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THE ASSEMBLY met at 2:00 p.m.

(THE SPEAKER in the Chair)

PRAYERS

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SPEAKER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

MR SPEAKER (MR KEORAPETSE): Pray be seated. Good afternoon Honourable Members. I hope you had a restful weekend and you are ready for the week.

Honourable Members, I have received a letter from the Office of the Leader of the House in line with Order 8.4, that he is away on official duties and Honourable Dr Butale will be Acting Leader of the House until the 5th of March. This is in line with Order 8.4

I have also received a letter from the Leader of the Opposition (LOO) that he is also away on constituency matters and that whilst he is away, Member for Bobirwa, Honourable Taolo Boipuso Lucas, will be Acting LOO. This is in accordance with Order 9.5. So, *ke tsona dikitsiso*. Let us now proceed to questions.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

GABANE-MMANKGODI CONSITUENCY ROADS

MR K. T. MMUSI (GABANE-MMANKGODI): asked the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure if his Ministry will consider:

- (i) tarring the road linking Mokolodi Kgotla to Tloaneng (GooNku) to connect with the main road, a distance of approximately four (4) kilometres, in order to improve accessibility for the community; and
- (ii) the construction of an access road from the A10 road through Tshwaragano Brigade to Matlhaselwa area, in order to connect with the Gabane-Tloaneng road, to enhance mobility and ease of access for residents.

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE (MR ATAMELANG): *Ke a leboga* Mr Speaker.

- (i) Mr Speaker, the ministry concurs that tarring of the road linking Mokolodi to Tloaneng, which is four kilometres (km), will improve accessibility for the community. Furthermore, the road will decongest

A1 and A10 roads hence the remaining four km to connect the main road will be considered as part of implementation of the Mogoditshane-Gabane-Mmankgodi project, subject to availability of funds.

- (ii) Mr Speaker, construction of the access road from A10 through Gabane will improve accessibility and complies with the road access policy hence it was designed as part of the Mogoditshane-Gabane-Mmankgodi project. As indicated above, the project will also be considered for implementation as part of the Mogoditshane-Gabane-Mmankgodi project as initially planned, funds permitting. I thank you Mr Speaker.

MR MMUSI: Supplementary. *Ke a leboga Tona. Kana o ne o bua ka Sekgoa, o ne o tlhalosa gore tsela ele ya Mokolodi go ya fa Tloaneng e tlaa dirwa fa Goromente a ka bona madi. Ke ka fa ke go utlwileng ka teng Tona. Jaanong e nngwe e ya Tshwaragano Brigade go ya kwa Matlhasela, le yone o ne o re e tlaa dirwa. Ke dumela gore ke access road ya dual-carriage e e tswang Mogoditshane-Gabane-Mmankgodi. Ke ne ke re gongwe fa go simololwa, go simololwe ka yone. Jaaka o bua, it will reduce congestion ya tsela fa go santse go agiwa tsela e tona e ya dual-carriage. Go ka thusa go fokotsa mosuke mo tseleng ele. E setse e onetse, tota e beile matshelo a Batswana mo diphatseng, beke le beke re nna le dikotsi mo go yone. Same e ne e le gore access road ya teng e setse e na le madi, e mo tseleng yone e, ke ne ke re gongwe go simololwe ka yone. Ke yone kopu e ke neng ke batla go e kopa. Ke a leboga Tona.*

MR SPEAKER: *Honourable Members*, le se ka la dira dikopo fa le... Standing Order 40.3.

MR ATAMELANG: *Re utlwile kopu. As part of our equitable infrastructure development, we will consider all the factors tse re tshwanetseng go di lebelela re bo re bona gore re ka dira ene four kilometres go na le gore re ise madi fela mo tseleng e e leng gore e ka se ke e thuse matshelo a batho. Re tlaa e sala morago, re tlaa e tsaya mofago. Ke a leboga.*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Procedure.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Supplementary.

MR SPEAKER: Lona ba le tsuololang Standing Order 58.7, le ele tlhoko thata.

MR GARE: *Supplementary.* Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*, ke a leboga *Honourable Minister*. Ke ne ke re ka *September, October 2024*, go ne ga abiwa dikonteraka di ka nna tharo. *One of the roads* tse di neng di abilwe ke e e tswang kwa go wena Motlotlegi Dr Dikoloti kwa Digawana-Kgomokasitwa-Ntlhantlhe-Magotlhwane, jaanong ga ba ise ba simolole, *I think* ke dikgang tsa madi. Mma ke go botse *Honourable Minister*, *have you done an analysis* ya gore go diega ga tsone mme di abilwe, *financial implication* e ya go nna eng go ya kwa pele? *Do you find it cheaper* go ema kana o di dire gone jaana?

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Murmurs)...

MR SPEAKER: A ko le phatlalatsa phuthego e e foo eo.

MR ATAMELANG: Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Go diega go turu fela. Jaaka ke sa tswa go bolelela Motlotlegi Rre Mmusi, *we will consider all factors*. Go diega fela go na le gore re age ditsela kana ditlhabololo tsotlhe tse re tlhokafalang, go turu *in the long run*. Ke ne ke ile kwa kgaolong ya gago, o a itse gore *we will consider factors* tsotlhe tse. Ke a leboga.

MR MONAGENG: *Procedure.* Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke ne ke akanya gore jaaka o ntse o re bolelela *Mr Speaker* gore *Leader of the House* o tlaabo a seyo mo malatsing a a rileng jangjang, fa gongwe o re roma *a long period like a week* e bo e le gore Mopalamente ga a yo, setilo sa gagwe se a bonala mo *television* gore ga a yo, mme go sa itsiwe gore o ile kae jaaka gompiano jaana bangwe ba emelela *for a week*. A ga go botoka gore *this House* e nne e itse gore bo semangmang ga ba yo *for a long period*, ba romilwe ke wena *Mr Speaker*? Ke a leboga.

MR SPEAKER: A re tswelole ka dipotso, ke tlaa e araba fa le sena go fetsa dipotso.

TAXI AND COMBI ASSOCIATIONS

MS H. P. MANYENENG (MMOPANE-METSIMOTLHABE): asked the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to explain:

- (i) whether he is aware of concerns raised by taxi and combi associations regarding the high and increasing costs of road transport permits, including renewal, substitution, and temporary permits;

- (ii) why the processing of temporary permits is often delayed;
- (iii) why permits are processed by a single official in some offices;
- (iv) whether ride-hailing services such as Yango and InDrive are regulated under the same framework as local operators;
- (v) if the law provides for the use of loaders at bus/taxi ranks;
- (vi) whether regulated tinting of combi windows will be considered; and
- (vii) measures in place to curb piracy, including school buses operating without valid permits.

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE (MR ATAMELANG): Mr Speaker,

- (i) The ministry is aware of the concerns raised by taxi and combi associations regarding the costs of road transport permits including their renewal and substitution contrary to the perceived view that these costs are high and increasing. The reality is that the charges for provision of these services are merely cost recovery fees. The last review of the service fees charged was in September 2021. Be advised that consultation process is on-going to address all of these concerns.
- (ii) Mr Speaker, applications for temporary permits once received, are expeditiously processed and issued over the counter. Delays are sometimes attributed to the collection of approved permits and absolute Information Technology (IT) infrastructure.
- (iii) Mr Speaker, processing of transport permits is restricted to officers delegated powers of the controller and assigned roles in the system, for purposes of control and accountability. I want to assure the Honourable Members that, despite the challenges of limited resources we are faced with, the ministry is committed to providing timely service to our customers.
- (iv) Mr Speaker, unlike other local transport operations, the current Road Transport Permits Act is silent on the regulation of Ride-Hailing Services such as Yango and In-drive. However, the ministry is currently reviewing this act to include this type of passenger service.

- (v) Mr Speaker, the Road Transport Permits Act does not provide for the loaders found at the Taxi or Bus rank, as such they are not legally recognised under the act. Be advised that these loaders came about as a request by transport operators against the ministry's advice.
- (vi) Mr Speaker, the Road Traffic Act stipulates that any alteration to the features of the vehicle (tinting included) should be done with the written permission of the Director. For passenger service vehicles, any tinting applied should be visible enough to allow for the safety of both the driver and passengers on board. To this end the ministry shall intensify public education and awareness on the general safety of the use of passenger service vehicles.
- (vii) Mr Speaker, the Department through its Transport Inspectorate continues to conduct regular joint law enforcement operations to target issues of non-compliance to the Road Traffic Act and Road Transport Permit such as piracy and school buses operating without valid permits. Currently operations are few due to budgetary constraints. *Ke a leboga Mr Speaker.*

MS MANYENENG: *Supplementary.* Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker.* Ke a leboga *Minister.* Ke belaela gore dikarabo ga ke di kgotsofalele. Fa o re batho ba tselwa ka gore ke *cost recovery*, ga go *fair* ka gore bone jaanong ba a duela, mme ga ba *gain* sepe *looking at fee* ya transport gore la bofelo e okediwa ke leng. A manyennyane mo e leng gore bone jaanong go tsewa (*recovered*) mo go bone *while* ba sa bone sepe.

Go na le *temporary permits.* Ga ke dumalane le gore wa re di fiwa *over the counter* ka nako *because...*

MR SPEAKER: Standing Order 40.3, "a member shall not address the Assembly on a question and a question shall not be made a pretext for a debate." Short questions for elucidation.

MS MANYENENG: Potso ke gore, *if temporary permits* di fiwa *over the counter*, ga ke bone batho ba ka di omanela ka gore kana *temporary permit* ke fa gongwe *let us say* jaaka re ya *for Easters*, o bo o kopa *permit* ya gore o batla go isa batho kae. E a *delay* go fitlhelela malatsi ao a feta. Jaanong wa re *officers* di nosi tse di filweng *control* gore ke bone ba ba ka dirang *that.* Ke eng le sa oketse babereki *Minister* gore go se ka ga nna motho yo mongwefela, fa a seyo go raya gore ga go berekiwe?

Issue ya batho ba Yango le In-drive, fa e le gore le a itse gore batho ba ba teng, ba a bereka jaaka *any taxi driver or combi driver* kana *business* e tshwana fela, a bone ga ba kgethe, ga ba direlwe sepe fela? Bone ke *free flow* fela. A mme ga le bone ba baya ba dikhombi ka fa mosing ka gore ba ba kgaolela *customers* tse e ka bong e le bone ba tsayang madi mo go bone?

Loaders wa re ga di a letlelelwa, ke eng mapodise a sa ikaelele gore ba nne kwa *rank* *wherever loaders* tse di leng teng fa ba pegela batho, ba ba tshware ba ba ntshe mo *rank*? Ke eng ba tlogetswe fela go sena sepe se se dirwang?

Fa re tsena mo go e ya *tinting Mr Speaker*, kana re setse re itse gore re na le letsatsi fela le le maswe mo lefatsheng la Botswana. A mme ga le letlelele gore *at least combi driver* o ka fokotsa bogale jwa letsatsi, le fa a ka dira *half a window*, a sa dire *full window* *because* ba supa gore jaanong ba setse ba lwala, ba na le *skin infections* kana *skin diseases* *because of* go nna *exposed to the sun*? A ga le baakanye molao le lebile ka fa loapi le fetogileng ka teng? Tanki *Mr Speaker.*

MR ATAMELANG: Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker.* Ke tlaa simolola fela ka tsa bofelo tse o di buileng. Ya *tinting* tota gone jaaka o bua, re *reform* molao, mme fela keletso ke gore go nne le *enough visibility.* Re itse ka dikgang tsa go thupiwa ga bana ba tsentswe mo *combis.* Jaanong ga re ka letlelele gore go nne *to tint* fela go sena *some sort of a visual connection* le ba ba kwa ntle le ba ba mo teng ga *combi*, dikgang tse di ya go tswelala di nna teng. Jaaka re *review* molao jaana, ke tsone tse e leng gore *regulations* re tlaa bona gore mme re di dira gore go nne motlhofo gore le bone bo radikhombi ba se ka ba betswa ke letsatsi jaaka o sa tswa go bua.

Ya *loaders*, kana ke ne ke buile *earlier* gore *loaders* *were introduced by* bo radikhombi le bo radibase *against the advice* ya *ministry* gore le se ka la *introduce such people*, *but* ba bo ba tsaya tshwetso ya gore bone ba a ba batla. Jaanong go nna thata gore mapodise le bone re ba ntshe kwa ba ka bong ba dira tiro teng, re bo re ba tliša gore ba tle *to monitor loaders* gape. Jaanong *it has a cost implication*, mme *like I said*, *we are an open Government* e e leng gore re batla go baakanya melao. *We will consider that to see* gore a mme mapodise ba ka re thusa mo go yone e.

Ya Yango le yone ke kile ka ya kwa *bus rank* fela ke ile go botsa bo radikhombi gore ke eng ba didimetse dikoloi di kwadilwe bo Yango, *why are they not*

saying anything. It turns out *gore associations* tsa bo radikhombi ba bantsi ga ba na *voice* e nngwefela. *There are so many associations, so many mekgatho.* Jaanong go nna dingalo *gore* ba bangwe ba dumalana le yone e, ba bangwe ga ba dumalane. Re ba kopile *gore* ba ikgobokanye ba nne lentswe le le lengwefela ba tle kwa ofising ya rona re tle go bua le bone. Ga se gone fela mo re go dirileng, re ile ra *invite* le bone ba Yango ra ba bontsha diphatsa tsa *to recruit drivers* tse, ka *gore* ba bangwe o *sign up* fela o sena *permit* ya *to transport* setšhaba. Jaanong golo moo go borai fela thata, mme re ntse re buisana le bone *gore* ba dire jalo ka *gore* mo bogautshwaneng re tlaabo re simolola go ba tseela dikgato.

Ya bofelo ke ya *cost recovery*. Nnyaa, go ntse jalo. Tota fela *permits* tsa ga Goromente fela ka kakaretso *they are extremely subsidised, and* go nna turu *gore* Goromente a dire ditirelo tse dingwe ka *subsidies* tse di kanakana. Ga se ka maikaelelo *gore* e bo e ka nna o kare re gamola bora *taxis*. Jaaka ke sa tswa go bua, re *busy* re rerisa morafe ka koketso ya ditlhwatlhwa tsa dipalamo tsa setšhaba. Le yone e e nna e ntse e runya *gore*, re fokolotseng ka fa re bone *gore* tirelo ya rona kwa setšhabeng e a goroga ka nako. *We will consider those fees to see if we can revise them.* Ke a leboga.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

MR T. B. LUCAS (BOBIRWA): asked the Minister of Finance to state:

- (i) the current unemployment rates in Botswana as per Statistics Botswana Surveys indicating whether unemployment is increasing or decreasing;
- (ii) the total number of unemployed persons in Botswana including those considered as discouraged job seekers;
- (iii) the economic conditions that are required to create 450 000 to 500 000 jobs in the next four years and further, if such economic conditions are achievable in Botswana in the next four years; and
- (iv) if the current and projected economic growth rates could support the condition of full employment in Botswana.

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Minister of Finance, Your Honour the Vice President, how long is your answer?

MINISTER OF FINANCE (MR GAOLATHE): It is relatively longish.

MR SPEAKER: Standing Order 38.4; o ka mo neela karabo e e kwadilweng.

MR GAOLATHE: Looking at his eyes, I suspect he is hoping for a summary at least, Mr Speaker.

MR SPEAKER: My challenge is if it is long, then we will have to invoke 38.4, unless you are sure of the summary.

MR GAOLATHE: I am sure of the summary.

MR SPEAKER: You can summarise the answer Honourable Vice President.

MR GAOLATHE: Thank you Mr Speaker.

- (i) There are two types of surveys that we undertake; one is called the Quarterly Multi-Topic Survey, the second is the Multi-Topic Household Survey. The quarterly one is short-term, its whole purpose is to determine employment and unemployment trends in short intervals for the short term. Then the household survey is done more or less after every 10 years, and that one shows long term trends. So, the figures that we have for the quarterly ones, the most recent quarter in 2024 was 27.1, having risen from 25.9 in 2023 fourth quarter. In terms of that short-term trend, you can see an increased unemployment trend. When we look at the long term, we had 21 per cent unemployment in the 2015/2016 long-term household compared to 21 per cent in 2024 and 17 per cent in 2015. So, an increase in unemployment by 4 per cent. To answer the question, the trend going high both in terms of the short-term and the long-term.
- (ii) Then in terms of unemployed persons including discouraged jobseekers, in 2025/2025 total unemployed people were 213 437 compared to 147 206 in 2015/2016, representing an increase of 45 per cent. There are what are called discouraged jobseekers, those who stop looking for jobs. They were estimated at 88 671 compared with 133 276 in 2015/2016. So, in other words there were more discouraged people earlier on in 2015 than later on in 2023.
- (iii) In terms of the third one, the economic conditions required, we need higher levels of investment, we need to move to the private sector-led growth model which is more diversified and which is anchored on targeting support for Small, Medium

and Micro Enterprises (SMMEs) and labour-absorbing value chains. That is the whole essence of the Botswana Economic Transformation Programme (BETP). We are not yet there, but the potential is there.

- (iv) Finally, because I am summarising as we go, in terms of the current and projected growth rates, full employment requires sustained and inclusive growth that also translates into job reach expansion. We are not yet there, but we believe that if we were to implement at least 50 per cent of the BETP, it will take us there or even more than there. *Ke a leboga.*

MR LUCAS: *Supplementary.* Mma ke go leboge *Mr Speaker*, ke leboge thata VP of the Republic of Botswana for the summary.

VP, sa ntlha fela ke re dipalo tsa mofuta o tse di amang koketsego ya letlhoko la ditiro kgotsa go oketsega ga ditiro, ke ne ke tsaya gore ke dikgang tse di bothokwa thata mo itsholelong, mo re ka bong re ne re bone o re di rulaganyetsa sentle mo *Budget Speech*, mme ga re di bone. Go di tlogela kwa ntle mabaka e a bo e le eng, ka gore ke dumela gore di ka re thusa *over time to track levels of employment and unemployment.*

Ya bobedi ke gore, tsholofetso ya Puso e ne e le gore re ka kgona ditiro di ka tshwara 450 000 to 500 000 mo dingwageng tse tlhano tse. Go lebega o kare mo puong ya gago ya *Budget Speech* o kaya gore ditiro tseo tse 450 000 to 500 000 di ka bonala fela ka 2036. O e ntlhatswetse, ka gore fa ke ne ke go reeditse o ne o kare wa rialo.

Ya bofelo ke kgang e e ntshwenyang thata ya gore, kana mo nakong e e fetileng go kile ga buiwa ka kgang e ya *social contract*. A o bona go lebane VP gore re nne re go tshwenya ka dipalo tse di kileng tsa buega mo *Manifesto* wa Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC), kgotsa ga le itse le ko le nne le *social contract* le ope, jaanong re tlogele go le tshwenya ka tsone. Ke a leboga rraetsho.

MR GAOLATHE: There are figures that are there; 450 000 to 500 000 by 2036 *tse* BETP. What I want you to remember is that BETP is a rapid-fire programme, which is a Microcosm, it has sifted out of 7 000 investment proposals to only 186 projects that it believes are high impact. So only those *ke tsone tse e leng gore* by 2036 we are talking 450 000 to 500 000. Now driving the economy of Botswana will not only depend on the

BETP, it is only one aspect, an important, a rapid-fire and a centre of excellence aspect. It does not mean that there will not be all these other initiatives, which will be in tandem taking place. So, when you add these jobs with everything else that will be taking place in the economy, we still believe that it is possible.

Maybe just to quickly take you through the process *ya* BETP, this one if not thumb suck. What actually happened is that all those 7 000 investment projects were analysed and screened very rigorously. This is what took us to 186, and each one of those, 186, there is a definitive *gore di ja bokae*, how many they are going to employ directly. So, it is not thumb suck, this is why I say, if we can implement, if those can take off, 50 per cent *fela* will shift the needle. Basically, these numbers are just for BETP but the economy is more than just BETP, BETP is a catalyst part of our economic revival.

The second question has to do with why did we leave the numbers out; well, we have all economic data in the economic data that accompanies the Budget Speech. We may not have included specific things that you may want to see for that particular year, but it is not because we are trying to hide anything, far from it. You know that there is a season for everything and I said this season is the season to ensure that Botswana survive, *a tshela*. The focus is simply for now, ensuring that the boat stays afloat. I want to repeat that, because if you have no country...if you have a country that it is not surviving then everything else is academic. This season the priority is to ensure that Botswana rebuilds its foundation from which it will be able to take off and more than achieve its own aspirations.

Finally, by all means, leaders have to account. Whatever it is that you can hold us to account again, by all means you have the right, it is a democratic country. In fact, I will put it to you that in order for Botswana to achieve the high...(inaudible)... to achieve, its leaders need to be put to the test, its leaders need to account by whatever means, I think it is an important part of democracy. *Ke a leboga.*

YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE KGATLENG EAST CONSTITUENCY

MR M. M. PULE (KGATLENG EAST): asked the Minister of Youth and Gender Affairs whether the ministry is aware of the high youth unemployment in the Kgatleng East Constituency and:

- (i) what concrete plans the Government has to create sustainable job opportunities for young people in Kgatleng East; and
- (ii) provide details on any new programmes, initiatives, or partnerships currently being implemented or planned, including skills development, vocational training, entrepreneurship support, internship placements, or private sector collaboration aimed at improving employment prospects for the youth in the constituency.

Withdrawn.

PAYMENT OF UPKEEP AND HOUSING ALLOWANCE

MR T. FURNITURE (TATI EAST): asked the Minister for State President, Defence and Security to state:

- (i) who is eligible for the payment of upkeep and housing allowance within the Botswana Police Service;
- (ii) why the allowance was stopped for most of the officers; and
- (iii) how the Minister intends to bridge the gap for officers who were not paid the allowance during the 2025/2026 financial year

ACTING MINISTER FOR STATE PRESIDENT, DEFENCE AND SECURITY (DR BUTALE): Thank you very much Mr Speaker.

- (i) Mr Speaker, officers who are eligible for the Upkeep and Housing Allowance in the Botswana Police Service include officers on subsidized accommodation and those deployed in Remote Area Service Allowance (RASA) earning areas. Officers already paid housing allowance are excluded.
- (ii) Mr Speaker, I am not aware of any stoppage of the Upkeep and Housing Allowance to some officers. However, following a review of staff welfare in 2025/2026, a decision was taken to add 400 officers residing in Gaborone including officers from Special Support Group in the payment of Upkeep and Housing allowance.

Mr Speaker, payment of Upkeep and Housing can only be stopped when an officer no longer resides in subsidized accommodation or is transferred out of a RASA earning area.

- (iii) Mr Speaker, regarding payment of the aforementioned officers who were not paid the Allowance during the 2025/2026 financial year, a Cabinet Memorandum (CAB MEMO) requesting payment was submitted for consideration on January 2026. I thank you Mr Speaker.

DR GOBOTSWANG: Supplementary. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker. Honourable Minister*, ke batla go botsa ka ba Special Support Group (SSG), ba ba salang jaaka ba ntse mo ditanteng mo diemong tse e leng gore tota fela ga di a siama. Bone ba tsena fa kae mo dikgannyeng tse o di buang? Le gone maikaelelo ke gore ba tsewe leng mo ditanteng ba ya go batlelwa bonno jo bo ba tshwanetseng gore ba dire ditiro tse re solofelang gore ba di dire ka manontlhotlho le mafolofolo. Ke a leboga.

DR BUTALE: Ke a go leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke go leboga Dr Gobotswang ka gore o boditse potso e e maleba, e e tsamaelanang le batlhophi ba me ba Gaborone Central ka kwa SSG. Ke tlaa e araba ka bokgabane jo bo gakgamatsang. Kgang e ke yone e ke neng ke e bua ya gore, go ne ga tsewa tshwetso ya gore ba le 400 ba ba mo Gaborone, go akarediwa ba SSG, ba tsenngwe mo tuelong e ya *upkeep and housing allowance*. O tlaa gakologelwa gape gore seemo sa kwa SSG se ne se ngomola pelo thata. Ke gakologelwa ka nako ya 11th *Parliament*, Rre Mmusi nako ya teng o ne a ise a nne Tona, mme ba ba neng ba le teng ba itse gore ke ne ke tshwenya thata ka dikgang tse. Nako ya teng e bile Tona wa nako eo a ganetsa gore ga gona ba ba nnang mo ditanteng. Tautona yo mosha wa Botswana Rre Boko o ne a ya kwa SSG a iponela ka matlho seemo se se ngomolang pelo sa kwa SSG.

Go tshwerwe kgang ya gore jaanong go itlhaganelelwe gore ba agelwe boroko jo bo botoka. Ke e gatelele fela gore, Puso e samagane le kgang e ya gore ba thusiwe, ka seemo sa teng se ne se tshwenya mo e leng gore *three families were sharing a three bedroomed house. Meaning that one family per bedroom, which was really deplorable.*

FOREIGN SPORT COACHES

MR A. K. KHAN (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH): asked 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.

Later Date.

CONSUMPTIVE (HUNTING) ACTIVITIES IN THE LINYANTI AREA

MR S. O. MAPULANGA (CHOBE): asked the Minister of Environment and Tourism to apprise this Honourable House on what influenced the stoppage of consumptive (hunting) activities in the Linyanti area (Zibalianja/Area 6); and further state:

- (i) the number of fishermen who were benefiting from the area;
- (ii) interventions by Government to alleviate them from livelihood pressures; and
- (iii) (iii) when the Department of Wildlife and National Parks will allow fishermen to continue angling at Serondela area for subsistence purposes.

ACTING MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND TOURISM (MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE): *Thank you very much Mr Speaker and good afternoon.* Ke arabe mokaulengwe fela jaaka ke dumela gore o e boletsa bathlophi ba gagwe. Pele ke simolole fela ke tlhalose gore, Zibalianja yo go buiwang ka ene o kae, o fa gare ga Silinda Reserve, fa gare ga NG15 and NG16. E ne ya re ka 2005, fa o ka gakologelwa motlotlegi, dikgaolo tse tsotlhe di ne di le mo lefelong la letsomo. E ne ya re ka 2009 ba fetolwa ba tsenngwa mo ditshwantshong, mo e leng gore gompiano ke dumela gore le gone jaana *photographic* le *hunting* re dumela gore tse tsotlhe ke dikgwebo tse re dumelang gore di ka tsholetsa itsholelo ya Botswana re dirisa *our wildlife resources*. Jaaka o gakologelwa gape e bile e le tsamaiso kana e le tlwaelo, re leka go tla ka mananeo a go dira gore *non-consumptive issues* tsotlhe tse di tsamaelane. *Mr Speaker*, ke batla go araba motlotlegi jaana ke mo reye ke re, batho ba ka nna 60 mo kgaolong e ya Zibalianja kana go tsamaela gone foo ba ne ba bona thuso jaaka fa o boditse gore ba kae ba ba boetsweng.

Wa boa wa botsa potso ya bobedi gape gone mo, gore Goromente o dira eng go thusa batho ba ka matshelo a bone. Ke ka go raya ka re, go na le batshwari ba ditlhapi ba ba kwa SH1 and SH2 ba ba gaufi le Chobe *enclave villages*, ba re dumelang gore ba thusiwa ke tsone Community Based Natural Resources Management (CBNRM) *programme*. A re dirise yone Chobe Enclave Conservation Trust (CECT). Re tswelela re ntse re bona maduo ka gone go ba dirisa jalo.

Go oketsa kana go leka go bona gore ba ka bona *income* e e ntseng jang le *quotas*, re dirisa yone *community development fund*, motse mongwe le mongwe o neetswe madi a a kana ka P2 *million* mo ngwageng go leka gore go tlhabololwe matshelo a batho le ditsabone.

Dingwe tsa *projects* tse ba di dirang, kana tse ba itshetsang ka tsone, ke jaaka *brick molding* le gone go dira dishoponyana jaana, *grinding*, *milling*, le go leka go thusa metse eo ka diterekere le tse di latelang kana le tse di mabapi go ba thusa mo teng ga go lema jalo. Go oketsa foo, re dirisa *Enterprise Development Fund*, go ntshiwa madi a a kana ka P500,000.00 a ya go bona gore batho ba ka itshimololela dikgwebo ka one. Ke dumela gore go setse go na le bangwe ba ba boneng, kana *beneficiaries* ka Sekgoa, di ka nna *nine*.

Ga re a felela gone foo, ra re kwa CH1 *land use management, plan* e setse e fela, kana e setse e tla kwa bokhutlong gore go bonwe gore tota se se ka dirwang ke eng. E tlaa re fa go sena go dirwa jalo, go nne le tsone *joint ventures*, le *partnerships with some tourist operators in those areas*, go kopane bagwebi le bone batho ba motse.

O ne wa boa wa botsa jalo gape mongwame, gore mme ba bangwe ba ka thusiwa ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Ke ka go raya ka re fa o lebeletse kgaolo e tshwana le ya Serondela e e mo molelwaneeng wa Chobe National Park, kwa go ntseng go na le *restrictions* kana ditshwetso tsa go leka go tlamela lone letsomo le la ditlhapi, re dumela gore Goromente o eme ka dinao go bona gore o thusa batho ba kgaolo yone eo, gore mme batho bao le bone ba tle ba bone thuso ka gone go tsoma ditlhapi. Ke tseela gore ke go arabile motlotlegi. Ke a leboga.

MR MAPULANGA: *Supplementary.* Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke dumela gore Tona o lekile go araba le fa ke utlwa a ikwaletse potso.

Gongwe ke simolole fa gore, a mme gone o itse gore Shaile 1 and 2 *fishing spots have been totally dry for the past four years*, ka gore wa re batshwara ditlhapi bone ba le ba neetse gone koo gore ba ye go tshwara teng? *That spot, 4 km radius is totally dry.*

Ya bobedi o bua gore go na le mananeo *from this conservation trust*. Kana *Mr Speaker*, ke bua ka batho ba e leng gore dingwaga tsa bone *they are around 60 to 75*. A mme o ka kgona go ya go tsena mo tirong ya go dira *brick molding* kana kgwebo e a reng ba na le dikgwebonyana? Ga ke itse gore dikgwebonyana tse a reng ba itshetsa ka tsone o raya dife, gongwe o tlaa di atolosa.

Ya boraro, ke batla go utlwa Tona gore a jaanong jaaka ba tsetse batshwari ba ditlhapi *space* sone seo, a Puso e fetogela maikano a boditšhabatšhaba a *right to food*?

Ya bofelo, Serondela yo a buang ka ene gore o mo molelwaneng, ga ke itse gore o raya molelwane fa kae *Mr Speaker*. A mme o itse gore ba ne ba tshwara gone foo pele ba tewa gotwe ba emise? Ke batla go itse gore o ya go ba busetsa leng, gore ba simolole go tshwara fa Serondela. Ke lebogile.

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: *Thank you very much Mr Speaker. Nnyaa motlotlegi, ke a bo ke go araba sentle. Dikgang tse o di buang tseo tsa gore a o a itse gore a go ne go le dry nako e e kae, yes, of course re a itse. Ke sone se o bonang re re photographic, go dira letseno ka go tsaya dinepe, diphologolo di tsewa dinepe is another source of revenue. Re a itse gore go ntse jalo. E bile gape ga re ka ke ra tlhanogela se o se buang jalo o re the right to life, ra ba ra tlhanoga ra dira jalo. No, ga go a nna jalo, re teng gone mo. Fa ke re Serondela, re a itse gore it falls within the boundaries of Chobe National Park. It is a restricted area. You know it, and you know the reason why it is restricted. Jaanong ke one mabaka a re reng go na le mananeo a mangwe a e reng nako e go senang metsi re bo re ka thusa batho bao ka one. Ke dikgang tse o di itseng wena go tswa gone mo kgaolong eo. Wena o nna e kare o batla go ganetsana le potsa kana se se diragalang gone gompiano jaana.*

Re a dumela gore *that is not enough* gore re bo re thusa batho bao. Ke sone se o bonang re itlama re le puso gore re tlaa tsewela re bona e bile re thusa gore a go ka nna le mananeo mangwe a a botoka go thusa batho ba. *That is our priority to make sure that the right to life e nna teng, batho ba ba nna le botshelo le bone ba. Ke a leboga.*

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Jeremiah Jerry Frenzel, Member for Shashe West.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Ke tlaa mo e tseela Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo.

DIGITAL TAX STAMP

MR L. LESEDI (SEROWE SOUTH): asked the Minister of Finance to update this Honourable House on the digital tax stamp for alcohol and tobacco products; and to further state:

- (i) how much was spent on the project, its value to the country and return on investment;
- (ii) which company was allocated the tender and the duration of the agreement; and

- (iii) the results of the forensic investigation that was instituted by the Botswana Unified Revenue Service (BURS) on the project and why it was carried out as well as, the involvement of the Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime (DCEC) in the investigation.

MINISTER OF FINANCE (MR GAOLATHE): Thank you Mr Speaker. Thank you Honourable Lesedi.

The first question is that; this is a digital stamp system for alcohol and tobacco products. It is known as the track and trace solution. It is a multifaceted solution that is based on serialized QR codes, encrypted codes, tamper evident additives, and basically to provide real-time visibility over the production, importation and distribution activities for both tobacco and alcohol. In 2026 February, BURS and the solution provider finalized an agreement. The project has now progressed. Implementation will commence, and rollout should begin before second quarter 2026/2027. Deployment of the solution for alcohol products will follow later after the tobacco rollout.

Now, with respect to the expenditure or the value to the country and the expected return on investment, Government is not paying any money upfront because it is a self-liquidating project. Under this arrangement, Government does not incur any capital cost associated with system development, deployment and maintenance. Instead, the private sector service provider will finance and implement the solution, while Government exercises full regulatory oversight. As you know, the alcohol and tobacco products attract very high effective tax burden in Botswana. When you add the Exercise Duty, Value Added Tax (VAT) and other levies, and you combine them, the total tax payable is often very close to the actual factory price of that product. While that tax structure may be justified on both revenue generation and public health grounds, it also creates a very strong financial incentive for smuggling, counterfeiting and for under-declaration. So, criminal operators exploit these tax differentials by introducing untaxed and falsely declared products.

Mr Speaker, with regard to the company that was awarded, it is authentic, it is an American company with the well-established international track record in authentication and traceability solutions in exercisable products. BURS benchmarked in Kenya, Cameroon and Tanzania and this would be for a 10-year period. This duration allows sufficient time for system development

for integration with industry players for stabilisation and achievement of measurable enforcement outcomes. Furthermore, this 10-year tenure is consistent with the self-liquidating model, under which the service provider recovers its investment through sale of digital tax stamped over the life of the contract. A shorter contract would risk fragmented implementation, reduced sustainability and inadequate recovery of the private investment.

Finally, with regard to the question of any forensic investigation instituted by BURS in relation to this project and the involvement of Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime (DCEC), the procurement process was conducted through an open, transparent and competitive process in full compliance applicable, procurement laws and governance frameworks. Standard audit compliance and oversight mechanisms continue to apply as with all public procurement processes. To date, no evidence, findings or circumstances have emerged that justify the initiation of any forensic investigation. I thank you Mr Speaker.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Supplementary.

MR SPEAKER: Supplementary Honourable Lesedi.

MR LESEDI: *Supplementary.* Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke a leboga Tona ka fa o e arabileng ka teng. Mma ke supe gore fa ke latedisa, ke ka batla go itse gore *company* e ka gore o dumela gore go ne go le *open*, ke eng o kare go na le go ipelaetsa ga gore ga e a neelwa tiro e sentle? Sengwe se motho a neng a ka eletsa go se itse ke gore mo nakong e e tlhomilweng (*appointed*) go tla go tsena gompiano, o ne o re o setse o ba neetse bokae? Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

MR SPEAKER: Your Honour the Vice President (VP), Minister of Finance.

MR GAOLATHE: Motlotlegi Lesedi, gongwe ga le a utlwa sentle. Ga gona se ba se neelwang *at all because* ke e e ituelang. Ke bone ba ba tshwanetseng gore pele ba tharamolole *software development* le sengwe le sengwe. Ke bone ba ba ntshang, ga gona sepe se ba se duelang. E le karabo ya me ya ntlha.

Ya bobedi ke gore fa e le gore motlotlegi o itse sepe se se mo fatlhang, le a itse gore ke ka bonwa kae. Ke ka itumela gore re se bone, ke bone gore a ke se se tlhokang gore se tlhodumelwe ka leitlho le le ntšhotšho.

MR SPEAKER: Let us go to the Appropriation, I was to deal with a matter raised by Honourable Monageng. *O kae?*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ...*(Inaudible)*...

MR SPEAKER: *Just to quickly deal with it. Honourable Monageng o ne a batla go itse fa batlotlegi ba seyo. Ke ne ke re fa ba seyo e le on official Parliament business, there is always a press release through our BW Parliament Page re ntsha kitsiso. Legale gongwe go dira botoka ke gore gongwe le itsisiwe in your Whatsapp group. Fa e le Matona, kana e a bo e le tsa kwa Executive, they will normally write in accordance with Order 16. They have to write to the Clerk. All of you fa le seyo le tshwanetse go kwalela Clerk go supa gore ga le yo. Jaanong a re ye kwa Appropriation, ga re na nako.*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Ke kopa tlhaloso *Honourable Speaker*.

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Morolong.

MR MOROLONG: *Clarification.* Ka ga a yo o ntaetse, ke kopa go mo e tseela. *Mr Speaker*, o ne a supa gore gompiano ba na le *trip* ya Public Accounts Committee (PAC) to South Africa. Ga ke itse gore a ke *information* e o iseng gongwe o e amogele. O ne a emelela a riana gotwe ka 3 o'clock ba bo ba setse ba emelela ba ya kwa *airport*. Ga ke itse gore a ke sengwe se o ntseng o se itse. O ne a buela *along those lines*.

MR SPEAKER: *Information ya teng ke e ke e rebolang gore ba ye. I am quite aware ka ope fela yo o tsamayang on official Parliament business. I am aware and as I say, there will be communication. Order! Order!*

...*Silence*...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *Mr Speaker*, mma ke kope *point of procedure* o santse o eme foo.

MR SPEAKER: *Honourable Lesedi*, kana jaanong ke setse ke suta fa, ga ke itse gore ke eng se se *pressing* se se kalokalo.

MR LESEDI: *Point of procedure.* O tlaa intshwarela *Mr Speaker*, bogolo jang ka gore go supega go tlhagogile ntwa kwa mafatsheng a a kgakala. O kare Batswana ba tshwenyegile thata, ke ne ke rile gongwe re tlaa bona *statement* sengwe se kgabola go re lekodisa go fokotsa *panic* e e kanakana mo Batswaneng. Ke yone fela e ke neng ke e emela *Mr Speaker. I stand to be corrected*, fa ke dule thata.

MR SPEAKER: *Honourable Butale*, ke tsaya gore o reeditse *Honourable Lesedi*, Standing Order 38.1 (m) gore kana fa a riana, o batla gore o tle o itsise Palamente. Gongwe o ne o ka emelela fela wa ba bolelela gore o ka bua le bone leng.

MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (DR BUTALE): *Thank you Mr Speaker. Tota e sa le mosong ono ke tshwaragane le ba Palamente go buisanya gore re tlaa bona sebaka leng sa go ka lekodisa batlotlegi ka kgang ya kwa Middle East le tse dingwe. Ke tsaya gore e tlaa nna mo bekeng e. Ke ka wela fela ke re Batswana ba ba kwa are currently safe and we are in touch with them.*

MR SPEAKER: Order! Order!

...Silence...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Procedure.

MR CHAIRPERSON (MR KEORAPETSE): The Assembly is now in Committee Honourable Moalosi.

ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE

(CHAIRPERSON in the Chair)

**APPROPRIATION (2026/2027) BILL,
2026 (NO. 1 OF 2026)**

**ORGANISATION 0400: MINISTRY OF
LABOUR AND HOME AFFAIRS**

(Resumed Debate)

MR CHAIRPERSON: Honourable Members, the debate on the Committee of Supply for Organisation 0400 is resuming. Please note that I shall call upon the Honourable Minister to reply to the debate at 3:45 p.m. and the question shall be put at 4:15 p.m. Honourable Members, when the House adjourned on Thursday the 26th February, 2026, Honourable Barongwang was on the floor and he is left with 2 minutes and 50 seconds.

MR BARONGWANG (MOGODITSHANE EAST): Mma ke go dumedise Modulasetilo mo phirimaneng eno, ke go wetsa fela, ga se sepe. Tota mma ke simolole fela ka go gakolola *Minister* ka se ke neng ke se mo gakolola maloba. Ke ne ke supa gore ke itumeletse kgang e ya gagwe ya *to operate borders 24 hours* mme ke ne ke kopa gore e se ka ya nna *borders* fela, a a leke *to align* le *services* tse dingwe tsa ga Goromente go netefatsa gore go na le neelano e e lolameng.

Se sengwe gape mo kgannyeng e ya *24 hours* ke gore metse e tshwana le bo Mogoditshane e tle mo seemong se e leng gore *it also operates or is able to provide 24-hour services such that we should be able to create more jobs and as well as support transformation* e re leng mo

go yone. Ke ne ke kopa gore ba se ka ba lebala gore kana fa re tla ka dikgang tse di molemo tse di tshwanang le tse, go na le borukutlhi jo bo diragalang, *especially in the wee hours* fa *borders* di tswetswe.

Tse pedi tsa bofelo tse ke neng ke batla gore ke tswale ka tsone ke *mandatory pension scheme* ya batho ba ke dumelang gore kwa Mogoditshane ba bantsi. Ke ba ditironyana tse di seng *formal* kana ba ba berekang dikompone, kamoso o bereka e, o tlogetse, kamoso o bereka e, wa konteraka e fedile mme fa go ya go kwa bofelelong jwa dingwaga tsa gagwe tse a sa tlholeng a bereka, o fitlhela batho bao e nna morwalo mo Pusong. *Honourable Vice President*, gongwe go akanngwe gore go nne le *mandatory pension fund* e e leng gore *these private sectors could be collecting money for these people and somehow* madi a ke one gape a a ka re thusang *to fund some social grants* jaaka *the old age pension*.

Gape ke tabogele kwa kgannyeng ya *illegal immigrants* kwa kgaolong ya Mogoditshane. Rre Mokgware, ke tsaya gore o a itse. Re na le dipalo fela tse di fetang tse e leng gore gongwe ope o ka di akanya mme go lebege re se na sepe se se re supegetsang totatota gore re na le batswakwa ba le kana kwa kgaolong ya gore. Ga go na sepe se se re supegetsang gore re na le dilo tseo. A re netefatseng gore re nna le sengwe sa go tshwana le seo kana re leke *to document* batho bape ba letso lepe ba ba mo Botswana. A ba mo Botswana ka dipampiri tse di siameng kapa jang, re tshwanetse ke gore re nne le thulaganyo e *so that* re kgone go ba akanyetsa. Le fa ba le kwano, re tshwanetse go itse gore re ba *support* jang, kwa ba leng teng ba tshela jang ka gore mo gongwe fa re itebisa go sele, gongwe ke bone ba rotloetsang borukutlhi ka gore ga re itse se se ba tshedisang gore ke eng. Ke go supegeditse gore ke tlaa tla ka Molao-kakanyetso o e leng gore *we will document* batswakwa botlhe.

Sa bofelo ke gore a re lekeng *to digitalise services*...

MR CHAIRPERSON: Nnyaa, e go tshwere.

MR BARONGWANG: Ke a leboga.

MR KHAN (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH): Tanki. Mma ke tseye sebaka se ke dumedise Bakwena le batho ba Molepolole. Ke ema jaana *to support* Tona se a re se beileng pele. Pele ga ke tsena mo dikgannyeng, ke re Tona Bakwena le batho ba Molepolole ba ngongorega ka kgang e ya Ofisi ya *Labour*; ba re go simolotswe kgang

ya gore ba hirwa ka maranyane. Ba dumela gore kgang ya maranyane e ba beile ka fa mosing. Ba kopa gore go boelwe mo go ele e go neng go iwa kwa Diofising tsa *Labour* go ikwadisiwa. Ofisi ya *Labour* e kwadisa fela ka maranyane mme le fa lona kwa lephateng le tsile ka *guidelines* tse di supang gore go ikwadisiwa maphata a mabedi. Go na le a *short term* mo o yang kwa *Labour Offices* go bo go nna le *long term* e e leng gore o dira mo maranyaneng. Ofisi ya Molepolole yone ga e letlelele gore go iwe koo. E sale e emisa ka COVID-19. Le gone jaana le fa le ntshitse *guidelines*, ba santse ba kganela batho gore ba ye go fola kwa ba ikwadise. A ko o re thuse ka yone eo gore batho ba Molepolole le Bakwena ba thusega ba tle ba hirwe.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Elucidation.

MR KHAN: Ao! Ka pela jang?

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Laughter!)

MR BARONGWANG: *Elucidation.* Ke a leboga. Fa o bua ka kgang eo ya maranyane, ke go gakolole gore gongwe le *services* tse di tshwanang le bo Omang le bo *passport*, fela jaaka batho ba ba tlhokang tiro ba hirwa ka maranyane, gongwe le gone re simolole go dira Omang le *passports* go dirisisiwa maranyane. Ke a leboga.

MR KHAN: Nnyaa mme o e dirile ka bokhutshwane. Fa re tswelala ke re, re dumela gore go tokafatswe thata go dirwa mo ga bo Omang Tona. Lekalana le le dirang le dikgang tse tsa boagedi, bo Omang le tsa matsalo le nonotshiwe go fokotsa tiego ya lebaka la go ikopela. Rona kwa Molepolole go tsewa lebaka le lelele thata mo go dirweng ga bo Omang, go tsaya dibeke tse tlhano mme fa gongwe dikgwedi tse pedi. Fa re botsa gore mathata ke eng, gatwe Omang o dirwa fela mo Gaborone, kwa go tsewa *information* e bo e tsiisiwa mo Gaborone. A ga le bone gore fa go ka dirwa kwa batho ba ikopelang teng, go ka nna bofelo gape go ka tlhamela le batho ba kgaolo eo ditiro, ba ba dirang Omang ba tle ba hirwe kwa Molepolole.

Mr Chairperson, go botlhokwa go itebaganya le go tokafatsa go ntshiwa ga ditirelo ka go fefosa go tswa ga dikarata tsa Omang, dikopo tsa go kopa Omang di beelwe nako, re nne le *timeline* ya gore fa o dira Omang gotwe go tsewa *seven* kana *14 days*. Le tsone *passports*. Kana ka nako ya ditlhopho, Omang o tsaya letsatsi fela gore o bo o mmona. Fa o dira *passport* ya *diplomatic* o le Mopalamante, fa o tsena ka 7:30 a.m. mo ofising,

ga o ise o goroge kwa lelwapeng gatwe o tle go e tsaya ka 9:00 a.m. Go raya gore go na le bokgoni jwa gore *passport* e ka dirwa ka *hour*. A re tokafatseng go dirwa ga *passports* le *licences*. Le nne le *timelines* gore go se ka ga tsaya lebaka le le telele.

Tona, mafelo a mangwe a Molepolole, re na le dikgwetlho tse di tona thata. O fitlhela e le gore metse e tshwana le bo Maamege, Khuduyamajako, Matsuke, Boditsi le Mosinki, re na le batsadi ba bantsi le banana ba ba senang bo Omang. Ba bangwe ga ba kgone go tsaya le yone *tandabala*. Re lekile makgetho a le mantsi gore re thusiwe ke ba ofisi ya ga Molaodi mme ga re kgone go bona thuso eo. Gongwe fa re ka e potlakela ka bofelo gore batho ba mafelo one a ke a buileng a ba kgone go nna le bo Omang.

Fa ke bua ka tsa khiri, go tiego ya go rarabolola dikgang tsa babereki. E santse e le matshwenyego a matona mo lefatsheng leno, bogolo jang kwa Molepolole Bokone. Tharabololo ya dikgang tsa pereko e tsaya lebaka le le telele. Go lebega bahira ba nyatsa gore bodiredi jwa diofisi tsa metse ga ba na meno. Ba kgona gore ba bitswe ba bo ba nna fela. A ga se gore ke nako ya gore re kgone go ba neela dithatha tse e leng gore ba ka tseela bahiri dikgato?

Re lebogela thulaganyo ya lephata la gago Tona ya gore Puso e tseye boikarabelo jwa gore maphata a Puso a ye go iphirela, bogolo jang *cleaners* le *security officers*. Golo mo go tlaa thusa thata gore go fokotse go jewa ntsoma ga babereki ke bahiri.

Re na le *library* kwa Molepolole gaufi le *bus rank* ya manobonobo e ba reng ke yone *the-state-of-art facility* e e agilweng ka madi a mantsi mme e tlogetse ka lebaka. Gompiano jaana ga e mo tirisong Tona. La bofelo e tsena mo tirisong ke ka *June 2025*. Ke *white elephant* gone jaana. Bothata jo bo leng teng ke gore diofisi di tswetswe ka gore go kolotiwa Water Utilities, ga go na metsi teng.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification.

MR KHAN: Ga go na metsi kwa *library*, go tswetswe. Ga go na mophepafatsi wa dikago. Diofisi ga di na le fa e le motlhokomedi (*guard*). Golo mo go ama thata ka go ntse go thusa bana ba Molepolole le Bakwena go ya kwa *library* go ya go ithuta teng, mme fa go sale go ema, ke bua jaana maduo a sekole sa Borakalalo, ka ba ntse ba bereka thata le *library*, a ile kwa tlase. Pele ga 2025, sekole sa Borakalalo e ne e le *number one* mo Molepolole, go bo go nna le kgang e, maduo a ba a simolola go wela kwa tlase.

E re ke ema Tona nokeng mo go kopeleng lephata le madi, a seemo sa *library* ya Molepolole se fefogelwe ka pele. Metlobo ya dibuka e ka thusa thata go tthathelela banana ba metse ya magae go tliša ditlamelo tsa segompiano tse di sa bonweng di fitlhelela motlhofo kwa metseng e e tshwanang le ya rona ya Molepolole jaana. Tanki.

MR PULE (KGATLENG EAST): Ke a leboga Modulasetilo. Ke ikokobeditse motlotlegi, ke dumedise le Mapalamente a a fano. Ke ema jaana ka letsatsi la gompiano Modulasetilo ke bua ka *Chapter* ya *Labour and Home Affairs*. Ke simolola fela ka gore ke e eme nokeng thata ke lebeletse Ditshutiso tse di dirilweng jaaka e le gore mo go *paragraph four*, ke ne ke utlwa Tona a re o tlaabo a dira *an assessment* ya *to profile communities* tse di nang le mathata a *immigration*. Ke tsaya gore o ne a bua le ka dikgang tsa bo *citizenship* jalo jaaka fa a kile a bua maloba. Tona fa o dira jalo rraetsho, o se ka wa lebala kgaolo ya rona ya Kgatleng East, *especially the river villages*, tse e leng gore kana rona re sikana le Bakgatla ba ba nnang kwa Aferika Borwa, e bile re nyala *kana* nyalwa *across the border*, mo go rayang gore tota re na le batho ba le bantsi ba sebopego se se ntseng jalo. E tlaabo e le mme foo a nyetswe gongwe a ba a tlhokafalelwa ke monna, go bo go raya gore mme yo o ne a ise a tseye boagedi ka fa molaong, o tlaabo a *borota* kwa lefatsheng le a tswang kwa go lone, gongwe jaaka bontsi jwa bone ba tswa kwa Aferika Borwa. Go bo go mmatla gore a boele kwa Aferika Borwa mme a sena ditsompelo, gongwe e bile le *permit* ya go nna ka kwano ka gore o setse a na le bana a sa kgone *to apply for it* ka gore mme wa go nna jalo a ne a nyetswe ke rre gongwe a ne a iperekela kwa meepong a tšhaisitse a le mo gae, go sa tlhole go na le sepe se a tshelang ka sone. Ke ne ke kopa gore fa o e dira rraetsho, o lebelele kgaolo ya me ya *the river villages* thata, kana Kgatleng East otlhe go simolola fela fa Matebeleng go ya go tsena kwa Phala Kampa.

Kwa *paragraph* ya botlhano o ne o bua ka *responsibility of the ministry to assure safe migration*, o tla le *movement of goods and services*. Ke ne ke tsaya gore e tlaa re tota kgang ya go nna jaana ya *goods and services* ke e e lebaganeng le ba Botswana Unified Revenue Service (BURS). Legale le lona ba *Immigration* ke tsaya gore e ntse e lebagane le lona. Ke batla go akgela fela gore mme re ne re batla thata gape gore o eme nokeng ba BURS kana o re thuse go buelelela batsamai ba kgaolo ya rona ya Kgatleng East, bogolo jang ba *the river villages* fa ke lebelela metse e e tshwanang le bo

Oliphant's Drift, Phala Kampa le Ramotlabaki, *they are almost 140 kilometres (km) from border post* ya Sikwane. Ke mathata tota le fa Tona wa tsa Madi a ne a mpoletlela maloba gore ka ntata ya letseno, ga a kgone go ka re direla mo gotweng ke *a crossing point*. Jaaka fela o bua gore *you are promoting movement of persons*, *I think you have to have a joint venture*, ke na le tumelo e e tletseng gore o golagana le ba BURS ka gore le na le mo gotweng Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). O eme ka dinao Tona go ...*(Inaudible)*... ba BURS gore ba re direle molelwane o o ka kgonisang batho ba rona ba kgaolo e ke sa tswang go bua ka yone gore ba ye kwa Aferika Borwa ka gore bontsi jwa bone ba ya koo ba ya masikeng. O tlaa fitlhela e le mme a nna mo Oliphant, monna wa gagwe a bereka mo dipolaseng, mme go mo tlhoka gore a mo etele. O fitlhela e le gore jaanong o patelesega go tlola molelwane e seng ka fa molaong e le ka mabaka a gore o tshwanetse gore a ye go bona bana kana monna wa gagwe kwa lefatsheng lele, fa gongwe a ya go *jakela* le bone bana, gore fa a ile koo o a itse gore o tla a tshotse dilo dingwe tse a ka tlang a jesa bana. *So* bontsi jwa bone ba felela jaanong ba sutlha ka molelwane e se ka fa molaong ka mabaka a kgang ya gore *there is no official crossing point* ya batho ba go nna jalo. Jaaka o itlama gore o *promote movement of persons*, ke tsaya gore ke dingwe tsa dilo tse o di setseng morago rraetsho *under* Southern African Development Community (SADC) *protocol that promotes movement of persons across borders*.

Gape o ne o bua ka *achievements* tse o di dirileng rraetsho. Fa ke bala ke fitlhela e le gore o buile thata ka kgang ya gore go na le *a policy that you have just or which you are working on* e e bidiwang gotwe ke National Migration Policy. Ke setse ke gakgametse thata Tona ka gore tota *policy* e ke ya bogologolo, ke gakologelwa gore e sale e simololwa nako ya ke santse ke le *Director* wa Lephata la *Immigration*. Ke ntse ke ipotsa gore e ntse e le fa kae. Ke ne ke re ke go rotloetse rraetsho gore leka *to push policy* e ka gore ke nngwe ya *policies* tse e leng gore *they have to be internationally recognised*. Ke gakologelwa gore nako ya fa e dirwa, re ne ra *benchmark* le mafatshe a a tshwanang le bo Aferika Borwa ka gore ba setse ba na le yone. Tota e tshwanetse *to link* thata le *policies* tsa African Union (AU), jaaka ya Agenda 2063, e e nang le dikgwetlho dingwe tse dintsi tse go buiwang ka tsone. Re tshwanetse *to make sure* gore Ditshutiso tse di diriwang kwa AU re di amogele mo lefatsheng la Botswana.

O leboge phathi ya Domkrag ka gore tota e go beetse *standards* tse di rileng rraetsho tse e leng gore gompiano jaaka o ne o bua maloba kana Rre Tshere a bua gore ditshwetso tse di neng di tserwe ke phathi e e fetileng le a di diragatsa. Ke raya gore go a bonala tota gore le ntse le wela fela fa tota gongwe phathi ya Domkrag e neng e gata fa teng. Ke selo se sentle thata se re se lebogang rraetsho gore le bo le se dira.

E rile fa o bua, Modulasetilo, ka kgang ya *24-hour service* ke ne ke re ka ke a itse gore *border* ya Sikwane motlotlegi, *you may not let it run for 24 hours*, mme gongwe le buisane le ba BURS gore go na le gore jaaka...Ke a itse gore Tona wa *Finance*, yo e leng gore ke ene a leng *an overseer* ya BURS *activities*, o tlhalositse gore tota ga go na madi a gore *border* ya Sikwane e ka okediwa. Ke kopela bagaetsho ba kgaolo ele gore fa e le gore ga e okediwe *in the meantime* Tona, ke eng o sa dire gore o oketse *service hours* tsa yone *from where it is right now to maybe* jaaka e bulwa ka 6 e tswalwa ka 7 maitseboa, gongwe e bulwe ka 6 e tswalwe ka bo 10 p.m. Ke dingwe tsa *suggestions* tse re di dirang, *especially during active seasons*. Ke ntse ke utlwa Mothusa Tautona a bua *statement* se ke se ratileng thata fa a raya the Leader of the Opposition (LOO) a re *everything has got its season, so* ke tsaya gore fa go na le *seasons* tse di dirang gore batho ba tsamaye ka dipalo tse di kwa godimo le nne le re okeletsa *operation* ya kgaolo ya rona ya gore *border* ya go nna jalo e *operate longer hours*.

Kgang e nngwe e ke batlang Tona gore ke akgele ka yone, ke go akgola, ka gore ke eo *you have taken over* e bile *you are working on it, ya to compensate ex-miners*. Ke a e amogela rraetsho, e bile ke a go akgola ka gore batsadi ba rona ba ba tlhokanang le *to be compensated* ba bantsi, bogolo jang rona. Kana fa o ka lebelela kwa ga rona, *almost all the villages* tse e leng gore *they are along the river, including* le ene Mochudi tota, batsadi ba rona ba bereka kwa Aferika Borwa, ba tla maabane fela mo Botswana *in the 80s* e le gone ba tlolelang (*cross*) ka kwano. Bontsi jwa rona *in the 60s, 50s, and 70s* re ne re ya ka kwa re etela batsadi jaanong fa dikole di tswalwa, re bo re ya kwa bo Gauteng, Rustenburg, re goletse koo. Ba bangwe ba ne ba ya meepong le go kwala ba sa itse go kwala. Jaanong gompiano motho wa Modimo o tlaabo a le mo gae, a nna mo nageng a sa itse le gore a go na le *compensation* ya *ex-miners*. Ke ne ke re jaaka o ne o bua ka ele ya *assessing communities*, gongwe o dire *moratorium* Tona wa gore tota o *suit* dikgaolo tsofthe tsa lefatshe la Botswana, *including* ya rona ka ke rona re amegang thata, go ya go bona gore a ga go na batho ba go nna jalo, e le *a view* ya go leka go ba thusa.

Ya *libraries* ke feta fela ka yone, Rre Khan o ntsetse mafoko, ka gore go na le *libraries* dingwe tse di agilweng. Ke ne ka utlwa maloba o bua gore le tswala *libraries*, jaanong ke ne ke re o dire sengwe ka tse di setseng di agilwe tse dingwe e bile gongwe di sa fela *Mr Chairperson*.

Kgang e nngwe ke ya *illegal immigrants*. Ke ne ke rile Tona o tlaa re bolelela ka botlalo gore o dira jang ke *illegal immigrants*, jaaka Tautona a kile a bua mo Ntlong e gore *you want to regularise illegal immigrants in this country*. Jaanong *regularise some migrants* ba ba mono gongwe *for short term*, mme gongwe ba na le *skills* tse di rileng.

Jaanong sa bofelo se ke welang ka sone Tona ke gore, o beile dikgang tsa gago sentle ka fa o di beileng ka teng, mme o kare o santse o natefelelwa ke go bereka ka *acting appointments*. Ke eng o sa *appoint* batho, a o batla gore ga gona batho ba ba *qualified for positions* tseo, fa o bereka ka *acting appointments* fela jaana? Ke re o eme ka dinao Kgabo, ke a itse gore o mongwe wa batho ba ba *very vocal*, le fa o le kwa sesoleng ke ne ke ntse ke bereka le wena, o lela ka *acting appointments*, o re *people must be substantive and be given positions*. Ke ne ke tsere gore ka gore o foo jaanong, e bile ke go itse gore *you are an expert* ya *total quality management*, o palelwa ke eng *to appoint* batho ba Tona. Ka mafoko a a kalo bagaetsho, ke eme gone fa Modulasetilo, ke ema nokeng Tshutiso ya ga Tona Mokgware. Ke a leboga.

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF CHILD WELFARE AND BASIC EDUCATION (MR HUNYEP): Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke dumedise batho ba me kwa Tati West.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Murmurs)...

MR HUNYEP: Ke a le dumedisa batho ba bantle kwa Tati West. Ke le leboge gore le itshokile, mme ke tsaya gore ke nako ya gore mathata a lona a baakanngwe, a reediwe. Tona, ke tseye nako e ke go leboge, gore maloba o tswa go ribolola *scout* kwa Batanani Junior School kwa Mapoka, o le *Minister* wa *Labour and Home Affairs*. O ne o tsene mo malwapeng, ka dikgang tsa gore bana ba tshwanetse gore re ba godise sentle, go tswa kwa dikoleng go ya kwa malwapeng. Ke go leboge fela thata rra, bana ba gago ba semeletse, ba tswetsetse. Ke letse ke bona maabane ba supa gore ba tlhagotse sekole sele sotilhe. Ke a go leboga Tona, a re tswetelele mmogo, o tlaa nna o dira jalo o thusa mo metseng e yotlhe mo Botswana.

Tona, re na le mathata. Ke tsaya gore o a itse gore kwa Tati West, metse ele ka bontsi e *on the border*. Go tswa kwa Ramokgwebana, Jackalas No. 1 go tsena kwa Mapoka, Nlapkhwane, Zwenshambe, Mbalambi, Gambule, Gungwe, jalojalo. Fa go ntse jalo batho ba foo ba na le masika gape kwa lefatsheng le le ka kwa la Zimbabwe, ba nyetse gape ka kwano, re masika fela thata. Se se diragalang ke gore *fence* e ole, Tona re kopa gore o thuse babereki ba *Immigration* ba rona. O tsenye *drones* di tle di ba thuse go tlhokomela *borders* le *surveillance cameras*, ka gore fa go ntse jaana go raya gore *we have got so many illegal immigrants*. Ba tsena gongwe le gongwe fela, ka gore terata e ole.

Fa go ntse jalo, gongwe se sengwe se se ka thusang Tona re kopa mo *budget* ya gago le fa go le thata, o ka re tsenyetsa *border* e nngwe kwa Mbalambi. Tsela ya teng e fedile, mme ga gona *border*. Ga gona jaaka re ka emisa dikgang tse di ntseng jalo, ka gore ba na le masika ka kwa le ka kwano, le rona re na le masika kwa Zimbabwe. Ke dilo tse o tshwanetseng gore o di lebelele mo *budget* ya gago Tona, o tle o re thuse. Fa o bona re na le mathata a Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD), ke kgang ya gore babereki ba *Immigration* ga ba kgone go tsamaya gone ka kwa, ga ba kgone go thusana le masole ka ditsompelo tse di tlhaelang. Go raya gore jaanong go ama le ba BURS, ga ba kgone *to collect* makgetho. Re na le mathata a *border jumpers*, mo batho ba tloang, ba pota ka kwano. Go a supafala thata gore Tona, re tshwanetse gore re dirisane re le *ministries; Ministry for International Relations, Ministry of Labour and Home Affairs, Ministry of Finance, Local Government*, jalojalo. Ke sengwe se se botlhokwa se e tshwanetseng gore re tle re se lebelele.

Tona, re na le mathata a mantsi fela golo ka kwa. Jaaka o utlwa ke tlhalosa gore Tati West e na le metse e e 27, mme mo go yone yotlhe go na le selelo se se seng kana ka sepe. Re na le bana ba e leng gore ga se Batswana, ga se batswakwa, ke gore *they are stateless*. Ga ba ise ba fiwe bo Omang, fa ba tshwanetse gore ba ye go dira bo Omang, go a kopiwa gore ba ye go dira Deoxyribonucleic Acid (DNA) *tests*. Re bua ka bana ba bantsi ba e leng gore ba bangwe ga ba tsene dikole jaaka re bua jaana, ba bangwe ba tshwanetse ba ka bo ba ne ba ile *for tertiary school*, ga ba tsene. Ba bangwe ba tshwanetse gore ba hirwe, ga ba hirwe ka gore fa gotwe o a hirwa go tlhokwa Omang. Le kwa dipateleng ke mathata fa ba tshwanetse gore ba thusiwe, go tlhokiwa bo Omang. Ke kgang e Tona ke kopang gore o e lebelele

fela thata, e ngomola pelo fela thata mo kgaolong ya rona. Re kopa gore bana ba rona ba tle ba thusiwe. Botsadi kwa ke selelo metse yotlhe jaaka ke go bolelela, ke tsaya gore ke selelo se se leng teng mo dikgaolong tse dingwe, mme ka kwa *it is worse*.

Tona, mo bathong ba re buang ka bone ba, go na le ba bangwe ba ba nyetsweng. Ba sale ba nyalwa ba na le bo 10, 20 or 30 years, *up to now* ba kopile *citizenship*, ga ba ise ba fiwe *citizenship*, go a pala. Ke go utlwile Tona maloba re le mmogo kwa Masunga o tlhalosa gore, e tlaa re ka *March* o tlaa dira gore babereki ba gago ba bone gore batho ba ba ntseng jalo ba a thusiwa. Ba bantsi fela thata, ba bangwe e bile ba setse ba tlhokafaletswe ke *spouses*.

MR HIKUAMA: *Elucidation*. Ke a leboga Tona, go bo o mphile sebaka sa go tlaelelsa mo *point* e o e buang e e botlhokwa eo. Se Tona a tshwanetseng gore a se lemoge ke gore, o tlaabo a bua a na le maikaelelo a a supagalang mo puong ya gagwe jalo, mme kwa diofising ga go diragale. O fitlhela batho ba fapaana le maikaelelo a Puso, bone ba sala mo kakanyong e sele e e fetileng. Fa o ka netefatsa gore fa golo mo go wela, le molaetsa o bo o wela kwa diofising kwa batho ba leng teng. Ke a leboga.

MR HUNYEPA: Ke a leboga *Honourable* Hikuama, go tlaelelsa foo. Tona, di ntse jalo dikgang. Ba manyalo jaaka ke ne ke tlhalosa, ba bangwe banna kana basadi ba bone ba tlhokafetse, fa a ntse jalo mosadi wa Modimo ga a sa itse gore ka gore o ne a tswa kwa lefatsheng le lengwe, o tle go thusiwa jang, mme a na le bana gape gone foo. Ke kgang e e tlhomolang pelo, ga ba hiriwe ka gore ga ba ise ba fiwe *citizenship*. A ko o re thuse Tona, o tle o lebelele kwa Tati West, batho ba rona ba mo mathateng. Ba bangwe ba kgaogane le banna ba bangwe le basadi, mme a na le bana mo gae. Ke mathata jaanong ga a sa tlhokomelwa, ga a thusiwe, ga a na *passport*, ga se Motswana, ga se motswakwa, ke raya gore ke selelo Tona. Ke kopa gore o e lebelele.

E nngwe Tona e ke batlang gore o re thuse ka yone ke gore, kwa Masunga kwa re na le *office* ya *Labour*. Ofisinyana ya teng go go nnyennyane, mme Masunga *is the administrative centre* ya *North East*. *Managers* tsa babereki ba *labour*, ba kwa Francistown mo e leng gore ga go ba thuse gotlhelele. E ntse ba le gone foo, ba tshwanetse gore ba hirwe, ba lebelele le dikgang tsa babereki ba ba kobilweng mo ditirong, *they attend and manage labour cases* tsa kwa Tutume. O ka bona gore go ntse jang, mme ga ba na ofisi. Ofisinyana ya

bone go gonnyennyanyana mo ba tlhokang ofisi fela e e bonalang Tona. Ba nne *independent, it is a district office*, go tshwanetse gore go nne le *managers* tsotlhe tse di tletseng, ba ba ka dirang tiro ya *labour* gone ka koo.

Tona, e nngwe e ke batlang go feta ka yone ke kgang ya khiro. Go na le selemo mo Dikgotleng fa ke ne ke tshwere diphuthego ba a lela Batswana gore, kana kwa diofising go lebege e le gore ga gona mekwalo fela sentle e e tlileng gore go hirwa jang. Ba bangwe ba re go hirwa batho ba bangwefela kgapetsakgapetsa, ba bangwe ba tlogelwa kwa ntle. A ko o tlhodumele dikgang tseo, gore batho ba ba hirwe ka go tshwana, ka tekatekano mo diofising tsa rona tsa *Labour*. Le dikgang tse di begwang ke batho ba ba berekang gongwe ba ba senyegetsweng ke tiro, go tsaya nako e telele gore dikgang tse di rarabololwe. Ba kopa gore a go tseye nako e khutshwane, mathata a a fele, go nne le thitibalo sentle mo ditirong. Go se ka ga nna go le medumo, *cases* di goga. Go na le *case* e o kgonang go fitlhela motho a kobilwe gongwe a ne a bereka mo Gaborone, a bo a tswa a ya go nna kwa gae kwa Gungwe. Kana fa a le koo jaanong o palelwa ke go tla ka kwano. Fa a isa kgang ya gagwe kwa Masunga e tshwanetse gore e reediwe, a thusiwe le fa a ntse a le gone koo. Go tshwanetse go nne motlhofo, go se ka gatwe ya kwa Gaborone kana Gantsi kwa tiro e go senyegetseng teng, mme a sena madi, a setse a sa bereke. Ke re fa go nang le diofisi tsa *Labour*, a babereki ba thusiwe gongwe le gongwe fa ba leng teng.

Kgang e nngwe Tona ke ya *digitalisation*; re a kopa gore mo *budget* ya gago a dilo tse di dirwe ka bofefo, batho ba se ka ba ya go tlala kwa diofising *when* motho *is applying for* Omang kana a shafatsa. A a duelele Omang wa gagwe ka *phone* gone foo. Fa a shafatsa *passport they should apply* gone foo. Sa gagwe e nne go emelela fela a ya go tsaya *passport* ya gagwe. Ke kopa gore go nne jalo Tona. Gape le *turnaround time* ya teng e nne beke kana malatsi a mararo motho a bo a kgona go tsaya *passport* ya gagwe. Batswana ba ka itumelela go bona dilo tse di ntseng jalo. Ke re ka mafoko ao Tona, *I support budget* ya gago, mme ke re a ditirelo di isiwe kwa Batswaneng, Batswana ba thusiwe. Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*.

MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS (MR MOTSHEGWA):

Ke a leboga Modulasetilo. Ke simolole ka gore ke matlhabisaditlhong a matona gore re bue dikgang tse di botlhokwa tse go bo go se na le fa e le moDomkrag yo mongwefela mo Palamenteng...

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Laughter!)...

MR MOTSHEGWA: Fa ke setse ke rile jalo Modulasetilo, mma ke eme nokeng keletso e ya madi ya ba Lephata la ga Rre Mokgware. Le bone ke ba akgolele tiro e ntle e ba e dirang. Gongwe pele ke atolosa dikgang mo go ba emeng nokeng, ke supe matshwenyego a a tswang kwa Mmadinare. Mangwe a matshwenyego a bone ke kgang ya *library*, kana *library* e emana le thuto le go anamisa kitso fela mo bathong. Jaanong ke selo se re tshwanetseng go tshwaragana le *ministry* go netefatsa gore go nne le *library* mo kgaolong, ka gore metse yotlhe ya kgaolo, ga se selo se se maleba gore go bo go sena le fa e le kwa go nang le *library*. Mme thuto fa e tsamayang teng e tshwanetse ya tsaya popego e re tsayang tsia kgang e ya metlobo ya dibuka.

Jaaka ba bangwe ba setse ba tlhalositse, kwa Kgaolong ya Mmadinare go na le mathata a matona thata a e leng gore bana ga ba ise ba neelwe sesupo sa gore ke Batswana, ga ba ise ba neelwe bo Omang. Ba bangwe ba mmaabone a neng a tswa kwa Zimbabwe, rraabone e le Motswana mme ba tsholetswe mono, ba santse ba sokodisiwa ke kgang eo, mme batsadi ba setse ba tlhokafetse. Ke ka a fa sekai fela; le wena Tona ke setse ke go file maina, Permanent Secretary (PS) le ene ke mo file maina a mantsi thata. Boora Modubedi, go na le Chawada teng ke setse ke tlisitse maina, mme go na le ba bangwe e bile go balelwa le mma moruti mo teng, boora Mphetolang. Jaanong kana ga re moruti a rere ka tshosologo, e seng gore o santse a na le matshwenyago a gore mosadi ke Motswana kana jang. Ke dikgang tse ke tsayang gore di tshwanetse di fefogelwe.

Mma ke lemoge tiro e le e dirang ka go supa jaana gore, *the amendment* ya Citizenship Act, maikaelelo ke a lemoga gore ke go sinosa kana go kgola disana tse di ka nnang sekgoreletsi fa le tla mo go thuseng setšhaba kwa go ba go nang le dipelaelo ka Botswana jwa bone.

Ke lemoge gape maiteko go sosoetsa le go tswetisa kgang ya go kala le go rotloetsa tsa go dira (*productivity*) ka gore itsholelo ya lefatshe la Botswana, jaaka re ne re reeditse Tona wa Madi Motlhomphegi Gaolathe, gore kana gone gore itsholelo e tsoge, e gatele pele ke gore re dire. Jaanong re tshwanetse gore dikgang tse tsa *productivity* re di tseele kwa godimo thata mo go e kaleng, le go diragatsa gore e nna bontlha bongwe jwa ngwao ya rona.

Ke lemoga gore melao ka bontsi le setse le e fetotse kana le ikaelela go e fetola. Kana thabafatshe ya ditlhabololo tse re ka di tlisang re le Goromente ke gore santlha se baakanye melao le ditsamaiso. Ke

lemoga wa Citizenship Amendment Act jaaka le setse le tlhalositse, *the National Registration Act*, Married Person Property Act le Employment and Labour Relations Act, National Migration Policy le tse dingwe jalo. Ya National Migration Policy e le bothokwa ka jaana go tlaa re thusa gore re tle re lebagane le dikgang tsa ba ba tlaabong ba tswa kwa mafatsheng a mangwe, bogolo jang fa e le gore ba tlaabo ba dira mono. Go nne le tlhomamo sentle.

Ke rotloetse dikgang tse tsa *digitalisation*, go leka go anamisa kana go phatlalatsa maranyane mo ditirelong tsa rona. A e ka nna dikgang tsa go kwadisa bana fa ba tsholwa, tsa dintsho, manyalo, tsa go fetola difane le tse dingwe fela jalojalo. Go tlisa maranyane go tlaa dira gore dilo di nne bofelo.

Fa ke tsamaela kwa bofelong, ke leboge thata Employment and Labour Relation Act ka gore maikaelelo a yone ke go leka go lomaganya melao ya rona ya pereko le melao ya boditshabatshaba kana *international standard, in particular* tsone tsa Convention 87 le Convention 98, gore re iphithele e le gore re ntse jalo. Ke le lebogele gore *as the ministry responsible for superintending labour administration*, le sega tsela ya gore go nne le tirisanyo e tona kana *sound industrial relations* fa gare ga ga Goromente kana bahiri le babereki. Ke sone se se eletsegang. Mme molaetsa o re o goelele kwa godimo gore Puso e ya Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC) ke e e dumelang thata mo tirisanyong fa gare ga mohiri le mohiriwa. Ka jalo re tsaya tsia, e bile re atolosa boikarabelo le ditshwanelo tsa makgotla a babereki gammogo le bone babereki, ka gore re dumela puo e e reng *labour is not a commodity*, babereki ba tshwanetse go nna le karolo e e rileng. Re a lemoga gore Labour Relation Act e tlaa tlisa diphetogo tsa bo gore re ye go nna le *impartial labour dispute resolution system*, gore makgotla a a ka reetsang dikgang tsa ditsheko kana tsa dipharologanyo tsa mohiri le mohiriwa, e bo e le gore go na le kwa go tokafetseng gammogo le dikgang tsa puisano *at tripartite level* kana *structure*. Re lemoga gore go na le maikaelelo a go atolosa *the consultative structures*, go nne le e leng gore *there will be discussions on policy around labour matters* fa gare ga *the tripartite structures*.

Go na le ya *the Occupational Safety and Health Policy* e le tsamaelang kwa go reng le e bope, e bo e le gore go na le tlhomamo le tsamaiso ya gore fa go tla kwa dikgannyeng tsa pabalesego ya mohiriwa kana ya mmereki, go bo go na le tlhomamo ya gore di ka dirwa ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Kwa bofelelong ke wele ka gore, re tswelile re nosetsa kgang e ya gore re direle batho ka bofelo, ka gore gompieno go na le ngongorego ya gore batho ba fola *lines* ba bo ba tewa gotwe pampiri e e dirang Omang e fedile jalojalo. *At the core* ya *service delivery* ya ga Goromente wa UDC re tshwanetse go lwantsha gore go nne le *efficiency, agility*, re direle batho ka bofelo.

Re tshwanetse re rotloetse gape gore go nne le *sound industrial relations* jaaka ke buile. Re rotloetse gore go nne le *effective social dialogue* ya *collective bargaining* fa gare ga makgotla a babereki le tse dingwe jalo.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification.

MR MOTSHEGWA: Mma ke go neele, e le thuto ya gore go a neelanwa.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Laughter!)

DR GOBOTSWANG: *On a point of clarification.* Ke a leboga. O santse o le gone foo, ke ne ke re o re tlhalosetse ka babereki ba Ikageng ba o yang go ba simolodisa, gore ba ya go wela fa kae fa go tla mo dikgannyeng tsa babereki le ditshwanelo tsa babereki? A ko o leke go tlhalosa yone eo, gore le *security* ba apara jang, *protective clothing*, ditshwanelo tsotlhe fela rraetsho? Ke a leboga.

MR MOTSHEGWA: Ke a leboga Motlotlegi Gobotswang. Le bone jaaka mo lenaneong leo, kana ba tshwanetse gore fa ba berekelang teng go bo go babalesegile, ba se ka ba tsewa gore ba ka ntshiwa ka lesolegolo. E re ntswa e le *programme* ya itshetso kana ya go tokafatsa matshelo a batho, jaaka re re ba ya go nna le seabe mo go direng *maintenance* ya dikole, dikokelwana le tse dingwe jalo, le bone ba tshwanetse gore ba tshwarwe sentle fa go tla mo go tsa pabalesego. O ne o re ke tlhalose *commitment* ya gore re ya go dira jang, le bone ke ba solofetse gore ke maitlamo le tsamaiso ya Puso gore re dire ka tsela e e ntseng jalo.

MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (DR BUTALE): *Elucidation.* Ke a go leboga Modulasetilo, ke leboge mokaulengwe. Ke kope gore o gatelele kgang e ya *labour*; le gore ka fa diemo di ntseng ka teng mo bogompionong, ga e kgone go thusa batho ba rona. Batswana ba ba ntsintsi, *every morning* fa o tla Palamenteng o le Mopalamente, o fitlhela e le gore o na le dikgang tsa Batswana ba ba reng ga ke a duelwa. Kgang e ya gore go nne le *an independent dispute resolution structure*, ke bona o kare e ka thusa *as a mediation and arbitration commission*. Ke gore golo mo go ka re

thusa mo seemong se ka gore Batswana ba bangwe ba a bereka, mme ga ba na le tsone dikonteraka. Kamoso fa a re o ya tironng, phakela o romelwa *message* gatwe o se ka wa tla tironng. Fa gongwe fa a tshwanetse go duelwa *severance payment*, ga a kgone go duelwa. Ke re o e gatelele kgang e ka gore e botlhokwa thata.

MR MOTSHEGWA: Ke a leboga modiredi mogolo wa Gaborone Central. E botlhokwa jalo ka gore e bile e tlaa fokotsa le dikgang tse di tlaabong di ya kwa *Industrial Court*. Gompiano go na le dikgang tse dintsi tse di tsayang bo *two years, three years at Industrial Court*. Jaanong yone *impartial and effective dispute resolution system* e tlaa thusa gore go buisanwe ka dikgang *through mediation and arbitration*. Ba tlaabo ba neetswe meno a go ka loma go dira gore tiro eo ba e kgone. Jaanong gone moo, go tlaa thusa bone babereki gore ba nne le kwa ba thusegang teng, mme gape go tlaa fokotsa le morwalo o montsi jaaka ke tlhalositse kwa *Industrial Court*.

Kwa bofelong, ke go leboge Rre Mokgware, ke go eme nokeng ka *budget* ya gago ka gore maikaelelo a gago ke gore go nne le *harmonious industrial relations* mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Dikgang tsa *home affairs, immigration and so forth* di tshwarwe sentle. Ke a leboga.

MR LUCAS (BOBIRWA): Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo. Mma ke simolole fela ke re kgang e e botlhokwa ke e ya babereki, ba na le tsholofelo e e kwa godimo thata gore jaaka re le mo Pusong e ntšha, ba tlaa kgona go amogela P4, 000 *living wage*. Ke ne ke re *Minister*; fa gongwe a re se ka ra ithokomolosa (*ignore*) dikgang fela re ntse re itse gore di kile tsa buega. Go botlhokwa gore e re o le Tona wa lephata lone le, le wena o bue le babereki ka kgang e ya P4, 000 *living wage*. Fa re tsamaya mo, babereki ba *filling stations, shops* tsa maChina le tse dingwe, *hardware, construction*, botlhe ba lela ka kgang ya gore P4, 000 yo o neng a solofeditse, o kae. Gone moo ka bogone, ga re letsatsi le lengwe o le *Minister*, a ko o ntshe pego fela o supe gore mme re tsamaya fa kae ka kgang e. Ga go siame sentle gore jaanong re bo re na le bothata jo botona jwa gore batho ba solofetse mme ga go na ope yo o buang le bone, jaanong ba botsa rona jaaka re tlaabo re ntse re tsamaya. Kgang eo e nne ya ntlha e ke batlang o e akgela rraetsho.

Ya bobedi ke e nngwe e o kileng wa dira maiteko, mme a sa lekana, maiteko a babereki ba ba kileng ba bereka kwa meepong ya Aferika Borwa. Babereki bao

ba santse ba na le matshwenyego a matona thata a gore tsholofetso ya gore ba tlaa bona sengwe e teng, mme go fitlhelela gompiano, ga ba ise ba bone le fa e le sepe fela kwa ntle ga bonnyennyane jo o neng o bo bua ka gore ka fa go supafalang ka teng, batho bao ba bantsi fela thata. Kwa ga rona batho ba ba thusegileng *out of a thousand* e e neng e tsene *meeting* wa go nna jalo, go thusitswe ba le 80 mme ba bona madi a a kana ka P300, 000. A ko kgang e o e gatelele thata gore *trusts* tse dingwe tse di iseng di iponatshe ka kwano, gore di tle di kgone go duela babereki, di itshupe di tle di kgone go duela batho.

Kwa ga rona kwa Bobirwa, re ipaakantse fela thata ka gore go na le *association* ya *Ex-Miners* bo Rre Makwati, Rre Mazebedi, Rre Motlhagodi, ke batho ba ba setseng ba kgonne go kwadisa batho botlhe ba ba kileng ba bereka kwa meepong ya Aferika Borwa. Ba tlhoka fela gore ba engwe nokeng ke diofisi tsa gago gore *trusts* tse di tlhalose sentle gore tota mme di tlaa thusa leng babereki ba ba kileng ba bereka kwa meepong ya Aferika Borwa.

Ya bofelo e thusa e ne e re e thusa ba ba theogetseng ka 1989 go ya kwa pele. Kana batho ba bantsi mo mafelong a rona ke ba ba neng ba theogetse ka bo 1970 go ya go tsena ka bo 1985. Ke gore yone eo ke nngwe ya dikgang tse di botlhokwa thata rraetsho e e sa tshwanelang go saleda kwa morago. Le fa ke filwe *five minutes*, mme e yone ke ne ke rile ke e nopole.

Se sengwe ke babereki ba dipolase rraetsho, ba berekela mo diemong fela tse di sa nnang sentle. Bonno jwa bone ke jo bo kwa tlase, dituelo tsa bone ga se tsa sepe, ba a kgeresiwa, dilo tse di tshwanang le tseo, go batla gore lephata la gago le eme ka dinao. Jaanong mme fa o re o bua le ba *Labour office*, o fitlhela e kete dikgang tse ga di ba ame, ba a di ithokomolosa. Gape fa gongwe ba bua gore bone ga ba a lekana, dipalo tsa bone di kwa tlase. Ke re *farm workers* a e nne nngwe ya *priorities* tsa gago General; o General kana, ga o a tshwanela go tlogela dilo di ntse jaaka di ntse jaana.

Go na le mokgwa o mongwe wa bosawana o o setseng o diragala gompiano, batho ba hirwa ka dikonteraka tsa kgwedi le kgwedi. Ke gore motho o a hirwa, gongwe mo *construction*, gatwe o bereka kgwedi e le nngwefela, go tswa fa kgwedi ya teng e fela, ke konteraka ya kgwedi e nngwe fela jalo. Ke re dikgang tse di tshwanetswe go kgalemiwa go le nako, mme e bile di se ka tsa tswelela pele ka gore di rontsha babereki ditshwanelo tsa bone.

Gape dikgang tsa babereki di dintsi, di kgweleane mo diofising tsa *Labour*; ga di lebiwe. Fela fa di tshogana di lebilwe gongwe kwa *Industrial Court*, gore batho ba teng jaanong ba tle ba bone thuso, e nna mathata. Fa gongwe fa go tllilwe mohiri a go duele, gatwe wena jaanong o ipatlele *Deputy Sherriff*, mme *Deputy Sherriff* o tsaya one madi ao otlhe a e leng gore o a kolotiwa ke mohiri. Ke dikgang tse di botlhokwa thata tse gongwe di ka tlhokang gore go nne le *in-house sheriffs* tse di ka re thusang kgotsa tse di ka thusang batho ba ba iphitlhelang ba le mo seemong sone se. Ke nngwe ya dikgang tse ke neng ke re e re mo nakong e e khutshwane re se ka ra di tlola.

Go na le kgang e e botlhokwa e e neng e buiwa ke Rraetsho Motshegwa, ya *citizenship*, kana molao o fetile wa gore fa motho batsadi ba gagwe e le Batswana, batho bao ba tshwanetse go bona Omang go sena le fa e le bothata. Jaanong re santse re bona batho e kete ba a sokodisiwa ka kgang yone eo. Ga ke itse gore tshokolo e e ka tswa e le eng, mme ke batho ba ba neng ba tshwanetse go bona thuso fela ka nako e e khutshwane.

Ya bofelo ke ya *passports* ka gore nako ke 5 *minutes*. Dipasa rraetsho, kana fa pasa e latlhegile kgotsa e shetse mo Ntlong, kgotsa e rile ka *accident* e nngwe ya nna le mathata, gatwe jaanong fa o ya kwa ba re o duela madi a a kana ka P1, 000. Ke ne ke re fa e le gore go a supafala le mapodise ba tsene mo teng, ba a fa bosupi jwa gore tota pasa e e ne ya kgona go latlhega ka mabaka a gore ntlo e ne ya sha e le *accident*, ke ne ke akanya gore P1, 000 ke madi a mantsi, batho ba ne ba tshwanetse go duedisiwa one madi a pasa. Gompiano jaana ke na le motho yo e leng gore dipasa tse pedi di shetse mo ntlong, jaanong P2, 000 motho a sa bereke, ke mathata. Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*.

MR CHAIRPERSON: E go tshwere.

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND HOME AFFAIRS (MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE): *Thank you very much* Modulasetilo yo o tlotlegang. Mma e re pele la ntlha fela ke leboge Ntlo e, ke bo ke leboge mongwe le mongwe wa batlotlegi ba ba akgetseng fa ka e bile ba akgetse ka pelo e e ntle. E bile ba akgela ba batla go tsenya kgakololo thata. Ke dumela gore ba mo go yone kgang ya gore Botswana yo ke wa rona rotlhe, e bile ba dumela gore *we only have one Botswana*. Ke sone se gompiano ke bonang ba *support* ba bo ba ntsha kgakololo.

Ke batla go ba rotloetsa ke ba reye ke re, gantsi a re se ka ra nna re emela dikgang re tla go di bua mo Ntlong e.

Fa o na le dikgang o batla re di bua, e bile re di dire, ofisi ya rona ya *Labour* e butswa, le nna ke teng. Thulaganyo e ke ne ke na le yone fa le Motlotlegi *the Shadow Minister*, ya go rerisana, e ntse e teng, ya gore fa a bona dilo di sa siama, a tle kwa go nna a ntheye a re dira jaana le jaana ka re lebile mathata a a ntseng jaana.

Se ke se boneng ba rotlhe re se dira, ke yone kgang ya *citizenship*, e ke dumalanang le yone. Ke batla go le leboga lotlhe ka gore le tllile ka kgang e e bile la tla ka ditharabololo mo go yone. Le re kgang e ke yone *the elephant in the room*, ba lotlhe e bile le supa le ka dikai jalojalo. Le nna jaaka ke ntse jaana, ke tsibogetse kgang eo thata, ke dumela gore re tlaabo re simolola re ntsha makgotlana ba lekoko la *ministry* ba tsamaya le lona. Re dumalana gore mme kgang e gore e nne motlhofo, re ka e dira ka tsela e e ntseng jang, gore e tle e re kgantele ba ba ka le kang go tsena ka *backdoor* le bone ba batla *citizenship*. Re e tshwaraganetse, re e dira rotlhe, re ntshe melao e melelele e re bonang e ntse e le teng, kana *requirements* tse di ntseng di le teng jalo. Re itse fela sentle gore *the winner at the end of the day* ke Motswana. Ke yone *objective* ya rona, gore yo o tlaabong a boetswe, e nne ene Motswana.

Ke a mo solofetsa gore fa re ka e tshwaraganela ba rotlhe fela jaaka ke le boleletse ra tsamaya ka kgang e, e tlaa re mo nakong e e tlang gongwe re tla go tsena mo go bo *June*, mongwe le mongwe wa rona a bo a bona gore go na le tswelolepele mo kgannyeng ya bana ba e leng gore ga ba na bo Omang kana ba sena *citizenship*. Botsadi jwa rona jo bo saleng bo nyalane bogologolo bo re bereketse mo lefatsheng le, gompiano jaana bo palelwa le ke go amogela Tandabala ka gore ga bo na *citizenship*. Ga ba ka ke ba amogela madi a bone a bagodi ka gore ga ba na *citizenship* le Omang. Dilo tse ke dumalana le lona bakaulengwe gore a re e tshwaraganeleng rotlhe re e emetse ka dinao. Fa le ka bona go sa tsamaye sentle, *feel free to come to me and say* a ko o baakanye seemo se se ntseng jaana le jaana, gore re tle re bone gore re e baya jang.

Ga gona ope yo o ka reng o fentse, go fentse Motswana ka ke ene yo re baakanyang botshelo jwa gagwe. Ke dumela gore ba rotlhe mo Ntlong e, e tlaa re fa re lebelela kwa morago gotwe *the legacy which we have left behind as the 13th Parliament*, mongwe a re *it empowered Batswana. The 13th Parliament made sure that Batswana have recognition. That is all what we should be looking for.* Ke kopa gore re e tshwaraganeleng thata ka ke utlwa re bua kgang e rotlhe. Ke batla go le solofetsa jalo gore mo nakong e e sa fediseng pelo, le rona re

tleabo re tsamaya re bua le lona le le Mapalamente. Fa e le gore le ntse le na le meakanya mengwe e le bonang re ka fefosa ka yone, *feel free to come to me and say* a re diriseng dilo tse di ntseng jaana le jaana. Re ntsheng *requirements* tse di neng di kwadilwe bogologolo gotwe motho a bo a itse Setswana. Gore o tle o bone boagedi jwa Botswana gatwe o bo o itse Setswana, motho a bo a beelwa *zero* fela jaana. Nna le bagarona ga re dumele gore selo seo se a tlhokafala ka gore le gompiano jaana ga se gore rotlhe ba re itseng Setswana. Rre Hikuama fale ga a itse Setswana gotlhegotlhe, Rre Lucas ga a itse Setswana o bua Sebirwa. O ganetsana le Rre Motshegwa o mo raya a re ga a bue Setswana o bua Sebirwa. *Let us take away all those requirements.* Le tse di tshwanang le tsa gore motho a bo a badile bokae, fa ke nyala motho ke a bo ke mo ratile, ke a bo ke sa lebelela *qualifications* tsa gagwe. Ke kgona go mo nyalela se a leng sone. Motho yo o tshwanetseng go letlelelwa gore a neelwe *citizenship*, o fitlhela mo *protocol* ya teng gotwe sekole o badile bokae, go kgona go kwalwa *zero* fa e le gore ga a tsena sekole. Go bo gotwe o tshwere *less than 70*, ga re ka ke ra go neela boagedi jwa Botswana. A re sutlheng dilo tseo, ke dumela gore di ne di tlhaola batho.

Gape le *contributing to the economy of Botswana*, ga se gore o ka ntsha fela o tshotse madi, o ntsha le ka diatla tsa gago. O ka ntsha le ka go aga Motswana yo mongwe, *being a very good citizen.* *Let us make sure that* le re gakolola gore le bona go ka nna bofefo jang, re bo re dira gore Batswana ba rona re leke go ba thusa ka pele. Ke yone ya ntlha e ke e kopang mo go lona gore *let us know* gore *the winner* e tlaabo e le Motswana, e tlaabo e se ope wa rona.

Kgang ya bobedi e le e buang lotlhe, ke e e tsamaelanang le tsa pereko. Ga ke batle gore ke re yo o ne a riana, yo o ne a riana ka gore ke bona o kare ke dikgang tse di tshwanang tsotlhe ka gore le ngongoregela gore go tsaya nako e telele gore dikgang di bo di ka buiwa ka *Labour* ga e na meno. A re dumalaneng gore re na le molao o mosha o o tlang, o tlaabo o tsena mo tirisong o fa *Labour* dithata. Gompiano re ne re bua jaana gore mo molaong o o tlang, re tlaabo re na le *an independent dispute resolution.* *Before* re ya go goroga koo, *the Director of Labour* malatsing a mo molaong o mosha o re tlang ka one, re setse re tloga re feleletsatsa *the regulations* tsa one. E re fa mmereki a kolotiwa, a bo a tsaya tshwetso ya gore mohiri a ye go gapelwa dilwana. Go ntse go pala gompiano gore mohiri a ye go gapelwa dilwana ka gore fa a na le *company* e bitswa gotwe Dulux Company *for example*, ga ke reye e e teng gompiano, ke fa e le sekai.

Fa a tsena kwa e le *security company* sa Dulux, fa se duelwa madi mo *account*, se boa se a ntsha se a tsenya mo *account* ya *individual* ya ga *Director*. Fa gotwe go ya go gapelwa Dulux Company, go fitlhelwa e le gore ga e na sepe. Go bo gotwe kana ga gona se se ka gapiwang. Mo molaong o, *Director* o kgona go ntsha *Deputy Sheriff* go latela Dulux. Fa e le gore Dulux mong wa yone ke Rre Mokgware, o latelwa kwa *properties* tsa gagwe. Ke gore o *join* Dulux le mong wa *company* le *Director*, ke bo ke kgona go ya go tselwa koloi e rekisiwa go duelwa babereki. Ke dilo tse di neng di ntse di seyo. Re tshwanetse go di emela ka dinao jaanong.

MRHIKUMAMA: *Clarification.* Ke a leboga *Honourable Speaker*. Ke a leboga Tona. E bile ke leboegele mokgwa o o tsereng kgang e le ka fa o buang ka teng. Fa o ka tswelela o bua jaana, ke a rata. Kgang e e tsamaelana le se o batlang go se bua le fa di sa tshwane. Re na le mekoti ya kwa Khoemacau, kwa Ngamiland. Go na le dikompone tse dintsi tse di hirang bana mme fa o setse o tsentswe mo *network* ya gore o mo dikomponeng tse dingwe, ke gore gore o tle o hirwe mo go e nngwe, o tshwanetse o ntshiwe mo *system*. Jaanong dikompone tse dingwe di dira jaana; di emisa go duela batho di re di tswetse tiro, di bo di sa ba ntshe di ba kganela gore ba hirwe ke dikompone tse dingwe gone koo. O ka gakolola jang gore fa seemo se ntse jaana, go ka dirwa jang? Bone fa ba re ba a ikopela gore ba tsene mo *system*, ba re o setse o hirilwe ke kompone e re dirang le yone. O bona gore ke kgang e e ba opisang tlhogo. Ke dikgang tse re di tshwereng kwa diofising, ga re kgone go di rarabolola ka bonako. O ka gakolola gore go dirwe eng ka dikgang tseo?

MR KEKGONEGILE: *Clarification.* E khutshwane fela *Honourable* Mokgware, gore fa gongwe o ya go fitlhela e le gore mohiri ga a duele *because* ga a a duelwa. *In that circumstance, let us say* gongwe o filwe konteraka ke Goromente, fa Goromente a sa mo duele, babereki ba re tsayang dithoto tsa gagwe. A ene ga go kgonagale gore gongwe le ka dira gore a fetisetse kwa go Goromente gore le ka ya go tsaya kwa go Goromente, ka ke ene a iseng a ntuelele tiro e ke e dirang?

MR FURNITURE: *Clarification.* Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson* le *Honourable* Mokgware. Mo go e o neng o bua ka go gapela kompone kana *Director* wa yone, ke batla gore gongwe o ntlhatswetse gore le ya go dira jang ka seemo se re kileng ra se lemoga ka nako ya ditlhopho tsa 2019. Fa gongwe o ya go gapela motho mme o bo

o fitlhela e le gore dithoto tse e leng gore ke tsa gagwe ga di mo maineng a gagwe, o di fetiseditse *either* mo *spouse*, ngwana kana tsala. Gone moo, le ya go go dira jang gore le kgone go felela le boelwa ke dithoto tsa teng.

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: *Thank you very much Chairperson.* Kana dikgang tse le di buang tse, ke tse e leng gore matlhale a ba ba sa batleng go duela Batswana ba a di dirisa. Ke batla go simolola ka ya ga Motlotlegi Hikuama ka se re se lemogileng; gompiano mongwame re lemogile jaaka kwa moepong o o buang ka one wa kwa Toteng, le meepo e mengwe e e tshwanang le ya kwa Jindal, *sub-contractors abuse rights* tsa babereki. Re bo re re rona ga re na sepe le *sub-contractors*, re lebile *the main contractor* gore re dumalane le wena, e bile ke wena re go rayang re re o duela babereki jaana. Re bo re go raya re re *make sure* gore *sub-contractors* tsa gago o tsena mo tumalanong ya gore ga gona ope mmereki yo o duelwang kwa tlase ga P4, 000.00. Ke go fa e le *example*. Ke e e setseng re e beile. Re ne re na le ene mo phuthegong re mmititse ene wa kwa nneung, re mmolelela ka dilo tse. A bo a re raya a re o ya go simolola, o ya go ba bitsa a bua le bone. Le fa re bua ka dikgatako tsa babereki, re dira jalo. Yo o kwa Jindal gompiano jaana ke ka go tlhomamisetsa gore *before* a duela *sub-contractors* tsa gagwe, o tlhola gore a ba duetse babereki pele *because* re ne re mo emetse ka dinao re mo raya re re re amogela dipego tse di ntseng jaana. Re santse re tlaa tsamaya re ya go bua le *sub-contractors* tse ka gore re lemogile gore fa a itse gore konteraka e saletswe ke kgwedi go fela, ga a duele batho. Fa a rata o ba duela *half*. Fa a sena go nna a tsaya madi kwa o siile, batho ba sala ba le nosi. *The main contractor* o tlaabo a re ga se ene yo a hirileng batho ba. Kgang e tshwanetse gore e nne ene a hirang batho, a nne le ditumalano tse a itseng gore *sub-contractor* yo a mo hirang yo ga a gatake ditshwanelo tsa babereki ka dinao.

Ke sone se o bonang re dira jalo. Re amogetse dipego tse dingwe go tswa kwa moepong ole le tse dingwe go tswa kwa moepong o o fa o wa kwa Jindal, re santse re le mo go tsone re bona gore ga go nne jalo. Re tlaa di sala morago jalo go bona gore re sireletsa Motswana ka gotlhe fela mo go teng.

Kgang e e neng e buiwa ke Motlotlegi Furniture fale e a reng a ga re bone gore jaanong batho ba bangwe ba tlaabo ba tsaya dilwana ba di kwadisa ka bana kana bomang, ke kang e e tlaa lebelelwang thata gore re tile re bone gore ga go na ope yo o ka ganang go duela

mmereki. Mma ke go bolelele, go tlhoka go duela *salary* fela ke molato o o o sekelang kwa *court*, o na le *fine* le toronko. Go mo go wena fa o le mogwebi gore o ka itlhophelela gore a o batla go ya toronkong. Fa o batla go ya toronkong, *that is up to you*.

Gompiano re a baakanya, re kopana le ba Directorate of Public Prosecutions (DPP), Attorney General, bo Makaseterata le mapodise gore motho fela fa a tla a bo a re, “ke dumela gore Rre Mokgware ga a a ntuela fa,” *so*, fa a sa go duela jalo, fa o seka ke 12 *months imprisonment*. Fa o batla go ya toronkong, *that is up to you*.

Sa bobedi, kana fa o le rakonteraka go bo go fitlhelwa e le gore ga o tseye babereki sentle, re ya kwa Companies and Intellectual Property Authority (CIPA) gore o bo o bua gore *company* ya gago e phimolwe, le wena o bo o sa tlhole o letlelelwa go nna le konteraka gope. *These are the measures which we are going to take*. Re ntse re eme re leka go seketletsa batho sentle re re nnyaa ke Batswana, re se ka ra ba garumela. Fa jaaka molao o tsena, re tlaabo re simolola re dirisa selo seo.

Mongwame Kekgonengile o botsa sentle gore fa jaaka Goromente a sa duele batho, ra reng? Maloba le ne le utlwa fa e le gore *the new* Procurement Act e etla, e e tlaabong e tlhalosa gore Goromente o a tlamega gore a duele batho jang. A re e beeleng gone foo. Wena yo e leng gore o na le tumalano le Goromente, ga a a tshwanela *to engage you* a sena madi a go go duela. O simolotse jang pele? Mo sekise o batle madi a gago. Le wena o na le kwa o ka ikuelang teng. Fa o le rakonteraka o re, “ke go phepafeditse difensetere ka P24 *million*, jaanong ke batla *payment*,” fa ba dumalane le wena... Ke sone se *the Minister of Finance* a neng a se tlhalosa a re re bone gore go na le *abuse* ya Government Purchase Order (GPO). *Before you undertake anything, bring to us*, re *scope* tiro ya gago re bo re go rurifaletsa gore madi a teng. Re tswe mo nneung e ya bogologolo ya gore batho ba ne ba tlogelwa fela ba neela batho ditiro *or engaging them* go sena madi.

I subscribe to this issue ya gore fa e le gore wena modirelapuso o tsamaya o *engage* batho o sena *authority* ya *Finance*, *there are consequences to that*. O se ka wa ba wa tlogelwa fela o ntse jalo. *So*, re leke *to set* dilo sentle. *This is the time for mindset change*, re leke go fetola tota ka fa re dirang dilo ka teng, re nne *professional like we want to be referred to be as professionals*. Re le badiirelapuso, a re tseyeng ditiro tsa rona ka tlhwaafalo. *Let us not engage anybody else* o sena *confirmation* ya *Finance* gore madi ao a teng *and engage* konteraka o re e tswelele. Fa o dira fela jalo, *there are consequences to that*.

Ke sone se ke reng melao yotlhe e teng. Fa go ntse jaana re ntse re tsamaya, jaaka ba bangwe re ntse re bona ba le *engaged* le Goromente, fa o hira batho ka tsamaiso e e seng yone, o hira batho ba ga lona, yo mongwe a bo a ya go ikuela gore ga a hirwa sentle, go bo gotwe Goromente a duele, *there are consequences, take responsibility as an individual*. Ke tsone dilo tse re reng, *let us have a mindset change*. So...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification.

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: Bua ka pele morena, nako ke e...

MR CHAIRPERSON: Batlotlegi, ga le patelesege gore le feleletse nako eo. *Honourable* Furniture.

MR FURNITURE: *Point of clarification*. Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*. Ke ne ke re e o neng o bua gore kompone le yone e ka sekisa Goromente fa e le gore e a kolotiwa, a mme o a lemoga gore ditsheko tsa teng fa gongwe di tsaya lebaka le le leele gore ba kgone gore ba thusiwe? A ga se selo se e leng gore gongwe le ka tla ka *the Procurement Courts* tse e leng gore gongwe di tlaabo di itebagantse le dikgetsi tse fela?

Sa bofelo, *Accounting Officer* le wena gongwe o le *Minister*, a le wena o tlaa ya toronkong *on behalf of* Goromente fa e le gore gongwe o tlaabo a palelwa ke go duela?

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: *Thank you very much Chair*. *Thank you very much* motlotlegi. Fa e le gore ke dule fela kwa ke tswang teng ke le Mokgware ke bo ke raya *ministry* ke re hirang semangmang, a sa hiriwe sentle, go ntse go sena madi, *I should suffer the consequences of doing that*. *Responsibility* e tshwanetse go simologa kwa godimo. Fa re ka se ka ra nna le *mindset change* mo dilong tse di ntseng jaana, batho ba a go nna ba tsaya ditshwetso tse di seng maleba, tse di dirang gore Goromente a duele madi a mantsi. *So, when this new Act comes ya procurement*, a rotlhe re tseye karolo (*participate*), re gakololeng ba *Finance* gore bolwetse jo re bo bonang bo le teng gompiano bo eme, go se ka ga nna le ope yo o tlaabong a dira ka fa a batlang go dira ka teng.

Kgang ya *libraries* bagaetsho, ke dumalana le lona. *Libraries educate and they inform and* re tshwanetse gore re bone gore Motswana mongwe le mongwe o a rutlwa, o na le *access to the library*. *I will be bringing the new amendment to the Library Act here, whereby* ke tlaabo ke kopa *support* ya lona. Le gone gape re

ikemisetseng re le tšhaba gore go a tlhokafala e bile go maleba gore motse mongwe le mongwe o nne le *library*. E bile e se ka ya nna *library* fela e le *building*, e nne *library* e e nang le maranyane mo teng, *that contributes to other universities or other libraries* tse di kwa ntle gore Motswana a tle a kgone go ithuta sentle jalo. Mo sesheng se sa gompiano, *we need to have digitalised libraries*. *So, I agree with you*.

Rre Motshegwa, re go utlwile ka ya gago. Ga se wena fela o le nosi, batlotlegi fa ba batla *libraries* ka go farologana ga bone. E bile *library* e e tlang e, ra re *books* tsa *any language* e e buiwang mo Botswana *have to be deposited in the library*. Go se ka ga nna jaaka pele gotwe go tsena dibuka tse di kwadilweng ka Sekgoa le Setswana fela. Buka nngwe le nngwe e e kwadilweng ka *any other language* e e buiwang mo Botswana *should be allowed in the Botswana libraries*. *So, ra rialo, ke tlaa tla ke e atolosa mo nakong ya teng fa e tla*.

MINISTER OF YOUTH AND GENDER AFFAIRS (MS CHOMBO): *Point of elucidation*. *Thank you very much Mr Chairperson and thank you very much Honourable Minister*. Tota ke batla go simolola ka go akgola *the Minister*, *he has been very receptive when it comes to issues of gender mainstreaming* jaaka re bone mo *Labour and Employment Relations Bill* e e fetileng *last year*. Ke eletsa gore gongwe Tona o ka atolosa kang ya *Internship Programme and the revision* gore maikaelelo ke gore e tsamaye bofelo jo bo kae mo ngwageng o o tsenang o. Kana *Internship* is *very important in terms of structuring young people into the labour space*. Jaanong re nna re bua gore re batla banana ba na le ditiro. Lenaneo la rona la *Internship* ka fa le ntseng ka teng, *it is not really transitioning our young people into employment*. Re ya go dira jang mo nakong e e kae go netefatsa gore *indeed we transit them into employment?* Mme e bile *we should make sure* gore *placements* tsa rona *are aligned to our priority sectors as per the National Development Plan (NDP) 12 and BETP*. Re netefatse le gore go na le *quality assurance*, banana fa ba le mo *Internship*, go nne le *structured mentorship*, ba na le *work plans*, go nne le kwa ba ipegang teng, ba sa dirisiwe e le babereki. *Indeed, they should be learning* mme e bile le go netefatsa gore mo nakong ya gompiano, a letseno le le fiwang *our interns, is it adequate?* Maikaelelo ke gore re ya go ba thusa jang go netefatsa gore letseno leo le nne *adequate?*

Tona, ke eletsa gore o atolose le kgang ya *remote work*, banana ba batla ditiro mme e bile ba eletsa gore ba kgone go bereka *remotely*. *So, how far or when are we going*

to prioritise the regulatory frameworks for remote work gore re netefatse gore go na le *that exchange or cross border exchange of labour* e e leng gore banana ba a e eletsa? Ke ntse ke bua ka *labour and cross exchanges*, go na le kgang ya *export of labour*. Gompiano banana ba rona ba eletsa gore ba ye kwa mafatsheng a mangwe go bereka. Re lemoga gore *sometimes that is where issues of trafficking come in*. So, I would be delighted mme le bone banana *will be very delighted* gore o bua ka dikgang tse, *Internship, remote work as well as export of labour*. I thank you and I thank you Mr Chairperson.

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: *Thank you very much Madam Minister*. O mpoditse dikgang tse e leng gore ke ka di bua go feta metsotso e *eight* ka *internship* mme ke batla go nna mokhutshwane. *Internship* ya rona ka fa re e baakantseng ka teng, gompiano re batla gore bana fa ba fetsa *two years*, ba bo ba setse ba tsena mo teng ga ditiro gone foo, e seng ba boela kwa malwapeng.

Re batla gore bana ba rona ba ba dirang *internship* ba duelwe *minimum* of P4,000 *not* P2,000 jaaka go ntse gompiano. *We are working towards that* gore re bone gore ba duelwa P4,000 *because* re dumela gore madi a ba a duelwang a kwa tlase fela thata.

We want to penetrate the French speaking countries. Re batla go simolola re tseye bana ba ba setseng ba alogile ba ithute French gore ba tle ba kgone go ya go hirwa kwa mafatsheng a mangwe. Gompiano jaaka re bua jaana, re setse re neetswe *guideline* ya go hirwa kwa mafatsheng a mangwe a nang le French, o tshwanetse o bo o dirile 300 *hours*, 300 *hours* o motlhofo. Ke ne ke le kwa *the Tourism Industry last weekend* ka *Saturday*, ke bua le batho ba *companies* tsa teng, ba supile letlhoko le le *one*, ga re na *interpreters* mo Botswana. Jaaka bajanala ba tswa kwa ba ba buang seFora, Spanish, seIndia ga ba yo. Batho ba ba raya gore ba itlela ka batho. Jaanong le rona mo *Labour* ra re ga go na motho yo o tshwanetseng go tswa kwa a tla go bereka mono, a tla go nna motoloki, fa o bereka o le motoloki mono, o tshwanetse o bo o na le *permit*, o bo o duela. Jaanong o ka bona gore *we are working towards that*. Re tlaabo re simolola re nna le *sessions* tseo, re tlhopho bana ba ba batlang gore ba dire *languages*.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification.

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: *We should take advantage of languages*, e nne fela jalo re rute batho. Dira ka pela *sir*.

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF CHILD WELFARE AND BASIC EDUCATION (MR HUNYEPA): *Clarification*. Ke a leboga *honourable*. A mme go tlaelelsa fela, a ga o bone gore bo *scout*, 4B jalojalo e ka nna dingwe tse di ka thusang gore re tlhame ditiro gape wa imolola banana le tlhoko la ditiro le le kanakana? Ke go leboge gape Tona le *Honourable* Mokgwathi go bo le dirile tiro e tonatona. Ke a leboga.

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: *Thank you very much*. Re mmogo ke raya gore *the ones which you are talking about can build character*. So, jaanong fa di ka *build character* ya batho ba rona gore ba kgone go bona dilo *in a different way*, re a dumalana jalo. Ke dumela gore *Madam* Chombo re tsile go nna fa fatshe le wena re go tsenye, re batle *feedback* ya gago jaaka re dira lenaneo le, re le dira ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Re batla gore go nne le pharologanyo e e feletseng. *We want to see a lot of our youngsters out there in French speaking countries* le bone ba bereka teng. Re kgakala, re ikganeletse fela kwa Sekgoeng mme go na le *other markets which we have not actually ventured into*. Ke nngwe ya se re tshwanetseng *to invest* mo go sone, *we should invest in teaching* Batswana *languages*. *Whenever you have a degree* o bidiwa mo gotweng *you are trainable*. Ke dumela gore o ka bona *language* nngwe le nngwe e o batlang go e dira. Jaanong bana jaaka go tlaabo go ntse jalo, ke kopa gore ba nne le kgatlhego mo go tsone dikgang tse.

Kgang e nngwe e ke boneng gape bontsi jwa rona bo bua ka yone gone fa, ke ya gore re dira eng ka dikgang tse di tsayang nako e telele go reediwa. Ke batla gore ke le solofetse ke re re tsile go ema ka dinao re bona gore *we improve* tsela ya rona e re reetsang dikgang ka yone gore Batswana botlhe, tota fela fa mmereki a bereka fa a timilwe *salary*, ga a tshwanela go tsaya nako e telele gore kgang ya gagwe e bo e ka reediwa, go tsaya bo *three or four months*. *We should be having at least a minimum of a month* gore kgang ya mmereki e bo e reeditse, *so we are working towards that*.

Ke utlwile le bua ka nako e re e beileng ya go tsaya bo Omang le *passports*, *I agree with you*. *We are going to make sure that* dilo tse re a di baakanya, re boele kwa go 14 *days* yo re neng re mo ipetse *not three or six months*. Gompiano go tshabisa ditlhong gore motho e re a dirile Omang, a bo a tsaya *six months before* a ka mo neelwa. Botsadi jwa rona jaaka mongwe o ne a bua gore bo bokgala bo santse bo sena bo Omang, re ya go

leka *as we digitalise our* Omang. Re ya go dira gore re kgone go tsamaya lefatshe lotlhe re bona gore mongwe le mongwe Motswana o na le Omang. *That is how we can account to our people.*

Kgang e le buileng ka yone e nngwe ke ya *migration*. *The Migration Policy is going to come here, we have to debate it.* Nako e nngwe re tshwanetse gore re tseye tshwetso bakaulengwe, ditiro tse re *sure* gore Batswana ga ba di batle, a tsone mme re ka se ke re fetole gore re hire batswakwa jang mo go tsone. Ke a itse gore ditiro tsa go disa le go theogela mo malwapeng Batswana ga ba di batle. Jaanong re tshwanetse go tsaya tshwetso gore re dira jang *to hire unskilled labour*.

Currently ka fa go ntseng ka teng Modulasetilo, motho o batla go nna *maid* kana modisa, re mmiletsa *board*. *Board* e re e mmiletsang e, *the Chairman* wa *board* o amogela P3,000 ba ba *nine* ba *board members* ba amogela P2,000 *each*. *Do we need a board* fa o batla motho a hira modisa kana fa a batla go hira *maid*? *I think that is an unnecessary expense and those are the things we should stop, we should come out with a more accommodative way* ya go hira batho ba. E ke tlaa e baya mo go lona gore a re tleng ka megopolo. Kwa mafatsheng a mangwe *what happens is that*, fa e le gore ke batla go hira motho kana ke batla go hira modisa kana *maid*, ke nna ke tlang ke tla ke mo tshotse ke bo ke saena konteraka le ene le Goramente, ke bo ke duela *a certain amount of money annually*. Kana gompieno batho ba ba nnang mo go rona ga ba duele sepe ba nna fela. Jaanong *I think that is the most easiest way of how to account for these people*, re se ka ra ba kganela fela jalo...

MR CHAIRPERSON: A ko o bale *paragraph 56*...

MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE: *Ke tsena kwa go yone* Mr Chairperson, *o ntetlelele ke e bue ka Sekgoa mongwame*. This concludes my presentation of the 2026/27 Recurrent and Development Budget proposals for the ministry. I therefore request that the sum of Nine Hundred and Seventy-Three Million, One Hundred and Sixty-Eight Thousand and Six Hundred and Fifty Pula (P973,168,650) under the Recurrent Budget for Organisation 0400 be approved and stand part of the Schedule of the Appropriation 2026/2027 Bill 2026, (No. 12 of 2026) and that the sum of Seventy Million, One Hundred and Nineteen Thousand, Eight Hundred and Sixty-Two Pula (P70,119,862) for the Development Budget for Organisation 0400 be approved and stand as part of those Estimates for the financial year 2026/2027. I therefore move accordingly. Thank you Mr Chairperson.

MR CHAIRPERSON: Thank you Minister Mokgware. Honourable Members, remember that the voting is on the preponderance of the voice.

Question put and agreed to.

ORGANISATION 0500-MINISTRY OF LANDS AND AGRICULTURE

MR CHAIRPERSON: Order! Order! Honourable Members. Please note that 2 hours and 10 minutes has been allocated to this Organisation and I shall call upon the Honourable Minister to reply to the debate at 17:55 p.m. and the question will be put at 18:25 p.m.

ACTING MINISTER OF LANDS AND AGRICULTURE (DR DIKOLOTI): Mr Chairperson, Honourable Members, I have the honour to present the 2026/2027 Budget Proposals for Head 0500-Ministry of Lands and Agriculture for your consideration and approval. Before outlining the proposed budget, allow me to provide an update on the ministry's performance during the 2025/2026 Financial Year and progress on key strategic initiatives.

The total budget allocation for 2025/2026 amounted to P5.322 billion, comprising P2.885 billion for Development Budget and P2.437 billion for Recurrent expenditure. The Development Budget was later reduced by P483 million to P2.402 billion. As at the end of January 2026, expenditure stood at P774 million for Development and P1.754 billion for Recurrent. That notwithstanding, these currently remain encumbered by outstanding payments totalling P133 million for land servicing projects.

Despite fiscal pressures, the ministry has continued to advance reforms aimed at transforming Botswana's land and agricultural sectors. These reforms will unlock the value of land which will enable Batswana to enterprise and enhance livestock and crop production through adoption of modernised infrastructure, innovation-driven research, market access and global competitiveness. Our True North remains clear: to build a diversified, resilient, and export-oriented agricultural sector that achieves food security, reduces imports and drives economic growth.

LAND SECTOR

Mr Chairperson, the Land Sector has entered a new phase of accelerated delivery and structural reform, driven by the dual engines of the Secure Land Title

(SLT) War Room and the Land Lab under the Botswana Economic Transformation Programme (BETP). These interventions closely reposition land administration as a catalyst for economic transformation, investment readiness and citizen empowerment. Mr Chairperson, to deliver immediate improvement while long-term reforms mature, the ministry operationalised the SLT War Room on the 16th February 2026. The War Room actively monitors end-to-end SLT processing, accelerates submissions to the Deeds Registry, resolves workflow bottlenecks in real time, and is mandated to deliver 48,500 within three months.

Mr Chairperson, while the War Room addresses immediate bottlenecks, the ministry has simultaneously established the Land Lab as a structural reform engine of the sector. The Land Lab held its inaugural coordination meeting on the 23rd February 2026, aligning institutional expectations, finalising its terms of reference, integrating technical feedback, and defining short-term action items with clear persons-in-charge. The Lab will design a fully costed, executable Third-Generation Land Delivery Process, spanning end-to-end process redesign, Land Information System (LIS) and Integrated Geographic Information System (IGIS) digital integration, strengthened governance, improved investor facilitation and performance accountability across all land institutions.

Spatial Development Planning

Mr Chairperson, under Spatial Development Planning there can be no economic transformation without spatial transformation. Economies grow in place, in cities, towns, regions and well-planned settlements where infrastructure, land use and economic activity reinforce one another. Spatial planning therefore provides the platform that aligns investment with infrastructure, enables industrial clusters, strengthens value chains, supports green and creative economies and unlocks land value for inclusive development. Guided by this imperative, my ministry continues to implement the National Spatial Plan through the preparation and approval of key plans that guide orderly and sustainable development during the 2025/2026 Financial Year.

The City of Francistown Development Plan for the period 2025 to 2046 was completed, approved and gazetted in June 2025. In the same period, the Spatial Development Code of 2025 was prepared in-house and approved in October 2025, and stakeholder capacitation will continue into 2026/2027 Financial

Year to ensure that both the public and the private sector benefit from its standards and parameters, which are area specific as opposed to blanket application of the code. The major transformative element of the code is assigning agriculture mixed use as a land use category for the former ploughing fields, hence opening up the use of former ploughing fields for agricultural related enterprises.

Mr Chairperson, a further milestone is the completion of the Tati Land Structure Plan, which was prepared in-house following the acquisition of 45,000 hectares of land from Tati Company Limited. The plan is aligned to the National Spatial Plan and BETP. A portion of the acquired land, approximately 145 hectares falls within the City of Francistown boundary and the land was planned as part of the City of Francistown Development Plan.

Land Surveying

Under Land Surveying Mr Chairperson, during the 2025/2026, 44,112 plots were surveyed nationwide. Of these, 12,416 have been approved while 31,696 remain under examination and quality control to be completed by July 2026. Having largely completed surveying within built-up areas, the 2026/2027 focus will shift toward surveying land parcels that facilitate private sector investment and socio-economic development. The Land Lab further channels surveying activities for the betterment of access to land.

Secure Land Title

Mr Chairperson, the progress and challenges in SLT production illustrate the importance of the accelerated delivery and structural reform now underway through the SLT War Room and the Land Lab. To date, 20,233 SLTs have been issued out of 68,190 leaving 47,957 titles pending registration. The War Room Mr Chairperson, is already addressing immediate bottlenecks by fast-tracking submissions to the Deeds Registry and actively managing end-to-end SLT processing, with a mandate to clear the initial 48,000 backlog within the three months.

Land Servicing

Land Servicing Mr Chairperson, remains essential to render plots usable. Due to fiscal constraints, the ministry will prioritise ongoing projects, which currently have outstanding payments amounting P133 million. The delayed payments for certificates of completed works due to liquidity challenges continue to attract interest.

The ministry will further provide minimal land servicing such as bush clearing, access roads, and water trunk mains to enable access to newly allocated plots. The Average cost for full land servicing is about P215,000 per a plot; bulk servicing estimate is about P65,000 per plot; while minimal land servicing is about P13,000.

Access to Land

Access to land Mr Chairperson, remains fundamental to economic empowerment and to advancing Botswana's broader transformational agenda. While the Botswana Land Policy of 2019 provides the framework for equitable allocation, national demand continues to exceed supply due to land, which is a finite resource, resource limitations, servicing backlogs and various land encumbrances. Notwithstanding these constraints, my ministry continues to expand access to land and unlock investment opportunities across the country.

AGRICULTURE SECTOR

Mr Chairperson, fragmented smallholder production limits productivity and market integration. The ministry is therefore shifting toward commodity-based cluster production, for example the Pandamatenga or the Moringa Agro Based Cluster, to enable aggregation, quality standardisation, shared infrastructure, and stronger value-chain linkages.

In this context, my ministry intends to shift from individual-based production to cluster production as part of building critical production mass that will trigger value addition. The purpose of these clusters is to develop agricultural villages, where the full agricultural value chain is implemented at production areas, thereby creating employment opportunities and stimulating local economic development. Central to achieving this strategic shift is targeted infrastructure development including irrigation, storage, energy, roads and processing facilities.

Livestock Development

Mr Chairperson, in line with BETP, the Government is strategically leveraging climate financing to bolster agricultural financing, aiming to transition the sector from subsistence to commercialised, sustainable and climate-resilient industry. Mr Chairperson, a key aspect of this strategy is the blended finance model which combines Government resources, private capital and

climate-focused funding. A very good example of this model is the Green Climate Supported Ecosystem-based Adaptation and Mitigation in Botswana's Communal Rangelands Project, which was launched by the President of Botswana on the 12th May 2025 in Tsabong. The GCF support the project with a grant of USD44 million to restore 46,000 hectares in the Kgalagadi, Ngamiland and Bobirwa landscapes constituting 104 villages targeting 247,000 beneficiaries, to reduce household gas emission and improve livelihoods, and in the process creating 6,000 green jobs.

Mr Chairperson, my ministry has also secured €5 million through the Growing Greener Project, a German Government Supported multi-country initiative aimed at combating land degradation, strengthening climate resilience, and improving the livelihoods of vulnerable, rural communities. The project targets vulnerable communities in Ngamiland and other semi-arid areas directly benefiting thousands of households through improved grazing system, climate smart practices, and market linked opportunities.

Mr Chairperson, the Botswana Livestock Commercialisation Project (BoLCOP), commencing in April 2026, aims to transform the smallstock and poultry sectors and increase agriculture's contribution to Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and enhance rural incomes in Botswana.

Implemented through a blended financing model with the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and the Global Environment Facility (GEF), the project is valued at USD 86.84 million (including a USD 31.52 million loan to Government). It is expected to reach 50,000 households (about 200,000 beneficiaries), with a focus on women and youth, while driving commercialisation and market access across the livestock value chain.

Mr Chairperson, the animal breeding programme for the 2024/25 financial year was allocated a budget of Three Hundred Thousand Pula (P300,000) and received a total 4 102 breeding cows achieving a conception rate of 75 per cent. This performance translated into an estimated number of 3,000 calves bred during that period. In the subsequent year, 2025/26, a total of 3 389 breeding cows were received, each incurring an average cost of One Thousand Three Hundred Pula (P1,300.00) per cow per breeding season at the Artificial Insemination (AI) camps.

Mr Chairperson, to reinforce the national genetic base, Government procured 253 breeding cattle, comprising 89 heifers and 165 bulls. By December 2025, a total of 139,050 semen straws had been produced from 44 bulls, with 2 948 straws sold at P75.00 each, generating revenues of Two Hundred and Twenty-One Thousand One Hundred Pula (P221,100). However, operations continue to face constraints of aging storage facilities; to address this, additional cryogenic storage is being procured to expand capacity, though procurement processes have remained a significant challenge.

COMMODITY PERFORMANCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

Mr Chairperson, the construction of Tsabong Multi-Species Abattoir has been completed and handed over to Botswana Meat Commission (BMC). The Gaborone Multi-Species Abattoir, which was built at a cost of Fourteen Million, Three Hundred Thousand Pula (P14,3 Million) in 2001 has been handed over to the BMC as at 1st of March, 2026. These investments will expand processing capacity and stimulate rural economies.

Mr Chairperson, in dairy, local production stands at 8.2 million litres, 13 per cent of demand from a total 55 dairy producers with a total herd of 4 000 dairy cattle, necessitating imports valued at Three Hundred and Seventy Million and Four Hundred Thousand Pula (P370.4 Million). The dairy industry is valued at over Four Billion One Hundred Million Pula (BWP 4.1 Billion) and has generated employment opportunities for approximately 1,050 people. Government is currently strengthening breeding stock and beyond breeding, strategic initiatives are being advanced such as the Botswana Development Corporation (BDC) through Botswana Economic Transformation Plan (BETP) which we hope will contribute about 12 per cent. At the same time, my ministry is actively promoting dairy investments in red zones, unlocking untapped potential and expanding production, including on-going prospects of leasing out the state-owned dairy milk plants such as Serowe and Pitsane to private investors.

The poultry sector remains strong worth Three Billion, Five Hundred Million Pula (P3,5 Billion), creating 6500 jobs, producing over 52,000 tonnes of broiler meat and 14 million dozen eggs annually. The poultry industry is strategically positioned to export a wide range of products, including eggs, whole chicken and braai packs, with export opportunities to all farmers. To further strengthen this industry, the MMASEBOTSE Cooperative Poultry Abattoir construction is now complete and will be handed by March, 2026.

Mr Chairperson, aquaculture and apiculture are prioritised as emerging sectors with strong potential for import substitution, income diversification and rural employment. The Mmadinare Fish Hatchery remains a strategic national asset with a potential to supply 500,000 fingerlings to farmers countrywide. Aquaculture production reached 120 metric tonnes from 137 farmers in the 2025/2026 financial year, demonstrating steady progress towards enhanced domestic fish supply and sectoral sustainability.

Honey production increased from 6 to 12 metric tonnes from 700 farmers as at 1st March 2026, the national demand is 318 metric tonnes valued at Twenty Million Pula (P20 Million). The integration of beekeeping into the Lemang Dijo Programme will further enhance household incomes. This will improve productivity through effective pollination service and honey production.

Global Environment Facility (GEF) has supported beekeeping projects through Mupani Miombo project in the Chobe District where 20 hives have been distributed among three villages.

Animal Disease Control

The Foot and Mouth disease (FMD) crisis in the SADC region continue to cause severe economic damage. In January 2026, clinical cases of FMD were detected in Zone 6b and Zone 3c crushes, this closely following notification of the outbreak in the Matabeleland South Province. The virus confirmed to be serotype SAT1, is closely linked to the outbreaks in Zimbabwe.

This outbreak, which follows the previous outbreak in 2022 in the North East and earlier in 2001-2002, 2006 (zone 7), 2010 (zone 6), highlights the chronic and persistent challenges in the management of FMD, and the critical need for a more sustainable, long-term solution to the FMD problem in the North East, Bobirwa and other border communities.

Mr Chairperson, this FMD emergency has prompted Government to launch a comprehensive FMD response, heavily involving inter-ministerial coordination through the Command Centre with an intense community mobilisation chaired by the Permanent Secretary to the President (PSP). The budget for FMD Emergency Response is Ninety-Seven Million Pula (P97 million). This has facilitated procurement of surveillance equipment such as drones. This response strategy

includes: strict movement restrictions in border areas (such as Northeast, Bobirwa, Ramotswa, Morolong), intensified surveillance, and community-led patrols and maintenance of cordon fences to prevent spread of the disease.

Mr Chairperson, my ministry will embark on a comprehensive review of the animal health system to safeguard the livestock industry and export markets. Key components of this review will include realigning zones, introducing new concepts such as protection zones and compartments, and land use review to promote establishment of FMD buffer farms along the border.

ARABLE FARMING

Mr Chairperson, following three years of drought, cereal production recovered to 134,000 tonnes, meeting 44.7 per cent of national requirements. Horticulture continues to expand narrowing the supply gap through increased production. Vegetable production stood at 65 201.40 tonnes and while fruits production is at 26 654.19 tonnes which accounts for 58 per cent and 66.7 per cent of the national demand respectively. This implies that the country still resorts to imports to meet the deficit in the horticulture.

MARKET ACCESS

Mr Chairperson, my ministry remains steadfast in strengthening market access for livestock and crop producers, utilising diverse channels to expand domestic and international trade.

Currently Botswana has attained market access for dried turmeric and moringa in Germany and safflower in the United State of America (USA). Negotiations for export of citrus to China, Korea, USA and India are ongoing.

Export season for citrus fruit is anticipated to start first week of March with harvest of lemons. The citrus fruits will be exported to various markets such as the European Union (EU), Canada, United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Russia.

Mr Chairperson, to strengthen food security, the ministry is repositioning Botswana Agricultural Marketing Board (BAMB) as an anchor grain aggregator. Investments in certified warehouses, pack houses, and silo refurbishment will enhance SME market access and safeguard the Strategic Grain Reserve (SGR).

Mr Chairperson, Botswana Meat Commission's (BMC) market access strategy is redefining Botswana's beef export footprint. While Norway and the EU continue to deliver premium value, BMC has accelerated entry into fastgrowing, less restrictive markets across the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), Greater Africa, and Asia. This diversification is deliberately building a resilient, multimarket export architecture that strengthens longterm sustainability, profitability and global competitiveness for Botswana's beef sector.

CONCLUSION

Mr Chairperson, as I conclude my presentation of the 2026/2027 Budget proposals, I move that the sum of Two Billion, Four Hundred and Eight Million, Six Hundred and Six Thousand, Six Hundred and Forty Pula (P2 408 606 640.00) for the Recurrent Budget be approved and stand part of the 2026/2027 Appropriation Bill (No. 1 of 2026) for Organisation 0500 and that a sum of One Billion, Seven Hundred and Seventy-Four Million, Eight Hundred Thousand Pula (P1 774 800 000.00), for the Development Budget be approved and stand part of the same Schedule of the Appropriation for Organisation 0500. I thank you, Mr Chairperson and I move accordingly.

MS MANYENENG (MMOPANE-METSIMOTLHABE):

Ke a go leboga Modulasetilo. Ke go leboga *Honourable Minister* ka moalo o o o beileng, o supa ka fa le tsamayang ka teng go tliša ditlamelo mo lefatsheng. E bile gape o supa le kgoreletsego ya ka fa sepatšhe sa lefatšhe se ntseng ka teng, le ka fa *budget* o e neetsweng ka teng gore mme o eletsa gore o tlhabolole tse o ka di tlhabololang. Ke itumelele gore Metsimotlhabe Block 4 o a utlwala mo keletsong ya gore re bo re na le sengwenyana se re ka se ngathang mo mading one a 2026/2027.

Ke supe gape gore o na le e e bidiwang gotwe *defect liability* e e amang Mmopane Block 1. Ke supe gore, gantsinyana kana *Minister*, dilo tse tsa gore *servicing* ya lefatšhe go tsaya nako, le ene rakonteraka kana bommakonteraka ba ba neetsweng gore ba tle go supa gore a go siame gone foo go tsaya nako, go baya Batswana ka fa mosing ka gore Motswana o eletsa gore fa a le mo *plot* ya gagwe, a bo a kgona go ikogogela metsi le motlakase. Jaanong se re se bonang ke gore ba bangwe ba santse ba palelwa ke gore ba tsene mo *plots* tseo ka gore di ntse fela. Ba ba setseng ba le mo teng ka letlhoko la gore tota ba tlhoka dijarata, ba saletse kwa morago ka go tsenya metsi le motlakase. E bile

motlakase one ke o nankole ke tlhamaletse gore ba na le bothata ka gore fa ba batla *quotations* tsa motlakase, di tla di le kwa godimodimo ka gore ga ba ise ba alelwe sentle gore motlakase wa bone o tsamaya fa kae.

O supile sentle gore tota lefatshe ke sengwe se se ka tsenyang letsogo mo itsholelong ya lefatshe. Mo bogompionong, ka gore re na le dipalo tse di ntsi *Minister*, tsa banana ba ba sa berekeng, a ga se gore jaaka re le kwa Mmopane Block 1 jaana, le ene Metsimotlhabe Block 4, o lebelele thata *applications* tsa bone banana ba re eletsang gore re ba tsholetse jaaka re ntse re bua re re *youth empowerment*. Le bone ba fiwe lefatshe, ba kgone go itirela tse ba ka di kgonang bogolo jang mo go tsona tsa *agriculture*.

Gompiono jaana re santse re eletsang gore bana ba itirele, ba iketshetse dijo mo mmung, mme re na le mathata a gore go thata gore ba bone lefatshe ka gore o kare ba tlodisiwa matlho fa go tla gore ba fiwe lefatshe, bogolo jang la temo le la thuo. Jaanong ke re rra, ke kopa gore o tsenye leitlho mo go tse tsa go fa banana ba rona lefatshe. Le kabakanye legale, ke sa reye gore ba bangwe ba se ka ba fiwa. Tota fela fa go se na lefatshe, *frustration* ya ngwana yo e kwa pele thata a ntse a palelwa ke gore o ka itirela eng.

Se sengwe, ke bulele kwa godimo thata rra ke re, ke a go utlwa gore wa re Mmopane Block 1 o santse a na le *defects liabilities*, mme ke kopa gore le lebelele thata gore mme Mmopane Block 1 ke eng a tshabeletswe ke go ipha ditsha. Mmopane Block 1 o tshabeletswe ke *illegal allocation* e e leng gore re setse jaanong re sa tshephe bodiredi jwa *land board* gore a tota ke sengwe se e leng gore ba tlhwaafaletse go se tlhamalatsa. Ba buile gore go na le ditsha dingwe tse di neng di itseetswe, ba tsere *certificates* tseo mo bathong, mme ga ba boele gape kwa go rona go tla go supa gore ditsha tse batho ba neng ba iphele re re na le *certificates* tsa tsona ke tse, jaanong di fa kae, a lefatshe leo le boela gape mo *land board*. Batho ba Mmopane Block 1, ga ke itse gore a go dirwa ke gore ke *cosmopolitan area* (makgatlhanela thapong) go motlhofo thata mo e leng gore *plots* tsele fa batho ba di iphele *Honourable Chair*, go boa gape go nna motlhofo gore ba gokele metsi le motlakase mme e ntse e le *plots* tse di utswilweng *Honourable Ramogapi*. Tota re ka dira jang kgang e? A ga se nako ya gore re bone gore batho ba ba berekang kwa *water*, go nne le mongwe wa *land board* yo o berekang teng, yo o itseng gore tota *certificate* sa boammaaruri se se ka gokelang metsi le motlakase ke sefe ka gore ba *water* kana ba

motlakase, fela fa wa motho a *apply* a tsenya *certificate* seo, gore a ke *levovo* (*fake*) kana ke sone, o a fiwa fela. Jaanong ke eletsang gore re tsamaye re lebile dilo tse ka gore tota fela Mmopane-Metsimotlhabe ke lefelo le le rategang thata ka gore le fa tlase ga toropo *Mr Chair*.

Dilo tse di ntsi re akanya gore a ga se nako ya gore *land boards* di phatlaladiwe. *Land board* re bona e sa re thuse ka sepe, re akanya gore e phatlaladiwe, go akanngwe ka fa kabo ya ditsha e ka dirwang ka teng. Re tswe mo *land board* ka gore re a itse gore dikgang di di ntsi tse di ba amang le bone ba na le tse ba di dirang di sa tlhamalala ka kabo ya lefatshe.

Ke tswelile gape ke bulele gore re na le dikereke *Honourable Minister*. Dikereke tse di a re thusa jaaka bana ba le mo boitaolong jo bo kana, mme ga ba fiwe ditsha sentle. Batho ba Modimo ba a sokola o kare ba iphele, mme re a ba tlhoka le rona, re ya dikerekeng teng. Mmopane, Metsimotlhabe gotlhe fela le bone bo Block 1, re eletsang gore re nne le dikereke, mme a ba fiwe ba nne sentle, ba se ka ba nna ba itshukunyeditse jaaka re bona ba itshukunyeditse. Le fa batho ba Modimo ba batla dithuso gore ba ka itirela dikereke tse di lebaneng ga ba kgone ka gore ga ba na tsona ditlankana sentle. Ke re ke a ba kopela rra, ba gadime.

Through you Mr Chairperson, ke lebogetse le ene *Minister* gore o kgonne go bona madi a *Green Climate Fund*. Ke re yone eo rra, re leboga thata, mme ke re ke kopela Mmopane-Metsimotlhabe, fa o ka e latlhelela sengwe mo go se o se setseng kana se o se solofeditsweng ka gore ke banana ba bantsi, ba eletsang go itirela *Mr Minister*, mme kgang ke gone gore ga go kgonagale, ga ba na lefatshe e bile ga ba na ditsompelo. Ke re ka re *fund* e, ba ba latlhelelenyana, e bile ka gore re eletsang gore re tswe mo puleng e re sa itseng gore e tla leng, a ba epelwe didiba. Re eletsang gore gongwe fa re ka tlhwaafala ra dira *syndicates* tsa bananyana ba filwe lefatshe ba bo ba epelwa sediba se, se dirisa *solar energy*, re akanyetse ka kwa Mmopane-Metsimotlhabe ka *climate smart interventions* tse o ntseng o di bua. *Small scale producers* ba a eletsang rra, dijjwalo tsa bone di felela mo mmung ka ntata ya letsatsi le tsona diji, ba se na sepe se ba ka se itirang.

Ke tsamaela go fetsa Modulasetilo ke re, mme tota fela re a itse gore selo se gotweng lefatshe ke *cornerstone* ya *development* kana ya *democracy*, mme fa lefatshe le fiwa *but not serviced*, ke poela morago. *Minister*, ke a itse gore o pitlagane ka sheleng yo o mo filweng, mme leka go ngathoganya bana ba gago. Fa re ka dira gore

go nne le *youth land access* kwa Metsimotlhabe Block 4; bana ba Metsimotlhabe-Mmopane ba bona fa ba ka lemanang teng le fa ba ka kgobokanelang teng ba leka go jesa lefatshe, ke solofela gore dilo tse di ka re tswela mosola.

Go monate gore re bone gore o na le keletso ya go baakanyetsa lefatshe, mathata e bo e nna gore madi a santse a seyo, mme re rapele gore a o a kopileng a a *Climate Fund*, re bone sengwenyana mo go one re kgone go tswaledisa. *I so submit. I support budget* ya gago rra gore o e fiwe o kgone go dira se o ka re dirang. Ke a leboga Modulasetilo.

MINISTER OF MINERALS AND ENERGY (MS KENEWENDO): *Thank you Mr Chairperson.* Ke emelela jaana le nna *to support budget that is delivered by Motlotlegi Dikoloti*, e itebagantse le tsa lefatshe. *Mr Chairperson*, fa ke simolola ke supe gore re ntse re buisana le ba lefatshe, re kopa gore ba re thuse, ba itebaganye tota le tse e leng gore di ka re thusa go thama ditiro segolobogolo re itebagantse le gore re tlhoka di Special Economic Zones (SEZs) tsa *solar park* tse e leng gore re ka simolola ra rotloetsa ba e leng gore re setse re ba file PPA gore ba dire *solar power stations* gone foo tse e leng gore le tsone fa re ntse re sekaseka molao, di ka thusa gore di gogele motlakase gautshwane mo dikgaolong segolo jang tse e leng gore gompiano ga di na motlakase. Re ntse re buisana le bone, re tshwenyegile, dikopo di di ntsi re a di itse, mme kana fa motlakase o seyo jaaka re ne re ntse re utlwa *Madam Speaker* a bua, fa motlakase o seyo kana o tura, tsotlhe tota tse e leng gore di itebaganya le itsholelo di boela kwa morago. Re kopa gore e re ba tswelela ba sekaseka gore ba aba jang lefatshe, ba akanyetse tse di tlaa tokafatsang botshelo, di re isa kwa pele.

Re lebile e se *solar parks* fela *Mr Chairperson*, re lebile le tse dingwe tse e leng *productive economic activities*, segolo fa go ka lebaganwa le tsa metse le *communities* go ka thusa fela thata. Ke batla go fa sekai, ke itse gore kwa gae ba setse ba kile ba *apply* ba kopa ka kwa Boseja gore re fiwe a *community farm* kwa Motopi, kwa Boteti. Fa re ka fiwa lefatshe kwa Boseja, kwa re itseng gore go kile ga bo go na le *farm* e e neng e tsamaisiwa ke maSweden, le rona re ka dira se se botoka. *They grew barley, wheat* mme gompiano lefatshe leo le a ija gatwe ke la *state land* mme bogologolo e ne e le *tribal land*. Re re a ko le sekaseke le re lebise, le tlhomamisa gore le rona re kgona go tlabologa.

Re santse re le mo go tsone tse di ka dirwang ke metse le beng ba lefatshe, re boele kwa go tsele tsa kwa Kumaga, kwa bo Ngamisane tse di itebagantseng thata le *tourism*. Re kile a bo re lema foo mme ra sutisiwa gotwe ke fa diphologolong. Ra se ka ra gana mme ra supa gore le rona re batla go nna le *campsites, lodges*, kana *tourism* e ka emelela fa lefatshe le ka busetswa mo matsogong a *communities* fa bo Ngamisane, Kumaga, Moremaoto ka gore ke gone fa re nang le tshotlego teng. Gompiano fa o re o lebelela noka ya Boteti, e ntle e a kgatlhisa, re tshwanetse go ka bo re bona *economic activity* e lekana le e e kwa Chobe ka gore dinoka tse di a tshwana e bile diphologolo tsa teng di dintsi. Go gontle re ka dira go le gontsi. Terata ele re kile ra e lwela *Minister*; ra felela re dumalane mme ra re a ko tlhe le re agele, le re fe sengwenyana mo teng ga terata.

Se sengwe se se botlhokwa ke gore fa re ntse re bua ka *the Climate Fund*, ke leboga thata go bona jaaka le bua gore go na le madi a a kileng a tswa kwa The Green Climate Fund. Re gatelele ka *climate resilience and adaptive capacity activities* ka gore gantsi re fitlhela re sotlega, letsatsi leno go na le merwalela, kamoso ga gona pula. O fitlhela o kare ga re a ipaakanya, mme kana *satellites* jaaka re itse gore Rre Tshere o setse a tsere Botswana First Satellite (BOSAT-1) e tsene mo lefaufaug, re ka e dirisa le yone ra bona gore *what are the weather patterns, what are the changes of climate*. Re ipaakanya jang e bile re rotloetsa gore go ka lemiwa eng ka nako e e ntseng jang, re lebile seemo sa loapi re itse gore re ka busetswa ke eng.

E bile go na le ba re ba dirisang le rona ba *exploration*, gongwe le bone o kare fa ba ntse ba *explore minerals*, ba feta ba re tlhatlhobela lefatshe gore re ka lema eng, re ka jwala eng, ra godisa eng. Ba bona gore *nitrogen components*, jalojalo ke eng tse di ka rotloetsang temo le leruo mo Botswana ka bophara. Gape re tshwanetse go bona gore re dirisana jang. Re a tshwenyega Tona ka gore kwa bo Okavango fa re ntse re *apply* re kopa *wayleave*, re tsennngwa dingalo mme re batla go tsenya *poles* tse di tlisang motlakase. Fa re santse re kopa re re batla go tsenya *poles* fa, re a itse gore ba le bantsi ba a ngongorega e bile ba setse ba re isa kwa *court* ba batla gore re ba duele maP30 million. Jaanong re tshwanetse go bona gore golo fa re thusana jang, le tsone *land boards* tota di dirisanye le rona sentle. Kwa Okavango e ntse e le kgang e tona, *poles* tsa rona di palelwa ke go ema mme re batla gore le tsone di kgone go tsena ka gore mongwe le mongwe mo Botswana o *deserve* go bona a na le motlakase e bile a na le ditlabologa.

Mr Chairperson, fa ke wela ke re le fa ke *raise* dikgang tse di mmalwa tse, ke ema nokeng thata gore re nne re ntse re totobe. E re re le foo, le se ka la lebala; ke buelele mokaulengwe fa Boteti le ene, o kopile gore a kopanyetswe metse a dire *corridor*. Fa metse e e kopane re ka kgona go aga *an industrial park* foo, re kgone go tlisa motlakase re dira jaana ka *solar park*. Fa le ntse le sekaseka kwa Letlhakane kwa Boteti East, le mo gopole. E se gore o ntuetse mme ka gore dikgang tsa gagwe le tsone di e tla di ntshwenya ka gore fa Letlhakane a tlhabologa, re dumela gore Kgaolwana ya Boteti yotlhe e tlaa tlhabologa. Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*.

DR GOBOTSWANG (TSWAPONG SOUTH): Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*. Ke tsaya gore re dumalane re le Palamente gore temo le leruo ke tsone bokamoso jwa lefatshe le. Ke yone e re tshwanetseng go katolosa itsholelo, re e kabakanye ka e ka re direla ditiro, gape re tshwanetse go fokotsa madi a go reka dijo tse di tswang kwa ntle re le lefatshe. Ke kgang e e botlhokwa fela thata. Le fa go ntse jalo, re iphitlhela re le mo seemong se e leng gore temo le leruo ga e na boeteledipele jwa sepolotiki. Fa e sa le go nna le motshwareledi dingwaga mme re lebaganwe ke dikgang tse di botlhokwa. Ke ne ke re kgang e ya gore re bo re na le motshwareledi mo lephateng le, e a re tshwenya.

Fa re tla mo dikgannyeng tsa lefatshe, ke tsaya gore ka fa di buiwang ka teng, *Minister* o bua gore o na le *the war room, the land laboratory (lab)* ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Maduo ga re a bone a *land labs* tse tsa gagwe. Ka gore e bile ba tsere babereki kwa *land boards*, go raya di emaema fela. Fa e le Land Administration Procedures Capacity and Systems (LAPCAS), e bile ga go sa tlhole go buiwa ka yone. Ke ne ke re go tle go tlhalosege gore LAPCAS e tsena fa kae. Re le Botswana Congress Party (BCP) re ne re rile *going forward*, a re nneng le lekgotla le letona le le ka akaretsang dikgang tsothle tsa lefatshe di le golo go le gongwefela. One Stop Shop gore fa o tsena fela, e bo o tswa ka *certificate*, re a bua mme maduo ga a bonale *Mr Chairperson*.

Mr Chairperson, ke amogetse dipego go tswa kwa bokone jwa lefatshe mabapi le go tlhagoga ga bolwetse jwa *lumpy skin*. O kare bo bidiwa nkokomane ka fa ke utlwang ka teng. Bothata jwa teng ke gore fa ba re ba ya kwa bo Botswana Agricultural Marketing Board (BAMB) melemo ga e yo, fa ba re ba ya kwa *private* ga ba kgone go reka melemo. *Mr Chairperson*, gongwe Tona a tle a re tlhalosetse gore o ba thusa jang.

Kgang ya *Foot and Mouth, we need a bipartisan approach to Foot and Mouth*. Ke ne ke re tlogelang go ikgagapelela kgang e bagaetsho. A re e tshwaraganeleng re tle re bone gore re a e fenywa. Re na le dikgang tse dingwe tse di re tshwenyang mabapi le dikgang tsa go tlhoka morero nako e nngwe. Maloba ke ne ke bua ka gore kwa Mokatako kwa kgaolong ya gago fa e le gore o a e itse, go lebelega o kare go dirilwe terata mo e leng gore balemi ga ba kgone go dirisa noka. Go raya gore ba na le mathata gone foo.

Re na le kgang ka *compensation* ya P700, o kare go atswiwa koko kana potsane mme go buiwa ka kgomo, e bile e le e e turang. Dikgang tse a ko re di lebeleleng *Mr Chairperson*, gore a re ka tokafatsa seemo seo.

Kgang ya *mass slaughter*, go bolaya dikgomo ka tsela e di bolawang ka yone bagaetsho, di tlaa oketsega jang fa e le gore re ka tswela re di bolaya ka tsela e e ntseng jalo?

Kgang ya A Di Tsale, ke a utlwa gore le bua ka gore le ya go baakanya Ramatlabama Artificial, mme ke tsaya gore Artificial Insemination (AI) ke go tokafatsa boleng jwa dikgomo. Ga ke itse gore kgang ya gore e ka oketsa palo ya dikgomo mo Botswana e tswa fa kae. Gongwe e bile re tle re e tlhalosedipele gore dikgomo di ya go oketsega ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Ke ne ke tsaya gore re a itse gore dikgomo tsa rona di fokotswa ke go bolawa ke malwetse a a farologanyeng. Pele kana Goromente o ne a kentela malwetse ka bontsinyana. Fa e le gore malatsing a Goromente ga a sa tlhole a a kentela, a ko re lebeleleng gore a re ka boela kwa seemong se a thusang go kentela malwetse. 80 per cent ya dikgomo tsa rona di tswa kwa mafelong a a tshwaraganetsweng a *communal land*, ke gone kwa e leng gore barui ga ba ka ke ba kgona go reka mekento ya bo mokokomalo, pholotso, serotswana le bone bo nkokomane.

A re boeleng mo go reng re thusiwe. A re boeleng kwa dikgomong tsa Setswana. Di supafala gore di na le letsalo le le kwa godimo; 85 per cent performance compared to 65 per cent ya dikgomo tse dingwe. *In terms of mortality*, di a itsetsepela. O tlaa fitlhela e le gore *under two* gongwe go tlhokafala bo 7 per cent fa re bua ka Tswana *breed* gongwe bo 15 fa re bua ka dikgomo tse dingwe. Re ne re re a re boeleng kwa dikgomong tsa rona tsa Setswana, e nne tsone *foundation*. Le fa re *cross*, re se ka ra felela re di latlhile.

Sengwe se e leng gore re a se tlhoka, re tlile go se tlhoka gore re oketse...

MR SPEAKER (MR KEORAPETSE): Order! Order! Honourable Members. We are back in the Assembly. *Mma ke le tlogele le Madam Speaker.*

...Silence...

“EXCHANGE OF SPEAKERSHIP”

MADAM CHAIRPERSON (MS MANYENENG): Order! Order! Honourable Members. Continue Honourable Gobotswang.

DR GOBOTSWANG: Ke a leboga *Madam Chairperson*. Ke ne ke tsena mo go reng nngwe ya dikgang tse e leng gore re tlile go di tlhoka fa e le gore re batla go oketsa leruo le *agriculture* ke *extension* bagaetsho. Re buile ka *extension* mo nakong e e fetileng. O buile ka *extension* mme go supafala gore jaanong o tlaa e tsaya tsia *across the board, whether* re bua ka boralephalo kana balemisi. Kgang e e botlhokwa thata ya gore re age *extension*. Go na le metse e e leng gore e metona o fitlhela e kopanetse balemisi le e mengwe. Ramokgonami a kopanetse le bo Maape, metse fela e metona. Bo Chadibe ba kopane le bo Matlhako le bo Letoreng jalojalo fela. Ke dilo tse e leng gore ke tsaya gore re tshwanetse gore re di ele tlhoko.

Gape fa babereki ba berekelang teng, bogolo jang ba *Veterinary*, le yone *Agriculture* fela... Ke go laletsa gore o ye kwa Machaneng District Agricultural Office go bona gore ba berekela mo diemong tse di ntseng jang. Ba bereka mo letlotleng kwa Machaneng mme ke District Agricultural Office. Balemisi le bakenti ba kgotlhagane mo *block*-nyaneng fela jo e seng jwa sepe kwa Ramokgonami.

Maloba ke ne ke le kwa Mmathethe, ga ke itse gore a o kile wa bona gore babereki ba *Vet* ba berekela mo seemong se se ntseng jang. Ke raya fela fa tlase ga gago. Ke ipotsa gore fa go diragala fa tlase ga gago *Honourable Minister*, tota gone mme re tlaa kgona go ntse jang?

Fa ke tsena mo *crops*; Lemang Dijo *has been a disaster*. Selo sa ntlha lenaneo la teng go raya gore le tsile ka lone o kare le le akantse kwa morago le le ka fa tlase ga kgatelelo ya BCP mo Palamenteng, le bo le tla le tabogile ka lenaneo leo, le tla *late* ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Gompiano jaana, ga re solofele sepe. Gape le tla ka ekerenyana e le nngwefela. Lebaka la gore ekere e bo e le nngwefela ga le itlhalose. La re ke gore balemi ba ne ba palelwa ke go tlhokomela bo *four hectares*. Ga le lemoge gore *because* le ne le ba lemela nako e le

nngwefela e bile ba *plant* nako e le nngwefela, go ne go raya gore ga ba kgone *to cope* le diekere tse *four* tse e leng gore ba tshwanetse gore ba di tlhagole. *Research could have informed* lenaneo la lona.

Gompiano jaana le tshwanetse gore le duele batho, gatwe ba tle ka *coordinates*. Ao! bagaetsho, le raya gore balemi ba rona ba e leng gore ke bagolo ba tsaya kae *coordinates, Honourable Minister?* A mme batho ba tlaa lala ba duetswe? Gompiano boraditerekere ga ba duelwe ka tsela yone e ya gore go buiwa ka *coordinates*.

Rona re le ba BCP, re tlhokana le lenaneo le le tlaabong le ikaegile mo go reng go bo go na le metsi, go tshwanetse gore go epelwe batho didiba mo masimong, go tshwanetse gore go nne le matangwana gore re leme temo ya nosetso. Ga re ka ke ra tswelela ka go emela temo e re tlaabong re lebile kwa legodimong.

MR LESEDI: *Clarification.* Ke go dumedise *Madam Chairperson*. Ke a leboga motlotlegi. Tota kang e ya gago e o neng o santse o e tshwere ya Lemang Dijo, bogolo jang fa re setse re bua ka *coordinates*, ke bona e kete o a e tometsa motlotlegi. Ke re kang e ga se gore gongwe o e tlhalose go gaisa foo, o *clarify* gore tota balemi ba solofelwa go dira eng mo seemong se se ntseng jaana? Fa motho a lemile ditema di le 40 go bo gotwe a tlhotlhome le one masimo a a 40 gotwe 1, 1, 1, a ke mo a tlaa kgonang?

DR GOBOTSWANG: Ke a leboga *Madam Chairperson*. Ke tsaya gore ke e buile, nako ga e yo, le tlaa nna le e gatelela batlotlegi fa le ntse le tswelutse. Go na le lenaneo lengwe la Temo Letlotlo le e leng gore le lone ga le a wela sentle. Kana go na le batho ba e ne e le gore ba ne ba le *approved* gore ba teratele masimo mme gompiano jaana ba emaema fela, ba hirile batho, batho ba ba remetse mapako, ba dirile tiro mme ga ba duelwe. Ke re kang eo le yone o tle o e ele tlhoko kana o e arabe o re bolelele gore go diragala eng.

When it comes to accessing the market, se se tshwanetseng gore se diragale ka fa ke bonang ka teng ke gore re tshwanetse re tlhabolole mmaraka wa rona fela jaaka wa dikgomo, e ka tswa e le wa dikoko le merogo. Re tshwanetse go nna le thulaganyo e e leng gore *the whole value chain* re bona gore Batswana ba a tsena mo teng. E seng jalo, re tlaa iphitlhela ba saletse morago.

Maikaelelo a rona ke gore ka *July* re tle go tsenya Agronomic Industry Act gore re tshomamisa gore tse di tsenang mo Botswana le tse di tswang e bo e le gore di a laolesega *Madam Chairperson*. Ke yone thulaganyo e e leng gore ke ka re gongwe ke tle ke wele ka yone.

Ke bo ke bua ka tsa kwa Botswana University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (BUAN) kwa Sebele. Kgang ke metsi kwa Sebele. Batho ba kgaolelwa metsi *Honourable Minister*, a ko kgang e le e bua e eme, batho ba kgaoganyetswe *meters*, e se ka ya nna gore bale ba a kgaolelwa mme bone gongwe ba ne ba ka duela.

MADAM CHAIRPERSON: E go tshwere *honourable*.

DR GOBOTSWANG: Ke a leboga *Madam Chairperson*.

MR SEDOMBO (TONOTA): Ke a leboga Modulasetilo. Ke tseye sebaka se go amogela gore...Ke na le bothatanyana jwa mogotlhwane, ga ke itse gore...

MADAM CHAIRPERSON: Nwa metsi, *Honourable Sedombo* hupa metsinyana.

MR SEDOMBO: *Hey*, ga ke a bolo go nwa metsi...

MADAM CHAIRPERSON: Go batla a a bolelo.

MR SEDOMBO: Ke go eme nokeng mo go kopeng madi kana kgaoganyo madi mo lephateng la gago. Ke re mme e re re supa jalo gore jaaka o kopa e bile go na le dikgwetlho tse e leng gore di teng, re tswela re nne re ntse re di nankola jaaka re na le mathata a Tlhako le Molomo, segolo jang gone kwa kgaolong e ke tswang kwa go yone ya Tonota. Ke lebogetse segolobogolo barui le batho fela ka bongwe ka bongwe ba e leng gore ba tsere nako ya bone le go dumela gore go tshwaraganwe go lwantshe bolwetse jo jwa Tlhako le Molomo. Go lemosoga gore ntle le gore re ka tshwaragana go lwantshe bolwetse jo, go ka nna le mathata ka gore itsholelo ya lefatshe la rona e ka wa ka gore nama ya rona e ka se ke e tsamae e rekwe gope fela kwa e leng gore go ka re tlišetsa letseno le le utlwalang teng.

Ke supe gore bolwetse jo jwa Tlhako le Molomo bo lwa ka sengwe le sengwe. Tota jaaka diterata di sule jaana, balemi gammogo le barui ba eme ka dinao go tsosa diterata tse, ba tshwanelwa ke gore ba akgolwe. Fa o fitlhela go sena batho ba ba theogeletseng *at the gates*, go nna diphatsa mo go reng kana batho re ka tswa re utlwa e bile bangwe re batla gore tota bolwetse re bo lwantshe mme go na le ba e leng gore ba na le botlhabetsi jo e leng gore ba a bo dira. O bo o fitlhela ba nna le go dira ditiro tse e leng gore ga di a siama tse re tshwanetseng gore re di kgaoleme re menne phatla.

Kana o supa gore go ya go nna le thulaganyo ya *to identify* dikgomo e e tlaa le kang go fokotsa bosinyi kante bogodu jwa leruo. Go raya gore fa o le mong wa kgomo o dirile thulaganyo ya go nna jalo, go ka itsa yo o ka tswang ka tsela epe a batla go senya. Le fa ntswa o fitlhela go na le ba e leng gore go senya ga bone, motho o tlaabo a tsenelela kgomo kante phologolo a e kgaola ditsebe e le gone go leka go timetsa letshwao kante se se ka tswang se supa gore tota mong wa kgomo ke mang.

Go na le bolwetse jo bongwe gape jo e leng gore jaaka gongwe ke ne ke supa jwa *lumpy skin*. Bolwetse jo ka fa kgaolong ya rona kwa Tonota ga bo fele. Sale bo ntse *last year* jaaka sebui se se neng se bua gore melemo ga e yo. Fa o re o tsena kwa go ba ba ka re rekisetsang melemo, o fitlhela go le dingalo gore re bone melemo ya jone ka mokgwa o o ntseng jalo. Pele ke ne ke itse gore ga se bolwetse jo bo bolayang. Gompiano batho ba supa ba latlhegelwa ke dikgomo ka dipalo tse di gagamatsang ka ntlha ya bolwetse jwa mokokomalo.

Ke tsena mo kgannyeng e nngwe ya Lemang Dijo. Lemang Dijo e tlaa tliša maduo le fa ntswa jaanong gompiano go na le seemo se se teng sa gore batho kwa kgaolong ya rona ga ba a lema ka bontsi, ka mabaka a gore pula e ne ya nela ruri, mme ga kgoreletsa batho gore ba ka kgona gore ba ye go lema. Mo godimo ga moo, ba ya go itswela fela ka gore tota le dipologolo kante ditlou di tseneletse masimo a batho di a ja, mme e bile fa di e ja jaana, di kgaola diterata. Ba ba ageletseng ka matlhaku, ke go suga matlhaku a, mme e bile dituelo tsa se se go senyegetseng di kwa tlase.

Ke akgole thulaganyo e e diriwang ya go lemiwa ditapole. Ditapole ke sengwe sa dilo tse di jewang gongwe le gongwe. O ka tsena mo dishopong, mo ditseleng, go na le ba ba emang ba di rekisa, di budule le di sa butswa, e le kgang e go supang gore e ka tswela ya tsenya itsholelo kante ya tsholetsa itsholelo ya lefatshe la Botswana ka mokgwa o o ntseng jalo. Tapole jaaka ke bua, e jewa ke mongwe le mongwe, e bile e rekisiwa gongwe le gongwe.

Fa ke tla mo kgannyeng ya lefatshe, re na le mathata. Mo diphuthegong tse ke neng ke di buisa kwa kgaolong, selelo sa Batswana e ne e le go supa gore kana re sale re dirile kopo ya lefatshe, mme re eme re letile. Gompiano go tsile thulaganyo e ntšha e gotweng ke ya Bonno, e bile e setse e neetswe ditsha. Potso e bo e nna gore lefatshe ba le bona kae, kwa e leng gore sale re le Batswana, re eme re kopa lefatshe, mme re sa kgone go neelwa lefatshe? E ka nna lefatshe la bonno kana la dikereke tse re ka kgonang go obama mo go tsone.

Kgang e nngwe e bo e nna gape lefatshe le e leng gore ba ba kgonneng go le neelwa, ga le na ditirelo, *it is not serviced*. Go tsaya nako e ntsi gore batho ba kgone gore ba tlhabolole lefatshe la bone. Go bo go raya gore yo e leng gore ga a na ditsompelo tsa gore o ka tlhabolola, a bo a tla a tsena e le mokgwa wa gore labofelo gore gongwe ka gore ke beetswe nako e e kana gore lefatshe ke bo ke le tlhabolotse, a bo a felela a le fetisa kante a le rekisa. Ke fa go supa gore thulaganyo e e teng e e leng gore Puso e tlile go e dira, ya *minimal land servicing*, ke sengwe sa dilo tse re tshwanelwang ke gore re kgone go akgolela Goromente go bo a se dira. Tla ke eme gone fa. Ke a leboga Modulasetilo.

MINISTER OF HIGHER EDUCATION (MR MAELE): Ke a leboga *Madam Chairperson*. Ke kopa go simolola fela ka go supa gore ke eme Tona nokeng mo ikopelong madi a gagwe. Nngwe ya dikgang tse ke batlang go di bua fela ke ise simolole ke go tlhomoga pelo fela gore *ministries* tse pedi tse; *Ministry* wa *Agriculture* le *Ministry* wa *Lands* a bo a di goga ka fa a di gogang ka teng. Fa gongwe o fitlhela a ntlhomola pelo, ka gore tota *to be honest with you, these are big ministries*. Ya *Lands* *I have experience, I know what he is going through*, ya *Agriculture* re a itse gore *what is it that he is going through*. So, tota fa gongwe o fitlhela e le go tlhomoga pelo fela fa ke mo lebile jaana ka gore *in my view, these are two big ministries* tse di tlhokang gore di bo di ka bo di tshwerwe sentle ke batho gongwe ba le babedi *or so*. *Let me start off gape to congratulate him in terms of* ka fa e leng gore o tshwere FMD ka teng. Tota *Madam Chairperson*, ke batla gore re leboge Tona ka fa o tshwereng FMD ka teng.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Applause!)

MR MAELE: Tota fa FMD a ne a sa e tshwara jaaka a e tshwere jaana, ke batla go go bolelela boammaaruri *Madam Chairperson*, re ka bo re le mo mathateng a a gakgamatsang. *I think* rotlhe le Batswana ba a itse gore fela fa e ka tsena FMD mo lefatsheng la rona, owaii! Re bidiwa ba re suleng. Re mo mathateng a itsholelo ka fa, fa FMD e ka tsena mo lefatsheng la rona, ya tsena ka bokete jo e ka tsenang ka jone, *at least they contained it* kwa e ne e le teng. Fa e ka tsena fela sentle mo lefatsheng la rona re tlaabo re le mo mathateng. Ke nngwe ya dilo tse ke batlang gore ke mo akgole mo go tsone.

Ke kopa gore ke tsene fa Tona, gore kwa Kgaolong ya me ya Tswapong North, tota temo ya komelelo re tsamaela go e tlhoboga. Go a pala tota, le nna ke le Mopalamente wa bone jaana, ke ne ke rile ke a leka

this time around, ke bona dipula di le dintsi ke re ke a lema go padile. Ke tlhagotse ka madi a a gakgamatsang, ke lemile ka madi a a gakgamatsang ka gore ke ne ke itemela ditemanyana tse dintsinzana, go padile. Fa o ka ya kwa tshimong ya me o tlaa fitlhela e le gore golo fa ke mathata, go shele ga go ka ke ga tswa sepe. Madi a ke a dirisitseng ke lema foo, ga go re solegele molemo kwa Kgaolong ya Tswapong North. *I want to propose* sengwe se ke batlang o se akanya Tona. Fa re ka tsena fela thata mo goreng jaanong re ele tlhoko temo ya nosetso mo Botswana, tota go ka reng? *This is my suggestion*, a ga o ka ke wa akanya lenaneonyana lengwe Tona le o ka re rayang o re phunyang didiba mo masimong a lona?

Fa le sena go phunya didiba mo masimong a lona, fa e le gore gongwe o tshwere *five cubic* go ya kwa godimo; *I am just giving an example*, kana bo *three cubic*. Fa e le gore o tshwere *three cubic, five cubic* go ya kwa godimo, *then I will refund you*. O fokotsa *risk from the ministry*, mme o rotloetsa gore batho ba phunye didiba re bo re dira temo ya nosetso *because* tota e ya komelelo e a pala. Fa e le kwa Tswapong North; ga ke itse dikgaolo tse dingwe, dipula tse go ntseng gotwe di a na tse, kwa go rona ga re di bone...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ...(Inaudible)...

MR MAELE: Ke buelela kgaolo ya me. A ko o ye go buelela kgaolo ya gago, ke mo ofising ya Tswapong North fa. *So*, ke ne ke akanya gore a re lekeng *to concentrate* mo kgannyeng ya temo ya nosetso, mme re thuse balemi ka seemo seo. *Look, reduce your risk by saying okay* phunya, bona metsi le bo le ya go tlhatlhoba. Fa e le gore le dumalane ka *three cubic or five cubic, it is fine, then refund that person* re bo re lema, re nosetsa le tle le bone jaaka dijo di tlile go tswa mo lefatsheng la Botswana.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Applause!)

MR MAELE: *The other one* e ke batlang gore ke gakolole ka yone Tona ke e; rona kwa...

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ...(Murmurs)...

MR MAELE: Kante *when are you going to grow up Honourable Aaron?* E nngwe e ke batlang go gakolola ka yone Tona ke ya gore rona gape kwa Tswapong North tota *this thing* ya *row planting* ga ke itse gore a e a re palela kana go pala eng? Rona ga re e kgone. Go lema mo ga ditselana mo, rona go a re palela kwa Tswapong North *sir*. Batho ba Tswapong North ba kopa gore, ba letleleleng fela ba *broadcast* kana ba gase. E a re fa ba

dira jaana, nako ele go ne gotwe fa le sa dire jalo ga re e duelele. Re kopa gore ba leseng ba gase, ka gore ke a bona gore fa gongwe go tswa sengwe fa ba gasitse. *This thing ya row planting*, fa gongwe o tlaa fitlhela o sa itse gore a ke bo ra diterekethara ba ba sa itseng go dira kana mathata ke eng, tota ga re ise re e kgone. Ke ne ke batla gore *in the meantime* re santse re lwa le yone, le kang gore e nne *policy* e e letlelelang gore le *broadcasting* e ka dirwa. Ke a leboga gore ele ya Lemang Dijo, le a e letlelela mathata fela ke gore le letlelete go gasa nako e setse e tsamaile. Buang fela bagaetsho le re a re gaseng, go nne gangwefela. Rona tota kwa Tswapong North *we have that problem*.

The other issue e ke batlang go gakolola ka yone *sir*, ke ya *ranch fed animals versus tsa di feedlot*. Batho ba a re bolaya, fa o re bona re le fa jaana bontsi jwa rona, makoa, fa gongwe makoa a ke a dirwang ke gore kgomo kana koko ele ya nama e ke e jeleng, e neng e le kwa *feedlot* go kentilwe go tsentswe dilo tse di gakgamatsang. *Minister please*, dirang gore le leke *to promote ranch fed*, ke gore o tseye kgomo fela e itswela kwa Mokokwana kana Mogapi e e neng e ijela bojang fela, e nne tsone tse le di rotloetsang *over* dikgomo tsa *feedlots*. *I know* gore batho ba *feedlots* ba ka nna ba se ka ba mpona sentle, *but* dilo tse di re tsentse makoa bagaetsho. A ko re lekeng go bona gore tse di ijelang bojang fela tse, a di fiwe *scale* se se botokanyana, ka e bile ke tsone tse Batswana ba le bantsi ba di kgonang. Tse tsa *feedlots* di tlaa re bolaya.

Ga re na bakenti kwa Kgaolong ya Tswapong North le balemisi, ke gore nako e tsamaile ke ne ke tla go bolelela gore metse e e nang le mathata a bakenti. Ke gore o fitlhela mokenti fa gongwe a tsaya metse e le 5, *this thing* e re direla mathata a a gakgamatsang.

The other one, infrastructure to production areas, re na le mathata. Batho ba na le dikgomo, batho ba na le loruo, go tletsetletse. Mathata ke gore, gore ke le rwale ke le ise kwa matlhabelong. Ke akanya gore *sometimes you must talk to* Botswana Meat Commission (BMC), e nne le ka fa e ka dirang ka teng gore e latele dikgomo kwa di teng. *If I give you an example even* le mo dipolaseng tsa bo Sandvelt, Kaka, 4B le Hainaveld *people have* dikgomo, mathata ke go di rwala koo go di isa kwa mmarakeng. Thusang, gore re bone gore re ka *subsidise* jang *transport*, gore di latelwe ke BMC ba di tseye teng koo.

The other one ke Botswana Animal Information and Traceability System (BAITS), e fetoga gantsi *sir*. Gone jaanong jaana re mo BAITS 3, le rona re setse re lapile, re ne re le mo BAITS ele, ba fetola ra tsena mo BAITS 2,

jaanong re mo BAITS 3. *Settle this thing*, le nne *content with this thing* gore *this is what we want from* BAITS. Kamoso ke mo, kamoso le tlaabo le fetola. *This is a problem*, e tsenya bannabagolo le basadibagolo dingalo. A ko le direng gore le e *stabilise*, go tseye nakonyana, re mo BAITS...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Elucidation.

MR MAELE: ...gona le gore kamoso e fetogile, *because* ke mathata fela.

Let me rush to land boards nakonyana e e setseng, ka gore ke ne ke tlhokile nakonyana e telelenyana gore ke tle ke kgone go gakolola ka tsone. Rra, ba Tswapong North ba lela ka Palapye Sub-Land Board le Maunatlala Sub-Land Board. E seng fela ka go baya, le go sala dilelo tsa bone morago. Fa ke buisa diphuthego tsa Kgotla maloba ka *January*, kgang e ne e le *land board, land board*. Ke kopa gore ya Maunatlala le Palapye, a ko re tsamaye o ye go kgalema, *because* tse dingwe itlhele ke kgona go bona gore tota *indeed* ke *land board*. Ke gore di buiwa mo Kgotleng, go tsweng fa ke di sala morago ke fitlhela e le gore *land board is on the wrong side*. *It is a problem*, ga ba sale dilo morago, ga ba beye ditsha. Ba na le kgang e ba e buang ba re Department of Surveys and Mapping e ba tsenya dingalo, ga e tsise eng ga e tsise eng se se tshwanetseng. *We do not want to hear that*, rona Department of Surveys and Mapping re bona *Ministry of Lands and Agriculture*. Bone ba re bolelela *stories* tse dintsi tse jaanong e leng maragana teng a *sections* tsa gago tse di gone koo. Rona re batla go bewa, bana ba nna le basadibagolo le bannabagolo mo dijarateng tsa bone, e setse e le mathata ke dintwa fela. Fa e le kwa Tswapong North gone, ke mathata a a gakgamatsang. Maunatlala Sub-Land Board le Palapye Sub-Land Board ga di re direle sentle.

Lastly, ke ne ke re *consider this thing* e Batswana ba sa bolong go e bua. Ke gakolola gore *tsweetswee this thing* e mo *communal areas* ya 6 kilometers (kms) *is no longer working for us, please reduce kilometres possibly from 6 to 4*. Mo masimong gatwe 237 meters (m), ke gore fa ke na le tshimo fa, yo mongwe o ka epa sediba 237m away. *What about 4 kms. Consider reducing this thing to 4 kms*, fela ka gore mo masimong go a bereka, le kgona go nna masimo le bapile le farologane ka bo 237m, mme e le gore metsi a ntse a tswa fela, ga gona le fa e le mathata...

MADAM CHAIRPERSON: E go tshwere *Honourable Maele*.

MR MAELE: Ke a leboga *Madam Chairperson*, ke ne ke re ke bua ya bofelo.

MR LESEDI (SEROWE SOUTH): Mma ke go leboge *Madam Chairperson*. Ke re gangwefela mo botshelong jo ke setseng ke bo ntse fano le Motlotlegi Maele re ise re ko re dumalane thata, letsatsi leno ke dumalane le ene, bogolo jang fa a bua ka mananeo. Kana ke one a maloba e kete bangwe ba eletsa go a nkgalela, gore gone fa mananeong fa gongwe Tona o lebe mo *budget* ya gago gore o ka thusa Batswana gore ba tlhlofalelwe ke dilo jang. Kgang e ya gore Batswana gongwe *be met half way* mo go epeng didiba, a e nne kgang e o tlaa e lebang rraetsho. E seng yone fela, o gakologelwe gore Batswana ba ne ba swelwa thata ke dikgomo mo leubeng le le fetileng lele, gongwe le gone o sekaseke gore kgang e ya A Di Tsale, e tle e ba thuse. Ba nne le tsela nngwe e o ka ba adimang dikgomo ka yone, ya re kwa morago ba di busa mme ba ja mo maroleng a neng a tsalwa ke dikgomo tseo, ke raya gore e tlaa nna dingwe tse o tlaa di lebang, ka gore tota kwa ntleng ga moo ga gona lepe lenaneo rraetsho, gotlhelele.

Ke siane ke supe gore kgang e ya Tlhako le Molomo, *through you Madam Chairperson*, rraetsho o eme ka dinao. Jaaka Tona yo o sa tswang go nna fa fatshe a ne a bua, tota go bua boammaaruri *ministry* o o tshwereng o, e bile o *act* ke *ministry* o motona thata. Ke ne ke sa solofela gore o ka goga nako e kana ka one, bogolo jang o sena mothusi. Ke gore ga ke itse gore a o mothusi kana o *Minister*, sengwe sa tsone dilo tseo. Ke ne ke sa solofela gore o ka ba wa tla wa tsena fa go sena ope yo e leng *Minister* kana go sena ope yo e leng mothusi wa gago. Rraetsho o tshwere ka manontlholho, gongwe batho ba ka tswa ba go nyatsa ba go nyaletsa tse dikgologolo, mme fela a re dumele gore o e tshwere sentle.

Rraetsho, mma ke supe gore *ministry* o wa gago ke nngwe ya *ministries* tse Batswana botshelo jotlhe jwa bone bo ikaegileng thata ka one. A ko o dumele gore morago ga gore bakenti ba bo ba ne ba emisiwa go kentela Batswana, babereki bao ka bontsi jwa nako, bona fela gore jaanong fa o ya mo dingweng tsa diofisi tse ba ntseng ba direla mo go tsone, o tlaa fitlhela e le gore bontsi jwa nako e kare ke batho ba le *idle* fela, ga gona sepe. A e re mo *budget* e ya gago, o lebe gore o ka tokafatsa seemo se jang gore gongwe kgabagare batho ba le bone ba tle ba ntshe maduo. E tle e re fa re bua ka itsholelo e e wang e, e bo le bone ba na le seabe sa go tsholetsa itsholelo.

Rraetsho, kgang e ya tema e nngwe fela ya Lemang Dijo, a re e lebe *Minister*. E re ntswa le fa tema e le nngwefela jaana, se se botlhoko ke gore jaaka gongwe dibui tse di sa tswang go bua pele, gore balemi ba ye kwa go yone tema e nngwe fela e, go nna thata tota rraetsho, ka gore ga gona gope fa ba tsamayang teng ga gona ditsela tse gongwe e seng tsa gago, mme ba ya kwa *production areas* go tla go tsisa dijo. E se ka ya tloga ya re kgabagare mo *budget* ya gago wa tshogana o ntshitse matshebetshebe a madi o re o boloka Batswana kante e tlaa nna lefela, ka gore fa go sena gope fa ba tsamayang teng ba sa kgone *to access* masimo a bone bogolo jang mo dipuleng tse tsa dingwaga tsa gompieno, e a bo e le matsapa.

Rraetsho, ke ne ke re gongwe sengwe sa dilo tse o ka di lebang fa nne *budget* ya gago e ka go kgontsha, a ko o lebe o iketlile gore dikomiti tse di tshwanang tsa bo *farmers committee* o tokafatsa ka fa di berekang ka teng. Kana gone jaana *farmers committee* rraetsho bontsi jwa nako ga e itse *exactly* se e tshwanetseng go se dira, ka gore ga go sa tlhole go na le dithuto tsele tse o neng o a tle o di ba fe. Sengwe fela se ba se gakologelwang ka pela ke gore, fa ba neetswe Ipelegeng ke bone ba tshwanetseng go e laola. E bo e le gore jaanong ba lebala *mandate* wa boammaaruri o ba tshwanetseng go o sala morago. Ke sone se e tlaa reng gompieno o ya kwa masimong o bo o fitlhela masimo a fetogile a le melapo, metlhwa le diolo. Jaanong diemo tse ke re gongwe o di lebe ka kutlwisiso ya gore ba tlhatlhelele rraetsho ba tle e re kwa phelelong ya letsatsi *in your budget* ba kgone go itse gore ba tshwanetse go tswa fa kae, ba ema fa kae.

Rraetsho, ke na le lesokolela bogolo jang ka diterata tse di laolang matlhoko a leroo. A ko o ele tlhoko diterata tse gore, kgabagare *in your budget* o tle o bone gore o ka tsutlaganya jang, o tsosolose. Se se botlhoko gone jaana, fa o tsena fa *cordon fence* ya Makoro, ke e fa sekai fela ka yone, ka gore e mo tseleng ya A1, e le wena maloba e rileng fa o ya kwa wa feta fa go yone, kana fa o ya kwa malatsi otlhe o feta fa go yone, o a bona gore ga go na babereki golo foo. Mme ke nngwe ya diterata tse e leng gore fa di ne di tshela di ka thusa gore ka tsela epe bolwetse bo ka bo bo tlhagogile ntlha e nngwe bo kgone go kganelwa bo sa fetela kgakala.

Kwa ntleng ga moo re bona *ministry* wa gago rraetsho o aperwe thata ke dikoloto, bogolo jang tsa badiredi ba lephata la gago, ba ba tshwanang ba *gates*, ba ba berekileng *overtimes*. Ka tsweetswee a ko o bone gore fa go ka nna le sengwe batho ba ba thusiwe gongwe o tle o robalelwe ke ditlhokwa. E bile fa ba ne ba ka thusiwa ke dumela gore le *promotion to* go tsaya *ministry* o le *Minister* go ne go ka go thusa...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: ... (Inaudible)...

MR LESEDI: Nnyaa, e tsena gone foo mo babereking. Ke raya gore gongwe ke e lebe jalo ka gore, fa gongwe e a re batho ba ba akanya gore e kete ga o dire mo go lekaneng, *you surprise them* ka sengwe se tota se lebaganeng le *ministry* wa gago. Kwa ntleng ga moo ke dumela gore mma ke se ka ka nna moleele ke tle ke fa ba bangwe *chance*. Ke a leboga ka tsone tse. *Thank you very much*.

MR SEGOKGO (TLOKWENG): Ke a leboga Modulasetilo. Ba tlhalosa fela gore re tseye *five minutes* fela ka gore ba re *sector* e e botlhokwa, jaanong Ntlo yotlhe e batla go bua ka *sector* e. Ba re ke yone e tshwereng lefatshe. Ke re Modulasetilo, e re fa ke tsena mo go tsone, re mo mathateng, le fa maloba bommantswitswidi ba tsa sepolotiki ba re re emise go nna re re re mo *technical recession*, ba re mo ke *structural shift*, because fa e le gore ke *more than five years graph* ya rona ya itsholelo e ntse e ya kwa tlase ba re ke *structural shift*. Ke dumela gore sengwe le sengwe se se tshwanetseng gore se tle fa, *especially in terms of the Development Budget* e gongwe re e fetisang mo Ntlong e, re emise mokgwa wa bogologolo Modulasetilo wa go nna re fetisa *Development Budget* fela e e leng gore fa gongwe ga e na *return on investment*, *especially* re le mo seemong se re mo go sone. Ke gore sengwe le sengwe *that we are injecting capital* mo go sone *in terms of the capital budget* re bo re itse gone gore dipoelo tsa teng di ya go nna ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Golo mo gotweng ke *smart orientation*, mo e leng gore *prices* tsa teng *are specific, measurable, actionable, realistic and timely*, ke nako e e leng gore mo nakong ya gompiano fa re le mo go *structural shift* seo re tshwanetse *to focus* mo go tsone. Jaanong *Development Budget* nngwe le nngwe e e tlaabong e ya go tsena mo Ntlong e go a go tsena ka di 23... ke dumela gore *project* nngwe le nngwe e e tlaabong e tsena, *especially tsa Development Budget*, ke tshwanetse gore ke ye go lebelela gore mme dipoelo di ya go nna ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Ke sone selo se e leng gore e re fa ke ya go fetisa *budget* ke bo ke ya go dumalana le tsone.

Modulasetilo, mo nakong ya segompiano dinako di fetogile, tota re tshwanetse gore e re fa re ya go tsena *on these projects* re se ka ra dira *projects* fela re lebile gore kwa bogologolong go ne go ntse ka tsela e e ntseng jang. *We have to invest a lot on research* e e seng kana ka sepe. Ke dumela gore ngaka jaaka e le ngaka jaana, go na le bomatwetwe ba ba seng kana ka

sepe. Ke gore ga go na bomatwetwe ba bantsi go feta *Ministry* o wa *Lands and Agriculture*. Fa o tsena kwa Sebele bomatwetwe ba bantsi ba feta bo 50, o tsena kwa *ministry* wa gago bomatwetwe ba bantsi, o ya kwa bo National Agricultural Research and Development Institute (NARDI) *Professors*, bo bomatwetwe ba ba seng kana ka sepe. Re tshwanetse gore... ke bone ba e leng gore re ye go tsena... ke gore re se ka ra nna re ntse re tshela madi fela *on projects* go sena *any data oriented*, tebelelo e e leng gore *it is data oriented* kana *evidence based research*. Jaanong re tshwanetse gore mo nakong ya gompiano fa go le thata jaana re ye *to inject* madi a le mantsintsi mo *aspect* ya *research*. *We should not research* fela dilo go bo go raya gore di tsaya *dust* fela kwa *ministries*, *we should research*, mme fa re tswa foo re ye go leka. Kana *population* ya 2.5 *million* kwa mafatsheng a mangwe *is a sample survey*. Ke gore *population* ya rona *is an advantage*, because re ka lekeletsa dilo di le dintsi mo *population* ya rona, re lebile gore e santse e le nnyennyanyana. Fa o ya kwa mafatsheng a mangwe *it is just a sample survey* e bommantswitswidi ba lekeletsang ka yone e e ntseng jalo gore ba lekeletse ba bone gore go ka nna ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Teemane e nngwe e re nang le yone, Botswana Vaccine Institute (BVI), *is not like* ke a ikgatlha gore Aferika Borwa e bo e na le Tlhako le Molomo, mme ke nako e e leng gore gompiano *had we invested a lot* mo BVI ke mo e ka bong e le gore fa go na le seemo se se ntseng jaana kwa Aferika Borwa re rekisa melemo e e seng kana ka sepe, ya *billions* Modulasetilo. E seng ya maloba fela gotwe re rekisitse ya bo 200 *million*. Ke gore ke mo re ka bong re rekisitse *billions* tsa madi a a seng kana ka sepe, e le gore ke yone *component* ya itsholelo e re ka bong re ka e dirisa go bona gore *we can diversify* itsholelo ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Jaanong tota fa a ka kopa go oketsa gore re ye *to invest* thata gone kwa BVI gore *machines, infrastructure* ele re ye go bona gore *we resuscitate it* ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Re tle re kgone go bona gore re ka itshegetsatsa ka yone. Ke gore re nne *the nucleus, the epicentre* ya *vaccines* tse di tlaabong di tlhokafala mo Africa, *even in the globe* ka kakaretso.

Modulasetilo fa ke tsena mo dikgannyeng, ka go setse *five minutes* le fa Arafat a re omanya, ke tsena mo dikgannyeng tsa batho ba ba kwa Ditshwegeng, ba ga Mampotlo le ba Nkaikela. Ke tlhalose jalo gore, *issue* e ya Secure Land Titles (SLT) Modulasetilo e a re bolaya, kana kwa Tlokweng kgomo ya rona ke lefatshe, ke *property*, jaanong go tsere lebaka. Fa gotwe go na le

liquidity squeeze jaana madi ga a eme. Ke gore fa batho ba setse ba buile le dibanka ba kopile *mortgages* jalojalo, go bo go raya gore ba fiwa bo *six months*, madi ga a eme. E a gore fa ba tla ba ema *after six months* ba fitlhela e le gore P600,000 yo a neng a mo kopile kwa bankeng *value* ya teng e kwa tlase jaanong, e ile kwa tlaselase, e bile fa o lebile gore itsholelo ya rona ke itsholelo e e ikaegang ka mo gotweng ke *external shocks*. Fa re lebelela *the exchange rate* le dithoto tse re di rekang, o fitlhela e le gore *doorframe* e o batlang go e reka o batla go aga kwa Metlhabeng kana kwa Maratanang ga e sa tlhole e le P15 jaanong ke P45. Jaanong golo mo re tshwanetse go go lebelela ka *component* e e leng gore ke ya itsholelo ya *the monetary policy aspect*, re ye go bona gore re ka e fefosa ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Uncomfortable conversation, farms tse di dikaganyeditseng Tlokweng, *let us expedite* Modulasetilo re ye go bona gore... *it is an uncomfortable terrain* e e leng gore... ke e tsena fela ka bomo gore, fa e le gore batho bale ga ba dirise *farms*, a re simololeng go ya go tsena re ye go bona gore *we expropriate* jang lefatshe lele. Banana ba Tlokweng ba tle ba kgone go bona gore ba fiwa lefatshe. *Farms* tsele, *most of the land* e e gone kwa *is idling*, re tle re ye go bona gore re e dira ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Issue ya *cattle grid*, ke buile ka yone fa Tona mo ngwageng o o fetileng gore, kgang e gotweng lefatshe le lotlhe ke *planning area*, re a itse gore Tlokweng le Gaborone di ne di kgaogana ka tsela e e ntseng jang, go tloga bogologolo. Mme fela e rile fa tsela ya *dual-carriage way* e dirwa terata ele e e kgaoganyang fa *forestry*, e e kgaoganyang Tlokweng le Gaborone e bo e ntshiwa, *cattle grid* ele e bo e ntshiwa. Jaanong dikgomo tsa Batlokwa di tlolela ka kwano. Kana tsone di itse gore Gaborone ke masimo a tsone, di a itse gore bommaatsone ba ne ba fulela gone mo Palamenteng, *state house* le *Government enclave*. Jaanong tlhaloganyo ya tsone e nna e ntse e re, re tshwanetse gore re pote kwa masimong a rona ka gore Gaborone o otlhe o ke masimo a Batlokwa. Jaanong tsone di solofetse gore di ye go fulela gone koo. Jaanong a re tsenye terata e *Minister*, a re ye go tsenya *cattle grid* eo mongwame.

Re a itse gore ga re na lefatshe, mme Tona re thuse kwa Tlokweng, *issue* ya *urban agriculture*, o se ka wa nyatsa gore ga re na lefatshe, jaaka ke ne ke bua ka *research* kgantele. Le fa go ntse go le sepitlaganyane, fa gongwe fa o na le lefatshe le le tonatona la bo 10 *hectares*, ga go reye gore gongwe o ka lema dilo tse di ka kgonang

gore di jese batho. Kwa go rona fa re na le bo a *hectare* eo re dira bo *aquatronics* go felela e le gore re kgona gore re ye go jesa Batswana ba ba seng kana ka sepe. Jaanong *let us invest* mo dikgannyeng tse e leng gore ke tsa mofuta o, jaaka ke ne ke ntse ke go tlhalosetsa.

Kgang e nngwe e ke ya Bonno Tona. Ke dumela gore o tsenye tlhogo thata le Tona Ramogapi ka *issue* e ya Bonno. Sekai; fa e le gore kwa Tlokweng gatwe go tlaa agiwa matlo a le 1 600 jaaka a tla go agiwa jaana, fa itsholelo e nna botokanyana, a re tsenye ditlhogo re ye go bona gore monana yo e leng gore o ka bo a filwe *plot* kwa Tlokweng, a fiwe sebaka sa gore a ye go neelwa Ntlo ya Bonno. Re bo re lebelela gore mo *area* e e leng gore o mo go yone, *plot* e ja bokae. Fa e le gore *plot* gongwe e ja P200 000 or P300 000, re bo re bona gore a mme Goromente ene o ka se ke a *compensate* go ntshetsa madi a kwa pele mo *investors*, gongwe a bo a dumalana le *investors* gore mo dingwageng tse di setseng tse, o ka nna a ntse a duela P1000 kana P1500 ka tsela e e ntseng jang. A bo a ya *to forfeit* go ya go fiwa setsha, ka gore fa gongwe Bonno yone e a bo e tsere fa ditsha di ka bo di le teng. Ke gore ke sone selo sa konokono se e leng gore se tshwanetse gore e re fa re ya go tsena mo *project* e ya Bonno, re ye go akanya gore banana ba Tlokweng ba e leng gore ba mo *waiting list*, fa e le gore *they prefer* gore ba ye go tsaya matlo a Bonno, re bone gore a Goromente o ka se ke a ntshetsa madi, bontlha bongwe. Ke gore ke golo mo go ntseng go diragalela kwa khanseleng, ka kwa re neng re ntse re re ke kwa Self Help Housing Agency (SHHA), re ye go bona gore a mme re ka se ke ra *compensate*, ra ntshetsa madinyana a mangwe kwa pele, ene a bo a tla a duela gongwe *for 10 years or 15 years depending* mo go reng o tlaabo a buisanya jang le *investor* yone eo.

Sa bofelo, ke a leboga Tona, *there is so much money* mo a *lot of financial institutions, your Green Climate Fund, Adaptability Fund*. Re buile kgang eo kwa ntle ga Palamente nna le wena. E emele ka dinao, o e batlele ofisinyana fela e e leng gore ke ya bommantswitswidi ba e leng *financial experts*, ba itse go ka tsaya madi one ao kwa The Brighton Woods, ba itse go tsaya madi one ao kwa *funds* tsone tseo, *because most of these funds* ke tse e leng gore di mo World Bank. Jaanong re di emele ka dinao, ke madi a e leng gore gongwe re ka nama re a dirisa mo nakong ya gompiono.

Ke dumela gore fa e ne e le gore gongwe ke na le nako, ke ka bo ke leka *to expand* gone fa, ke tlhalosa gore *aid* ya mofuta o fa re le mo seemong se sa itsholelo, e ka bereka ka tsela e e ntseng jalo, jaanong nako ya

me e khutshwane. A re eme ka dinao Tona, ke go eme nokeng, kgang e e ka kwa Sefoke ele a re e *expedite*, banana ba Tlokweng ba tle ba kgone gore ba ye go bona ditsha.

60 000 *waiting list* e e leng gore e ka kwa go rona ka kwa, go ngomola pelo ka gore ga go na Mopalamente yo o senang ntlo kana yo o senang *plot* kwa Tlokweng. Ka gore ba botlhe jaanong Batswana ba setse ba le gone kwa. Ke ka ba bua botlhe, ka gore botlhe fela ke ba ba sielang kwa Tlokweng, Ke go eme nokeng mongwame. Ke a leboga.

MR LEKUTLANE (KGALAGADI NORTH): Mma ke simolole fela ke go leboge *Madam Speaker*, ke bone Mapalamente fa ke re dumelang bakaulengwe, ke boile. Ke leboge ba Kgalagadi North, ke ba reye ke re ke gorogile sentle mo Gaborone, kana re ntse re le mmogo koo le lona, ke tsaya tse ke di tsayang.

Mma ke simolole fela jaana ke re *Honourable Minister*, le nna ke tsamaya mo motlhaleng wa ga *Honourable Lesedi*, gore tota ka Setawana ba re o *penda* ka fa o dirang ka teng. O e tshwere sentle fa o leng teng, e bile re na le tsholofelo ya gore o tlaa tswela gone foo, o bo o tlotlomadiwa mo *post* yone eo.

Honourable Minister, ke go ema nokeng ke re, go na le mathata a a diragetse kwa Kang. Mokhanselara wa Kang South, *Honourable* Kedibonye Thole le Kgosi ya Kang, Kgosi Basadi Seipone, ba ntheile ba re ke go kope e re jaaka o phatlalatsa madi a gago jaana, o gakologelwe gore go na le ofisi e e dirilweng kwa Kang ya *crops*, e e leng gore o tserwe bodiredi kwa go yone, mme o bo o sa dire *any replacement*. Jaanong kgang ke gore ga ba itse gore a jaanong o fudusa lephata kwa kgaolong eo, fa e le gore o dira jalo, jaanong therisanyo e kae, le gore tota *the first initial concept* ya go baya *that office* koo, go diragetse eng ka gore bone ba itse sentle fela gore kana ofisi eo *was serving* metse e e tshwanang le bo Tsetseng, Motokwe, Inalegolo, Phuduhudu le Morwamosu. Jaanong gompiano jaana fa e le gore go setse go tserwe bodiredi joo koo, mme diofisi di le koo tsa ga Goromente, di setse di senyega mo go kanakana, wa re jaanong gotweng? Ka gore *at the end of the day* batho bao ba re bokete jwa bone ke gone gore, ga re a tse Inalegolo a bo a ya Phuduhudu pele, ke gone a bo a ya Kang. E bo e re a tswa mo Kang a bo a ya Hukuntsi, a latela peo fela. Jaanong ke sone se ba reng ke go kope gore *Honourable Minister*, o busetse bodiredi kwa Kang, ofisi e bereke fela jaaka diofisi tse di berekang koo.

Sengwe se ke reng ke se kope mo go wena, mme e bile ke leboge thata, ba rile ke ise malebo mo go wena ka fa o neng o tshwere FMD ka teng. Ba re jaaka go ntse jalo *Honourable Minister*, ke go kope e le morafe wa Kgalagadi North go re akanyetsa gore nako e o tlaa nnang le madi sentle, o kgaoganyane *zone* e go tswa fa fela go ya kwa ka gore ga ke na go bua ka dinomore ka gore ga ba itse dinomore ka metse, gore bogolo e re o tsena fa Mabutsane fale o bo o tsenya *cordon fence* teng. Fa o sena go tsena kwa Palamaokue, o bo o tsenya e nngwe terata gone foo.

Gompiano jaaka o ne o bona re ne re ntse re tshosediswa ke FMD go tswa ka fa, fa go ne go ka diragala gore e tsene fa Ramatlabama fale, fa Tshidilamolomo, go raya gore fela go ya go tsena kwa Kuke, dikgomo tse di kanakana di ne di ya go felela di bolailwe. *So* ba ne ba re *in future plan*, o e tsenye mo teng o tle o kgone go thusega.

E rile ba ntse ba le gone foo, ba boa gape ba ntsha ngongora, Kgosi Gabaakela a re ka tsweetswee, *Honourable Minister*, ba utlwile gotwe go se ka ga tlhabiwa mo dintshong, go tlhabelwe fela mo *slabs* tse di *registered*. Mathata a rona ke gore rona kwa Kgalagadi North, mananeo a le melao e mengwe e o fitlhelang e dirwa, o bo o kare ga re a lebelelwa thata. *We do not have those registered slabs on those settlements*, ga re na *butcheries*, mme e bile gore jaanong re tlaabo re tlhaba kgomo fela e bo e pegiwa mo setlhareng, e bo e rekisiwa. Jaanong ba re ke go kope gore kana leso ga se tlala tlhaola malata, le bone ba a swelwa, mme fa ba swetswe jaana, ba batla gore bogolo le bone ba etse metse e mengwe fela e nne le *slabs* tse di letleletsweng ka fa molaong ke Goromente. Ba re o ba sekasekele *Honourable Minister*, mme ka kgang ya FMD, ba a go leboga.

Sengwe se ke neng ke re ke fete ka sone ke re, *Honourable Minister*, go supafala fa gone kwa ofising ya *veterinary* kwa Kang, go ne go na le lenaneo la dipodi tsa mashi, mo e leng gore o ne wa ntsha batho wa ya go ba ruta, wa ba wa ntsha yone *equipment*, o e beile kwa Kang, e na le *more than five years* e le koo e sa dirisiwe, mme tota *you have trained people with the intention to be beneficiaries*, mme gompiano ba boetse mo malwapeng a bone, dipodi tseo di foo fela. Ba a ne le bone ba ithaopa gore ba ye *to clean, feed them*, mme tota ba a bo ba dira jaana gape le yone *equipment* e le gore wena ofisi ya gago e a ba letlelela gore ba ka bo ba tsena gone mo dihokong tseo tsa tsona, ga ba na le fa e

le sepe, ba tsena ka diaparo tsa bone. Ba rile ke go kope *Honourable Minister* gore e lebelele, o boele fa go bone, o ba neele dipodi tseo ka gore tota *it was supposed* gore fa ba sena go rututshiwa ka dipodi tseo tsa mashi, ba bo ba ka di neelwa, e bo e ka nna one mananeo. Ke kopa gore lenaneo le le tswewele *Honourable Minister*.

Kgosi Chilakotsa More le Mokhanselara Malaki Maphala, ba kgaolo ya Tsetseng, ba re ke go kope gore o ba fe tetla fela gore ba kope *services* mo Kang tsa *vet*, because go tswa mo Tsetseng go ya Kang *is* 30km, go ya Letlhakeng kwa ba tshwanetseng gore ba tseye teng, *it is* 170km. Ba re ka gore Rre Ramogapi o ba letleletse go ba siela metsi mo Kang le Rre Motshegwa, ba tsaya *services* tsa *clinics* kwa Kang, a mme gone le fa magodimo a ne a ka wa, fa o ka ba letlelela fela gore le tsone tseo, ba kope *permits* mo Kang ka gore le dikgomo tsa bone di rekiwa mo Kang? Ke gore *they sell* ba bo ba reka le dijo tsa dikgomo mo Kang, gore go nne *functional* fela mo go bone. Ba ne ba re ke go kope jalo *Honourable Minister* gore ba go eme nokeng, mme fela ka tsweetswee, ba kopa *those* fela mo go wena.

Sengwe se ke neng ke re ke fete ka sone gape, kgang ya gore morafe wa Kgalagadi North fa ke ntse ke tshwara diphuthego, ba re go na le pina e e opelwang ke ba *land board*, ba lapisitswe ke gore sengwe le sengwe se tsewa kwa Tsabong. Gompiano *Honourable* Tokyo Modise e setse e le Mopalamente, ke tswe koo ke bo ke ntsha *land board* ya bone ke e busetsa kwa Kgalagadi South. A bereke ka ya gagwe, le nna ke bereke ka ya me mo kgaolong ya me *because* Kgalagadi Land Board, golo mo ga go ba berekele sentle gotlhelele.

Mo godimo ga moo, lephata la gago la *land board* ga le beye ditsha, meraka, eng, mathata a bone ba bua gore ba na le *problem* le Deeds le Surveys. Fa o sena go tsaya setsha, ba se isa kwa Deeds *for approval*. Dikgang tse ke tsone tse di dirang gore ba se ka ba bereke sentle. Ke rile ba e tlise kwa go nna ka gore ke lepolotiki ke tle ke e role mo go wena. Gongwe bone ba tshaba *promotions* go ka e rola mo go wena, nna *promotion* ke setse ke fetile ka yone. Ke re ke fete ka kgang eo.

Barui ba Kang ba re lephata la gago la *Land Board* le ne la dira moalo wa dipolase mo merakeng ya bone gore di ka dirwa jang. Fa ba ne ba filwe tetla ya gore ba ka di teratelela, go ne go ka ba thusa. Go ne go ka thusa mo kgannyeng ya gore fa go le *Foot and Mouth*, at least di bo di le *within the area* ya dipolase le meraka ya bone. Ba ne ba re ke go kope *Honourable Minister* gore o ba letlelele ba kgone go teratela meraka ya bone.

Honourable Minister fa ke go leboga e bile ke go ema nokeng ke re tse ke di buileng tse, ke tsone tse di ka re thusang gore go se ka ga nna le *any delay in allocation*, especially fa e le gore *office* ya *land board* e ka fiwa marapo a gore go nne le *land board* mo Kang.

E bile gape o ye go aga *office* e nngwe ya Deeds kwa Kgalagadi North ka gore go raya gore di pedi fela, ke Gaborone le Francistown. Aga e nngwe kwa Kgalagadi North gore e tle e kgone go thusa dikgaolo tse di ka kwa. A le kalo, mme ke boele morago. Tanki.

MR GARE (MOSHUPA-MANYANA): Ke a leboga *Madam Chairperson*, gore o bo o mphile sebaka gore ke akgele mo *chapter* e. Ga ke itse gore go ka dirwa jang *Madam Chairperson*, ke lebeletse gore re le lefatshe re aperwe ke leru la matshosetsi a matshelo a Batswana. Re lebeletse gore gompiano jaana re mo kgannyeng ya Tlhako le Molomo, re dikile re sa lema mme tumelo ya me ke gore kana *if* go na le sengwe se se ka nnang matshosetsi *to* matshelo a Batswana, *anything that can be a threat to national security* ke tlala. Fa o lebelela *budget* e ya lona, ga e *clear* gore a e ipaakanyeditse gore tse re belaelang go re sitlhamela, e ka kgona go re thusa.

Ke simolola ka kgang ya lefatshe *Madam Chairperson*, re na le kgwetlho lefatshe lotlhe ka bophara. Fa ke lebelela mo pegong ya ga *Minister* o supa gore *he has surveyed* 444 000 *plots* lefatshe lotlhe ka bophara. Kana go raya gore *per village*, *it is about* 84 *plots*. Tse di *approved* di 12 416, *translating to* 13 or 23 *plots per village*. Fa o lebelela *waiting lists* tsa rona, motse fela o monnyennyane o o tshwanang le Pitseng o na le *waiting list* ya bo 13 000. Go raya gore go santse go tlile go nna le seemo se se thata sa gore re kgone go rarabolola mathata a mangwe a a neng a bua ka one a go neela batho ditsha tsa bonno.

Se ke neng ke batla go se bua mo go tsa temo ke lebeletse nako ya me e nnyennyane e ke e filweng, ke ne ke supile gore re na le kgwetlho ya leuba le ke belaelang gore le teng, ka ntata ya go tlhoka go lema le dikgwetlho tsa seemo sa loapi. Mo bonnyennyang jwa *budget* e, se se tshwenyang ke gore le ene Motlotlegi Dikoloti o a itse gore *we budget for production but* ga re a kgaoganyetsa *production roads*. O a itse gore kwa kgaolong ya gagwe go na le tsela e e tswang kwa Mmathethe e ya kwa Bray, ke ya *production*. Go na le tsela e e tswang kwa Moshupa e ya kwa Pitseng, e e tswang kwa Seherelela e ya Sesung, e e tswang kwa Mosepele e ya Sesung, *these are production areas*. Fa pula e nele kana e sa na ga go tsamaege *but* ra re *we can be able to be self-sufficient*.

MR HIKUAMA: *On a point of procedure.* Gongwe ga re a utlwa sentle, o kare *Mr Chairperson* o ne a re o ya go bitsa *Minister* ka 1825 hours, mme ke bona o e kgaola o mo neela *two minutes*. Ke latlhegile go se kaenyana. Gongwe o ka re tsenya mo dinakong.

MADAM CHAIRPERSON: Let me clarify; Minister responds *ka* 1755 hours, that is why Honourable Gare *a tsere* three minutes and the question will be put at 1814 hours. Continue Honourable Gare. *Le e tshalogantse* Honourable Members?

MR GARE: Go setse 21 *seconds*. Ke ne ke batla go bua gore kgang e ya *productions roads*, ke kopa fa re ya kwa pele *Madam Chairperson*, re di kgaoganye le ditsela tse re di kgaoganyetsang madi nako le nako ka gore fa gongwe go dia gore re kgone go dira tse re tshwanetseng go di dira *to produce* dijo. Ka go tlhoka lesego, ke ne ke filwe *three minutes* batho betsho.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Murmurs)...

MADAM CHAIRPERSON: Order! Honourable Members. I now call the Honourable Minister to respond to the debate.

ACTING MINISTER OF LANDS AND AGRICULTURE (DR DIKOLOTI): Nte ke go leboge *Madam Chairperson*. Ke lebogele kgothatso le megopolo e batlotlegi ba re e neetseng re le lephata gore re tle re nonofe, re kgone go isa ditlamelo kwa Batswaneng.

Madam Chairperson, kgang e ya Metsimotlhabe ke e e leng gore Mopalamente wa Kgaolo ya Metsimotlhabe Motlotlegi Manyeneng e fa tlase ga pelo ya gagwe thata. Ke kgang e a nngang a e bua kgapetsakgapetsa ya gore go na le bomaipaafela kwa Mmopane. E mo tshwentse thata. Ke dumela gore bodiredi, e re ntswa ke ne ka go sebetse wena le Motlotlegi Barongwang gore go na le thulaganyo e nngwe e re nang le yone ya go dupa dikgang tse mo go tseneletseng, ke a bona gore fa le buisa diphuthago, ba le tshwenya thata ka gore o kare ga ba bone sepe se diragala. Ke dumela gore se tlaa diragala. *Madam Chairperson*, magotswana a lefatshe le ga ke itse gore a motho wa teng o robala sentle. Legale ke dumela gore sengwe se tlaa siama.

Madam Chairperson, banana e le tshwanelo ya bone ba tshwanetse ba abelwa lefatshe. Ke sone se o bonang ke na le dibeke ke bua thata gore re le Puso re tlile ka monagano o mosha. Fa o gakologelwa sentle, ngogola ke ne ke bua kgapetsakgapetsa ka *the third-generation land*

delivery process. Ke buile thata ka yone ke e atolosa. Sekai; kwa Digawana re tswa kgakala re itse gore mo tlase ga malwapa, go na le masaka. Ke tsamaela kwa kgannyeng ya gore fa gongwe meraka e tswa kgakala e re belege fa gongwe re le *cold storage* mme nako e tlile ya gore re akanye gore tota ra reng ka yone. Ke dumela thata gore se re leng mo go sone *through the land lab*, se tlaa rarabolola dikgang tse. Kgang e tona ke go itse gore lefatshe ga le gole, dikgatlhago tsa tiriso lefatshe di a gola. Go raya gore jaaka re tlaabo re ntse re aba jalo, re tshwanetse *to create that balance*.

Ke dumalana le wena thata *Madam Chair* gore le sone setlankana se re se ntshang, se ntse se ntse jalo, go raya gore re se tokafatse le go feta. Fa motho a re o ya Water Utilities kana Power, go tlholwe gore a se ga se sone, ke sa maitirelo. Dilo tse ke dikgakololo tse di tlang. Re bua thata ka *digitalisation*, re batla go tla ka maranyane ka tsela e e tseneletseng tota. Ke dumela gore dikarabo tsa dikgang tse di tlaa nna tsone gore Mopalamente wa kwa Metsimotlhabe a kgone gore le ene a buise diphuthago le bone ba mo utlwa, ba bonana.

MR MOROLONG: *Clarification.* Ke a go leboga Tona. Ke ne ke re mo kgannyeng e o e buang gore fa gongwe fa motho a ya fa Lephateng gongwe le tshwana le la Metsi go kopa *service* teng, a ka fa o ithulaganyang ka teng, ga o tle ka lenaneo la gore le fa a sa tshola setlankana ka sebele, ga o dire gore maphata a kgone a buisane ka maranyane ka ditlankana gore fa re bula mo *system* ya rona ya metsi re bona setlankana sa boammaaruri sa gago le fa o sa se tshola ka seatla, motho a bo a thusiwa?

MR HIKUAMA: *Clarification.* Ke a leboga Tona. Fa re boela fa morago mo *policy* e le neng le tsamaya le e rekisa ya temothuo, le ne le bua thulaganyo e e neng e rokotsa pelo, bogolo jang batho ba tshwana le rona jaana ba re ruelang kwa Ngamiland. Le ne le bua ka go sireletsa mafudiso gore re se ka ra lwela tiriso ya lefatshe la mafudiso le *other major economic activities*. Fa ke lebelela, ke ne ke solofetse gore o a simolola mo *budget* e. Gongwe *you should put a moratorium* wa gore *areas* tse dingwe tsa temo *like ranches* jaaka bo Hainaveld, le a ba sireletsa *because these encashments* tsa bo *mining and other things* di ya go feletsa e le gore barui, ga go na fa ba leng teng mme Tautona o bua ka *to raise* dipalo tsa 1.7 to 5 million cattle. Le fa re sena lefatshe re tseelwa ke *mines*, a mme re ka goroga kwa dipalong tseo?

DR DIKOLOTI: Ke a leboga *Madam Chairperson*. Ke dumela gore Mopalamente wa Metsimotlhabe o ne a bua gape le ka go abela dikereke ditsha. Ke dumela

gore ke thulaganyo e re e lebeletseng thata *Madam Chairperson*. Go ntse go na le thulaganyo e re nang le yone ya go aba ditsha tsa dikereke. Go ntse go na le *this tendering system* e re neng re bapatsa ba bo ba tla ba ikopela. Tota jaaka ke bua, lefatshe ga le gole, dikgatlhego tsa tiriso lefatshe tsone mme di a gola. Re tshwanetse go batla tsela ya gore re *strike balance* fa kae. Ke dumalana le wena gore dikgwetlho tse re nang le tsone di tlhokana le dikereke, di tlhokana le tumelo, di tlhokana le gore barongwa ba Modimo ba kgone go nna ba re atumela le go feta.

Fa re ntse re atolosa dikgang tse tsa go rokotsa madi kwa a leng teng, bogolo jang a phetogo ya loapi, ke dumela gore banana ba Metsimotlhabe le Mmopane re se ka ra ba ntsha ka lesa legolo. Kana ba bangwe ba bone ba ruetse kwa Mokatako kana kae, e tlaa re ba ntse ba *benefit* jaana, ba tlaa boela gae ba ye go bua gore nnyaa mme re ja sengwe kwa Tsabong jaaka re tlaabo re ntse re akola mananeo a.

Honourable Morolong o bua kgang e e tshelang, ke mogopolo, re batla go ya gone koo gore se kgone gore e nne sengwe se e leng gore motho ga a ka ke a *tamper* le sone motlhofo, se kgone go nna *very, very authentic*.

Ke dumalana le wena Motlotlegi Hikuama, re ne re santse re le mo motlhaleng one oo, re a dumalana gore re sireletse mafudiso. Re a dumalana gore re batle ka tsela yotlhe go bona gore mo go tlhokang go gola ga lefatshe mme dikgatlhego tsa tiriso ya lefatshe di gola, re *strike balance* eo jang. Nna le wena re dumalane gore kwa bo Hainaveld kwa, ke mangwe a mafelo a e leng gore barui bale ba Ngami ba tshwanetse go ntsha dikgomo. Gakere o a itse gore mme e bile re na le kakanyo ya gore kgang e ya *compartmentalisation* re bone gore re dira jang gore le bone ba kgone *to access market* tse di tlhwatlhwa kgolo gore ba se ka ba nna ba beilwe fela ka fa mosing.

Ke dumalana thata le Motlotlegi Bogolo, o ne a bua gore re tswelele re ntse re kgaratlha. O a dumela gore lefatshe ga le gole mme dikgatlhego tsa tiriso ya lefatshe di a gola. Re dumela thata gore le boranyane fa bo ntse bo tla, le bone ba bo *solar* fa re ntse re ba neela, ba akanye gore ga e nne *solar* fela, e nna *solar* le sengwe. Jaaka re bona fa BUAN fale ba akantse ka botlhale jwa gore *solar* ka fa tlase ga yone ba bo ba kgona go tla ba lema. Dilo tse di tlaa re thusa gore lefatshe fa le leng teng mo go tlhokeng go gola ga lone, tiriso ya lone e gole thata mme re kgone go nna le tse dintsi tse di ka tlang.

Go neela *communities* ke selo se re se eletsang, re a se batla, re tlaa tswelela re ntse re se rera. Ke utlwile thata o buelela Motlotlegi Digwa ka kgaolo ya gagwe gore *communities* di tshwere jang. Ke kile ka buisa phuthego kwa Rakops, ba ntshitse maikutlo a bone thata le gore ba ka bereka jang le rona re le lephata gore re tshwaragane. E bile nako ya teng Digwa, ke ne ka ba senkela mmaraka gakere golo fale? Re ne ra dumalana le ka dimmaraka gore ba kgone *to access all these lucrative markets*. Ke batho ba ba ntshang dinawa, ba a lema mo *clusters* tsa bone, ba a tshwaragana, ba leka go phamphamolola *market* o. Ke dumalana le bone, *we will get more organised* jaaka ke ne ke bua gore re batla *to cluster* batho go ya ka *commodity* gore kwa bofelong ba kgone go phunyeletsa dimmaraka tse di tona ba kgone go nna le letseno.

Kgang ya BOTSAT-1 fa go na le badirisi ba ba tona ba yone, ke *Lands and Agriculture*. *All our experts* kwa *Lands* ba tlhokana le *data that is generated by BOTSAT-1* gore ba bone gore ba dira botlhale jang jwa go aba lefatshe. Re e tlhoka thata kwa *Agriculture*. *When it comes to even agric insurance, we need a lot of this data to make sure* gore re a e dirisa. Re eletsa gore *farmers* tsa rona ba kgone go ungwelwa thata.

Ke go utlwile Motlotlegi wa Boteti East. Ga ke itse gore a ga a go sebetse gore ke mo neetse Rraetsho Oke, *who is facilitating him, he is a planner*. Ke ene *Director* wa *Planning*. O mo thusa ka matlhale a teng, ba tlhakanya matlhale a bone gore kwa bofelelong batho ba ba kwa Letlhakane ba kgone go nna le dipoelo tse di siameng. Botshelo bo nne teng, banana ba se ka ba sia kwa ba ya ditoropong, golo koo go kgone go nna le itsholelo e e fetlhlweng.

Motlotlegi Gobotswang, ke go lebogile thata go bo o tlhalosa thata ka dikgang tsa *import substitution* gore re tshwanetse go dira jang. Ke dumela gore batho ba kwa Sefhare kwa ba ne ba go utlwa sentle. Ke itse gore re na le thulaganyo e e tseletseng, o motho yo o a tleng o tle kwa go rona mme re rere ka magapu. Ga ke itse gore a o ba boleletse ka dipatlisiso tse re di dirang fa NARDI fale gore re lemile magapu a a farologanyeng a e leng gore mo teng re tlaabo re *test* bosukiri jwa one, go ntsha matute mo go one le go ntsha dipeo mo go one. Re bo re netefatsa gore dikgaolo ka go farologana di atolosa dipatlisiso tseo gore Batswana ba kgone nna le dipoelo. Ke legapu le e leng gore fa go padile le ka mpa la go fa magapu a le *five*. Golo moo ke selo se se tseletseng se nna le wena re se dumalanang gore *indeed*, bontsi

jwa ditshwetso tse re di tsayang di setswe morago ke dipatlisiso tse di tseneletseng tse e leng gore le wena o paki ya teng. E bile nna le wena re a itse gore *there is a lot of work that is being done* kwa Sebele *to separate meters*. O itse thata fela gore golo kwa go ntse go sa nna sentle mme o a bona fela le wena gore re dira ka mo go tseneletseng. Tswelela o ntse o gakolola fa o bona fa gongwe fa go tshwanetseng go dirwa go sa dirwa. Ke tsaya gore golo moo ke thulaganyo fela e e siameng.

Ke dumalana thata le kgang e o e buang ya gore lona le le kwa BCP le *propose* eng *in terms of one stop shop*, ga go molato. Tswelelang le lebeletse gore re dira eng mo BETP mo *the land lab*. Ke tsaya gore go tswelela o reetsa o ntse o *converse* le nna o tsaya *notes*, go tlaa go thusa gore o tswelela o *shape that which you are thinking is right*. *That which we are doing*, ke sengwe se re dumelang gore *will indeed deliver this third-generation land delivery process*. Ke dumela thata *because go intense* mo teng, ga go buiwe dikakanyetso, go buiwa dipalo, dilo tse di diragalang.

Re a tsaya re a sila, mme *already from the war room* re setse re simolotse go bona maduo. *Land lab* ke ne ke go bolelela gore *war room* e tsene ka 23rd February go di 1 tsa ga March. *Land lab* ke ne ke bua mo *speech* gore e kopane ka 23rd go di 1 March, mme ke itumelela gore mo *seven days* o setse o batla maduo tota gore o a ntia, ke a go utlwa gore wareng. Golo moo ke tsaya gore o bua jaaka bontsi jwa batho ba e leng gore ga ba a bolo go babalelwa ke go tlhoka go nna teng ga ditsha.

Lumpy skin e teng e tlhagogile lefatshe lotlhe ka bophara. Ke batla go le bolelela bakaulengwe, bangwe ba ntse ba tla kwa go nna ka bongwe ka bongwe, ke le gakolole gore *lumpy skin*, kopang *farmers* ba ikopanye *because vaccine* ya teng e a tura. *There has been shortage* ya *global supply* ya *lumpy skin*. *Vaccine* ya teng e a tura, ke kopa gore le kopanye *farmers* le bo le tla go mpona lona batlotlegi ke tle ke le gakolole gore le dire jang go feta gore le kgone *to access this vaccine*. Ga ke tshabe gore ke le thuse go feta gore le kwa e leng gore fa gongwe *you cannot have access to procure there, because I am a registered vet and I can procure elsewhere*, ke ka le thusa gore le kgone *to access it* gore kwa bofelelong, barui ba lona ba kgone go thusega. Ke dumela gore *supply last week... (Inaudible)... this week more outlets are expecting the supply*. Se se botlhokwa ke gore re se ka ra nna re kenta fa bolwetse bo setse bo tlhagogile. Re tshwanetse gore re itse gore e nna e le teng. Ke itse gore Motlotlegi Motsamai ke dikgang tse a di buang gore kwa Kgalagadi ba ne ba sa e tlwaela. Gape re tlaa nna re ntse re le rotloetsa re le ba...

MR DIGWA: *Elucidation Madam Chairperson*. Ke a leboga *Madam Chairperson*. Tona Dikoloti ke lebogela gore o bo o mphile. Ke gakologelwa gore o ne o bua le nna maloba, ka go bolelela ka *lumpy skin* ka fa e tlhasetseng ka teng, mme o ntsha dikgakololo tse o di buang tse. E rile ke ntse ke le gone kwa bangwe batho ba Boteti ba bo ba tla kwa go nna ba mpolelela gore ba ne ba dira tekeletso nngwe ya kalafi ya *lumpy skin before* bolwetse jo bo tlhagoga jwa gompieno, ba re ne ba dirisitse selo se re neng re sa solofela gore se ka dirisiwa. Ba tsere paente ya Shake yotlhe...

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Laughter!)

MR DIGWA: ... o e tshelela kgomo e e nwa, o bo o tshelela e nngwe paente yotlhe, ba re morago ga moo, dintlho tsele a bo di nyelela tsotlhe. Jaanong ke raya gore gongwe le tseye Shake le e lekeletse le lona le bone gore a le ka e *recommend* mo bathong *because* e setse e supile gore e a bereka. Ke a leboga.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Laughter!)

DR DIKOLOTI: Motlotlegi, ke tsaya gore mogopolo o ba o dirang wa go nosa kgomo Shake ga se sebe, *even in veterinary because* Shake e na le sengwe mo go yone se e reng fa o se nosa seruiwa se se nang le mogodu e bo e dira *activation* ya *rumen microbes*. Kana go raya gore se ba se dirang gongwe ke kgang fela ya *to boost immune system*. Go na le malwetse a mangwe a e leng gore fa gongwe fa podi e ole, re kgona go go raya re re *either you give it yoghurt or* sengwe sa go tshwana le seo. Le se ka la mo tshaga thata... (Interruptions)... ba na le mogopolo. *He is not really far off*.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Murmurs)...

DR DIKOLOTI: Ke dumalana thata le gore Rre Gobotswang ke tsaya gore ke tlhalositse A Di Tsale thata. *It is a third-generation extension service programme*. *Indeed*, o a dumalana le fa o ne o e tla o ikganetsa mo teng gore AI *despite the fact that it improves the quality but with AI, you are bound to have your higher conception rate and all that and thus increasing the number of your animals*. *All that which we need*, ke go netefatsa gore mme fa kgomo e e diga namanyane, e a gola go fitlhelela e tla go tsena kwa mmarakeng.

Dikgang tsa go kenta, fa o ka ela tlhoko nako e neng Puso e kenta, e ne e kentela malwetse a e leng gore ke *zoonotic*. Ga re a emisa go kenta. *All what we are doing is you can access the vaccine* o bo o tsamaya o ya go ikentela. Le dumalana le nna lotlhe gore *the cost* jaaka

nne Lesedi a bua gore ke kolota batho. Ke kolota madi a a seng kana ka sepe a *overtimes*, ke amogetse, re a kolota tota, *but we do not have a budget to pay. Every time we get something* re nna re ntse re kotopisa. Fa gongwe fa *farmers* di ka ikemela ka dinao, ke kopa ba re thuseng. *I know farmers are able to do that.* Fa *vaccine* e le teng a ba nne ba tseye ba kgone go nna ba ntse ba tsamaya ba ya go kentela *those zoonotic diseases*. E bile tse re neng re di kentela Gobotswang ke tsone bo pholotso, kwatsi jalojalo. Ke dumela gore fa re ka tswela re bereka mmogo, *we will be able to win this battle.*

Lemang Dijo, *we are very clear* ka Lemang Dijo; *it is a production-based programme.* Re tswa kwa re neng re ntse re le teng. Le ka bua thata, jaaka o ne o ntse o bua Motlotlegi Gobotswang gore go ne go lemiwa bokae, *but mpoletela* gore go ne go ntshiwa (*produce*) bokae *per hectare. That is where we need to have that conversation.* Gompiano kwa re yang teng re batla go netefatsa gore *our production is right.*

Ke dumalana le lona gore ga go na jaaka re ka tswela re ntse re lema fa gongwe re ntse re lebile gore Modimo nthuse pula e ne. Fa gongwe pula e a na jaaka yo mongwe a ne a bua, e bo e re kganela gore re ye go lema. Fa gongwe fa o sena go nna o ntse o lema e a na, *it washes away even your fertilizer.*

Ke dumalana gore re tswetse, Motlotlegi Vice President (VP) *has been doing a lot of travelling*, o kopane thata le African Development Bank, ba tsile kwa go rona. Sengwe se se ka bong se diragetse *many years ago* kwa Pandamatenga, *it is something that we are considering now* gore re oketse kana re atolose *our water harvesting. There is a feasibility study that African Development Bank is working with us* gore re tle re se dire re atolose *our water harvesting*, mme re atolose gape go bona gore *how do we avail more water for production. One of our priorities* gompiano e ne e le gore le matamo re a atolose thata gore re nne le *water for production* re kgone go lema, go nosetsa re na le taolo ya gore fa re lema re dira jang gore re kgone go ntsha ditswatwemong. Ke dumalana le lona.

Within Lemang Dijo, o reetse fa ke ne ke bua ka *apiculture*, gore re simolotse go nna le koketsego ya go robiwa ga *honey*. E bile ke dumela gore fa re ka wela ka fa re eletsang ka teng, *we will have many boxes* tse di tlaa felelang di neetswe *all the districts*. Le di lebeleleng, le lona Mapalamente ke batla go le rotloetsa gore le ithekeleng dinotshi, le simololeng go rua ka gore o a itse gore *honey* Gobotswang, e bile o le ngaka e e dirang

ka dijo, ka diphaphatha jalojalo, e botlhokwa jang go thibela malwetse a mangwe. *Let us all encourage each other* gore we get into this industry motlotlegi gore kwa bofelong re kgone...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Procedure Madam Chairperson.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Laughter!)

DR DIKOLOTI: Ke a a ntsha *Madam Chairperson*, ke batla gore ke tle ke tswela.

DR GOBOTSWANG: *Procedure Madam Chairperson. Madam Chairperson*, kana rre yo *is a professional*, o a itse gore *nutrition has nothing to do with* diphaphatha. Jaanong kgang e ba nna ba e boelela fela, mme ke ne ke ithaya ke re dikgang tse re di buang re le kwa teeng, ka gore ke a tle ke mmitse ngaka ya dipeba le dikatse kwa teeng, *but* ga ke ka ke ka bua mo Palamenteng ke le *serious* fela ke *debate. Thank you, Madam Chairperson.*

MADAM CHAIRPERSON: *Honourable* Dikoloti a ko o se ka wa rumolana.

DR DIKOLOTI: Nnyaa, re fetile ka tsone. Ke tsaya gore o a tlhaloganya o tlaa tswela a ntse a nthusa. Ke a dumalana, *Honourable* Gobotswang re kolota *fences*, diterekere, madi ga a yo mme re tswetse re a buisana go bona gore kwa bofelong re felela re thusa Batswana jang ka gore ba tshwanetse gore ba kgone go felela ba na le thuso. Ke santse ke *respond* motho wa boraro. Ke santse ke na le ba bantsi ba ba akgetseng ba ba batlang gore ke tle ke ba fetole.

Motlotlegi Sedombo ke leboga thata barui ba kwa kgaolong ya gago. Ke bangwe ba ba tshwaraganeng thata, ba eme ka dinao tota go baakanya terata. Golo mo o re ba go lebogetse thata. Ke itse gore le kwa Kgalagadi ba tshwere thata. Ke raya ka gore ke wena yo o neng o e buile re batla gore re tshware fela jalo.

Ya *lumpy skin* ke rile a re nneng re kopaneng, ba bue le bakenti, fa go pala ba bue le Motshegwa. *BVI is also exploring* go bona gore *where can we get a lot of these LSD* re tle re kgone gore Batswana ba e bone, fa gongwe e bile e le *affordable*. Ke itumelela gore o rata lenaneo la One Country One Priority Product (OCOP). Ke a itse gore kwa Tonota le a rutana, le a lema ditapole, le atoloseng golo moo ka gore lenaneo le fa le ka kapa sentle ka fa re bonang le kapa ka teng, Batswana ba tlaa tswa mo lehumeng.

Motlotlegi Maele o ntshitse dikgakololo. Ke dumela gore *Honourable* Lekutlane le bone *Press Release* e ntšha e e neng e tlhofofatsa metsamao. Ke dumela gore golo moo go kgonegile ka go itetla ga Batswana, gore ba reetse ba *veterinary*. Gore mo botlhokong, go ne go se monate gore fa gongwe jaaka o ne o bua, le bo le le mo mathateng le palelwa ke go tlhaba. Ba itshokile, mme go itshoka ga bone go kgonne go tsa le tshepho mo mebarakeng ya rona go bona gore nnyaa mme ba, fa ba tla go tsema mo taolong ya matlhoko a leruo ba a tshwaragana, ba itse botlhokwa jwa kgomo. Golo mo go felela go re thusa.

Ke dumalana thata le Rre Maele, o ne a gakolola gape ka *branding* gore re simolole go tshwaya *the ranch fed animals* jang. Re tlaa tswelela ka gore mo puong ya me, ke ne ke atolosa thata gore re ipakanya jang mo go atoloseng mebaraka. Ke tsaya gore mebaraka e mengwe re tlaa tswelela re ntse dira ka fa o gakolotseng ka teng mokaulengwe. *Feedlots* le tsone go na le kwa nama ya tsone re nang le dipelo tse di seng kana ka sepe mo go yone. Ke dumela gore re se ka ra kgala yo mongwe, a re amogeleng gore re tle ka ditsela tse di farologaneng tsa thuo gore re kgone *to maximise from the markets*.

BAITS ke nngwe e e re letlelelang gore re kgone *to access the markets*. Jaaka re ntse re nna le bo BAITS 3, itse gore go ne go na le *query* nngwe *from our markets to say*, sengwe fa ga se a nna sentle se baakanyeng jaana gore le kgone *to access these markets a lot better*. Ke dumela gore BAITS 3 *let us all migrate to it*, ke a itse gore *within* BAITS 3 jaanong re batla gore re kwadise le dipodi, ka gore re batla *market* wa dipodi. Sengwe se se re kgontshang botoka ke gore, *our product is traceable*, golo mo go fa *the consumers the confidence* gore ba tle ba bone gore golo mo go tsamaya sentle.

Ke a itse thata Motlotlegi Ookeditse gore dikgang tsa thuo, le di tshwere sentle kwa kgaolong ya lona ka fale. Tswelela o ntse o ba rotloetsa motlotlegi, ba tshwaragane thata. Kgang ya *infrastructure* ke nna ke bua thata le Motlotlegi Salakae le Mothusi wa gagwe, gore tota *we need to privatise infrastructure development*. Tota *production roads* ga di yo, *it is very painful*. Se ke simolotseng go se bua, ke dumela gore *Honourable* Mosanana le *Honourable* Phologolo ba tlaa e nthusa kwa ga Ngwaketse kwa. Fa o ka lebelela madi a a dirisitsweng mo balemi baruing ka fale, *just in one fertiliser is a lot of money*. Dikoloi tse di tsamayang mo tseleng e di e senyetsa ruri, e ke batlang gore le nthuseng gore re thuse balemi-barui gore re bone gore re tsaya sengwe jang mo bathong ba, ka gore...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Elucidation.

DR DIKOLOTI: Tanki.

MADAM CHAIRPERSON: Elucidation Honourable Mosanana.

MR MOSANANA: *Point of elucidation*. Ke a go leboga *Madam Chairperson*, ke a go leboga mogwe wa me, ke go utlwa sentle. Diemo tse di leng teng ka fa kgaolong ya rona ka fa *Honourable Minister*, go na le tsela e ke dumelang gore o a e itse tota, tsela ya Selokolela-Lorolwane e e leng *a production road*, mme seemo sa yone tota gotlhelele ga se jese diwelang. Ke ba reile ka re nako e o yang kwa ba se ka ba e gopa, gore o tle o e utlwe sentle o bo o e gakologelwa. Batho ba *south rra* ba re o bege (*declare*) leuba, ka gore kgaolo e e leuba ga go a lengwa gotlhelele. *Thank you sir*.

DR DIKOLOTI: Ke a leboga, ke dumela ka Labone go na le RDC, which is chaired by the Vice President (VP). *It is the one that facilitates* gore kgantele go bo go felela go na le *declaration* ya leuba.

Kgang ya tsela e o e buang ke tsela e ke tsamaileng thata ke le Mopalamente ka fale, ke itse botlhoko le monate wa yone. Ke dumela gore nako e tsile ya gore re bue ka lentswe le lengwe fela, ka kgang ya *production roads*. *These production roads are not a favour, it is a must for farmers to facilitate production*. Fa o batla *agriculture to contribute 6 to 10 per cent, we need to make sure that we act on these roads*. *We need to facilitate production, my farmers* ba tlhokana le motlakase. Ga o ka ke wa nna o ntse kgantele o baya mo moriting, kgantele o sa itse gore a o katele ka motlhaba gore go tswelole go le tsididi, motlakase o tshwanetse gore o nne teng. *We need to make sure that we facilitate our farmers*, gore kwa bofelong dilo tse di kgonagale.

Madam Chairperson, ke utlwile bakaulengwe ka tsa *land board*. Ke dumela gore jaaka le ntse le botsa dipotso, ke itse gore kwa Molepolole e kare le bone ba tsibogile ka go tlhoka go thusa batho. Fa gongwe fela *to communicate* gore tlang, bayang batho, o kgona go bona gore *already there is action*. Ga se kwa Molepolole fela, le kwa gaNgwaketse o a bona gore *land board* ya teng e simolotse go thanya go feta. Ba simolotse *to communicate*, gore re solofeleng kwa Mmathethe, kamoso re solofeleng kwa kae. Ya Borolong, mongwe le mongwe o simolotse go ema ka dinao.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Clarification.

MADAM CHAIRPERSON: Honourable Khan.

MR KHAN: *Point of clarification.* Ke utlwa ka fa *land boards* di simolotseng ka teng, le kwa Molepolole re na le dingwaga di le dintsi, jaanong gompiano re simolotse go bona makwalo. Kamoso go biditswe *meeting* kwa Magokotswane kwa Molepolole North, gore batho ba ya go simolola go bewa. Phakela gape re simolotse go bona makwalo go kwalelwa batho gore ba ya go bewa jaana. A o raya jalo gore le kwa Molepolole re solofele gore *waiting list* ya 30, 000 o simolotse go e fokotsa Tona?

DR DIKOLOTI: Re tshwere kgang eo *Madam Chairperson*, gore re bone gore batho ba bewa ditsha. Motlotlegi Aaron ga a bolo go batla *elucidation Madam Chairperson*, ke kopa gore ke mo neele *three minutes* e tloga e tshaya.

MADAM CHAIRPERSON: Honourable Aaron.

MR AARON: *Point of clarification.* Ke a leboga *Madam Chairperson*, ke go leboga Tona. Ke go reye ke re batho ba kgaolo ya me ba re ba leboga Modimo, gore a bo a go sireleditse maloba mo kotsing e e maswe fa o ne o tabogetse kwa North East. Ba re le bone ba go shwele, ba eletsa gore e kare fa ba nna le diemo tse di ntseng jaana wa ba bona, ka gore ga ba itse gore ke ba ga mang. Ga ba ke ba bona e re sepe fela se tthagoga ntlheng tsa bone, ba emiwe nokeng ke Tona kana *Directors*. Ke go reye ke re re leboga maiteko a o a dirang go godisa dikgomo jaaka o bua, mme re na le bothata jo bo tona kwa AI ya Nokaneng. Badiri ba teng ba bereka fela 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m, *on weekends* ga ba bereke, mo go rayang gore fa go na le diemo tse di tshwanang le gore kgomo gongwe e rophe ka *weekend*, ke gore go ile fela jalo, go raya gore di felela di boela kwa go beng ba tsone di sa kgona go ka bona se ba neng ba se solofetse mo kgomong tse di botoka. Ke go leboga Tona, ke re ke go reye ke re...

MADAM CHAIRPERSON: *Honourable* Dikoloti, o a bona nako gore e tsamaya kae. E ya go go ja o sa sutisa.

MR AARON: Ke a go leboga Tona.

DR DIKOLOTI: Thank you *Madam Chairperson*. Tota ke tle ke amogele gore kgweediso ka seatla ya ngwaga o, re nnile le *challenges* tsa madi. *We had big challenges, there was even reduction in terms of the number of cattle* tse re ntseng re na le tsone. Le bodiredi kwa, re ntse le dikgwetlho tse di seng kana ka sepe, tse ke dumelang gore ngwaga o re tlaa di baakanya gore golo mo go se ka ga tlhola go boelela. Ga se kwa Nokaneng fela, go diragetse lefatshe le lotlhe. Ga se sepe se re eletsang

gore re ka bona se diragala. O ne o utlwa ke go fa dipalo tse di fetileng, tsa ngwaga e e ka kwa ele re kgonneng go nna le dinamanyane di ka tshwara bo 3, 000, ke tlaabo ke lebile ngwaga o gore go tlaa nna jang. *The target still remains the same, we want to reach five million which I feel we will be able to do.*

Madam Chairperson, as I conclude my presentation of 2026/2027 budget proposal, I move that the sum of Two Billion, Four Hundred and Eight Million, Six Hundred and Sixty Thousand, Six Hundred and Forty (P2, 408, 660, 640) for the Recurrent Budget be approved and stand as part of...

MADAM CHAIRPERSON: *Order! Honourable Member*, bala madi gape, ga o a a bala sentle.

DR DIKOLOTI: Two Billion, Four Hundred and Eight Million, Six Hundred and Six Thousand, Six Hundred and Forty (P2, 408, 606, 640) for the Recurrent Budget be approved and stand part of the 2026/2027 Appropriation (2026/2027) Bill, 2026 (No. 1 of 2026) for head 0500 and the sum of One Billion, Seven Hundred and Seventy-Four Million, Eight Hundred Thousand (P1, 774, 800, 000) for the Development Budget be approved and stand part of the same schedule of the Appropriation for Organisation 0500. I move accordingly Madam Chairperson.

Question put and agreed to.

MADAM SPEAKER (MS MANYENENG): Honourable Members. Looking at the time I think Honourable Minister of Basic Education o tlaa tsena kamoso ka 2:45 p.m. after questions. I thank you.

Order! Order! Honourable Members. It is 6:30 p.m, I shall now call upon the Leader of the House to move a Motion of adjournment.

MOTION

ADJOURNMENT

MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INNOVATION (MR TSHERE): Madam Speaker, *ke a leboga...*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: *Nnyaa* procedure Madam Speaker.

MADAM SPEAKER: Honourable Butale, can you adjourn.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Ga e ka ke ya re go kwadilwe fela gotwe motho *is acting* o bo o mo tseela maemo.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Laughter!) ...

ACTING LEADER OF THE HOUSE (DR BUTALE): Ke a go leboga *Madam Speaker*.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS: ... (Murmurs) ...

DR BUTALE: A re reetsaneng bakaulengwe. Ke a go leboga *Madam Speaker*, kwa UDC re tshwere mmogo. Go ne go sa re sepe fela *even if he had moved* gore, nnyaa re berekile a re yeng go e khutsa. Ke a leboga.

Question put and **agreed to.**

The Assembly accordingly adjourned at 6:30 p.m. until Tuesday 3rd March, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.

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