding Promises	
Economy	115	16	13.9 %	7	6.09%	0	4	3.48%	111	96.52%	
Agriculture	32	5	15.6%	3	9.37%	0	0	0	32	100%	
Social Service	42	4	9.52%	7	16.7%	0	0	0	42	100%	
Trade & Int'l Relations	15	0	0%	1	6.67%	0	0	0	15	100%	
Local Governance	2	0	0%	0	0%	0	0	0	2	100%	
Youth & Gender	16	1	6.25%	0	0%	0	0	0	16	100%	
Governance, Politics & Civil Rights	11	3	27.3%	2	18.1%	0	1	9.10%	10	90.9%	
Corruption	4	0	0%	2	50%	0	0	0	4	100%	

Overview of Performance (1st Half of 2021)



Focus Area- Economy

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Enhancing foreign currency retention thresholds for exporting firms.	Zimbabwe's central bank, RBZ, on 8 January 2021, reversed a decision to force exporters, including mining companies, to sell a large portion of their dollar earnings if they were not used after 60 days (view source ↗ 8 January 2021)	In progress
Promotion of an export-oriented strategy.	Zimbabwe's balance of payments position continues to strengthen, after surging 4,25 percent in 2020 compared to the same period last year on account of strong growth in exports. (view source ↗ 22 February 2021)	In progress
Ensure that the country's roads in both rural and urban areas are rehabilitated and maintained.	<p>In Gutu District, DDF started on gravelling 55km of Manjokoto-Chimombe road, as well as shoulder maintenance of the same road.</p> <p>The rehabilitation of Ndepa - a road section of Siakobvu- Bumi Hills has been completed . (view source ↗ 11 March 2021)</p>	In progress

Focus Area- Economy

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ DDF will rehabilitate at least 3 bridges and re-gravel 300km of roads per year over the next 5 years in all rural provinces▶ Ensure that the country's roads in both rural and urban areas are rehabilitated and maintained.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Government launched the Matabeleland South DDF Blitz Road Maintenance Program in Beitbridge (view source ↗ 13 February 2021)▶ DDF began roads rehabilitation in Matabeleland South (view source ↗ 18 March 2021)▶ DDF received 2 motorised graders from Barzem Zimbabwe. A consignment of 16 graders is expected to be delivered in the next 8 months (view source ↗ 19 April 2021)	In progress
<p>Modernise the country's border posts to improve efficiency in the facilitation of movement of people and trade and to equip border posts with modern infrastructure and technology to enhance security. Prioritise Beitbridge, Plumtree, Chirundu, Forbes, Nyamapanda, Victoria Falls and Kazungula.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ African Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank) approved US\$70 million to finance the expansion and upgrade of the Beitbridge border post in Zimbabwe. (view source ↗ 3 March 2021)▶ Government to Establish Forbes Border Dry Port in Marange (view source ↗ 30 May 2021)	In progress

Focus Area- Economy

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Develop Diamond and Lithium Policies to facilitate investment.	Zimbabwe Government granted an Exclusive Prospecting Order (EPO) to Premier African Minerals over an area comprising the Zulu Lithium and Tantalum claims (Zulu) in the Fort Rixon district (view source ↗ 15 March 2021)	In progress
Maintaining a stable and predictable business environment.	As above	In progress
Maintain active involvement of State-Owned Enterprises (SOEs) within the mining sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Cabinet considered and approved the proposal for a joint venture between the Zimbabwe Mining Development Corporation and Fossil Mine for graphite mining under contract at Lynx Mine (view source ↗ 30 March 2021)▶ Cabinet considered and approved the Copper Control Amendment Bill▶ Kuvimba Mining House paid US\$5,2 Million dividend (view source ↗ 23 June 2021)	In progress

Focus Area- Economy

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Increased use of Information Communication Technologies (ICTs) to enhance productivity, product marketing, governance systems and service delivery.	National ICT Device Factory was commissioned (view source ↗ 24 March 2021)	In progress
Ensure that performance-based bonuses are consistently paid on time and that workers receive fair wages and benefits.	Establishment of the civil servants' loan fund (view source ↗ 21 February 2021)	In progress
Enhance the IPPs framework in order to facilitate the implementation of current and future IPP projects.	2021 Zimbabwe Infrastructure Investment Programme (view source ↗)	In progress

Focus Area- Economy

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Facilitate investments in the energy sector by both public institutions and independent power producers (IPPs) in order to ensure consistent availability of efficient and affordable energy to all citizens	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Republic of Zimbabwe and the Russian State Atomic Energy Corporation. The Memorandum seeks to facilitate higher level cooperation between the two countries in the use of nuclear energy. (view source 1 ↗ 13 April 2021, view source 2 ↗)▶ National ICT Device Factory was commissioned (view source ↗ 24 March 2021)	In progress
Establish one stop shop for the processing and administration of investments.	Government approved proposed joint ventures which have been submitted by the Zimbabwe Investment and Development Agency (ZIDA). (view source ↗ 1 July 2021)	In progress

Focus Area- Economy

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Liberalising airwaves by allowing new players in the mobile telecoms sector and promoting the adoption of modern technologies.	▶ Launch of the Second Phase of the Emergency Roads Rehabilitation Programme (ERRP2) in Mount Darwin. The Programme will ensure accelerated rehabilitation and construction of roads and bridges damaged by recent heavy rains (view source 1 ↗ 15 April 2021)	In progress
Liberalising airwaves by allowing new players in the mobile telecoms sector and promoting the adoption of modern technologies.	Launch of the Zimbabwe Digital Broadcasting Migration Project (DTT) in Magunje (view source 1 ↗ 15 April 2021)	In progress
Increased funding for national development project and programs	Government plans to list a bond on the local exchange for the first time in 20 years to raise funds for the expansion and upgrade of a main highway that links the country to its largest trading partner, South Africa (view source 1 ↗ 7 May 2021)	In progress

Focus Area- Economy

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Encourage ease of doing business, procedure and the attendant costs.	Government abolished a rule which required co-ownership between government and private investors in the cultivation of cannabis for medicinal use (view source 1 ↗ , view source 2 ↗ 12 May 2021)	In progress
Enforce the "use-it-or-lose-it" principle in order to curb speculative hoarding of mining claims and make mineral deposits available to serious miners, including local entrepreneurs	Total Mining Ltd., a venture controlled by Eurasian Resources Group, was informed that its platinum mining concessions could be seized because no progress has been made in developing them. (view source 1 ↗ , view source 2 ↗ 1 June 2021)	In progress

Focus Area- Economy

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
<p>Government's fiscal policy will put emphasis on strong fiscal discipline, accountability and transparency for the restoration of macro-economic stability.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ By the end of December 2020 Government had approved 52 out of 92 local authorities' 2021 budgets; 24 budgets were received within 2 days of January 8, 2021 ▶ Zimra collected net revenue of \$182,59 billion against a target of \$171,90 billion for the year ending December 31, 2020, and this translated to 6,22% above target. (view source 1 ↗ 12 May 2021) ▶ Zimbabwe recorded a budget surplus amounting to ZWL\$9,8 billion in the first quarter of 2021 on the back of continued fiscal consolidation measures and sustained macro-economic stability.. (view source 1 ↗ 8 June 2021) ▶ Publication of Beneficiaries of Foreign Auction System (view source 1 ↗ 4 June 2021) 	<p style="text-align: center; background-color: #4CAF50; color: white; padding: 5px; border-radius: 10px;">In progress</p>
<p>Revive cultural festivals around the country such as the Shangani Festival in Chiredzi, Murehwa cultural festival, the Nyami-Nyami festival in Kariba and the Intwasa festival in Bulawayo.</p>	<p>President Mnangagwa officiated at the Bulawayo Arts Festival, which started on 31 May 2021 (view source 1 ↗ , view source 2 ↗)</p>	<p style="text-align: center; background-color: #4CAF50; color: white; padding: 5px; border-radius: 10px;">In progress</p>

Focus Area- Agriculture

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Provision of support services in resettlement areas, including schools, hospitals, boreholes and extension services.	▶ 1 of the 50 proposed boreholes has been successfully sunk by DDF at Bere Clinic, Mashava, Masvingo Province (view source 1 ↗ , 21 February 2021)	In progress
Providing combine harvesters, and dryers, stock feed, manufacturing equipment and related inputs on a cost recovery basis.	54 of the 60 tractors availed have been taken up (view source 1 ↗ , 26 February 2021)	In progress

Focus Area- Agriculture

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Compensating white ex-farmers in line with the provisions of the National Constitution	Zimbabwe made its first compensation payment as part of an agreement to settle a dispute with White commercial farmers. The state-linked Kuvimba Mining House Ltd. transferred US\$1 million to the farmers (view source 1 ↗ , view source 2 ↗ , view source 3 ↗ 23 June 2021)	In progress
Promoting climate-smart agricultural practices.	Launch of Climate Strategy Documents I. National Climate Change Learning Strategy ii. Green Climate Fund Country Programme iii. National Adaptation Planning Communication Strategy iv. Climate Change Mainstreaming Module (view source 1 ↗ 26 February 2021)	In progress

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Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Capacitating domestic institutions mandated with the promotion of the agricultural sector.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ 170 Mash East Agritex officers received motorcycles(view source 1 ↗, view source 2 ↗, 25 February 2021)▶ Launch of the Agricultural Finance Corporation (AFC) Holdings Ltd. AFC Holdings (formerly Agribank) is a parent company which holds four other companies focused on resourcing Agriculture. (view source ↗ 01 May 2021)	In progress
Enhancing the command agriculture funding model by ensuring that inputs are provided on time.	Farmers planted crops on over 3.4 million hectares in the 2020/2021 agricultural season, representing a 23 percent increase from the 2.8 million hectares planted last season. The increase was driven by the amount of rainfall received this season, early distribution of inputs and support to farmers by the government (view source 1 ↗ , 29 March 2021)	In progress

Focus Area- Agriculture

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Accelerate establishment of irrigation schemes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Commissioning of the Muchekeranwa Dam, that will benefit the provinces of Mashonaland East and Manicaland.▶ Launch of The Presidential Fisheries Scheme and the Muchekeranwa irrigation project▶ Groundbreaking ceremony of the Muchekeranwa-Wenimbe pipeline that will see the town of Marondera getting water from the new dam, with the surplus going to Harare. (view source 1 ↗ 13 May 2021)	In progress
Create opportunities for various agro-value chain players, including, financial service input suppliers, equipment suppliers, transporters, manufacturers and retailers.	The Agricultural Marketing Authority will no longer be issuing out import permits for maize and maize meal due to bumper harvest (view source 1 ↗ , view source 2 ↗ , view source 3 ↗ , view source 4 ↗ 22 May 2021)	In progress

Focus Area- Social Service

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Clear a huge housing backlog (Government targets 220 000 houses and flats by 2025 in line with the National Development Strategy (NDS1) and Vision 2030)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ In January 2021 \$1,35 billion allocated in the 2021 National Budget for National Housing Fund (view source 1) 6 January 2021▶ Approval of Musha-Muzi Housing Programme, for low-income earners in March 2021 (view source 1) 28 May 2021)▶ Nearly 570 low-cost housing units have been constructed in the first quarter of this year. (view source 1 view source 2) 28 May 2021)	In progress
In collaboration with the private sector, deliver at least 1.5 million affordable housing units to the people in the next 5 years.	See above	In progress

Focus Area- Social Service

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Create Social Safety Nets	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Government approved amendments to the Insurance Bill 2020 Cabinet considered and approved the Insurance and Pensions Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (view source ↗, 25 February 2021)▶ Government procured 50 new buses for Zupco, bringing total fleet to date to 212 buses (view source ↗ 05 March 2021)▶ Government reviewed the cash transfer given to vulnerable persons from \$300 to \$1 500 per household per month as the State seeks to provide social protection nets to the disadvantaged members of society (view source ↗ 16 March 2021)	In progress
Mainstream disability into all community services, programmes and government projects.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Cabinet Approved National Disability Policy▶ President Launched National Labour Migration and National Disability Policies (view source ↗ 09 June 2021)	In progress

Focus Area- Social Service

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Restore sanity to unplanned urban land development while improving social amenities in the urban centres	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Cabinet approved the Zimbabwe Construction Council Bill (2019), which paves the way for the establishment of the Zimbabwe Construction Industry Council (ZCIC) (view source ↗ 17 February 2021)▶ Government began production of a “Wetlands Master Plan” which will guide land use management system in most urban areas (view source ↗ March 2021)	In progress
Establish a modern, affordable healthcare system for all. Reducing hospital fees by 50%, improving the supply of critical drugs, guaranteeing free health care to all cancer patients	Cabinet considered and approved the Health Services Amendment Bill. Key feature is a designation of the health service as an essential service in line with Section 65(3) of the Constitution (view source ↗ 16 March 2021)	In progress

Focus Area- Social Service

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
<p>Continue to map out strategies in the education sector in order to have an education system that is responsive to the country's development needs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ The Ministry of Tertiary Education, Innovation, Science and Technology Development repositioned, the Management Training Bureau (MTB) as a National Strategic Institution in the provision of national capabilities in critical skills shortage areas. (view source 1, view source 2 22 April 2021)▶ The University of Zimbabwe converted part of its farmland into an industrial park that will expose students to industrial experience during their studies in line with Government's Education 5.0 policy. (view source 1 23 April 2021)	<p>In progress</p>
<p>Rehabilitate public healthcare infrastructure.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ President officially opened the Bulawayo Orthopedic Hospital and the UBH isolation and treatment center. The facilities were revamped through partnerships between the Government of Zimbabwe and development partners. (view source 1 14 May 2021)▶ Government procures 100 ambulances. The first batch of the specialized vehicles is set to be delivered in August, with each province receiving between eight to 10 ambulances when all have been delivered later this year. (View source 1)	<p>In progress</p>

Focus Area- Social Service

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
<p>Resuscitate the country's pharmaceutical industry to increase the availability of drugs at affordable prices.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ The government approved a five-year national strategy to boost the domestic pharmaceutical industry.▶ The objectives of the Strategy include:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ to increase the market share of local pharmaceutical products from the current 12% to 35% by 2025;▶ to increase local production of essential medicines from US\$31.5 million to US\$150 million by 2025;▶ to increase local production of essential medicines from 30% to 60% by 2025; and▶ to improve exports of pharmaceutical products from 10% to 25% by 2025. <p>(view source ↗ 27 April 2021)</p>	<p>In progress</p>

Focus Area- Governance, Politics and Civil Rights

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Ensure equal access to opportunities for all people in Zimbabwe regardless of race, tribe, sex, religion or origin.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ The Broadcasting Authority of Zimbabwe (BAZ) licensed three Community Radio Stations.<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ considered and approved the proposed engagement of a private partner in the Implementation of a National Biometric Database for the Production of e-Passports, National Identity Cards and Birth Certificates. (view source 1 ↗ 26 May 2021)▶ approved the Guardianship of Minors Amendment Bill, 2020 which seeks to align provisions of the Guardianship of Minors Act [Chapter 5:08] to the current Constitution (view source 1 ↗ 21 April 2021)	In progress
Ensuring the independence, transparency and dependability of the judiciary	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Government openly challenged the ruling of High Court against Chief Justice (view source 1 ↗, view source 2 ↗ 18 May 2021)	In progress

Focus Area- Governance, Politics and Civil Rights

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Promote sound governance, inclusivity, transparency and accountability.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ President launched the translated NDS1 handbook. The original English NDS1 translated or produced into Shona, Tonga, Nambya, Venda, Xhosa, Kalanga, Chewa, Shangani, Tswana, Sotho, Ndebele, Chibarwe & Ndaу (view source 1 ↗ view source 2 ↗ 11 March 2021)▶ Cabinet considered and approved the Provincial Metropolitan Councils Bill Local governance▶ Cabinet considered and approved the Police Amendment Bill▶ First Female Open Prison launched in Marondera (view source ↗ 3 June 2021)▶ Launch of the National Labour Migration and National Disability Policies . (view source ↗ 9 June 2021)	In progress

Focus Area- Corruption

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Promote sound governance, inclusivity, transparency and accountability.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ ZACC investigated into US\$13m external assets. (view source 1 22 February 2021)▶ Zimbabwe seeks local IT consultant for biometric authentication API project(view source 7 11 March 2021)	In progress

Focus Area- Trade and International Relations

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Re-build local, regional and international partnerships	▶ Finance Minister began a global roadshow to win over investors and highlight policy changes in the nation's economy. (view source ↗ 14 April 2021)	In progress

Focus Area- Youth and Gender

Actual Promise Made	Activities/Accomplishments	Status
Ensure youth mainstreaming in all national development programmes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Finance Minister began a global roadshow to win over investors and highlight policy changes in the nation's economy. (view source 1 ↗ view source 2 ↗ 13 April 2021)▶ Under the Presidential Community Fisheries Scheme launched, about 50 000 tilapia fingerlings were released into Muchekeranwa Dam for the benefit of communities surrounding the dam in Marondera and Makoni districts.▶ The Scheme is targeted at the youth, women and other vulnerable groups. It will : a) provide nutritional security for the communities. b) create employment for vulnerable groups. c) generate revenue for the community and Provincial economies of Manicaland and Mash East (view source 1 ↗ 13 May 2021)	In progress

Focus Area- Social Service

Area	No. of Modified Promises to Date	Total Promises Broken to Date
Economy	0	4
Agriculture	1	0
Social Service	1	1
Trade & Int'l Relations	0	0
Local Governance	0	0
Youth & Gender	0	0
Governance, Pol & Civil Rights	0	1
Corruption	0	0