

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(THURSDAY 10TH JULY, 2025)

QUESTIONS

HRS/MINS

1400 – 1445

1. **MR. K. K. KAPINGA, MP. (OKAVANGO WEST):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to give this Honourable House an update on progress made in the project to refurbish the A33 road from Gumare to Mohembo; especially the Sepopa/Mohembo section which appears to have failed to take off successfully. (78)
2. **MR. C. K. JACOBS, MP. (LOBATSE):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement to state: (361)
 - (i) if he is aware of water shortage in Lobatse; and
 - (ii) plans in place to address the situation.
3. **MR. T. FURNITURE, MP. (TATI EAST):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs to update this Honourable House on the status of Siviya Health post and if there are any intentions to upgrade it to a clinic since the population size allows for that dispensation. (373)
4. **MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH):** To ask the Minister for State President to give a detailed report on how much was spent on the previous Moshupa Agricultural Show and to further state: (368)
 - (i) the number of parastatals and Government departments that participated in the show and how much each spent; and
 - (ii) how much was used in the infrastructural development of the showground and reasons why the same gesture was not extended to Molepolole Agricultural Show.
5. **MR. S. O. MAPULANGA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement to state: (198)
 - (i) the number of permits that have been issued in communal areas at the Chobe Enclave for watering wild animals; and
 - (ii) the names of companies which were given those permits.

6. **MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA):** To ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services to state if he: (367)
- (i) is aware that the dispensation and process of awarding lost inheritance rights and claims is fraught with delays that at times lead to wastage and loss of value of the deceased's estate;
 - (ii) will embark on corrective measures to improve the efficiency of processing inheritance rights and claims; and
 - (iii) will be amenable to legislative reforms that shall include traditional leaders in the processing of inheritance rights and claims to mitigate current delays in processing same.
7. **DR. K. GOBOTSWANG, MP. (TSWAPONG SOUTH):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to apprise this Honourable House on the relationship between African Agriculture (AA) PTY LTD and National Agricultural Research and Development Institute (NARDI) in the spirit of citizen inclusion. The Minister should specifically state: (374)
- (i) if he is aware that African Agriculture was given a tender to supply agriculture and scientific equipment to NARDI;
 - (ii) whether it was an open or competitive bidding;
 - (iii) if he is happy with the quality of equipment supplied by AA; and
 - (iv) the circumstances under which AA was offered land for rice trials and a Government warehouse worth P100 000 monthly rental but offered for a paltry P10 000.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

HRS/MINS

SECOND READING

1445 – 1800

- Employment and Labour Relations Bill, 2025 (Bill No. 10 of 2025)

An Act to establish the labour institutions; to provide for the fundamental rights of employment and labour standards; to provide for a framework to promote sound labour relations and orderly collective bargaining; to provide for a framework for the prevention and settlement of disputes; and for matters incidental thereto and connected therewith.

(Published on 6th June, 2025)

(Minister of Labour and Home Affairs)

(Resumed Debate)

COMMITTEE STAGE

- Medical Aid Funds Bill, 2025 (Bill No. 5 of 2025) An Act to provide for the regulation and administration of medical aid funds, including medical aid fund administrators, medical aid fund brokers and managed care organisations operating in Botswana for the purpose of ensuring protection of members of medical aid funds and, enhancing their financial soundness; and for purposes incidental thereto and connected therewith.

(Published on 10th March, 2025)

(Minister of Finance)

AMENDMENTS

1. The Bill is amended at **Clause 59(1)(a)** appearing on **page B. 48**, by substituting for the word "accreditation" appearing therein, the word "approval".

(Minister of Finance)

2. The Bill is amended on **page B.51** by inserting the following new clause after **Clause 64** under Part XIII of the Bill –

"Appointment of principal officers for brokers and administrators"

64A. The provisions of sections 30, 31, 32, 33, 35, 39, 40 and 53 shall, with necessary modifications, apply to a medical aid fund broker and an administrator, in so far as the modifications are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act."

(Minister of Finance)

MOTIONS

ADOPTION OF THE BOTSWANA OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH POLICY

1. "That this Honourable House resolves to adopt the Botswana Occupational Safety and Health Policy."

(Minister of Labour and Home Affairs)

ADOPTION OF THE NATIONAL PRODUCTIVITY AND COMPETITIVENESS POLICY

2. "That this Honourable House resolves to adopt the National Productivity and Competitiveness Policy."

(Minister of Labour and Home Affairs)