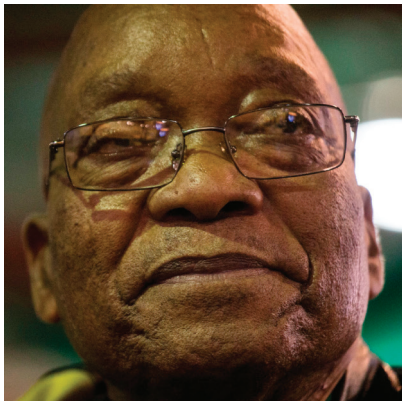


Timeline that led to Jacob Zuma's downfall

South African President Jacob Zuma is under pressure to resign over corruption allegations that have dogged his nine years in power



■ **1999:** Zuma named South Africa's deputy president

■ **2005:** Becomes embroiled in controversy over 1999 deal to buy European military equipment. Zuma implicated in corruption allegations and loses his job, although he denies charges

■ **2007:** Zuma elected leader of ruling African National Congress (ANC) but faces new corruption charges over arms deal, along with counts of racketeering and money laundering



■ **2009:** During his campaign for presidency, prosecutors drop all charges against Zuma

■ **2016:** South Africa's highest court rules that Zuma breached his oath of office by using \$15 million in state funds to upgrade his private home in **Nkandla**. He later repays money



■ **2017:** South Africa's Supreme Court of Appeal reinstates charges against Zuma over 1999 arms deal

■ **Jan 2018:** Following High Court order, Zuma appoints judicial inquiry into allegations he profited from relationship with wealthy **Gupta** family – claims he and Guptas deny

■ **Feb 2018**
South Africa's Deputy President **Cyril Ramaphosa** announces that he is holding direct talks with Zuma to discuss transfer of power

