



As it was reported in today's Isolezwe, KwaZulu-Natal Premier Senzo Mchunu has expressed his excitement following confirmation that he will be joining Ukhozi fm as a presenter next week Monday. This month many radio stations will unveil new lineups and Mchunu "DJ Big Rulah" will undoubtedly rule the airwaves.

"I have been in talks with the biggest radio station in Africa and we have agreed that I will rule the airwaves weekdays. I will be playing hits that will keep my listeners glued to their radio sets."

"Over the past few weeks I have been rehearsing and listening to old shows of Cyril "Kansas City" Mchunu whom I regard as a Godfather of radio. The 'most beautiful man in the world' as he was commonly known, Kansas City had a rare ability of making listeners eat from the palm of his hands. I feel inspired and ready to dominate the airwaves. My message to other radio presenters is that radio will never be the same again."

"My main focus is to increase numbers as recent figures indicate dwindling listenership. I will take my listeners on a trip down memory lane with hits from Luck Lucky Dube, Stimela, Dalom Kids, Soul Brothers - imitshotshovu yoqobongoqobo, amaPhoyisa asoLundi, Derrick Nzimande, PJ Powers, Black Box and many other musicians that kept the fire burning during the dark days of apartheid."

"But more importantly, April is Freedom month and I want to use my show to encourage the people of this province to enjoy freedom and democracy. I will honour all journalists that worked during difficult times of violence. These includes Nhlakanipho Zulu, Muntu Lukhozi, Mahlathi Tembe, Stu Ndlovu, Jabulani Mjay Sibisi, Menzi Jele, Knowledge Simelane, Thokozani Nene, Mtholephi Mthimkhulu, Nkosinathi Khuzwayo, Hector Nkwanyana who died during a march in Edendale, Gugu Kunene, Nyoni Thusini, Vuyi Mkhize (MaRadebe), Sthandwa Msomi, Blessing Msani, T.P Zondo and Themba Gasa."

"I will also give journalists that worked for newspapers such as Isolezwe and Ilanga the opportunity to reflect on their work under difficult times. I will do special broadcasts in areas that were affected by political violence. These include Shobashobane, Maqongqo, Umbumbulu and Malukazi, KwaMashu, Hammarsdale and other areas. I will reflect on the progress that we have made in ensuring solid service delivery, peace and stability in KZN."

"I know questions have been asked about my responsibilities as the premier. I want to assure the people of this province that I have consulted widely and we have agreed that this will not interfere with my work as the premier. In actual it is my responsibility to spread the message of unity, peace and stability."

"I can confirm that Comrade Sihle Zikala, the provincial chairperson of the ANC will be a music compiler on my show and Blessed Gwala of the IFP will manage 'zakhala izingcingo' a phone-in radio feature. I will bring back 'kubheda uhlelo' a comedy segment which will be delivered by Volovolo who writes for Isolezwe.

"Lastly, I will make history in broadcasting as I will work for two radio stations at the same time. I have used my influence as the premier to force the Independent Broadcasting Authority of South Africa to grant me permission to cross the floor. At one stage floor-crossing was allowed in politics and I believe that this should be introduced in broadcasting."

"I encourage the people of this country to tune it to their radio sets and hear DJ Big Rulah runs amok on the airwaves."

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