

## NTLO YA DIKGOSI

### ORDER PAPER

(WEDNESDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2025)

#### QUESTIONS

1. **KGOSI KHAMA IV (GA-MMANGWATO):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs if he will consider decentralising some of the functions at the Ministry to the Department of Tribal Administration leadership such as approval of appointments and promotions where there are vacancies, as well as the resolution of disputes and other functions within Bogosi so as to give them autonomy. **(115)**
  
2. **KGOSI M. S. MAKHANGA (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Finance if he will consider reviewing Botswana's local cross border charges to be at par with other countries as the locals always pay more in other countries. **(116)**
  
3. **KGOSI B. E. RANTUANA (MOLEPOLOLE REGION):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to apprise this Honourable House on whether:- **(117)**
  - (i) he is aware of the ground cracks at Hatsalatladi village;
  - (ii) there are any buildings that have been affected by these cracks and if there are any measures in place to assist the victims; and
  - (iii) these cracks will not pose a threat to people's lives in future; and if so, how he will address the situation.

- 4. KGOSI M. KHACHANA III (NORTH EAST):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement if he is aware that more than one (1) thousand recently allocated residential plots in Mulambakwena village are not serviced with the minimal water reticulation; that being the case, if he will consider installing a few token stand pipes at strategic points to serve settling residents. **(118)**
- 5. KGOSI B. SEIPONE (SPECIALLY ELECTED):** To ask the Minister for State President to state when he will renovate the Kang Police station as it is in bad state of disrepair yet it services the international community who use the Trans Kalahari Highway. **(119)**
- 6. KGOSI N. KABELO (SEROWE REGION):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs whether he will consider constructing a classroom block specifically designed for Special Education at Mabeleapudi Primary School to cater for its catchment areas which include Paje, Majwanaadipitse and Tshimoyapula villages. **(120)**
- 7. KGOSI M. KHACHANA III (NORTH EAST):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism to inform this Honourable House about:- **(121)**
- (i) the current ownership structure of safari camps operating within Botswana's national parks, game reserves and the delta, including the proportion owned by citizens versus foreign investors;
  - (ii) the contribution made by safari camps operating locally towards Botswana's economy; and
  - (iii) any strategies his ministry has in place to promote citizen participation and ownership in this sector as well as to ensure that a greater share of tourism revenues remain within the country.
- 8. KGOSI J. D. KHUMANEGO (NGWAKETSE WEST REGION):** To ask the Minister for State President if he will consider tailor making a scheme to assist Members of Ntlo ya Dikgosi who are not on permanent and pensionable terms to purchase vehicles or houses. **(122)**

- 9. KGOSI KHAMA IV (GA-MMANGWATO):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs to explain to this Honourable House why tribal territories which are overseen by a tribal leader are not provided with a tribal secretary. **(123)**
- 10. KGOSI B. SEIPONE (SPECIALLY ELECTED):** To ask the Minister of Labour and Home Affairs if he is aware that it is not easy for foreigners in Botswana to be given citizenship or permanent residence even if they have stayed in the country for more than 10 years, and that the residence permit granted does not cover immigrant's children who are above 16 years since the law considers them illegal immigrants; and if so, **(124)**
- (i) when he will amend the relevant clause in the Immigration Act to cater for all their children regardless of their age; and
  - (ii) whether he will consider providing 90 days for a visitor's permit per each entry since this arrangement will allow visitors to return to their country's of origin and re-enter Botswana with a new permit each time, to avoid having them as illegal immigrants due to expired permits as well as to curb the costs Government incurs in transporting them back to their countries as illegal immigrants upon expiry of such permits.
- 11. KGOSI M. KHACHANA III (NORTH EAST):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism to state:- **(125)**
- (i) a detailed breakdown of safari camp ownership in Botswana's protected areas, specifying citizen owned versus foreign owned operations; and
  - (ii) how his Ministry monitors compliance of the above with citizen economic empowerment policies.
- 12. KGOSI B. E. RANTUANA (MOLEPOLOLE REGION):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement to state when he will address the prolonged shortage of water supply in Molepolole, which affects the livelihood of the community. **(126)**

- 13. KGOSI I. GAOONWE (LETLHAKENG REGION):** To ask the Minister for State President to state: - **(127)**
- (i) if he is aware that five (5) Police officers have been stationed at Letlhakeng Police Station since 2007 and 2008;
  - (ii) if their overstay in the same station would not compromise their duties;
  - (iii) the appropriate period for an officer to be stationed in the same station; and
  - (iv) when the Letlhakeng Police Station will be maintained.
- 14. KGOSI M. KHACHANA III (NORTH EAST):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism if he is aware of certain safari operators in Botswana who receive guest payments through foreign accounts, potentially resulting in loss of tax revenue and foreign exchange earnings for the country; and if so, what regulatory measures are being implemented to ensure that all tourism related payments are processed through Botswana's banking system to maximise national economic benefit. **(128)**
- 15. KGOSI MOSADI (GA-MALETE):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement to update this Honourable House on the progress made regarding the Botswana-Lesotho water transfer project managed by a body known as Orasecom (Orange-Senqu Commission); and further state, the origin of this project and its envisaged benefits. **(129)**
- 16. KGOSI B. E. RANTUANA (MOLEPOLOLE REGION):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs if he is aware of the illegal dumping of waste that occurs in Kweneng Region by business owners from Gaborone and surrounding areas, which poses a threat to the health of both livestock and people; and if so, what he will do to address the situation. **(130)**

- 17. KGOSI D. NDHOWE (OKAVANGO REGION):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement to update this Honourable House when the Mokgacha-Ngarange water supply project will be completed as it has been pending since 2022. **(131)**
- 18. KGOSI B. SEIPONE (SPECIALLY ELECTED):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism if he is aware that the Tropic of Capricorn is situated 30 kilometres away from Kang on the Trans Kalahari Corridor; and if so, when the necessary development will be done for tourist attractions to boost the economy of the western region. **(132)**
- 19. KGOSI M. KHACHANA III (NORTH EAST):** To ask the Minister for State President to state:- **(133)**
- (i) whether the land on which the Parliament building and its grounds are situated is under any lease, rental, or encumbrance arrangement;
  - (ii) the terms and conditions of such an arrangement, if any, including the annual payments and the duration of the lease; and
  - (iii) whether Government has any intention to secure permanent ownership of the site for the nation.
- 20. KGOSI E. JOEL (BOBIRWA REGION):** To ask the Minister of Finance to explain the reason behind the sudden closure of Zanzibar border post in Bobirwa; and further state, if he does not see the need to re-open it. **(134)**
- 21. KGOSI L. M. BABEILE (KGALAGADI SOUTH REGION):** To ask the Minister for State President if he will consider constructing a borderline fence from Mabule to Struizendam independent from South Africa's side, to leave room for no man's land in order to prevent contagious diseases such as Foot and Mouth from spreading and to address the escalating rate of stock theft and related crimes in these areas. **(77)**

**22. KGOSI B. SEIPONE (SPECIALLY ELECTED):** To ask the Minister for State President to state when: - **(82)**

- (i) developments that establish Kang as a region as per the provisions of the National Spatial Plan 2036 which divided the country into ten (10) regions will commence;
- (ii) the Kang Regional Planning Committee will be established as per the initiatives in the Kang Planning Region spatial plan; and
- (iii) the Botswana Investment and Trade Centre (BITC) will promote investment in the Kang Planning Region for the region to take shape as per the region's initiative.

**23. KGOSI J. D. KHUMANEGO (NGWAKETSE WEST REGION):** To ask the Minister for State President to inform this Honourable House of the amount spent during celebrations for Botswana Police Day, Botswana Defence Force Day and the Sir Seretse Khama Day from the 2022/2023 to 2024/2025 financial years. **(86)**

## **NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY**

### **MOTIONS**

#### **REFORESTATION TO ENHANCE RAINFALL AND CLIMATE RESILIENCE IN BOTSWANA**

1. "That this Honourable House requests Government to consider promoting and planting of rainforest tree species in suitable ecological zones of Botswana as a long-term strategy to enhance rainfall patterns and strengthen environmental resilience."

(Kgosi B. Seipone – Specially Elected)

**AMENDMENT OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE TO ALLOW CULTURAL ATTIRE ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE SITTING**

2. "That this Honourable House requests Government to consider amending the Ntlo ya Dikgosi Rules of Procedure to allow Members of the House to wear cultural attire that corresponds with their regions on the first day of each sitting as a way of promoting culture."

(Kgosi C. Paledi – Kgalagadi North Region)

**AMENDMENT OF THE SOCIETIES ACT OF 2022**

3. "That this Honourable House requests Government to consider amending the Societies Act of 2022 to allow renewal of church registration every five (5) years instead of annually."

(Kgosi S. Masalila – Tonota Region)

**AMENDMENT OF THE CONSTITUTION**

4. "That this Honourable House requests Government to consider amending the Constitution of Botswana to include the Chairman of Ntlo ya Dikgosi as an ex-officio Member of the National Assembly."

(Kgosi M. Khachana III – North East)

**AUTONOMY OF NTLO YA DIKGOSI FROM NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

5. "That this Honourable House requests Government to consider according autonomy to Ntlo ya Dikgosi from the National Assembly in terms of; scale and remuneration of the Secretary of Ntlo ya Dikgosi; budget be detached from that of National Assembly; staff complement be increased in all aspects of administrative trainings and remuneration."

(Kgosi M. I P. Tumaletse IV – Specially Elected)

**REVIEW OF CONSTITUENCY, WARD AND RESPONSIBILITY  
ALLOWANCES FOR MEMBERS OF NTLO YA DIKGOSI,  
PARLIAMENT AND COUNCILS**

6. "That this Honourable House requests Government to review constituency, ward and responsibility allowances paid to Members of Ntlo ya Dikgosi, Members of Parliament and Councillors in order to correct the long outstanding disparities between the three (3) groups' allowances."

(Kgosi M. I P. Tumaletse IV – Specially Elected)