

# ZANU PF PATRIOTS GROUP



## PRIME TIME

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**GUEST** : CDE TICHAONA ZINDOGA (THE HERALD POLITICAL EDITOR)  
**LEAD MODERATOR** : ADMIN ELIAS  
: CDE HEISENBERG)

**THEME** *ZANU PF'S YOUTH GENERATION OF SHAME*

**THE GODFATHER:** Patriots

Good evening and welcome to tonight's Prime Time where we are joined by Cde Tichaona Zindoga who is a Presidential Journalist with The Herald. The reason why we have Cde Tich is because of an article he penned and which appeared in today's edition of The Herald. The article is titled ZANU Pf's YOUTH GENERATION OF SHAME. There are a number of interesting items raised there which we would want clarify on. We have also added our Youth League Boss Cde Togarepi as issues being discussed will be of interest to him.

To help us during moderate is Cde Elias Sibanda and Elder Heisenberg

Cde Tich

Maybe before we get to the article, a brief history about yourself

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:** *I am a journalist and student of politics and the science of politics. They call me the Political Editor of The Herald*

*(I'm also known to a couple guys m seeing here , on professional and personal grounds...And the Cde who introduced me here is my high xool junior and friend Lol)*

**ELDER HEISENBERG:** Welcome Cde Tich to Zanu Pf Patriots Prime Time

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:** *Thank u Cde Heisenberg*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Good evening cde Zindoga. My name is cde Elias Sibanda.

Taking it from the top, the headline - generation of shame.

That's all encompassing and somewhat generalising.

Can we really say the entire current generation of Zanu pf to be a generation of shame?

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*Thank u. Let me start by acknowledging that the headline, like all eye catchers, was hyperbolic. However it speaks to that the writer addresses regarding the deficiencies in the youth movement of the ruling party which has led to a foreboding that the youths of the current generation does not have, or seem to have no idea leas so an age defining one*

*This is unlike previous generation of youth most importantly the liberation war era and the 90s*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Could u give us a brief insight of what made the youths of the 90s and war era better than the present

Cde Tich

Are you still having network trouble

**HON MAYOR WADYAJENA:** Cde Admin who is our elusive Guest?

**THE GODFATHER:**

Hon Mayor

Our guest is The Herald Political Reporter Tichaona Zindoga

**CDE MATAIRE:**

He is actually the Political Editor of The Herald, he shapes the thinking of the paper.

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*Sorry guys had a black out but I'm back now...*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Ok. Let's proceed cde Tich

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*Cde Sibanda u will recall and indeed note that the former, the liberation era, was peopled with youths as young a Grade Five who made conscious decisions to go to war and that changed the course of history. For them it was a generational political challenge and they acquitted themselves well and in a defined way. Regarding the late 80s and 90s those young people especially from the universities and colleges theirs was a social movement born out the then social milieu and that movement was also politically conscious and it can be argued that they gave birth to a new political paradigm which would define the strongest post independence opposition, although that necessary agenda would later be hijacked by foreign and hostile forces. Now the present generation cannot be said to be a movement*

*Neither can it be identifiable with something definitive and transcendal*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Cde Tich

Wouldn't u agree that the youths of the liberation war era had a well defined enemy and challenge and there was no other way but to be such a movement.

Now in yo article u challenge the current youth to make demands from the leadership of their own organization. Fair and fine but can such demands be made with the same militarism

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*Situations differ but u will agree with the age old adage that the more things change the more they remain the same!*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Must we be rebellious

It seems network problem has shifted to me

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*Now, can u not figure out that outside a war zone Zimbabwe faces some of the greatest economic challenges. As such the primary focus of the youth should be about the economy and ways they can carve out a generational milestone? Ever wondered why a Fourth Chimurenga has not taken off?*

**ELDER HEISENBERG:**

Cde Tich

Back then the youth led the struggle and now they are led , the vision they follow is set by elders, is it a crime to be obedient?

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*The economic should have provided with that impetus and the ruling party has actually set the conditions but we have bit taken the xue*

*Cue*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Let's be clear from the beginning. Are u saying the youths are the ones to blame or the system hinders them from any radical action

Address cde Heisenberg's question first

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*There is no need to be disobedient. Rather, the radical action youths have to take is to bring to fruition the economic freedom whose instrument s and framework are there.*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Moving on with the article.

In your opening paragraphs, you cite to groups of youths as examples. 1. Children of war vets trust 2. ZYAP.

First of all, your examples are not directly in the structures of the Zanu pf youth league. Why should their actions be attributed to Zanu pf youths

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*The YL is but a club of a bigger youth society*

*The fact that these are not members doesn't take away their inherent belonging to the party if we are to take it at face value*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Anyone can wake up and form a trust with ulterior motives. There is a reason why affiliates must have the blessings of the mother body

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*That is correct but the aforementioned orgs are but two examples from a while gamut that the ruling party youths are identifiable with*

*In other words they were used as an entry point*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

2ndly.

You castigate the youths for inaction and possibly lack of spine. Then these youths threaten to take action against leaders they think have strayed but again u castigate them.

Aren't u contradicting yourself?

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*The ma1 n issue is not a about spine but spine for the wrong reasons. In this case spine in misdirected factional and personality clashes. This is not something u cab be proud of, as the article feared. And, surely, its bit something that transcends space and time in universality?*

*Not ?something...*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Who decides which reasons are right or wrong for the spine in question

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*Cde Sibanda something with a universal appeal speaks for itself*

*And observers like us can see when we bump into insufferable values*

**ELDER HEISENBERG:**

"The youth of the rulling party are not demonstrating the good of their party or utilising the opportunities that their party is likely to accord with partiality. You begin to think the opposition youth are better for today as they protest for jobs and better living conditions which the party promised"

Your comparison of Zanu PF youths to the opposition, is it not a dangerous parth as we are founded on opposite ideology

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*The comparison seeks to demonstrate how the riling party youth is actually a danger to itself, the party and nation*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Cde Tich

You say in your article that its a shame the youths are being used as foot soldiers. Weren't the youths of the liberation war era foot soldiers?

Aren't u perhaps mistaking the vanguard role of the youths as being used as foot soldiers

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:** *The youths of yore were footsoldiers of a cause not personalities and factional warlords*

And godfathers...

**ADMIN ELIAS:** Are you affirming that there is factionalism in Zanu pf. If so who are the leaders

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:** *That's a trite question, don't u think? next!*

**ADMIN ELIAS:** Hahaha. Exactly my point. How do u then end something tht doesn't exist in the first place

Cde Tich

In the next paragraph u say u are disappointed by the current youths as future leaders. What are u using as your basis to measure their inability to lead in future

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:** *The ability to create paradigm and set the agenda none of which is demonstrable now*

**ADMIN ELIAS:** Why create a paradigm? Or are u saying the youths must have a paradigm shift? Then again I would ask shift from what

**ELDER HEISENBERG:** As you see such, do you also see space for the ability to create paradigm and set agenda as the youth without 'force' ?

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:** *The challenges and sociopolitical issues of today are not about the personalities and the succession matrix but issues that affect over 60 percent of the nation*

**ADMIN ELIAS:** Cde Tich

In your article, u introduced the issue of succession and 2 distinct factions with their leaders wether real or imaginary.

How much is the issue of succession a factor in creating this generation of shame

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:** *Those issues are of necessity do not deprive the leadership of sleep now because of the age disconnect. How we define and seek to tackle the issues define a paradigm and possibly a pedestal on which a future leader can stand*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Also give us a brief insight of the issues that u say affect 60% of the nation

Cde Zindoga

May u tone down on the English language. Remember u are talking to the generation of shame. The unsexy and uneducated

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*Issues such as education and its relevance and affordability; the economy and its inclusivity and access to social services, among others*

*But to me the issue of the economy as a factor of national cake*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

But how do u really judge the current youth as lacking in leadership acumen when they are not leading yet

Cde Tich

In your article, u say the youth are expending unnecessary energy on social media.

How much impact does social media have in modern politics

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*The youth as an organisation is both a society and main political party in miniature. If we were to take the current youth leadership and elevate it to national leadership what kind of republic would we be? Banana?*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

May you address the question on social media as well

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*In relation to social media it has to be asserted that it is a great mobilising tool but never an instrument of governance*

*Besides it is mainly for dissemination of gads rather than enduring ideas*

*Fads*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Do u agree that media actually shapes the minds of the youths and these G40s are a creation of the media.

I put it to u that today's journalists are more of the generation of shame than the Zanu pf youths.

Am I wrong?

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*The media is diverse and serve different purposes*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

The journalists are more of the foot soldiers in this one won't u agree

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*It depends on who u identify as such and whether u have empirical evidence to support that claim*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Let's talk about this article as an example. U talk of the first lady and Vp Mnangagwa as being at loggerheads.

As I read this as an ordinary youth, aint I compelled to react to such claims one way or the other.

If the media was littered with ideas of development for the youths, wouldn't we be shaped in that regard too

**ELDER HEISENBERG:**

Your article Cde is deeper than what you thought you were writing. How do you blast your generation and push them to the edge of thinking like that, advocating for action against elders. If you are a Christian you should remember the story of two brothers, one that demanded his portion of inheritance and look what happened to him, that is exactly what you are advocating for. You should be proud of the patience in our youths and how much they trust their leaders. We are not just an educated generation but learned also and that is the reason we do not go to extremes esp with elders.

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*Your understanding of the piece is shallower than you thought cde*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Let's all take a deep breath and continue civilly

**THE GODFATHER:**

Cde Tich

Here is what one of our female lady sent so that we get your comment:

For the record.

ANCYL members have been known to be dissolved on several occasions and the ZANU PF YL does not compare.

It is my strongest conviction that with the latter the challenge is with the generation that claims entitlement to a Revolution. A generation that fails to realise that a Revolution a continuous process and according to Chairman Mao has different phases and different torch bearers..

Manje the mother body wants to be the women's league and the youth all in 1.

I think the Zanu Pf youth league are doing their best in full filling their generational mandate.

Being the vanguard or the vanguard is good enough. Atleast it keeps you in the ranks and files.

The youth are an endangered species and they are on their own and should anything and everything to survive another day.

Lest they be purged abashed.

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*as addressed above, its not about rebellion and demanding inheritance from political fathers but defining enduring ideals and ideas*

*Ideas that are independent and will be user as rallying point in the next generation*

*The elders have set the he matrix of the 3 Chimurengas*

*What will be our next Chimurenga*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Cde Tich

To add onto the ANCyl question. U used Julius Malema as a shining example. But he got expelled from.Anc. Are u by any means advocating that the current youth must be rebellious too even to the extent of being expelled

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*Its about the idea and we addressed that above and many times prior*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Noted cde Tich. I cld have added that the issue of ideas is mostly theoretical at best but let's move on

In your article u mention youths aligned to Hon Wadyajena. Is he one of the war lords by any means

Is he leading a faction too

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*Good thing u told us he is here will yake the opportunity to ask him*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Does this mean u wrote the article when u don't know the actual truth

Will open the floor now

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*I generally does not regard him as a lord less so a factional leader...*

*Do not*

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

But he has youths aligned to him? In yo books, what does not that make him

FLOOR IS NOW OPEN

**FOUNDER JERVAS:**

Kwaziwai political editor

**THE GODFATHER:**

Cde Tich

You talked of directed energy in militancy, as someone with a keen eye in politics I have observed your articles on expelled MashWest Chairman Mliswa, would you say he is the model militant youth that many should look up to?

**CDE LOVENESS:**

How are you Editor n Patriots good evenin



**CDE KANDEMIVIRI:**

Kaziwai kaziwai changamire

I want to chip in with my understanding of Toch's article..Cde Tich, I stand to be corrected

From my own understanding, Cde Tich's article is trying to pull out that "general us" and instilling that "particular us" within the youths. In as much as some statements may sound awkward or self-contradictory, I still view it as a balanced discussion on its own, that really requires a deepened comprehension. Check the versions of the story of the Children of National War Veterans ...." one.munyaradzi shoko claims not to know the other guy, whilst the other one claims to be the leader, umwe anoti hatina post yakadaro, uyu hatimuzivi, asi ukowo kwakanzi uyu hatimuzivi..umwe anototi Cde Chris should explain why he allowed a Press Confer with those people...all in all, there comes some shame. As such, the article calls us the Youths to be in one accord. The Ministry of youth is a government ministry, running for all youths regardless of political affiliation, but not forgetting that the party that makes that same government is the Zanu Pf. Therefore, all other youth groups automatically become affiliates of the Min of Youth, in government but guided by Zanu Pf...and the guiding parameters are derived from the Zanu Pf manifesto...hence, in one way or the other, all those youth groups so long they are recognised by the Min of Youths, are accorded Youths under Zanu Pf gvt..

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*Thanks Mr Trevor for that*

**CDE MANDY:**

(clapping hands) great interview

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*Thanks Auntie*

**CDE MANDY:**

Tich are you not part of the youth yrself??

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:**

*I'm am if u are referring to age*

**HON MAYOR WADYAJENA:**

Cde Admin I've a question & my name is Justice Mayor Wadyajena the GodSon of the GodFather!

**THE GODFATHER:**

Go ahead Cde Wadyajena

**ADMIN ELIAS:**

Go ahead honourable

**CDE FUNGAI:**

Evening cdes, I just want to know the rationale for inviting militancy on youths to prove a modernised group ah, until Zindoga inform us what our leaders has erred tht warrants force. Your reasons for youth rebellion are noticed in examples but divorced from practical conduct of our leaders. You hid nekuti Main Body, tell us whom you feel has been left frivolously by the Youth so tht we rebel tomorrow morning.

**HON MAYOR WADYAJENA:** Let me know when it's all clear to ask?

**CDE MANDY:** Your article demotivates the youths who are trying hard in this harsh economy. And to say a generation lost is like saying they are hopeless.

**ELDER HEISENBERG:** I'm waiting for Hon GodSon (crocodile emoji)

**FOUNDER JERVAS:** Cde Ticha personally I will take ur article as too insiting,causing youth to be rebellious hence u don't adequately point out the remedies to ur findings,wonder why!

**CDE NGWANE:** Ini hangu ndarwadziwa nearticle iyi. From a layman's point of view m that z, I feel such articles are simply fueling factioanalism and confusion especially among us the youth. W are faced w a situation that require sound decision making n articles such as these influence negatively on youths

**CDE MANDY:** (clapping hands)I applaude the youths for their patience n trust in their leaders

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:** *I have addressed the question of rebellion before and if all of us think that the only way we can make a generational difference is to be rebellious, God help us all!*

**THE GODFATHER:** Patriots

I will allow Hon Wadyajena to ask his question and we close the program. Its been 120minutes now and surely we need our guest again in future and our Youth League Boss who also wants to rest now.

Hon Mayor

Come in and lets close the program

**CDE FUNGAI:** So what are yu suggesting. Given swift dissemination of information in the global village, what do you think will youths in zimbabwe do or react

Just asking zvangu. Tomboti kuno kuWedza little District

**ADMIN ELIAS:** Let's all stand down for Cde Wadyajena's question. Since he was also mentioned in the article, let's acxord him that opportunity

**FOUNDER JERVAS:** Is the Godson online !

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:** *Youths must reorient and refocus and make a conscious decision to focus on issues rather than personalities. On legacy not leaders. Any idea and action. That does not conform to universal values and indeed appears to be limited by time and personalities must be shunned...*

**HON MAYOR WADYAJENA:** I'm a avid follower of Cde Zindoga's articles/opinions but I'm afraid, on this one, I'm inclined to believe the article was written by the G40 Gangsters in the comfort of their offices. This is so cz Cde Zindoga failed to defend his position. All Cde Zindoga did was to put his byline whatever they call it. I pray and hope Cde Zindoga is a professional who will not personalize and or scandalize this statement. I'm still your fan Cde!

Wenyu GodSon straight from The Midlands the only Liberated Province of Zimbabwe!

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**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:** *Hahaha Godson u shld know better than that!*

*zindoga does not hold brief for anyone that is why only few moons back he was also accused of speaking like a successionist!*

**CDE MANDY:** Getting deeper

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:** *And using the reasoning of well known successionists I'm sure u remember the article*

*Vis abuse of name of First Lady*

**HON MAYOR WADYAJENA:** Let's name and shame them too.

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:** *What then heartens Zindoga is when he this week us said to belong here and the next there... It means he has a mind of his own!*

**CDE DEWA:** I like him

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:** *Aww Cde uphondo I am flattered*

**HON MAYOR WADYAJENA:** Goodnight Cde can't wait for next weeks edition!

**CDE KANDEMIVIRI:** Ok Cde Tich..thanx for coming.

**CDE TICH ZINDOGA:** *Wednesday its My Turn...u wouldn't want to to miss that!*

**THE GODFATHER:** Cde Tich

We stand

We shake hands

We smile

We bid farewell

It was nice having you along

*Shefu Togarepi*

Goodnight and thank you for coming

***Our Moderators***

Ndimi mune yese. Thank you

***Patriots***

As always, we lead while other gets lost trying to follow

**CDE TOGAREPI:**

Candid discussion. Though comparing our youth with Julius is unfortunate. Our youth are the leaders of tomorrow and should be disciplined. I liked part of his article but a bit apprehensive about some of his advice. It's time for all patriots to introspect and defend the founding principles of our revolution. Just be careful about these social media platforms for not everything said will see the next day. I hope we will be guided but this insightful discussion. For Tich thank you so much. I also encourage you to go wider and higher to enrich your advice to the you. To the youth discipline has no substitute as you seek political and economic emancipation.

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