

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

O R D E R P A P E R

(TUESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY, 2024)

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

HRS/MINS

SECOND READING

1100 – 1300

- Appropriation (2024/2025) Bill, 2024 (Bill No. 1 of 2024) An Act to authorise the payment out of the Consolidated Fund and the Development Fund of sums of money for the year ending 31st March, 2025.

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QUESTIONS

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1400 – 1445

1. **DR. K. GOBOTSWANG, MP. (SEFHARE-RAMOKGONAMI):** To ask the Minister of Health to update this Honourable House on progress in respect of previous assurances that the Ministry will install and commission Medical Oxygen Generating Plants at all primary hospitals as well as the supply of one hundred and fifty (150), 10-15 litres per minute oxygen concentrators. **(167)**
2. **MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBONONG):** To ask the Minister of Agriculture to state: **(168)**
 - (i) the total number of applications for the Livestock Management and Infrastructure Development (LIMID) programme per village in the last cycle of applications;
 - (ii) the total number of applicants per village that have been approved but not yet received their packages;
 - (iii) the total number of applicants who shall be assisted in each village annually; and
 - (iv) the challenges and possible improvements to the LIMID programme.

- 3. MR. M. REATILE, MP. (JWANENG-MABUTSANE):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Public Works to apprise this Honourable House on the full completion of the A2 Highway to the standards set out in the Trans-Kalahari Corridor Agreement and to state: **(169)**
- (i) when the road will be considered "up to standard" in terms of milestones and set deadlines, if any;
 - (ii) if there is a plan for the A2 Highway to incorporate the use of Toll Gates and if so, to specify in which financial year these toll gates are expected to be implemented;
 - (iii) how many road accidents have been recorded at the Morwamosu Junction and Sekoma Junction on the A2 Highway from 2019 to date;
 - (iv) the number of road traffic accidents caused by stray livestock on the section of the A2 road falling under the Jwaneng-Mabutsane Constituency, specifically from Betesankwe to Morwamosu;
 - (v) how much his Ministry has spent on cattle patrol activities on the A2 segment between Betesankwe and Morwamosu since 2019; and
 - (vi) if there are any plans to convert the Jwaneng roundabout into a four way intersection with traffic lights to reduce road traffic accidents.
- 4. MR. D. TSHERE, MP. (MAHALAPYE WEST):** To ask the Minister for State President if he is aware that between 1992 and 1994, the industrial class employees who were transferred to Permanent and Pensionable basis were paid using 20 working days per month while other employees in the same category were paid using 22 working days per month; if so, to explain the following: **(170)**
- (i) if he is aware of a court judgment ordering payment of the differences;
 - (ii) when can these people expect the money;
 - (iii) if he is aware that some of the beneficiaries are now pensioners or deceased; and
 - (iv) whether such money can be claimed by beneficiaries' children.
- 5. MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Water Affairs whether given the complexity of Land Management and Administration issues, it is not time that the qualification for appointment to Land Board membership be on the basis of relevant qualification related to Land Management. **(172)**

6. **MR. T. MANGWEGAPE-HEALY, MP. (GABORONE CENTRAL):** To ask the Minister of Labour and Home Affairs to state: **(181)**
- (i) the total number of reported labour violations/issues for each year in the last five (5) years;
 - (ii) which top five (5) sectors have the largest labour violations/issues reported; and
 - (iii) if the Minister is aware that security guards, shop assistants, and cleaners tend to be undermined by their employers in matters of labour issues, among them late payments, unfair dismissals and failure by the employers to respect/or implement rulings from labour mediation; and if so, what is being done about it.
7. **MR. S. N. MOABI, MP. (TATI WEST):** To ask the Minister of Defence and Security: **(182)**
- (i) if there is any new strategy implemented to reduce cross border crimes in areas like Moroka and Mbalambi; and
 - (ii) what specific measures are being taken to enhance border security and prevent criminal activities in these areas.
8. **MR. J. L. THIITE, MP. (GHANZI NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Public Works: **(183)**
- (i) whether any budgetary allocations or design plans have been put in place for the upgrading of the Ghanzi- New Xade/East/West Hanahai road to bitumen standard; and
 - (ii) what is the envisaged commencement date for the road.
9. **MR. P. K. MOTAOSANE, MP. (THAMAGA-KUMAKWANE):** To ask the Minister of Minerals and Energy to update this Honourable House on the following: **(184)**
- (i) what is the number of licenses issued out in the Thamaga, Moshupa and Kanye areas for pit sand and gravel and the various categories of the holders, whether citizens, non-citizens and/or communities, for example, Trusts and Village Development Committee (VDC);
 - (ii) when the Minister intends to dialogue with the said communities for possible lifting of the moratorium on licensing for sand mining South of Dibete; and
 - (iii) what penalties are there for illegal miners currently and any statistics on those who have already been punished.

- 10. DR. T. MATSHEKA, MP. (LOBATSE):** To ask the Minister of Finance to specify/disclose/share the total number of subsidy programmes implemented by the Government of Botswana (GOB) by sector or at best by Ministry; and further state: **(185)**
- (i) the total cost of each programme to the Government coffers during the last four (4) financial/fiscal years as both an absolute amount and a proportion of total revenues in each financial year;
 - (ii) if GOB has an overall assessment criteria for the approval of these subsidy programmes and to share it if any exists;
 - (iii) which one of these subsidy programmes has been the most successful as per the set criteria and objectives; and
 - (iv) whether the level and penetration of subsidies in any economy reflects its underdevelopment.
- 11. DR. N. TSHABANG, MP. (NKANGE):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Water Affairs to outline the steps involved in acquiring land as espoused by the Land Board authorities up to the stage of Secure Land Title. The Minister should further state: **(188)**
- (i) if he does not consider these steps way too long for this process; and
 - (ii) what he intends to do to shorten the period in order to alleviate the land allocation crisis.
- 12. MR. D. SALESHANDO, MP. (MAUN WEST):** To ask the Minister of Health to state: **(189)**
- (i) the number of patients on the waiting list for medical procedures or operations not offered by Letsholathebe Hospital;
 - (ii) the average waiting period for each procedure;
 - (iii) the longest waiting period that patients have been subjected to for each procedure; and
 - (iv) if there are private medical facilities in Maun that offer services not available at Letsholathebe Hospital for which patients have been referred to facilities outside Maun.

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