BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(MONDAY 24TH NOVEMBER, 2025)

QUESTIONS HRS/MINS

1400 - 1445

- 1. MR. G. SEDOMBO, MP. (TONOTA): To ask the Minister of Local (55) Government and Traditional Affairs to update this Honorable House on the smart switch company tender which feeds beneficiaries in the department of Social and Community Development; and to further state:
 - (i) when the tender was awarded and the reason for extension of the tender over the years;
 - (ii) if there is no other company or companies that qualifies for the same, if so, why they are not being engaged;
 - (iii) the amount spent on smart switch company since inception of the tender; and
 - (iv) his Ministry's plan regarding this tender.
- 2. MR. K. K. KAPINGA, MP. (OKAVANGO WEST): To ask the Minister of Labour (56) and Home Affairs to update the house on any progress he has made since the promulgation by Parliament of the Dual Citizenship legislation and to update on the following;
 - (i) what other initiatives his Ministry intends to embark upon to enable productive and law abiding African immigrants to obtain citizenship in Botswana, apart from the citizenship by investment initiative which has been announced by the President; and
 - (ii) whether there is any notable difference between his current Ministry and the past administration with regard to immigration policy and if there is, would he draw the attention of this Honourable House to such difference.
- 3. MR. J. J. FRENZEL, MP. (SHASHE WEST): To ask the Minister of Lands and (57) Agriculture:
 - (i) when the Mathangwane Village Agricultural offices will be renovated;

- (ii) when Natale Village and Japane Lands will start being serviced by their own designated Agricultural officer "Molemisi"; and
- (iii) when the allowances for Land-overseers will be reviewed to meet the current standard of living.
- 4. MR. M. BAGAISAMANG, MP. (SHOSHONG): To ask the Minister of Higher (58) Education if he is aware that Shoshong Brigade operates as a satellite school under Madiba Brigade; if so:
 - (i) when Shoshong Brigade will be turned into a fully-fledged facility; and
 - (ii) when new courses other than bricklaying and Crop Production will be introduced.
- 5. MS. H. P. MANYENENG, MP. (MMOPANE-METSIMOTLHABE): To ask the (59) Minister of Minerals and Energy:
 - (i) if she is aware that natural resources, particularly sand, are being illegally extracted from the Metsimothabe River in the Mmopane–Metsimothabe area; and if so,
 - (ii) whether her Ministry will consider putting in place clear regulations to allow for controlled and legal sand mining, strictly for use by young citizens in their personal or community projects, and not for commercial sale, in order to curb illegal extraction while promoting responsible resource use.
- 6. MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA): To ask the Minister of Local (60) Government and Traditional Affairs to apprise this Honourable House on the number of mobile health clinics around the country and indicate the number of those that require urgent refurbishment and to further state:
 - (i) the number of mobile health clinics in Bobirwa Constituency and those that shall require immediate refurbishment; and
 - (ii) plans to entrench mobile health clinics as the first port of call for the delivery of primary health care.
- 7. DR. K. GOBOTSWANG, MP. (TSWAPONG SOUTH): To ask the Minister of (62) Lands and Agriculture to apprise the Honourable House on the issuance of the Secure Land Tenure (SLT) certificates. The Minister should further state:
 - (i) the overall performance of the process that has been put in place to generate the SLT certificates;

- (ii) if he is aware that some of the Global Positioning System (GPS) equipment used are obsolete;
- (iii) whether he will consider allocation of land outside the current system that has caused delays in land allocation in Botswana;
- (iv) if in the medium term he will consider upgrading all Sub Land Boards to Main Land Boards; and
- (v) if in the long term the Minister will consider harmonising the land management system to establish a one stop shop.
- 8. MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH): To ask the Minister of Labour (64) and Home Affairs when will the Ministry undertake reforms within the Department of National Registration (Omang) and the Department of Immigration and Citizenship to ensure that services such as Omang cards and passports can be processed and issued within a single day, in order to improve efficiency and reduce the backlog experienced by citizens.
- 9. MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST): To ask the Minister of (65) Higher Education to apprise this Honourable House on initiatives that his Ministry is implementing or planning to implement in order to improve education outcomes and provide the citizens with the skills needed for the job market.
- 10. MR. T. FURNITURE, MP. (TATI EAST): To ask the Minister of Lands and (15) Agriculture:
 - (i) how many buildings are rented by Government and its parastatals in Gaborone CBD;
 - (ii) what is the rental payment per month for each of the properties;
 - (iii) to state what mode of procurement was used to lease each of these properties; and
 - (iv) to state the owners of each of these rented properties (whether citizens or non-citizens).
- 11. MR. L. BARONGWANG, MP. (MOGODITSHANE EAST): To ask the Minister of (52) Local Government and Traditional Affairs:
 - (i) to establish and quantify data that informs this Honourable House of the bulk monetary pay-out to Old Age pensioners since the increase from P800.00 P1 400.00 for the past twelve (12) months comparing to same period in the previous financial year; and

(ii) to explain the economic benefit of increasing the pension as well as distress exerted on Government coffers.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

HRS/MINS

<u>MOTION</u> 1445 – 1800

RESPONSE TO THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH

• "We, the National Assembly of Botswana here assembled, respond to the President's speech."

(Leader of the House)
(Resumed Debate)