

**BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**ORDER PAPER**

**(TUESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2026)**

**QUESTIONS**

**HRS/MINS**

**1400 – 1445**

1. **DR. K. GOBOTSWANG, MP. (TSWAPONG SOUTH):** To ask the Minister of Health to apprise this Honourable House on the State of Public Health Emergency that was declared by the President in August 2025; and further state: (206)
  - (i) the baseline levels of essential and non-essential drugs as well as Antiretroviral Drugs (ARVs) at the time the State of Public Health Emergency was declared and the levels of the same supplies at the time the State of Public Health Emergency ended;
  - (ii) systemic operational failures that were documented during the State of Public Health Emergency; and
  - (iii) corrective measures that were put in place and resultant improvements observed.
2. **MR. M. M. PULE, MP. (KGATLENG EAST):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to state: (207)
  - (i) when and how he plans to intervene as a matter of emergency, to protect public safety given the court interdict on the construction of the Modipane–Mabalane road and also noting that the current condition of the road, poses a serious and potentially fatal risk to road users;
  - (ii) interim measures the Ministry will implement while legal disputes are being resolved;
  - (iii) specific timelines on the planned interventions; and
  - (iv) when he intends to visit the project site to assess firsthand the severity of the road's condition.

3. **MR. S. O. MAPULANGA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Minerals and Energy to state: (208)
- (i) the number of Batswana who benefitted from the Lesedi project under Botswana Power Corporation by volume and the amount used;
  - (ii) challenges that caused the project to fail; and
  - (iii) where the purchased assets that were not used are and how much they cost.
4. **MR. S. O. DIGWA, MP. (BOTETI WEST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to state: (209)
- (i) the policy or legal rationale for not transferring the rights of the plot to the deceased applicant's immediate family such as their children or siblings, in cases where an individual has applied for a plot (residential or commercial) but passes away before the allocation is finalised; and
  - (ii) if he will consider revising the policy to ensure that families of deceased applicants are not unfairly excluded from benefitting from their relative's application.
5. **MR. C. K. HIKUAMA, MP. (MAUN WEST):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education to apprise this Honourable House on the state of the Department of Curriculum and Evaluation buildings, adjacent to the Mosque in Gaborone Central Constituency and if it is true that in 2012, the building was vacated for the purposes of renovation; and if so, to explain the following: (210)
- (i) which company was awarded the tender to renovate the buildings and at how much;
  - (ii) when the renovation was expected to be completed;
  - (iii) how much has been paid to the engaged company to date;
  - (iv) how much the department is paying annually for the buildings currently renting in the Fair Grounds area; and
  - (v) when the department is expected to move back to its buildings.
6. **MR. C. K. JACOBS, MP. (LOBATSE):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism if he is aware of the need to establish a weather station or meteorological station in Lobatse. (211)

7. **MR. T. BOGATSU, MP. (LENTSWELETAU-LEPHEPHE):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to update this Honourable House on: (213)
- (i) the state of plot allocations in the villages of Gakuto, Mmatseta, Kopong, Sasakwe, Lentsweletau, Kgope and Ditshukudung where there seems to be discrepancies in the manner in which land is allocated; and
  - (ii) whether there are some systems that the Minister would put in place to ensure seamless plot allocation.
8. **MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA):** To ask the Minister of Finance to state if the current state of the economy can support a P4000.00 minimum wage across the board as it is the desire and wish of the current Government. (214)
9. **MR. M. MOALOSI, MP. (NKANGE):** To ask the Minister for State President, Defence and Security to state: (215)
- (i) the number of reported cases of causing death by dangerous driving in the past ten (10) years;
  - (ii) the number of people charged, prosecuted, convicted, respectively and the average sentence for those convicted;
  - (iii) the minimum and maximum sentences for causing death by dangerous driving;
  - (iv) whether the rate of prosecution and conviction for people who kill others on the road either as pedestrians or drivers and passengers is enough to deter people from driving in a way that can harm others; and
  - (v) whether the statistics do not call for stiffer sentences and more robust investigation and prosecution for offenders.
10. **MR. T. FURNITURE, MP. (TATI EAST):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education to state: (216)
- (i) when the maintenance of Tashata Junior Secondary School is expected to commence; and
  - (ii) what causes delays since it was indicated that maintenance would have been done by April 2025.

11. **MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture whether he has considered repossessing unused land around or within Molepolole Prison as well as some of the underutilised plantation areas in Molepolole, with a view to reallocating such land for residential plots to address the growing demand for land among residents. (217)
12. **MR. M. M. MOROLONG, MP. (KGATLENG CENTRAL):** To ask the Minister of Sport and Arts if there are guidelines for remuneration of artists, if not, what is in place to ensure that artists are fairly and consistently compensated for their services and that there is a standard fee structure for different categories and levels of artistic services. (177)

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

**HRS/MINS**

**SECOND READING**

**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)