

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

NOTICE PAPER

(TUESDAY 24TH FEBRUARY, 2026)

NOTICE OF QUESTIONS

(FOR ORAL ANSWER ON THURSDAY 26TH FEBRUARY, 2026)

1. **MR. P. M. MOSANANA, MP. (KANYE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Finance (263) to state:
 - (i) whether his Ministry has any specific reserved procurement quotas or set aside provisions under the Botswana Economic Transformation Programme (BETP) for businesses owned by youth, women and persons with disabilities; and if so,
 - (ii) the target percentages, eligibility criteria and enforcement mechanisms to ensure meaningful participation of these groups in BETP related Government procurement.

2. **MR. M. BAGAISAMANG, MP. (SHOSHONG):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs to state: (264)
 - (i) progress made on the restructuring process at the Department of Tribal Administration which was expected to be implemented in June 2025 following a similar question on the same; and
 - (ii) when he will start paying the Headmen of Arbitration whose names were long approved by respective communities, and their names submitted to the Ministry for action.

3. **MR. K. T. MMUSI, MP. (GABANE-MMANKGODI):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure if his Ministry will consider: (265)
 - (i) tarring the road linking Mmokolodi Kgotla to Tloaneng (Goo-Nku) to connect with the main road, a distance of approximately four (4) kilometres, in order to improve accessibility for the community; and
 - (ii) the construction of an access road from the A10 road through Tshwaragano Brigade to Matlhaselwa area, in order to connect with the Gabane-Tloaneng road, to enhance mobility and ease of access for residents.

4. **MR. L. BARONGWANG, MP. (MOGODITSHANE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship to state: (266)
- (i) the number of licensed and unlicensed second-hand vehicle dealerships respectively which currently operate in Mogoditshane, and the existing mechanisms to monitor their activities;
 - (ii) the estimated contribution of these dealerships to local employment creation and tax revenue generation; and
 - (iii) short and medium-term Government plans and projects in place towards Mogoditshane village, aligned with promoting the ease of doing second-hand vehicle dealership business in the village as well as tax collection and locals participation.
5. **MR. G. SEDOMBO, MP. (TONOTA):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism if he is aware that the issuance of fishing license permits for fishermen who traditionally operated along the Shashe, Tati and Motloutse Rivers was suspended around the year 2020, thereby affecting the livelihoods of communities who rely on small scale and subsistence fishing as a source of income and food security; if so, to state: (267)
- (i) what prompted the suspension of the issuance of these permits;
 - (ii) whether the suspension was temporary or permanent;
 - (iii) whether there are any plans to issue permits to affected fishermen in the aforementioned areas;
 - (iv) if there are no immediate plans to resume permit issuance; and
 - (v) alternative interventions or support mechanisms his Ministry will consider to cushion the affected fishing communities.
6. **MR. K. K. KAPINGA, MP. (OKAVANGO WEST):** To ask the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services to state: (268)
- (i) when the Director of Public Prosecutions will take steps to enable the convening of an inquest hearing into the killing of 10 alleged suspects in Phase 2 Gaborone;
 - (ii) if the inaction is a result of there having been no investigations conducted into the matter; and

- (iii) whether the Minister realises that what the previous Government did and the current one is doing is tantamount to subversion of justice and endeavouring to sweep under the carpet a gruesome extra judicial mass killing; and that any further inaction is a demonstration of insensitivity to the right to closure by the loved ones and relatives of the deceased persons.
7. **MS. H. P. MANYENENG, MP. (MMOPANE-METSIMOTLHABE):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to explain: (269)
- (i) whether he is aware of concerns raised by taxi and combi associations regarding the high and increasing costs of road transport permits, including renewal, substitution, and temporary permits;
 - (ii) why the processing of temporary permits is often delayed;
 - (iii) why permits are processed by a single official in some offices;
 - (iv) whether ride-hailing services such as Yango and InDrive are regulated under the same framework as local operators;
 - (v) if the law provides for the use of loaders at bus/taxi ranks;
 - (vi) whether regulated tinting of combi windows will be considered; and
 - (vii) measures in place to curb piracy, including school buses operating without valid permits.
8. **MR. C. K. HIKUAMA, MP. (MAUN WEST):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism to state: (270)
- (i) progress his Ministry has made in reviewing ex-gratia payments for fatalities, and loss of life caused by wildlife; and
 - (ii) if Government will commit to increasing the current rate for loss of life caused by elephants from P70,000.00 to at least P250,000.00 to reflect the true socio-economic impact on families.
9. **MR. M. M. MOROLONG, MP. (KGATLENG CENTRAL):** To ask the Minister for State President, Defence and Security if Government has plans to ensure that key policies, programmes and pieces of legislation and the Constitution will be transcribed into Braille and other accessible formats for visually impaired persons to enhance their participation in governance and civic life. (271)

10. **MR. T. BOGATSU, MP. (LENTSWELETAU-LEPHEPHE):** To ask the Minister of Minerals and Energy to update this Honourable House on: (272)
- (i) the status of Medie Coal Mine following its closure; and
 - (ii) whether there are any intentions to reopen the mine; and if so, how soon that would be.
11. **MR. G. DISHO, MP. (OKAVANGO EAST):** To ask the Minister for State President, Defence and Security to state: (273)
- (i) steps his Ministry intends to take to address cross-border crime in the absence of a fully functioning border patrol management authority;
 - (ii) the reasons why the border patrol management authority has not yet been set up; and
 - (iii) when his Ministry intends to set it up or a similar agency in that respect.
12. **MR. G. KEKGONEGILE, MP. (MAUN EAST):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to brief this Honourable House on the progress made in normalising the operating status of Botswana Railways workers, in terms of: (274)
- (i) the number of Board members who are active against the required number versus the total eligible number and the reasons for vacancy, if any;
 - (ii) when the vacancy will be filled;
 - (iii) the status of pension contributions and their committing to the relevant pension fund;
 - (iv) if both contributions are up to date, if not, why not; and
 - (v) mitigating factors in place to rectify pension deficit in contributions and committals.

NOTICE OF TABLING OF PAPERS

(FOR WEDNESDAY 25TH FEBRUARY, 2026)

1. Botswana Fibre Networks (BoFiNet) Annual Report, 2024.
(Minister of Communications and Innovation)
2. Botswana Communications Regulatory Authority Annual Report, 2024.
(Minister of Communications and Innovation)

3. Botswana Trade Commission Annual Report, 2024/2025.
(Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship)