

**BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**ORDER PAPER**

**(WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2026)**

**QUESTIONS**

**HRS/MINS**

**1400 – 1445**

1. **MR. G. KEKGONEGILE, MP. (MAUN EAST):** To ask the Minister for State President, Defence and Security to brief this Honourable House on uniformity in the implementation of the Public Service Act among Ministries, with emphasis on: **(422)**
- (i) the Ministry's interpretation of the Public Service Act (PSA) with regard to the 12 months temporary employment moratorium, implementation challenges and differences in the implementation experienced amongst different Ministries;
  - (ii) why temporary workers are changed over posts after 12 months instead of some of them being permanently employed in the posts; and
  - (iii) reconciliation in understanding and implementation with the principle of permanent employment if one has been in temporary employment for over 12 months.
2. **MR. M. M. MOROLONG, MP. (KGATLENG CENTRAL):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture if he is not considering banning the domestic rearing of pit bull dogs due to safety concerns. **(426)**
3. **DR. U. DOW, MP. (KGATLENG WEST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture whether he is aware of the special and unique opportunity presented by the motion adopted in this Honourable House which was to the effect that Leshibitse be declared a special agricultural area and the subsequent inclusion of the same in the Botswana Economic Transformation Programme; more particularly: **(427)**
- (i) how he plans to operationalise the motion;
  - (ii) whether he will support Phase 2 of the Parliamentarians for Climate Finance Project – Botswana; and if so, how; and

- (iii) whether he is aware that Leshibitse has the potential to not just contribute to feeding the nation, but also to demonstrating the use of modern and green food growth and processing technologies.
4. **MR. G. DISHO, MP. (OKAVANGO EAST):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism to state: (429)
- (i) factors that informed the sudden and significant increase in prices and rates across the tourism sector, and why such changes were implemented without adequate notice or stakeholder consultation;
  - (ii) whether he has assessed the potential impact of these abrupt price hikes on the sustainability and competitiveness of the tourism industry, particularly for operators, employees and communities that depend on the sector;
  - (iii) whether his Ministry appreciates that the abrupt policy and pricing changes create uncertainty for tourism operators and clients, disrupt forward bookings and investment planning; and
  - (iv) what measures are being taken to mitigate the negative consequences and restore confidence in the sector.
5. **MR. K. K. KAPINGA, MP. (OKAVANGO WEST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture if he is aware that there is a huge debt owed to low ranking Public Servants left over from the previous administration, especially for employees in the Department of Veterinary Services based at Disease Control Camps spread throughout the country; and if so, would he assuage the feelings of such Public Servants by letting them know how Government is planning to discharge its debt obligations to its employees. (222)
6. **MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA):** To ask the Minister for State President, Defence and Security to give a full update of all protocols, processes and activities that have been done so far to support and sustain the Sovereign Wealth Fund in Botswana; and to state in particular: (249)
- (i) how his Ministry will navigate the sustenance of such a fund under the current economic conditions; and
  - (ii) the projected milestones that will guarantee generational equity as it is the prime objective of the fund.

7. **MR. C. K. JACOBS, MP. (LOBATSE):** To ask the Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship when the adopted 2013 Parliamentary Motion will be implemented which was calling for the Lobatse town to be treated as a special area as a way of reviving its economy through the Lobatse Economic Diversification Unit, similar to SPEDU. (238)
8. **MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Sport and Arts if he is aware that most foreign sport coaches employed in the country are not sufficiently qualified to coach local athletes, despite having been granted work permits; and if so, what measures he will take to ensure that only qualified and competent coaches are engaged in developing Botswana's sporting talent. (277)
9. **MR. J. T. MODISE, MP. (KCALAGADI SOUTH):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs 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)
10. **MR. M. M. PULE, MP. (KGATLENG EAST):** To ask the Minister of Higher Education to indicate if the Government intends to increase student allowances in line with the current Government's commitment to raise the amount to 2,500 pula; and if so, to state:
- (i) the timeline for this increase and outline how the Government plans to ensure the sustainability of this allowance, given the current economic condition in Botswana; and
  - (ii) measures the Government will take to ensure that this support effectively addresses the financial challenges faced by students.
11. **MR. T. FURNITURE, MP. (TATI EAST):** To ask the Minister for State President, Defence and Security to apprise this Honourable House on Botswana Police Savings and Loan Guarantee Scheme for the year ended 2025; and to further state: (360)
- (i) from which year these dividends were declared, what happened to the dividends declared from the scheme since its inception in 1999; and
  - (ii) the criteria used to select officers who have retired from active service as it seems that some officers who are no longer members of the scheme benefitted while others were left out.

12. **MR. G. LEKAU, MP. (MOGODITSHANE WEST):** To ask the Minister of (405) Transport and Infrastructure to state:

- (i) why the Central Transport Organisation (CTO) auctions vehicles once a year as opposed to three (3) times per annum as they did during the past five (5) years;
- (ii) why only 10 per cent of the boarded vehicles are auctioned;
- (iii) the economic benefit of using private auctioneers as opposed to internal personnel or those from other departments like councils; and
- (iv) what makes it difficult to carry out a countrywide auction in a single day.

**TABLING OF A PAPER**

- Annual Statements of Accounts for Financial Year ended 31<sup>st</sup>, March, 2023.  
(Minister of Finance)

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

**HRS/MINS**

**SECOND READING**

**1445 - 1900**

1. Value Added Tax Bill, 2025 (Bill No. 39 of 2025) An Act to re-enact the Value Added Tax Act with amendments to provide for the imposition and collection of value added tax; and for matters connected thereto.

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(Resumed Debate)

2. Customs (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (Bill No. 37 of 2025) An Act to amend the Customs Act.

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**COMMITTEE STAGE**

3. Tax Administration Bill, 2025 (Bill No. 38 of 2025) An Act to harmonise, modernise, and consolidate the rules and procedures for the administration of the tax laws and matters connected thereto.

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(Minister of Finance)

4. Income Tax Bill, 2025 (Bill No. 36 of 2025) An Act to make provision for the charge, assessment, collection and administration of income tax; and for matters incidental thereto.

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