

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(THURSDAY 28TH NOVEMBER, 2024)

QUESTIONS

HRS/MINS

1400 – 1445

- 1. MR. S. O. MAPULANGA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education: **(33)**
 - (i) to state with timelines when pit latrines will be eradicated at Liswaani 1 Junior Secondary School as they have become a health hazard to students and the environment; and
 - (ii) when his Ministry intends to fence the same school with an electric fence to deter wild animals and for the safety of employees and students.
- 2. MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs to state if there are any plans to reduce the eligibility to receive Old Age Pension from 65 years to 60 years in the foreseeable future. **(40)**
- 3. MR. S. O. MAPULANGA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism: **(41)**
 - (i) if he is aware of the free movement buffer to the Chobe West communities driving through the Sedudu to Ngoma transit route; if so,
 - (ii) when the route will be operated on a 24 hour basis through assistance of manning the gates by other departments like Botswana Police Service; and
 - (iii) to state the negative economic impact of this scenario as the areas to be reached are production areas and villages which are dependent on subsistence and self-reliance.
- 4. MR. G. KEKGONEGILE, MP. (MAUN EAST):** To ask the Minister of Labour and Home Affairs to brief this Honourable House on the implementation of the recently reviewed Citizenship Act concerning dual citizenship and repealing of default position, with emphasis on whether: **(42)**

- (i) a directive has been issued to Districts guiding the implementation of the Act as per the new clauses; if so, when; if not, why not and when will the directive be issued; and
- (ii) the Ministry intends to address the concerned citizens more especially in Ngamiland; if so, when and who will be addressing them.

5. DR. U. DOW, MP. (KGATLENG WEST): To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs whether he is aware of the health hazards posed by the co-location of the fertiliser plant and residences in Molangwana in Kgatleng and, considering the undeniable value to the economy of the plant, whether he has considered or would consider measures such as: **(43)**

- (i) Government constructing a wind barrier on the southern side of the plant; and
- (ii) Government negotiating with the residents with a view to relocating them to the northern side of the plant.

6. MR. M. M. PULE, MP. (KGATLENG EAST): To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure if he is aware that the Malolwane-Mmaphashalala Road which passes through Oliphant's Drift, Ramotlabaki and Phala Camp was prioritised by the previous Government as a critical alternative to reduce congestion on the A1, and further: **(45)**

- (i) to confirm whether this project remains a priority for the current Government; and
- (ii) provide an update on the current design stage, as well as any projected timeline for the construction phase.

7. MR. P. M. SEGOKGO, MP. (TLOKWENG): To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure if there are: **(46)**

- (i) plans to construct a toll-gate at the Tlokweng Border Post to raise revenue for the country; and
- (ii) intentions to construct a toll-gate at the Dibete Quarantine Gate on the A1 road as a way to diversify the country's revenue base.

8. MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA): To ask the Minister for State (47)
President to state:

- (i) concrete reforms and actual impact on the quality of life following the ratification of the UN Convention on People with Disabilities (PWD), passage of a Policy on PWD and the enactment of a law to protect PWDs in Botswana; and
- (ii) how Government has or intends to work with organisations, associations and bodies working with PWDs in the furtherance of the rights and welfare of PWDs.

9. MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH): To ask the Minister of (48)
Labour and Home Affairs to update this Honourable House on:

- (i) the number of people from neighbouring South Africa who are under visa restrictions to visit Botswana for political reasons; and
- (ii) if there are any plans to revoke such restrictions in the foreseeable future.

10. DR. U. DOW, MP. (KGATLENG WEST): To ask the Minister of Water and (50)
Human Settlement what plans he has, if any, for the development of Budungwane Settlement in Kgatleng District and more particularly:

- (i) whether the residents of Budungwane can expect any additional services within the next five (5) years, and if so, what kind of services they can expect; and
- (ii) when, if at all, the residents of Budungwane can expect to be provided with potable drinking water.

11. MR. M. M. PULE, MP. (KGATLENG EAST): To ask the Minister of (51)
Transport and Infrastructure to outline Government's current and future plans to address the state of both internal and central Government roads in the Kgatleng East Constituency as well as other roads across the country and to further:

- (i) provide a detailed maintenance plan, including measures put in place to ensure timely and consistent upkeep of these roads in order to improve durability and safety for all road users; and
- (ii) indicate specific plans to dry grade Dikwididi – Mochudi Road, Mokatse – Mochudi Road and Matebeleng – Mochudi Road.

- 12. MR. G. LEKAU, MP. (MOCODITSHANE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs to state when the terminal benefits of former employee of the Selibe Phikwe Town Council (the late Ms. Nurse Raale Tekeletso) who was employed at the Council from November 1996-2021, will be paid. **(52)**

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

HRS/MINS

MOTION

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)