

## **Profile of Seiso Joel Mohai, Free State MEC: Finance**

### **Personal Details**

- Born in the Free State town of Zastron and grew-up in Botshabelo.
- Attended high school in Botshabelo where he completed his matric.
- He holds a Postgraduate Diploma in Management of Technology and Innovation from the Da Vinci Institute.
- He is married has four children.

### **Current Positions**

Free State Member of the Executive Council: Finance

Chairperson: Governance, Administration, Security and International Affairs Cluster

Member of the Free State Legislature.

### **Political Involvement, Leadership and Work Experience:**

#### **In the Youth Movement**

- He has strong roots in the Youth Movement in the 1980's, dating back from his days in COSAS and SAYCO.
- He was the regional Chairperson of the ANC YL in the Southern Free from 1991 until 1994.
- He was elected into the Provincial Executive Committee of the ANC YL in 1994 and served as Provincial Political Education Officer until 1996.

- In 1996 he was elected Provincial Chairperson of the ANC YL and diligently performed his duties until 1998.
- In 1998, he was elected into the ANCYL NEC and served in the NWC as the National Secretary for Governance and Legislative Affairs until 2001.

### **In the ANC**

- In the year, 2000 he was appointed by the National Executive Committee of the ANC to serve in the Provincial Interim Leadership Core (ILC) of the ANC in the Free State, following the dissolution of the PEC. Part of his responsibilities in the ILC included being the convener of the Motheo Region.
- Has been an ex-officio member of the ANC PEC since 2002 - by virtue of being the ANC Chief Whip in the Provincial Legislature and MEC since 2004.

### **In Parliament and Government**

- From 1995 to 1999 he worked as an official in the Departments of Public Works and Local Government, respectively.
- Served in Parliament (National Assembly) from 1999 to 2001. In the National Assembly he served in a number Portfolio Committees, namely: (1) Education, (2) Communications, and (3) Public Service and Administration.
- In 2001, he was redeployed from the National Assembly to the Free State Legislature.
- In the Legislature he served as the ANC Majority Party Chief Whip and in the Public Accounts Committee until 2004.



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- Following the 14 April 2004 general elections, he was appointed M.E.C: Public Works, Roads and Transport. He served as MEC: Public Works until 2009 General Elections.
- Appointed Free State MEC for Finance following 2009 General Elections.
- **Ends.**