

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(WEDNESDAY 3RD DECEMBER, 2025)

QUESTIONS

HRS/MINS

1400 – 1445

1. **MR. T. FURNITURE, MP. (TATI EAST):** To ask the Minister of Communications and Innovation to state: (100)
 - (i) the number of telecommunication towers located in Botswana;
 - (ii) how often the maintenance is done;
 - (iii) dates and years when those towers were bush cleared and underwent general maintenance; and
 - (iv) what are the established procedures for the security guards of these towers to address basic needs, particularly concerning sanitation and protection from adverse weather conditions in the situation where guard rooms and toilets are not provided.
2. **MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism what plans he has to address the impact of climate change on Botswana's ecosystem and economy. (101)
3. **MR. M. M. PULE, MP. (KGATLENG EAST):** To ask the Minister of Communications and Innovation to provide an update on the progress of the BoFiNet Fibre Optic Project from Oodi to Machaneng, passing through Kgatleng East and to further state: (102)
 - (i) what benefits this will bring to the residents of Kgatleng East; and
 - (ii) if there are any plans to further improve or expand this project in the future.
4. **MR. S. O. MAPULANGA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Labour and Home Affairs to state: (103)
 - (i) how much has been paid out as workman's compensation between 2019 to 2024;
 - (ii) the number of people who were paid in the tourism, agricultural, mining and industrial sectors respectively; and

- (iii) what causes the delay in payments, if any, and what will be done to address such delays.
5. **MR. J. J. FRENZEL, MP. (SHASHE WEST):** To ask the Minister for State President: (104)
- (i) if he is aware of the lack of breakthrough by the police on the high rate of stock-theft cases in Jamataka, Shashemooke and surrounding villages;
 - (ii) what measures are being put in place to address this situation that is crippling the communities;
 - (iii) when this area will be provided with designated patrol vehicles to curb this high crime rate;
 - (iv) if there is a police station planned for the area;
 - (v) when stock-theft cases that have been lying dormant for over 4-5 years in the Shashe West Constituency will be disposed of and to state the number of such cases.
6. **MR. K. C. HIKUAMA, MP. (MAUN WEST):** To ask the Minister of Higher Education to provide a comprehensive account on the current status of the implementation of the National and Credit Qualifications Framework (NCQF); and to further state: (106)
- (i) the percentage of all national qualifications that are now aligned and registered on the framework;
 - (ii) if there has been any comprehensive evaluation of the NCQF since it was established, if not, what are the challenges; and
 - (iii) if there is any plan to evaluate the NCQF.
7. **MR. M. M. MOROLONG, MP. (KGATLENG CENTRAL):** To ask the Minister of Higher Education: (107)
- (i) to explain the methodology used by the Human Resource Development Council (HRDC) to allocate employment placements in internship referrals; and
 - (ii) whether there are formal policies that guide the order of placements or prioritisation.
8. **MR. C. K. JACOBS, MP. (LOBATSE):** To ask the Minister of Health if he is aware of the state and situation at Sbrana Psychiatric Hospital particularly in terms of the health risk, patients' wellbeing, the state of the facility and the wellbeing of employees. (108)

9. **MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to give a departmental breakdown of all employees under his Ministry and the payment plan thereof. (109)
10. **MR. M. MOALOSI, MP. (NKANGE):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs to state: (110)
- (i) the number of vacant positions across councils in the country;
 - (ii) the number of internal advertisements (adverts) currently circulating to fill those positions;
 - (iii) whether he is aware that internal advertising of jobs in District Councils perpetuates the circle of vacancies across councils in the country;
 - (iv) the wisdom behind advertising positions internally even for entry level positions such as cleaners, drivers and *Matimela* herdsmen; and
 - (v) whether he is aware that the internal advertising of positions disadvantages graduates from attaining work from the Ministry.
11. **MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Health to apprise this Honourable House on the introduction of a comprehensive national health insurance scheme for every citizen, and to indicate the timelines, policy framework, and implementation strategy towards achieving universal health coverage in Botswana. (112)
12. **MR. R. W. KAIZER, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Labour and Home Affairs if he is aware of foreigners employed at the Selebi Phikwe Citrus Project; if so, to state: (113)
- (i) the number of foreign nationals versus Botswana currently employed as farm workers;
 - (ii) the number of Botswana who occupy managerial and directorship positions respectively; and
 - (iii) the reasons for importing labour from neighbouring countries.

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

HRS/MINS

PRESENTATION OF A GOVERNMENT BILL

1445 - 1800

- Medicines and Related Substances Bill, 2025 (Bill No. 29 of 2025) An Act to provide for the continuation of the Botswana Medicines Regulatory Authority whose main objective is to regulate the sale, distribution, importation, exportation, manufacture and dispensing of medicines and related substances; and matters incidental thereto.

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(Minister of Health)