BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

O R D E R P A P E R

(WEDNESDAY 7TH AUGUST, 2024)

QUESTIONS **HRS/MINS**

1400 – 1445

1. **MR. K. C. HIKUAMA, MP. (NGAMI):** To ask the Minister of Health to apprise this Honourable House on the relationship between his Ministry and Tshidilo Stimulation Centre in Maun; and give a background on the genesis of the relationship; he should further state, **(336)**

(i) the programmes and services offered by the centre;

(ii) the total subvention given to the centre by Government in the past five (5) years;

(iii) the total number of workers at the centre;

(iv) the total number of people enrolled at the centre annually;

(v) the total number of workers absorbed from Thuso Rehabilitation Centre;

(vi) the number of workers who lost employment due to termination of contract between Thuso Rehabilitation Centre and the Government; and

(vii) if Government still has any relationship with Sekgele Rehabilitation Centre in Gumare and how the relationship is working.

2. **MR. P. P. P. MOATLHODI, MP. (TONOTA):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Public Works to apprise this Honourable House on the construction of the access road from Semotswane or Via Take No Time Junction through Tonota West ending at Tonota West Kgotla and the cost of the project as well as the duration. **(342)**

3. **DR. K. GOBOTSWANG, MP. (SEFHARE-RAMOKGONAMI):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Rural Development to update this Honourable House on the status of Sherwood-Martin's Drift in relation to the Revised National Settlement Policy and state whether he will consider upgrading it into a gazetted settlement to provide the social, education, health and spiritual needs of residents. **(343)**

4. **MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBONONG):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism to update this Honourable House on the following: **(345)**

   (i) the review of compensation rates and compensable species that has been promised since 2020;

   (ii) the current rates of compensation for donkeys, goats, sheep and cattle that have been killed by wildlife;

   (iii) the number of domestic animals that have been killed by lions in the areas around Semolale and specifically state progress made in controlling the destruction caused by lions in the area;

   (iv) efforts made to control the destruction caused by elephants in the Gobojango, Semolale and Mabolwe catchment area; and

   (v) if the hunting season in the Bobirwa area is likely to change if sufficient reasons are canvassed for the same.

5. **MR. M. REATILE, MP. (JWANENG-MABUTSANE):** To ask the Minister of Trade and Industry to state: **(347)**

   (i) measures his Ministry has taken to attract and support both local and foreign investors to develop projects and industries that capitalise on the unique wildlife, climate, vegetation, and other natural resources in Mahotshwane, Sekoma, Kokong, Keng and Mabutsane;

   (ii) if he agrees that such an investment has the potential to significantly boost not only the economy of these villages but also that of most, if not all, surrounding settlements; and

   (iii) any potential projects that have been identified in and around these three villages that might warrant seeking investors.

6. **MR. M. G. J. MOTSAMAI, MP. (GHANZI SOUTH):** To ask the Minister of Youth, Gender, Sport and Culture to state: **(335)**

(i) progress in the construction of the Botswana National Library Services (BNLS) headquarters;

(ii) how much was used for the design of this building; and

(iii) if the plot still exists at Central Business District where it was to be located.

7. **MR. O. RAMOGAPI, MP. (PALAPYE):** To ask the Minister of Education and Skills Development to apprise this Honourable House on technical colleges and brigades stating the following: **(344)**

(i) the total number of students who graduate in Trade Test B the whole of Botswana per year;

(ii) the total number of students who progress to National Craft Certificate per year;

(iii) the total number of students who fail to progress to the next level per year;

(iv) what the Ministry is doing regarding students who are unable to progress to the next level due to shortage of spaces despite passing Trade Test B;

(v) why the Minister is not building a new Technical college; and

(vi) what the Ministry is doing about the shortage of equipment, practical materials, tools and lecturers' accommodation.

8. **MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism: **(349)**

(i) to state the number of farmers who have successfully managed to introduce game animals in their small holding farms;

(ii) to quantify the level of economic benefit to the farmers; and

(iii) if the Government intends to assist potential small holdings game farmers in the development of such farms as well as capture and stocking.

9. **MR. K. K. KAPINGA, MP. (OKAVANGO):** To ask the Minister of Justice whether he is aware that it takes an inordinately long time for records of proceedings to be transcribed by the lower courts of law for transmission to the appellate courts and that this delay occasions considerable prejudice to appellants, for example, those whose applications for bail pending appeal have to remain pending for a long time due to unavailability of a transcribed record of proceedings; if so: **(351)**

(i) what measures are, or are to be put in place to ensure the swift transcription of records of proceedings; and

(ii) to state the estimated cost of procuring a stenography machine for all courts of law.

TABLING OF A PAPER

- Gambling Authority Annual Integrated Report, 2022/2023.

(Minister of Trade and Industry)

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY **HRS/MINS**

SECOND READING **1445 – 1800**

1.	Access to Information Bill, 2024 (Bill No. 15 of 2024)	An Act to provide for the right of members of the public to access information in the possession of public authorities.

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2.	Data Protection Bill, 2024 (Bill No. 19 of 2024)	An Act to make provision for the continuation of the Information and Data Protection Commission; to regulate the protection of personal data and to ensure that the privacy of individuals in relation to their personal data is maintained; and to provide for all matters incidental thereto.

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3.	Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (Bill No. 2 of 2024)	An Act to amend the Citizenship Act.

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(Mr. G. Kekgonegile, MP. – Maun East)

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•	Political Party Funding Bill, 2024 (Bill No. 16 of 2024)	An Act to provide for the regulation and funding of political parties and for matters connected therewith and incidental thereto.

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