

**BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**NOTICE      PAPER**

**(THURSDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> JULY, 2026)**

**NOTICE OF QUESTIONS**

**(FOR ORAL ANSWER ON WEDNESDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2026)**

1. **MR. P. AARON, MP. (NGAMI):** To ask the Minister of Health if he is aware (513)  
that the new X-ray machine that was received on the 31<sup>st</sup> of January 2026 at Gumare Primary Hospital is not serving the community of Ngami Constituency at least up until July 2026, and that residents continue to travel to Maun, Ghanzi and Shakawe to access X-ray services on very bad roads and for long hours; if so:
  - (i) to state the reasons why the X-ray machine has not yet been commissioned and brought into service;
  - (ii) whether there are any staffing, training or technical challenges affecting operation of the machine; and
  - (iii) what immediate and long-term measures has the Ministry put in place to ensure accessible radiological services for the people of Ngami Constituency.
2. **MR. L. LESEDI, MP. (SEROWE SOUTH):** To ask the Minister of Lands and (514)  
Agriculture if he is aware that the:
  - (i) Department of Surveys and Mapping System has been down for more than a year; and if so, what caused the system to crash; and
  - (ii) aforementioned system enables the staff at the Department of Lands to assist with any information related to plot applications; and if so, to explain how the unavailability of the system has affected the department, how the system outage has affected staff productivity and service delivery and the accuracy of information being given to members of the public at the same exorbitant price.
3. **MR. G. DISHO, MP. (OKAVANGO EAST):** To ask the Minister for State (515)  
President, Defence and Security to brief this Honourable House that in terms of the Constitution:
  - (i) who is vested with the authority to appoint judges upon the establishment of the constitutional court; and

- (ii) to clarify the constitutional procedure, institutional safeguards, and consultative mechanisms that will govern such appointments to ensure the independence, impartiality and separation of powers as entrenched in the Constitution.
- 4. **MR. O. KWAPA, MP. (JWANENG-MABUTSANE):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement whether he is aware that there is inadequate water supply at some teachers' houses at Molongwa Junior Secondary School; if so, what measures will be put in place to address the situation. (516)
- 5. **MR. K. S. GARE, MP. (MOSHUPA-MANYANA):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to provide an update on the progress made to date regarding the construction of the Manyana–Moshupa Road; and to further state: (517)
  - (i) the current percentage of physical completion of the project;
  - (ii) whether the project is on schedule to meet its planned completion date;
  - (iii) the challenges, if any, affecting the implementation of the project; and
  - (iv) the measures being taken by the Ministry to ensure that the project is completed within the approved budget and timeframe.
- 6. **MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA):** To ask the Minister of Health to state and give an age analysis of the money owed to: (518)
  - (i) litigants who successfully sued the public health facilities for neglect, malpractice and/ or ill-treatment of patients of any form; and
  - (ii) workers who have won court cases against the Ministry of Health.
- 7. **DR. K. GOBOTSWANG, MP. (TSWAPONG SOUTH):** To ask the Minister for State President, Defence and Security to apprise this Honourable House on Botswana Defence Force Camps that have experienced fire outbreaks in the last ten (10) years; and to further state: (519)
  - (i) the number of fire outbreaks and the main causes;
  - (ii) if there is a relationship between the fire outbreaks and building materials used;
  - (iii) the number of lives lost and cost in monetary terms;

- (iv) if the affected people or close relatives were compensated; and
- (v) plans in place to prevent future outbreaks and timelines for such interventions.

**8. MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement to state: **(520)**

- (i) the names of all companies that submitted proposals for the infrastructure development component of the Bonno Housing Project;
- (ii) the procurement process followed in identifying these companies and whether that process complied with the Botswana Housing Corporation (BHC) Procurement Policy and the Public Procurement Act;
- (iii) whether the BHC Board of Directors approved the infrastructure business case before its dissolution; and
- (iv) whether the Minister of Finance approved the proposed financing arrangements, including any advance payments and sovereign guarantees requested by the contractors.

**9. MR. M. M. PULE, MP. (KGATLENG EAST):** To ask the Minister for State President, Defence and Security to update this Honourable House on matters relating to the constitutional and administrative implications arising from Government's handling of the late Pitseng Gaoberekwe's burial case; and to further state: **(521)**

- (i) whether the Executive relied on any lawful authority or discretion to permit a burial outcome that differed from prior decisions of the High Court and the Court of Appeal regarding interment within the Central Kalahari Game Reserve (CKGR);
- (ii) how the Executive justifies this decision in the context of the principle of separation of powers, and whether it considers the action consistent with respect for judicial authority and the rule of law;
- (iii) whether the Executive has assessed the policy implications and potential precedents created by allowing an exception to existing residency and protected area regulations; and
- (iv) whether Government intends to develop or amend any legislation, regulations, or policy frameworks to guide future requests for ancestral land burials, particularly within protected areas to ensure consistency, fairness, and legal certainty going forward.

**(FOR ORAL ANSWER ON THURSDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2026)**

1. **MR. V. B. PHOLOGOLO, MP. (KANYE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Finance (522)  
to provide a comprehensive update on the Government  
Employees Motor Vehicle and Residential Property Advance  
Scheme (GEMVAS) following its recent temporary suspension; and  
to state:
  - (i) the specific terms and interest rate frameworks agreed upon  
in the newly finalised negotiations with participating  
commercial banking institutions;
  - (ii) whether these new frameworks will result in any increased  
borrowing costs, stricter eligibility criteria, or altered  
repayment structures for public officers; and
  - (iii) the total number of pending applications accumulated during  
the suspension period, and the Ministry's concrete plan to  
clear this backlog.
2. **MR. S. O. MAPULANGA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Minerals and (523)  
Energy to update this Honourable House on the gas fracking in the  
Chobe National Park and to state the concessions which have been  
set for such projects.
3. **MR. J. J. FRENZEL, MP. (SHASHE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and (524)  
Agriculture:
  - (i) whether members of the community who have been issued  
with water rights for boreholes at farms and cattle posts with  
Government owned boreholes are allowed to privately fence  
them, consequently restricting access to fellow community  
members; if so,
  - (ii) to state correctional measures in place to ensure fair usage  
and accessibility by all.
4. **MR. G. KEKGONEGILE, MP. (MAUN EAST):** To ask the Minister of Minerals (525)  
and Energy to brief this Honourable House on the challenges of the  
Botswana Power Corporation (BPC) with regard to the high rate of  
shortages of meters and cables; with emphasis on:
  - (i) the magnitude of the problem in terms of shortage of meters  
and cables connecting electricity to households;
  - (ii) the reasons behind the shortage;

- (iii) where the two items are sourced and the number recently sourced;
  - (iv) the number to be committed to Maun BPC Office against the total demand in the North West;
  - (v) the difference between the number to be supplied and demand in North West; and
  - (vi) how the discrepancy will be rectified and when.
5. **MR. T. FURNITURE, MP. (TATI EAST):** To ask the Minister for State President, Defence and Security to state measurable benefits that have been realised for the country, in view of the frequency of international trips President Advocate Duma Boko made; particularly: (526)
- (i) the number of investment focused engagements that were undertaken;
  - (ii) how many binding or implementable investment agreements have been concluded; and
  - (iii) the total monetary value of such investments, if any, that have materialised as a direct result of these travels.
6. **MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship to apprise this Honourable House of the business viability of all hotels run by Botswana Development Corporation (BDC) and Cresta; and whether BDC has any plans to open new hotels. (527)
7. **MR. M. BAGAISAMANG, MP. (SHOSHONG):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to state: (528)
- (i) whether Government has developed a strategy to facilitate the export of surplus poultry products;
  - (ii) if there are any regional or international markets that have been identified for Botswana poultry exports;
  - (iii) what measures are being undertaken to ensure Botswana poultry products comply with international sanitary and phytosanitary requirements;
  - (iv) whether he will allow export of poultry products given that Botswana has reportedly achieved self-sufficiency in poultry meat and eggs and that production capacity continues to expand; and

- (v) what concrete steps the Government is taking to secure export markets to prevent oversupply in the domestic market and protect poultry farmers from declining prices.
8. **MR. T. K. MMUSI, MP. (GABANE-MMANKGODI):** To ask the Minister for State President, Defence and Security to state whether: (529)
- (i) Government will consider tabling a Bill to repeal the Constitution (Amendment) Act No. 14 of 2020 on Floor Crossing in order to strengthen democracy and promote freedom of association, consistent with Government's commitment to human rights; and
  - (ii) the Constitution (Amendment) Act No. 14 of 2020 on Floor Crossing in its current form, applies to Councillors.
9. **MR. M. M. MOROLONG, MP. (KGATLENG CENTRAL):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education to outline: (530)
- (i) the total cost of damages caused by the 2025 floods on the Kgatleng Regional Education offices (education centre); Isang Primary School and Linchwe Junior Secondary School;
  - (ii) the costs for equipment and furniture lost;
  - (iii) if there was any risk assessment done on these facilities since they are situated in flood prone areas; and
  - (iv) whether there are any plans to relocate these facilities to safer areas to prevent recurring damage and financial losses.
10. **MR. C. K. JACOBS, MP. (LOBATSE):** To ask the Minister of Youth and Gender Affairs if there are any Government efforts to save the lives of the youth of Botswana, particularly with new ideas and programmes; and if there are plans to: (531)
- (i) make an allocation for youth unemployment fund;
  - (ii) mitigate the challenges of the less privileged youth interested in business or formal education; and
  - (iii) establish a special dispensation for the youth in terms of land allocation.
11. **DR. U. DOW, MP. (KGATLENG WEST):** To ask the Minister of Finance to make a statement on the current status of the Government Employees Motor Vehicle and Residential Property Advance (GEMVAS), more particularly to inform this Honourable House on any significant changes, proposed or actual, in its management. (532)

12. **MR. R. W. KAIZER, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship whether the Government is aware of the reported USD150 million (approximately P2 billion) Grand Prix investment proposal for Selebi-Phikwe; and if so: **(533)**
- (i) to provide details of the proposed investment, its scope, expected economic impact, and the current status of negotiations;
  - (ii) whether the proposed investor made continued negotiations conditional upon the retention of the current Acting Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of SPEDU, and what steps Government is taking to safeguard the investment;
  - (iii) what were the reasons to redeploy or replace the Acting Chief Executive Officer of SPEDU, and whether the SPEDU Board was consulted before the decision was made; and
  - (iv) whether the intended deployment or replacement of the Acting CEO complies with the relevant provisions of the Public Service Act and SPEDU's governance framework; and if not, what corrective measures will be taken.