

**BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**ORDER PAPER**

**(TUESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> MARCH, 2026)**

**QUESTIONS**

**HRS/MINS**

**1400 – 1445**

- 1. MR. J. J. FRENZEL, MP. (SHASHE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to state: **(280)**

  - (i) plans in place for the long-abandoned Francistown Botswana Meat Commission (BMC) offices;
  - (ii) if there are any plans to outsource BMC Francistown to the local market since Government is still facing challenges to operate;
  - (iii) how much is currently being channelled to the remuneration of security personnel by the Government; and
  - (iv) whether there are any other departments/sections/employees working at BMC Francistown.
- 2. MR. O. KWAPA, MP. (JWANENG-MABUTSANE):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture whether there are any Landboard members who have served for more than two (2) terms in the Jwaneng-Mabutsane Constituency; and if so, what is the basis/reason for keeping them. **(282)**
- 3. MR. J. T. MODISE, MP. (KCALAGADI SOUTH):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education to state when it will be possible to provide pre and primary schools with official vehicles, considering that the teachers use their own vehicles for official duties. **(283)**
- 4. MR. G. KEKGONEGILE, MP. (MAUN EAST):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement to apprise this Honourable House on the Government pool houses purchasing scheme, with emphasis on: **(284)**

  - (i) who their main target is, the number of those eligible, the number of all pool houses and the number of those available;

- (ii) the process undertaken to purchase a house, the number of houses purchased so far and the number of applications that are being processed; and
  - (iii) challenges experienced and solutions in place for the smooth implementation of the programme.
5. **MR. C. K. HIKUAMA, MP. (MAUN WEST):** To ask the Minister of Health to apprise this Honourable House on the ongoing refurbishment and maintenance of the Maun General Hospital and to further state: **(243)**
- (i) what led to project delays and maintenance backlogs;
  - (ii) the impact on healthcare delivery in the Ngamiland region;
  - (iii) a definitive completion date for the refurbishment of the old Maun General Hospital, given that the project was originally scheduled for completion in 2018 but remains incomplete as of 2026; and
  - (iv) the current maintenance budget for Maun General Hospital.
6. **MR. M. MOALOSI, MP. (NKANGE):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to state: **(250)**
- (i) the number of Batswana owned businesses in the parent chicken rearing industry;
  - (ii) the number of Batswana who applied for permits to import parent stock, stating the number of those who were approved, those who were denied; and the reasons for denial;
  - (iii) why Batswana are not allowed to import fertile eggs from nearby countries to run their own hatcheries;
  - (iv) if he is aware that every year there are a limited number of day-old chicks available for small and medium scale farmers from the beginning of September until the 15<sup>th</sup> of November as a ploy by the current suppliers to lock Batswana out of the lucrative Christmas period market; and
  - (v) whether he will consider reporting the said suppliers to the Competition and Consumer Authority to be investigated for such anti competition practices as the suppliers are active in the whole chicken value chain, from parent stock to finished products including supplying feed and medicine.

7. **MR. M. M. PULE, MP. (KGATLENG EAST):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to state why, despite cited budgetary constraints, the Ministry has been unable to gravel and grade the Malolwane–Oliphants Drift Road, given its extremely poor condition and: (261)
- (i) what immediate interventions will be undertaken to restore basic access, particularly for residents in far-flung areas who are effectively denied the right to travel; and
  - (ii) when the Ministry intends to carry out grading or gravelling works as a matter of urgency to make the road safely passable.
8. **MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA):** To ask the Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship to apprise this Honourable House on the issues that led to the cancellation of the Mathathane-Platjan Road tender after he assured this Parliament that the tender was on course to be awarded to a qualifying company; and further: (275)
- (i) assure this Honourable House on the proper observance of all legal, administrative and procurement protocols in the cancellation of the tender;
  - (ii) explain how the money from European Union (EU) earmarked for the project will be utilised for the benefit of Bobirwa and the SPEDU Region;
  - (iii) state if his Ministry is still in charge of the project or it has been moved to a different Ministry; if so,
  - (iv) state the Ministry that it has been moved to and how the project will be rolled out; and
  - (v) state the quality assurance protocols that will ensure a high-quality finished product.
9. **MR. T. BOGATSU, MP. (LENTSWELETAU-LEPHEPHE):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education if the unified secondary school that was promised to Lentsweletau village around the year 2000 is still part of the Ministry's plans. (186)
10. **MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship to state: (196)
- (i) the number of forensic audits that the Citizen Entrepreneurial Development Agency (CEDA) has undertaken since its inception and whether the findings were presented to this Honourable House; and if not, why not; and

(ii) if he will not consider undertaking a comprehensive forensic audit covering the last ten (10) years and present the report to this Honourable House with recommendations.

11. **MR. M. BAGAISAMANG, MP. (SHOSHONG):** To ask the Minister of Finance (197) to explain why Government is not funding multi-residential projects through its Government Employees Motor Vehicle and Residential Property Advance Scheme (GEMVAS) since employees pay their mortgage directly from their salaries.

12. **MR. O. KEDIKILWE, MP. (SEROWE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Finance if (201) he is aware that the cost of living has gone up to a point where many families are struggling to have a meal for the day, leading to rising poverty levels and increased food insecurity; if so, to state:

- (i) whether he has plans to stabilise the ever-escalating cost of living;
- (ii) specific immediate and long-term strategies Government will implement to mitigate the inflated prices of essential commodities; and
- (iii) actionable steps the Ministry is taking to address the high unemployment rate in the current economic climate.

**NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**HRS/MINS**

**COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY**

**1445 – 1830**

- Appropriation (2026/2027) Bill, 2026 (Bill No. 1 of 2026) An Act to authorise the payment out of the Consolidated Fund and the Development Fund of sums of money for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2027.

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(Minister of Finance)

(Resumed Debate)

	<b><u>ORG</u></b>	<b><u>MINISTRY</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>	<b><u>HRS/MINS</u></b>
Day 3	0600	Child Welfare and Basic Education	1445 hrs – 1655 hrs	2.10
	0700	Trade and Entrepreneurship	1655 hrs – 1830 hrs	1.35