

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(WEDNESDAY 19TH FEBRUARY, 2025)

QUESTIONS

HRS/MINS

1400 – 1445

- 1. MR. R. W. KAIZER, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education to update this Honourable House on the state of accommodation for teachers in Selebi Phikwe and the number of houses availed to them for accommodation purposes, the Minister should further state: **(159)**

 - (i) the number of official houses available for junior and senior secondary school teachers and support staff;
 - (ii) the total number of teachers housed in official houses versus those who are not housed;
 - (iii) the number of teachers who share accommodation, inclusive of married couples; and
 - (iv) the waiting period for those with no official accommodation inclusive of married couples.
- 2. MR. P. M. MOSANANA, MP. (KANYE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to update this Honourable House on the tarring of the following roads: **(163)**

 - (i) Tshweneyagae to Dipotsana;
 - (ii) Dipotsana to Diabo; and
 - (iii) Diabo to Gasegwagwa.
- 3. MR. S. O. DIGWA, MP. (BOTETI WEST):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to update this Honourable House on the construction of the Motopi-Makalamabedi road; and to further state: **(164)**

 - (i) the cost of the project;
 - (ii) when it will be completed, relative to the project initial plan;

- (iii) the name of company engaged and how it was awarded the tender;
 - (iv) the number of members of the local community employed and for which skills and professions; and
 - (v) the number of sub-contractors, if any, and how many are from the Boteti region.
- 4. MR. B. B. MABEO, MP. (GAMALETE):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement: **(165)**
- (i) whether he is aware that Magope/Disana Ward in Ramotswa has been without water for the past twenty (20) years; if so,
 - (ii) what plans are in place to ensure that Magope/Disana water reticulation is done; and
 - (iii) to update this Honourable House on the progress of such plans if any.
- 5. MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to apprise this Honourable House on the status of bulls purchased from Texas, United States of America and to further state whether: **(166)**
- (i) farmers in the Eastern part of Botswana have benefited from the semen of these bulls; and
 - (ii) he would make access to semen much easier for small scale farmers such as those in the SPEDU area.
- 6. MR. G. KEKGONEGILE, MP. (MAUN EAST):** To ask the Minister of Labour and Home Affairs if he is aware that workers in private security and cleaning companies are not paid their wages and benefits on time; if so, to state: **(167)**
- (i) what measures are in place to alleviate this challenge;
 - (ii) how many cases of this nature have been reported to the Labour Office and how many have been resolved;
 - (iii) what are the reasons behind pending cases and how is the Ministry speeding up conclusion of the cases;
 - (iv) who is at fault, whether it is Government not paying these companies on time or companies deliberately not paying workers; and
 - (v) what is the Ministry's long term solution to this situation of infringement on human rights.

- 7. MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA):** To ask the Minister of Minerals and Energy to apprise this Honourable House on the state of Morupule Power Plant, whether or not it is operating optimally and what it will take for it to cease bleeding Government coffers. **(168)**
- 8. MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH):** To ask the Minister for State President: **(169)**
- (i) to update this Honourable House on the number of reported ritual murder cases in the past five (5) years; and
 - (ii) if there are any plans to decisively deal with this national problem, given Government's commitment to a human right-based approach.
- 9. MR. K. C. HIKUAMA, MP. (MAUN WEST):** To ask the Minister of Communications and Innovation: **(170)**
- (i) if he is aware of the poor working conditions for Botswana Post workers across the country; and if so,
 - (ii) how his Ministry intends to improve the situation in relation to the establishment of a clear scheme of service that recognises qualifications and work experiences of workers.
- 10. MR. S. O. MAPULANGA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to apprise this Honourable House on: **(171)**
- (i) what happened to the reported two (2) bulls that were allegedly quarantined at Pandamatenga; and
 - (ii) where they were coming from and where they were relocated to.
- 11. DR. U. DOW, MP. (KGATLENG WEST):** To ask the Minister of Labour and Home Affairs when, if at all, the dual-citizenship court win will be a real win to those affected and more particularly whether, in the spirit of being pro-family, spouses of beneficiaries of the dual-citizenship law will have a right to reside and work in Botswana. **(172)**

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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SECOND READING

1445 – 1900

- Appropriation (2025/2026) Bill, 2025 (Bill No. 2 of 2025) 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, 2026.

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(Minister of Finance)

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