

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(MONDAY 25TH NOVEMBER, 2024)

QUESTIONS

HRS/MINS

1400 – 1445

- 1. MR. S. O. MAPULANGA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture if there has been land allocated in the Chobe District under Ministerial Directives from 2004 to 2024; if so, to state: **(15)**

 - (i) how many hectares of such land was allocated and in which villages or zones;
 - (ii) how many hectares were allocated in the National Park or wildlife management areas;
 - (iii) how much of that land belongs to native Batswana and in extension to the natives of Chobe;
 - (iv) what is the current status value in terms of development and employment creation; and
 - (v) which year had a high number of Ministerial Directives to the status above.
- 2. MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST):** To ask the Minister for State President if he is aware of the deplorable condition of Botshabelo Police Station; and if so, to state when he intends to do renovation works on the buildings. **(16)**
- 3. MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture: **(17)**

 - (i) to give an update on the restocking exercise meant to compensate farmers who fell victim to the cross border livestock rustling in the Bobirwa District;
 - (ii) if he is aware that some farmers who lost their livestock to the scourge of livestock rustling have not benefited from the restocking and compensation exercise;

- (iii) if he will consider opening a window to compensate those excluded from the restocking; and
 - (iv) if it is Government's intention to replicate the compensation exercise to other parts of the country where cross border livestock crime occurred.
- 4. MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement to update this Honourable House on the water crisis situation in Molepolole following his predecessor's kgotla meeting held in Molepolole on October 16, 2024. **(18)**
- 5. MR. K. C. HIKUAMA, MP. (MAUN WEST):** To ask the Minister for State President to brief this Honourable House on the state of the Stock Theft Unit under the Botswana Police Service; and to further state: **(19)**

 - (i) if the unit has been adequately resourced and staffed to cope with the increasing rate of stock theft in the country; and
 - (ii) whether there are plans and timelines for the improvement of the unit.
- 6. MR. S. O. MAPULANGA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism: **(20)**

 - (i) to update this Honourable House on their readiness to curb damages caused by wild animals to ploughing fields;
 - (ii) to state the strategy to reduce wildlife movement in the areas gazetted for human settlement;
 - (iii) if the compensation amount will be revised upwards;
 - (iv) if he will consider adopting total restoration/restock of domestic animals when destroyed by wild animals; and
 - (v) when damage caused by hyenas will be added to the compensation list.
- 7. MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship to apprise this Honourable House on the number of Citizen Entrepreneurial Development Agency (CEDA) loans that were approved in Selebi Phikwe East in which Batswana were direct beneficiaries in the last five (5) years. **(21)**

8. **MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement if he is aware that there are people in Selebi Phikwe who had pre-paid water before the scheme was discontinued and that such clients have not been refunded before the scheme was discontinued; if so: (22)
- (i) what could be the cause of the delay; and
 - (ii) what action does he intend to take to resolve the issue.
9. **MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs to state if: (23)
- (i) he intends to keep the Ipelegeng programme and if so, how it will be transformed to ensure maximal benefit to its participants; and
 - (ii) Government will consider reviewing the remuneration to participants of the programme upward.
10. **MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to update this Honourable House on the status of the major infrastructure development projects in Molepolole; that includes the building of new police stations and refurbishment of the old Molepolole Police Station. (24)
11. **MR. K. C. HIKUAMA, MP. (MAUN WEST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to brief this Honourable House on the rationale for placing the Community Based Natural Resource Management services under his Ministry and the desired outcomes; and to further state: (25)
- (i) how he plans to make Community Based Trusts more productive and efficient; and
 - (ii) how he will constitute the Technical Advisory Committee to ensure it provides necessary advice and technical skills needed to transform the Trusts to become resourceful and beneficial to the communities they are designed for.
12. **MR. S. O. MAPULANGA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to state: (26)
- (i) whether Government compensated the families that were relocated during the establishment of Chobe Game Reserve and subsequently Chobe National Park between 1961 to 1968 and also from Palamaukuwe to the current Kasane location;

- (ii) the position of the affected families economically and how the Government intends to compensate for the loss of their ancestral lands; and
- (iii) whether Government will establish royalty life payments to such families for disposition.

• **STATEMENT BY THE MINISTER OF SPORTS AND ARTS**

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

HRS/MINS

MOTIONS

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)