

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(TUESDAY 14TH APRIL, 2026)

QUESTIONS

HRS/MINS

1400 – 1445

1. **MR. D. SALESHANDO, MP. (MAUN NORTH):** To ask the Minister for State President, Defence and Security why the Sovereign Wealth Fund is managed under his Ministry and not the Ministry of Finance which has the requisite staff competencies to oversee the nation's long-term financial investments; he should further state:
 - (i) how the board members of the Sovereign Fund were selected;
 - (ii) how the Chief Executive Officer of the Sovereign Fund was selected;
 - (iii) how much has been invested in the fund up to date and how the fund will be further capitalised; and
 - (iv) the applicable law under which the fund has been established.

2. **BRIGADIER D. MOKGWATHI, MP. (LETLHAKENG):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism to apprise this Honourable House on the short and long term measures on:
 - (i) the preservation of indigenous plants, *motshiha*, *khyara*, *mositsana* and *leruswa*; and
 - (ii) culture preservation based on oral history of the Letlhakeng District.

3. **DR. U. DOW, MP. (KGATLENG WEST):** To ask the Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship to state:
 - (i) the various licenses under which a trader or business can sell alcohol;
 - (ii) the key requirements for each type of license; and
 - (iii) conditions under which a trader can sell the alcoholic beverage commonly known as Chibuku.

4. **MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to apprise this Honourable House on the status of the proposed cargo airport in Selebi Phikwe; and to further state:

- (i) the correlation between this project and the existing airport;
 - (ii) whether the new project absorbed the existing airport through a purchase; and if so, for how much;
 - (iii) the estimated number of jobs to be created through this project; and
 - (iv) the amounts of compensations, if any, to the locals relocated from the area.
5. **MR. M. BAGAISAMANG, MP. (SHOSHONG):** To ask the Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship to update this Honourable House on the Letsema Horticulture Market; and to state: **(442)**
- (i) whether Government acknowledges that its initial design was based on an outdated supply driven model with limited market integration;
 - (ii) the current operational strategy, including governance, market access, pricing, and farmer participation;
 - (iii) the key challenges affecting performance, particularly competitiveness, coordination, and sustainability;
 - (iv) the future development strategy to reposition the Market as a demand driven, export oriented horticulture hub; and
 - (v) what informed the shift in Government's approach, including lessons learned and private sector input.
6. **MR. K. T. MMUSI, MP. (GABANE-MMANKGODI):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to update this Honourable House on progress made in the construction of the Mmokolodi Kgotla access road; and to state: **(443)**
- (i) whether he is aware that the contractor commenced the construction of the said road with the expectation to complete the project by the end of October 2025, which has not been achieved, and that the community has not been updated on the delays; and if so, what are the causes of the delay, and why the construction of a 6km access road has taken more than two (2) years to complete;
 - (ii) whether he is aware of reports that employees working for companies contracted on this project are leaving due to non-payment of their monthly salaries, allegedly as a result of delayed payments to the contractor by the Ministry; and if so, what measures will be taken to address the situation and ensure completion of the project;

- (iii) when he intends to address the Mmokolodi community at a Kgotla meeting to update them on the status of the project; and
 - (iv) whether he will consider extending the project by an additional 2km to connect the road from Mmokolodi Kgotla to Goo Nku in order to enhance road connectivity between Mmokolodi, Gabane and Tloaneng villages.
7. **MR. L. BARONGWANG, MP. (MOGODITSHANE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Minerals and Energy to update this Honourable House on the status of the National Petroleum Fund; further stating: **(444)**
- (i) if the Fund is still assisting in cushioning the consumers of petroleum in this country;
 - (ii) how much has been disbursed to assist consumers in the past three (3) months;
 - (iii) how much the Fund has accumulated in the past two (2) months; and
 - (iv) how much the Fund has assisted customers for the current fuel price hike.
8. **MR. R. W. KAIZER, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to apprise this Honourable House on the status of the construction and upgrading of the Mmadinare–Robelela Road; he should state: **(445)**
- (i) the total budget allocated to the project, and how much has been expended so far;
 - (ii) whether the project has experienced any delays; and if so, what are the causes of such delays; and
 - (iii) measures the Ministry has put in place to ensure timely completion of the project.
9. **MR. T. FURNITURE, MP. (TATI EAST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture: **(447)**
- (i) whether, acquisition and ownership of land is verified by a certificate of rights or title deed;
 - (ii) if he is aware that when people are allocated plots at Landboards they are given resolutions not certificates; and if so,
 - (iii) what he is doing to remedy this anomaly.

10. **MR. S. O. MAPULANGA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism to apprise this Honourable House on the planned lodges that were to be allocated along the Chobe River in the Chobe National Park; in particular: (448)
- (i) whether Government considers the plan to be viable; if so, why; and
 - (ii) how those who applied for the sites will be assisted if the plan has been abandoned.
11. **MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to state: (449)
- (i) whether the Deeds Registry has approved any General Plans (GPs) recently within Kweneng District, and if so, what factors are preventing the relevant Landboard(s) from proceeding with the allocation of plots in areas where such GPs have already been approved;
 - (ii) the total number of GPs that have been approved in Kweneng District to date, indicating where possible, those awaiting plot allocation; and
 - (iii) the expected timeframe within which a Landboard is required to commence or complete plot allocation following the approval of a General Plan by the Deeds Registry in accordance with the Ministry's prescribed standards, policies and procedures.
12. **MR. M. M. PULE, MP. (KGATLENG EAST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to state what regulatory framework exists to protect livestock farmers from unfair cattle pricing by private abattoirs and butcheries, given that cattle are purchased solely on carcass weight while processors retain all by-products; and further state: (451)
- (i) whether Government has assessed the fairness and transparency of this pricing model; and
 - (ii) what measures are being considered to ensure equitable value sharing between farmers and private processors.

TABLING OF A PAPER

- Deposit Insurance Scheme of Botswana 2025 Annual Report.

(Minister of Finance)

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

HRS/MINS

PRESENTATION OF A GOVERNMENT BILL

1445 - 1900

- Deeds Registry (Amendment) An Act to amend the Deeds Registry Act. Bill, 2026 (Bill No. 13 of 2026)

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(Acting Minister of Lands and Agriculture)

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTIONS

ADOPTION OF THE REVISED NATIONAL POLICY ON RURAL DEVELOPMENT

1. "That this Honourable House resolves to adopt the Revised National Policy on Rural Development, 2025."

(Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs)

(Resumed Debate)

ADOPTION OF THE BOTSWANA NATIONAL YOUTH AND GENDER POLICY, 2026 – 2036

2. "That this Honourable House resolves to adopt the Botswana National Youth and Gender Policy, 2026 – 2036."

(Minister of Youth and Gender Affairs)

**ADOPTION OF THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE REPORT,
SIXTY FIRST (61ST) MEETING 2021-2022 ACCOUNTS**

3. "That this Honourable House resolves to adopt the Public Accounts Committee Report, Sixty First (61st) Meeting 2021-2022 Accounts."

(Chairperson of the Public Accounts Committee)