

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(FRIDAY 12TH DECEMBER, 2025)

MINISTER'S QUESTION TIME

HRS/MINS

0900– 0945

- Minister of Finance

THEME: TRANSPARENT AND COMPETITIVE TENDER SYSTEM FOR PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES BY THE BOTSWANA GOVERNMENT UNDER THE PRESENT LAWS

(Mr. D. Saleshando, MP. – Maun North)

- STATEMENT BY THE MINISTER OF WATER AND HUMAN SETTLEMENT

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

HRS/MINS

MOTIONS

0945 – 1230

GOVERNMENT TO STRENGTHEN A NATIONAL SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT HUB AT THE BOTSWANA DIGITAL AND INNOVATION HUB (BDIH)

1. "That this Honourable House requests Government to strengthen a National Software Development Hub at Botswana Digital and Innovation Hub (BDIH) within the next fiscal year, with the explicit mandate to develop, implement and maintain open-source Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) systems for Government-wide use, thereby eliminating reliance on costly proprietary software licenses and fostering local technological capacity."

(Mr. M. Moalosi, MP. – Nkange)

(Resumed Debate)

GOVERNMENT TO ABANDON PLANS TO CONSTRUCT A PRESIDENT LODGE IN THE OKAVANGO DELTA

2. "That this Honourable House resolves that Government should abandon plans to construct a Presidential Lodge in the Okavango Delta and return the earmarked piece of land to Tawana Land Board for possible allocation to the District Council."

(Mr. D. Saleshando, MP. – Maun North)

MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT TENURE

3. "That this Honourable House resolves to request Government to reconcile the tenure of Members of Parliament with that of Members of Cabinet and Councillors to 60 months as per Constitutional term of contract."

(Mr. G. Kekgonegile, MP. – Maun East)

INTRODUCTION OF A LAW SETTING A MANDATORY CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

4. "That this Honourable House requests Government to introduce a law setting a mandatory Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) for a specified proportion of profits before tax for companies operating in Botswana."

(Dr. K. Gobotswang, MP. – Tswapong South)

COMMISSION OF ENQUIRY ON COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATIONS OR TRUSTS

5. "That this Honourable House requests Government to institute a commission of enquiry on allegations of Maladministration, financial embezzlement, insider trading, corruption, abuse of political power and abuse of office on Community Based Organisations or Trusts by Technical Advisory Committees and Trustees from year 2014 to 2024."

(Mr. S. O. Mapulanga, MP. – Chobe)

INTRODUCTION OF SIGN LANGUAGE AS AN OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

6. "That this Honourable House resolves to introduce and adopt sign language as an official language in Botswana."

(Mr. M. M. Morolong, MP. – Kgatleng Central)

AMENDMENT OF SECTION 201 (A) OF THE PENAL CODE OF 2018

7. "That this Honourable House requests Government to consider amending Section 201 (A) of the Penal Code No.18 of 2018 and charge with murder, any person, found guilty of unlawful possession of human flesh, body parts or human remains."

(Mr. C. K. Jacobs, MP. – Lobatse)

ESTABLISHMENT OF A DEDICATED ARM OR UNIT OF THE POLICE SERVICE FOR THE PROTECTION OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS

8. "That this Honourable House requests Government to establish a dedicated arm or unit of the Botswana Police Service for the protection of judicial officers."

(Dr. U. Dow, MP. – Kgatleng West)

**COMPREHENSIVE NATIONAL STUDY ON THE INCLUSION OF BLOOD
GROUP TYPE DATA WITHIN ROUTINE MEDICAL RECORDS**

9. "That this Honourable House requests Government to undertake a comprehensive national study on the inclusion of blood group type data within routine medical records, with the aim of improving emergency response systems, strengthening public health research and enhancing preparedness for medical interventions across the country."

(Mr. P. M. Mosanana, MP. – Kanye East)

INTRODUCTION OF SAFE AND STUDENT-FRIENDLY SCHOOL BUSES

10. "That this Honourable House resolves that Government should introduce safe and student-friendly school buses by establishing a comprehensive, nationwide policy framework to ensure the safety, efficiency and accessibility of school transportation."

(Mr. C. K. Hikuama, MP. – Maun West)

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUNS' PERMIT QUOTA

11. "That this Honourable House resolves to request Government to introduce a "special guns" permit quota for farmers residing in dangerous wildlife infested farming areas, as a matter of facilitating them to protect their livestock, crops and properties."

(Mr. G. Kekgonegile, MP. – Maun East)

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A TASK FORCE TO INVESTIGATE THE EXTENT OF
FOREIGN WORK PERMIT ABUSE AND NON-COMPLIANCE WITH CITIZEN
SUBCONTRACTING MANDATES IN GOVERNMENT PROJECTS**

12. "That this Honourable House requests Government to immediately establish a high-level Task Force mandated to investigate the extent of foreign work permit abuse and non-compliance with citizen subcontracting mandates in all Government projects, and further requests that the Task Force be required to submit a comprehensive report with actionable recommendations to this Honourable House within six (6) months of its formation."

(Mr. M. Moalosi, MP. – Nkange)

**AMENDMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATIONS AND COMPLIANCE AT COMPANIES
AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AUTHORITY (CIPA)**

13. "That this Honourable House requests Government to consider exempting registered non-operating businesses or shelf companies from filing fees or paying annual returns as well as to reduce filing fees for annual returns of operating business entities, restoration fees for businesses and companies deactivated and removed from the CIPA register."

(Mr. C. K. Jacobs, MP. – Lobatse)

GOVERNMENT TO REVIEW THE POLICY OF DISPOSSESSING LAND-HOLDERS

14. "That this Honourable House requests Government to review the policy of dispossessing land-holders to give way to village expansions, with a view to allowing the existence of small farms within towns and villages."

(Dr. U. Dow, MP. – Kgatleng West)