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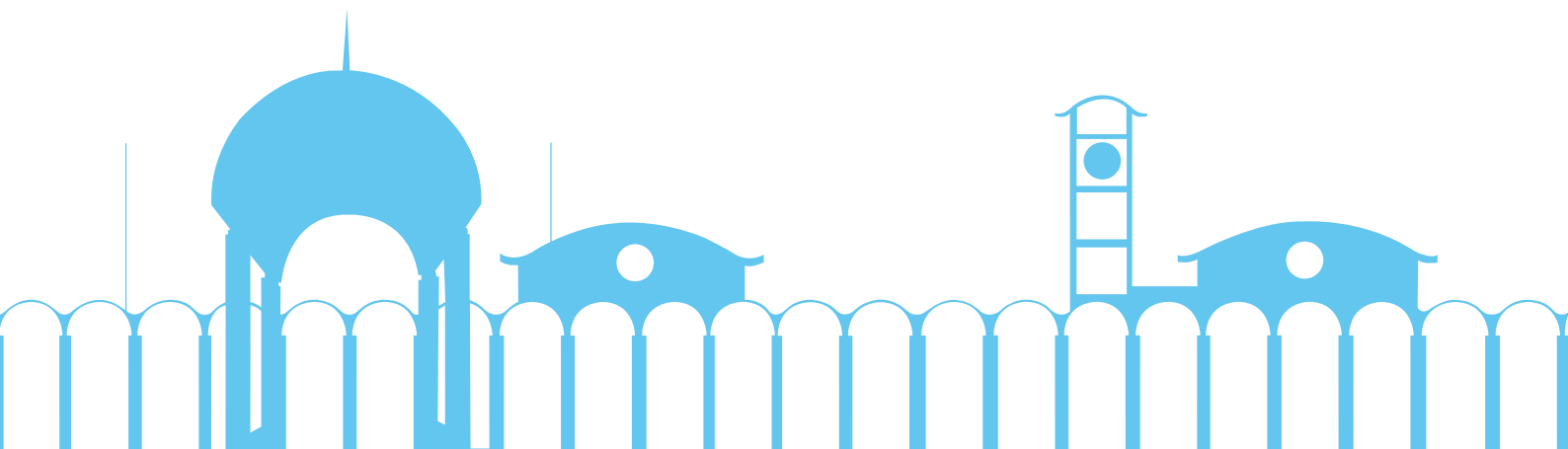
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Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2026

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):** Order! Order! Honourable Members, good afternoon. *Mma ke le leboge batlotlegi go bo le fitlhile Mmaarona*, former Speaker of the National Assembly, *Mme Mma Stompie mo mosong wa letsatsi la gompiano. Ke le lebogele gape le go simolola maabane fela kwa memorial. Ke le lebogele kemonokeng eo.*

Honourable Members, please be informed that the Business Advisory Committee met yesterday, Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2026 to consider and review the Speaker's ruling made on the 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025 on the Motion by Honourable Moatlhaleemang Moalosi, which was to propose to this Honourable House, for the Establishment of a National Software Development Hub at the University of Botswana (UB) to Develop Government-Wide Open-Source Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Systems.

If you recall Honourable Members, the Motion was amended in terms of Standing Order 47.1 to read as "Establishment of a National Software Development Hub at the Botswana Digital and Innovation Hub (BDIH) to Develop Government-Wide Open-Source Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Systems." At the meeting, the Business Advisory Committee reviewed the process undertaken to amend the Motion on the floor of the House and whether such amendment had effect of distorting Standing Order 47.2 which provides that, "No amendment to a Motion shall be permitted if it introduces a new matter or seeks to achieve a different objective than the original Motion." The Business Advisory Committee determined that by substituting the words "University of Botswana" with "Botswana Digital and Innovation Hub" had the effect of achieving a different object from the original intended Motion which was specific to University of Botswana. It therefore follows that the introduction of the "Botswana

Digital and Innovation Hub" is an introduction of a new matter. It is on this basis that I make the following determination;

- (i) Standing Order 47.2 was not adhered to.
- (ii) The Motion would be considered in its original form on Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> March 2026. The mover of the Motion will respond on the original Motion and the question will be put on the same. Honourable Members, this notwithstanding, please note that the Speaker's rulings are not appealable before the Business Advisory Committee, but in accordance with Standing Order 102.2 (b), they can be reviewed. In effect, this means that the Business Advisory Committee is cloaked with powers to assess the procedural aspects or procedure undertaken in light of our rules of order and procedure but cannot analyse the substantive merits of a ruling. Those substantive merits of a ruling are only appealable in a court of law. Please recall that the Business Advisory Committee is a not a court of law nor should it be used as one. Honourable Members, having said that, let us start the business of today questions.

**HONOURABLE MEMBERS:** ...(Applause!)

**QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER**

**MR SPEAKER:** *Batlotlegi, le lemoge gore* the first five questions were time constrained from yesterday and then from six onwards *ke di* later dates as promised yesterday with the announcement by the right Honourable Deputy Speaker. *A kere re a utlwana?*

**HONOURABLE MEMBERS:** Yes.

**MR SPEAKER:** *Yes. Go raya gore di tswelela le kamoso le Friday.* So, as I have indicated, we will dedicate a day for later dated questions every week. The three days; today, tomorrow and Friday will be for the purpose of dealing with the backlog.

**COMPLETION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWERS**

**MR S. O. MAPULANGA (CHOBE):** asked the Minister of Communications and Innovation to state:

- (i) why the telecommunications towers of Ghoha, Savuti and Mid Mababe have not been completed; and

- (ii) when his Ministry intends to complete the towers to facilitate the communication in the areas and access to information as per the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 9.

**MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INNOVATION (MR TSHERE):** Thank you Mr Speaker and good afternoon, good afternoon to the House and thank you very much Honourable Mapulanga for this question because I am very familiar with this area now having visited it recently.

- (i) Mr Speaker, the telecommunications towers in Ghoha, Savuti, and Mid Mababe were part of the Nteletsa II project, implemented in 2009 to 2012 by Botswana Telecommunications Corporation (BTC). The towers were designed to provide redundancy or backup route in case of network failures in the Nata-Pandamatenga communications link. The towers were not planned to provide services to communities residing within the park. During construction, BTC was directed by the previous administration to halt the project and explore alternative methods of linking the two areas. The administration was of the view that the towers were negatively affecting the terrain and aesthetics of wildlife parks and nature reserves. The objectives of the project were later achieved when BoFiNet deployed an underground fibre optic line along the same route connecting Maun and Kasane, rendering the towers redundant for the purpose that they were initially planned to serve.
- (ii) Mr Speaker, the completed Maun-Ngoma Bridge link connecting to Kasane serves Mababe, Savuti and Ngoma. Funds permitting in future Ghoha will be connected. In the meantime, BTC is planning to decommission the towers in question (Nyereku, Savuti and Ghoha) in the coming financial year 2026/27. Essentially, it means we are removing them. Mr Speaker, my ministry is committed to its mandate of providing accessible and affordable communications to all communities in Botswana, which aligns with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 9. Through other initiatives such as the Universal Access

and Service Fund projects and SmartBots, the ministry continues to provide connectivity to all gazetted villages in Botswana and will continue to improve connectivity in unserved areas. On that note, the Ministry of Communications and Innovation will engage with the Minister responsible for Tourism to find a delicate balance as we are aware that the Kasane-Maun route through the park has been opened to the public for normal use. Therefore, my ministry recognises the need for continuous coverage of communication services along this strategic route, especially considering the remoteness of the area. Mr Speaker, I wish to conclude by informing the house that my Ministry, in consultation with the Ministry of Tourism, will this year conduct a Needs Assessment along this route to determine how provision of communication services can be sustainably addressed. Thank you very much.

**MR MAPULANGA:** *Supplementary.* Ke a leboga Mr Speaker, tla ke go leboga Tona. Ke utlwa a re *the previous administration* e tsere tshwetso eo, mme gone go di diga jalo go amile go le kae itsholelo ya batho, ka gore re dirisa tsela ele thata. Go tswa fa Kachikau to Khwai or Mababe we need to communicate, we have had incidences Mr Speaker, whereby batho ba a timela e bile batho ba a stuck for weeks which puts them at the risk, mo ba felelang ba ka latlhegelwa ke matshelo, ke utlwa o re ne la emisa.

Sa bobedi ke gore go na le kgang ya gore le kgona go tsenya towers which blend le environment e e foo. Fa e le gore kgang ya lona e ne e le go tlogela bontle jo le neng le bo eletsa joo, le kgona go tsenya towers, ke eng le ne le sa opt gore le dirise mothale o, gona le gore le kganele tshwanelo ya batho ya communication kana ya network, ka gore ga gona network go tsena gompieno.

Ya bofelo, towers tse le di tsenyang tse, what is the standard sa range ya network? Towers tsa lona tsothe immediately 2 kilometers (kms) o e feta kana less than 5 kms, no more communication, no more network. Golo mo go baya matshelo a Botswana mo risk e e seng kana ka sepe. Le ka di atolosa jang, leng, gore gongwe radius tsa 20-30 kms e bo e santse e kgona gore e tshware to avoid go di tsenya di le dintsi, fa e le gore ke kgang ya gore le ne le protect environment jaaka e ntse? A mme ga

le ka ke la tsenya kwa Kachikau le kwa Mababe, mme di kgona to communicate? Ke a leboga Mr Speaker.

**MR TSHERE:** *Thank you, very much Honourable Speaker and Honourable Mapulanga. Ke tlhalose pele ka Setswana gore, kana se ke neng ke leka go se tlhalosa ke gore fa o tse na mo Nata go na le link ya communication e e yang kwa Maun, go bo go nna le e nngwe e e yang kwa Pandamatenga e e yang to serve Kasane. Jaanong link e a buang ka yone, e tswa kwa Kasane e bo e ralala park e ya kwa Maun. Jaanong towers tse o neng o bua ka tsone, they were meant to provide e ne e se gore they serve, e ne e le gore di dira gore fa go ka nna le mathata mo link e e tswang mo Nata e ya kwa Maun, e ka kgaoga mo tseleng, traffic yotlhe e e neng e tshwanetse go tswa mo Nata e ya Maun will be re-routed through Kasane e feta ka Ngoma, e bo e ya kwa Maun. That was the purpose e e direletsweng towers tseo. E ne e le gore fa go ka nna le communication failure, e bo e le gore we re-route traffic that side.*

Ke ne ke tlhalosa gore, re setse re tsentse fiber; jaanong fiber e, runs from Nata fela jaaka e nngwe e ya kwa Maun, e nngwe e ya kwa Nata e bo e ya go goroga kwa Pandamatenga, e bo e goroga mo Kasane. Go tsweng fa e bo e tsamaya gape through the park, re setse re tsentse communication fiber line gone koo, jaanong e ya go goroga kwa Maun. Seo se raya go reng, go raya gore fa go ka nna le a failure between Nata/Maun link go raya gore the traffic node will be re-routed through an existing fiber line e e teng. Ga gona sepe se se affected ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. You are going to continue to have communication in that area.

Jaanong e o buang ka yone ya gore gongwe re bule tse dingwe towers ke a go tlhaloganya, gore kana towers have their own range and they are specific. I remember o kile wa botsa potso e gape, on the standards tsa gore e ka cover bokae. I told you it is technology specific. Fa o ne o boditse potso ya teng fa, ke ka bo ke tla ke go fa illustration ya gore di ka nna coverage e e kae, what depends on what. I encourage you gore o tsenye potso gore ke tle ke kgone go e tlhalosetsa le Palamente e.

*In terms of improvement of connectivity along that area, north west side in general; we have had Nteletsa 2 Project, they were doing 2G site meaning is just for voice communication, no internet. This is what Botswana Telecommunications (BTC) did that side. I am happy to*

*let you know that, BTC is in the process of upgrading all those towers from 2G to 4 or 5G. What it means is now you will experience better internet connectivity along that route ya north west along the Nteletsa 2 Project. Ke yone thulaganyo e e teng.*

Maloba ke ne ke na le wena fa gare ga Kasane le Mababe, Mascom has already deployed telecommunication tower there, re e tshwaraganetse under Universal and Access Service Fund. Ke yone e ke neng ke bua ka yone maabane ke re, those type of towers, though e dirilwe ke Mascom the idea and the plan ya ministry ke gore those towers will ought to be shared so that there is Mascom, Orange and BTC in that one tower to cover exactly what you are worried about. So, you are mostly covered in Kasane. I thank you very much.

#### CLOSURE OF A COAL MINE NEAR MABESEKWA

**MR J. J. FRENZEL (SHASHE WEST):** asked the Minister of Minerals and Energy to state:

- (i) if she is aware of a coal mine that was in operation 20Kilometres from Mabesekwa along the Tonota-Mabesekwa 60 kilometres gravel road which was abruptly closed;
- (ii) the reasons behind this immediate closure;
- (iii) whether there are any considerations of re-opening the mine; if so, when; and
- (iv) what the residents of Mabesekwa will benefit from the reopening of the coal mine operations.

**ACTING MINISTER OF MINERALS AND ENERGY (MR TSHERE):** Thank you very much...

**MR AARON:** *Procedure.* Ke a leboga Mr Speaker. Ke a ikoba fela thata mme ke supe gore ke a tshwenyega o kare you are marginalizing us, bogolo jang rona the new Members of Parliament. Ke gore fa go tla gore mongwe wa rona o kare further supplementary, we never get the benefit e re e bonang o e fa ba bangwe. Please a go bonale gore o re tsaya ka tekatekanyo. Ke a leboga.

**MR SPEAKER:** Ke nna ke gokolola gore go diphatsa thata go ka tlhasela Speaker ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. O bale ditsamaiso thata Honourable Aaron, di ka go thusa thata. O simolole fela ka Standing Order 40.2 ka

*supplementaries*, e ka go thusa thata. Jaanong gone re a lekana mo Palamenteng, mme go na le ba ba fetang ba bangwe, jaaka o bona go na le *Whip* le Leader of the Opposition (LOO). *Jaaka o bona arrangement ya lona gore e fologelega jang*, ke animal farm, some are more equal, that is why we have the President as *primus inter pares*. I have noted your concern.

**MR TSHERE:** Thank you very much, I am just standing in for Honourable Kenewendo at the moment. Thank you Honourable Frenzel for the question.

Mr Speaker, there was never a commercial mine, but a very small trial pit used for bulk sample extraction under the African Energy Resource Botswana, the Sese Coal Project. The samples were utilized for power station fuel combustion testing and a trial Coal exports exercise done via through Zimbabwe and Mozambique. The pit was dug on the shallowest part of the large Sese Coal Reserve, with a Coal ultimate part of the overall resource available to fuel the expansion of Sese if the nearby Coal reserves on the Sese Mining License are exhausted to fuel power generation.

The mine was not closed as it was never opened, as a commercial mine in the first place. It was opened purely for purposes of extracting a 15,000-ton bulk sample for sampling purposes, following which it was kept open for inspection by potential investors to demonstrate the thickness of the Coal seam and its proximity to the surface. Given the well documented challenges that Sese Power faced in securing a power purchase agreement, the timeframe for the overall Sese Project has been extended. The Sese Project include the bulk sample pit due to its Coal quality, it is not suitable as a mine mouth power station. Its quality is insufficient for Coal exports, hence a Coal mine cannot be developed independently of the adjacent power plant.

The power from Sese Project was envisaged to be exported within the Southern African Power Pool, initially considering the export of 300 megawatt (MW) to a copper miner in Zambia, who was a majority joint venture partner in the Sese Coal Project at that time.

There were hindrances in these endeavours as the Zambian state power company, Zambia Electricity Supply Corporation (ZESCO), introduced a 100 MW ceiling on importation or from the independent power importers.

The 100 MW importation limit meant that the project economics became compromised, forcing the Sese Project to seek additional offtake partners.

The joint venture partner and major off-taker at that time was pressured into phasing out coal investments by its major shareholder, ultimately causing the partner to divert or divest from the Sese Project.

The project was subsequently re-acquired by African Energy Resources Botswana, and remains 100 per cent under ownership of that entity.

African Energy Resources Botswana has spent at least 24 months seeking new development partners and investors to allow development of this major project.

The mine as part of the Sese Resource and the Sese Coal to power project has long-term benefits for the community and the people of Botswana upon its materialisation. The benefits will encompass local citizen employment and general economic empowerment throughout Botswana. I thank you Mr Speaker.

**MR FRENZEL:** *Supplementary.* Ke a leboga Honourable Speaker. Ke go utlwile Honourable Minister, le ka dikarabo tse o neng o tla ka tsone tse o supileng gore gongwe ga go ise go nne le *any commercial mine* kwa Mabesekwa, mme gone go ntse jalo. Tota tsholofelo ya rona e ne e le gore, gone jaaka *project* ya kwa Sese e o sa tswang go bua ka yone, fa e ne e ya *to operate*, go raya gore re ne re ya *to benefit*, *mine* ole wa rona o ne o tlaabo jaaka o supile o thusana le wa Sese.

Potso ya me ke gore, ga go na ka fa e leng gore... jaaka o ne o bua ka ZESCO e e kwa Zambia gore gongwe e nyaditse *supply* e e tswang kwa Sese, gore a se se supa gore *mine* wa Sese le wa Mabesekwa ga go na ka fa gotlhelele di ka tlang tsa *operate* ka teng? Ke raya ke lebeletse gore, kana go ne go supile gore gongwe go ka nna le *mine*. A re ne re beile mo ZESCO, ke yone fela e e neng e ka reka kana ya dirisana le meepo ele ka bobedi? Le gore ZESCO a ke yone fela e nneng Goromente a beile mo go yone?

*The second question is...* kana golo fale go ne go setse go simolotse gongwe go... jaaka o supile *depth* ya lehuti le le neng le epilwe, le batho ba ba foo ba ne ba itse gore gongwe *mine* o teng. A lefelo leo mo nakong

ya gompiano go na le ka fa e leng gore gongwe *is protected*, ka ke a itse gore *le fenced*? Ke gore *the way it is protected* ke fa go ntseng jang, ke lebeletse gore gongwe *maybe in future* go ka tla ga nna le *mine* go ka tla *to operate*? *Information* e ke nang le yone e ne e supa gore, kana *mine* ole fa o ka tla *to operate* gongwe o ka tla *to operate for the next 50 years*. A mme go na le ka fa e leng gore gongwe *we have protected* lefelo lele, re lebeletse gongwe fa e le gore le ka tla la bereka le ka tla le thusana le la Sese mo nakong e e tlang? *Thank you*.

**MR TSHERE:** *Thank you very much. Thank you Honourable Frenzel. Mme ke tilhalose gore, kana ZESCO was a partner yo o neng a tile e le gore he/she has invested mo mining. ZESCO ka o ne a tsaya gore o tlaa tsaya motlakase that is generated, jaanong ka gore go setse go lemosegile se se lemosegileng foo gore gongwe ga se quality e e lekaneng jalojalo, mme ke tshwanetse go go fa tsholofelo gore, jaaka ba bua fa go santse go tswelsetse. We are looking for potential investors ba ba ka tlang ba bo ba re, in view of all these things rona re ka dirisa technology e e ka berekang, jaanong re setse re e bone. Ka jalo re a go tsweledisa mine o. Ga ke tseye gore all is lost, that is why gotwe, that is why it remains open gore investors di nne di tle go o tlhola.*

Se se bothokwa fela se re tshwanetseng re se tlhaloganye ke gore, kana go na le *prospecting and mining*. Jaanong *in this case... and fa gongwe Botswana ba kgona go tsaya gore fa motho...ba bangwe ke a itse gore gatwe ba kgona to mine under prospecting, jaanong fa gongwe Botswana fa ba bona go dirwa prospecting ba re ke mine. Mme e ne e se mine mo e ne e le prospecting, that is why they had to take samples tse ba ya to test them, ba ya go reng. E ne e lebege o kare ke mine fa e le gore go buiwa ka 15,000 tonnes of sample, jaanong go ne go tsietsa gone foo. Mme e ne e le ditekeletso tse di neng di dirwa koo. Ke na le tsholofelo ya gore go tlaa bonala investor yo o tla a tlang a bo a tla ka technology e sele e e neng bale ba sena yone, e e tlaa tsweledisang mine. Batho ba kwa kgaolong ya gago ba bone ditiro, le Botswana ka bophara. Ke a leboga.*

#### **BORDERS IN THE BOBIRWA CONSTITUENCY**

**MR T. B. LUCAS (BOBIRWA):** asked the Minister of Finance if there are any plans to upgrade borders in

the Bobirwa Constituency to a commercial status; and if so, to state the progress recorded so far in actualising such a plan.

**MR SPEAKER:** Let me also indicate that I think this question was supposed to be answered yesterday.

**MR LUCAS:** Yes.

**MR SPEAKER:** *Ee, jaanong* I pleaded with the Vice President (VP) to accompany me *kwa* memorial. I was supposed to have arranged...

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

**MR SPEAKER:** *Honourable* Moalosi, o tlaa ya go ikhutsa kwa ntle letsatsi la gompiano lotlhe. O tlaa tsoga o tla kamoso, *consider that as a warning*. So ke ne ke re ke rialo batlotlegi. *Honourable* Lucas, ke ne ke re ke kopele maitshwarelo kwa pele.

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

**MINISTER OF FINANCE (MR GAOLATHE):** Sorry again OomLu, but thank you for your mercies. Well, to answer your question, this matter of commercialising some or one of the border posts in your constituency is a matter that historically has been taken up with the Government of South Africa, with the South African Government turning it down. So there has been no progress. The answer is there is no progress.

However, we have recently taken it anew with Honourable Mokgware, and we have started engaging, and those engagements will continue to the binational, which is in May. We do so because we agree with you completely, because we recognise the importance of upgrading these borders into commercial border posts to support logistical supply chains that are critical for regional integration, and that we believe will act as a catalyst for economic activity and development of those communities surrounding those areas. So it has become a priority for us to actually establish where possible including Platjan border, where possible additional commercial border facilities. We are even considering Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Model for that. So it is a long answer, but the long and short of it is that, there has been little progress, but we have now anew taken it up and we are determined to convince the South African Government to come on board.

**MR LUCAS:** *Supplementary.* Ke a leboga Mothusa Tautona. Ke re a mme gone o ne oitse *the inconvenience* ya batho ba Bobirwa, *that they are suffering* ka go tlhoka *a commercial border*, bogolo jang fa o tsaya gore fa o le kwa Platjan o tshwanetse wa dirisa *border* e e kwa Martin's Drift? Ke gore re jaka *border* e e kwa Tswapong, mo e leng gore *distance* e o neng o tshwanetse go e tsamaya ya 30 km go ya *to the border* jaanong re tsamaya 250 kilometres. A o ne oitse *inconvenience* eo?

*On the other side*, fa o le kwa Mabolwe o tshwanetse go ya ka fa Zimbabwe, 30 km, o tshwanetse go tsamaya 300 km. A o ne oitse *detail* e Mothusa Tautona? Fa o setse o tsene mo teng ga Zimbabwe gape, o tshwanetse go tsamaya *another* 300 km gore o ye kwa toropong e e gaufi mo *side* ya Mabolwe, go raya gore o tsamaya 600 km fa nneng o tshwanetse gore tsamaya 130km. Ga ke itse gore a o ne oitse dikgang tse? Ke raya gore dikgang tse di botlhokwa gore o di itse gore e re fa o bua le ba mafatshe a Zimbabwe le South Africa, o bo o na le *detail* eo, e le ya ntlha.

Sa bobedi ke gore, golo fa le na le go bua ka *a 24-hour economy*, a mme fa le bua le South Africa kgotsa le Zimbabwe, a le bua le bone le kopantse kgang ya *commercial borders* le bo le tsenya yone *24-hour economy*? Gongwe bone ga ba ise ba nne le thulaganyo ya *24-hour economy*. A mme le e tsentse kgotsa ke e le tlaa e tsenyang ka gore ke kgang e e buegang e le ntšha ka kwano?

Ya bofelo ke gore, ke bona Rraetsho Mmolotsi, batho ba kgerisa batho ba phane kwa Mogapinyana le Kgagodi. A o ka ba thusa rraetsho batho ba ba kgerisiwang ke *officers* tsa gago? Ke a leboga.

**MR GAOLATHE:** Ee rra. Ke a leboga motlotlegi. Le nna ke botse mo potsong, gore le fa ke ne ke sa itse, ke ne ke ka tlhoka jang gore ke felele ke itse ka gore dikgang tse o di bua ka botswerere, e bile o sale o di bua ka botswerere? Re a di itse rra, e bile re lebogela gore o nna o na le bogakolodi ka tsone. Ke yone karabo ya me ya dipotso tsa gago tsotlhe. Ke a leboga.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Khan, Member for Molepolole North.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ke tlaa mo e tseela.

**MR SPEAKER:** O e tselwa ke mang?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ke nna, kwa Molepolole.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Yo o ntse fa fatshe, nna ke eme ka dinao.

**MR SPEAKER:** O tlaa mo e tseela *Honourable* Monageng.

#### PLANS TO MAKE TUTUME SUB-LAND BOARD A FULLY-FLEDGED LAND BOARD

**MR M. MOALOSI (NKANGE):** asked the Minister of Lands and Agriculture if there are any plans to make Tutume Sub-Land Board a fully-fledged land board with Nata and Marapong being its subordinate land boards, and if there are no plans, is the Minister aware of the Decentralization Policy and whether, for the sake of service delivery, it would not be prudent to break up Ngwato Land Board into smaller land boards based on the newly established districts.

**ACTING MINISTER OF LANDS AND AGRICULTURE (DR DIKOLOTI):** Thank you Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, there are no plans to make Tutume Sub-Land Board a fully-fledged land board with Nata and Marapong being subordinates land boards. My ministry's mandate as derived from the Tribal Land Act and related legislation does not include the restructuring of the tribal boundaries. The only power available to the Minister is the approval of the establishment of a subordinate land board by a land board for its own tribal area, Section 53 (1) of the Tribal Land Act of 2018.

Mr Speaker, the boundaries of the Ngwato Land Board, like other land boards, are prescribed by the Tribal Territories Act, to that end, any changes must be preceded by the amendments of the Tribal Territories Act and related legal instruments that recognize the tribal boundaries.

Mr Speaker, I am aware of the Decentralisation Policy, however, I must indicate that the restructuring and upgrading of the Subordinate District Councils to fully-fledged councils and merging of Administrative Authorities with District Headquarters was in line with the provisions of the Local Government Act of 2012, in particular Section 5 (1) which provides that:

- Subject to Section 3 and 13, the Minister shall after consultation with the council and community, by

Order published in the Gazette, subdivide or merge councils for administrative expediency.

- The Minister, after consultation with the council and community, may constitute a new council from a subdivision of a council or a merger of two or three councils.

There is no such provision in the Tribal Land Act that empowers the Minister responsible for lands to reorganise the tribal boundaries for the expediency of the service or for the sake of service delivery.

Mr Speaker, notwithstanding, my submission; while the Honourable Member's question proposes the setting up of autonomous land boards within the Bamangwato territory at the level of the current administrative districts, Batswana, whose sentiments have been echoed by this Honourable House want more than that. They want a Land Administration System that is efficient, transparent, accountable, and responsive to their needs. They have expressed concern over delays in land allocation, inconsistencies in decision-making, and inefficiencies associated with largely manual and committee-driven processes. These concerns are calling for a comprehensive reform of the current land board system. Batswana want a modern, professional, and digitally enabled institution. The current practice of appearing before the board, site visits and their related manual processes, are regarded as obsolete and outdated, hence the call for a third generation of the land administration system. My ministry has started this with the Land Administration-Know Your Customer (LA-KYC) online service which is currently in the testing phase, and due to be officially launched once we have addressed the comments from the users.

Mr Speaker, Batswana have, in their call, during Kgotla meetings, Land Pitso, Land Talk Symposium among other fora, emphasized the importance of maintaining their cultural identity and traditional leadership structures to ensure that their customary values, community interests, and traditional authority continue to play a central role in land administration.

Mr Speaker, our intended reforms are about restoring public confidence in Tribal Land Administration, improving service delivery, and building a system that is fit for purpose, future-ready, and responsive to the needs of all Batswana. Thank you, Mr Speaker.

**MR MOALOSI:** *Supplementary.* Ke a go leboga *Honourable Minister.* Potso e *you dodged it*, mme e boetse kwa go wena, wa e araba sentle.

Kana kgang ya rona e tonatona fa o bona re batla gore *our land boards* di ikemele jaana, di se ka tsa nna di *sub*, ke *service delivery*. A o itse gore *sub-land boards* tsotlhe tse 15 tse di ka fa tlase ga Ngwato Land Board, ba tsaya *services* tsa bone tsotlhe kwa Ngwato, *including metsi, toilet papers* kana eng, di tsewa kwa Serowe. A mme ga o bone golo moo e le gore selo sa ntlha *it is expensive*, sa bobedi ke gore go dia gore ditlhabololo di goroge kwa bathong?

Potso ya bobedi ke gore, a o itse gore *budget* ya Ngwato fa ba neelwa madi, ga go lebelelwe gore ba na le *sub-land boards* tse kae, e bile ba lebeletse lefatshe le le kae? Mo e leng gore *you will find that Tlokweng Land Board has been given P22 million for example, and then Ngwato e bo e neelwa P100 or maybe P90 million.* Go bo go raya gore fa o kgaoganya madi a a neetsweng Ngwato ka *sub-land boards* tsa bone, a mannyennyane thatathata mo e leng gore *they do not have enough resources.*

Sa boraro e bo e nna gore, a o itse gore *process* ya *to appeal decisions* tsa *sub-land board at main land board* e e nang le *sub-land boards* tse 15 go dia dikgang, mo e leng gore *average turnaround time* ya Ngwato mo *appealed cases* ke *six years*, motho a emetse phetolo fela ya go lwela mekono? A kgang e o a e itse? *Is there anything that you can do within the processes* tse o nang le *power* ya go di dira, gore bogolo o oketse *resources* kwa *sub-land boards* tseo, e bile o dire melawana e e dirang gore tiro e fefoge? Ke a leboga, *Honourable Speaker.*

**DR DIKOLOTI:** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker.* Jaaka ke kaile mo karabong ya me, tota matshwenyego a ga mokaulengwe ke a Ntlo e, ke a Batswana jaaka re ntse re ntse re dira *consultations.* Ke sone se o bonang ke bua kgapetsakgapetsa ka *this third generation and delivery process.* Nna le ene re a dumalana ka *efficiency*, e bile e le motho wa maranyane, o tlhaloganya botoka thata gore fa o ka romang maranyane teng, bofefo bo ka nna teng.

Dikgang tsa *budget* mokaulengwe, nna le wena re ne re le mo Ntlong e re fetisa *budget* ya me e e kgaotsweng

ka 21 *per cent*. So, nna le wena re tlhalogantse gore ga go na madi. Ke dumela gore ya *budget* o a itse gore re fa go ntseng jang. Re a dumalana rotlhe nna le wena gore fa re ka tla ka motlhale wa go fefosa go isa ditlamelo kwa bathong, matshwenyego a otlhe a o a buang, a ke a *appeal*, a ke a go fola mola lebaka le le leele, re tlaa bona tharabololo. *Through our land lab, through the BETP*, re tla ka a *third generation ya delivery process*, e ke dumelang gore e tlaa araba mathata a mantshi a Batswana. Ke dumela gore le wena o ne wa nyenya o bona gore o simolotse go dirisa maranyane sentle fa o bona bo KYC, dilo tse tsotlhe tse gore tota re ntse re gatela kwa e ntseng e le lesokolela mo go wena.

#### PROGRESS IN THE MILK AFRIC PROJECT

**MR M. BAGAISAMANG (SHOSHONG):** asked the Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship to state progress made in the Milk Afric project thus far towards having a sustainable milk supply to Batswana.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF TRADE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (MR MATHOOTHE):** *Good afternoon Mr Speaker.* Mme ke leboege potso ya Mopalamente wa Shoshong Rre Bagaisamang. Ke supe gore *farm* e e kwa Lobatse e e neng e tlwaelesegile ka go bitswa Milk Afric, e gompiano e bidiwang Milk Valley, maikaelelo a rona ke go sedimosa gore re tsamaya fa kae mo nakong ya gompiano go bona gore mashi a nna teng mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Re na le dikgomo tse di gamiwang tsa mashi di le 250, mme re mo thulaganyong ya go reka dikgomo di le 1 000 go tswa kwa lefatsheng la Brazil tse di bidiwang Girolando *dairy cows*. Fa re sena go nna re wetsa theko e, re tlaa dira thulaganyo ya gore re se ka ra di tsaya tsotlhe, re tlaa di kgaoganya, re tlaa tsaya 200 wa ntlha yo e tlaa reng a gorogile mono, a tle a lebelelwe ke bomaitseanape. Le gone kwa re rekang teng ba re thuse ka dikitso tsa bone gore dikgomo tse di tlhokomelwa ka tsela e e ntseng jang re lebile tsa *breeding nutrition*. Ke gone e tlaa reng re sena go bona gore di dira sentle, re bo re tswela re nna re tsaya 200 yo mongwe go fitlhelela 1 000 yoo a wela.

Gape re na le thulaganyo ya gore jaaka di tlaabo di le ka kwano jaana, le bone babereki ba bo ba ka kgona gore ba rutiwe *for 18 months* ba le ka kwano gore ba tle ba tlhaloganye gore di tlhokana le eng. Ke gone ka

fa re tswelatseng ka teng kwa Milk Valley go bona gore mashi a nna teng mo lefatsheng la Botswana, gore re tle re fokotse theko ya mashi a mantshi a a tswang kwa ntle ga lefatsheng la Botswana. Ke a leboga.

**MR BAGAISAMANG: Supplementary.** Ke a leboga Tona ka karabo eo. Ke utlwa o re dikgomo tse le nang le tsone gompiano di 250 mme le solofetse go reka di le 1 000 kwa Brazil. Tsone tse 250 tse, di ntsha mashi a a kae? Mashi ao a supa re tlhalela ka a a kae mo go le rayang gore le ka tla la reka *in instalments* tsa 200 *each*, go fitlhelela re ya go tshwara *the demand* ya lefatsheng la Botswana? Ke a leboga.

**MR MATHOOTHE:** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Kana dipalo di supa gore mo lefatsheng la Botswana re tlhalelwa ke mashi a selekanyo se se tsenang kwa go bo *nine million litres*. *Project* e ke nngwe ya *projects* tse di lekanang go fokotsa tlhalelo e e kanakana ya mashi. Mo nakong ya gompiano ga ke ka ke ka go tlhalosetsa sentle thata gore mme fa di le 250 jaana di ntsha bokae. Fa e ne e tlele e tsenetse ruri mo potsong, ke ka bo ke kgonne go go direla dipalo tsa go nna jalo. Ke kgang e ke ka e salang morago ka tla ka go fa dipalo.

Le fa go ntse jalo, re santse re tlhalelwa thata mo lefatsheng la Botswana. E bile go di tliša jaana re di lebelela re le ka kwa Lobatse, re direla gore Batswana ba ba ka nngang le kgatlhego ya go ithekela, ba bo ba na le kitso ya gore re na le dikgomo tse di tswang kwa Brazil, di dira sentle. Ba ba nang le madi a go ithekela, ba bo ba itse gore le bone *they can rely* thata mo go tsone. Ke one maikaelelo a matona jaaka ke boletse gore dipalo di tlaabo di santse di supa gore re tlhokana le mashi a mantshi mme Batswana ba ka tsena mo go tsone. Fa o ka lebelela, ke gone kwa re kgonneng go bona teng ka gore mo mafatsheng a re bapileng le one jaaka o itse go na le Tlhako le Molomo, tseo di lebege di le botoka thata. Ke a leboga.

#### OFFICIAL VEHICLES FOR PRE AND PRIMARY SCHOOLS

**MR J. T. I. MODISE (KGALAGADI SOUTH):** asked the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs to state when it will be possible to provide pre and primary schools with vehicles, considering that the teachers use their own vehicles for official duties.

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

Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke leboge le Mopalamente. Ke ba dumedise kwa kgaolong ya gagwe. Lephata la Dikgaolo le Merero ya Ngwao le ikemiseditse go netefatsa gore dikole tsotlhe tse dipotlana (*pre and primary*) di dira mo tikologong e e siameng e rotloetsa go ithuta mo go molemo. Lephata le dirile ka natla go tlamela dikole tsotlhe tse dipotlana di le 773 go ralala lefatshe la Botswana ka bophara ka didirisiwa le dithoto tse di tlhokegang go tshegetsatsa tiro ya tsone ka fa ke kaileng ka teng. Go tlamela sekole sengwe le sengwe mo dikoleng tsotlhe tse dipotlana go itebagantse thata le baithuti, ka jalo dikhansele di leka ka bonatla jotlhe go tlamela dikole ka didirisiwa tse fa go tlhokegang teng go le maleba.

Le fa go ntse jalo Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, go tlamela sekole sengwe le sengwe ka koloi ya Mmuso e e kgethegileng ga go ise go kgonege mo nakong ya gompiano ka ntlha ya dikgwetlho tsa madi le tsotlhe tse dingwe tse di bothokwa go dira jalo. Re lemoga gore phitlhelelo ya dipalangwa tse di ikanyegang e ka tokafatsa bokgoni jwa tsamaiso le go tshegetsatsa ditiro tsa sekole. Seemo sa gompiano sa ditsompelo ga se letlelele gore re fitlhelele mo seemong se se molemo se re tshwanetseng go ya kwa go sone.

Tsamaiso ya Puso ke gore dikole tsotlhe tse dipotlana di tsamaisiwa ka fa tlase ga dikhansele tsa dikgaolo le ditrope tse di mo go tsone. Di kopa dipalangwa le dithuso dipe fela mo dikhanseleng tsa tsone, ba dira se ka diofisi tsa bakwaledi ba thuto fela jaaka go dirwa ke maphata a mangwe a khansale. Dikhansale di na le maikarabelo a go rulaganya le go aba dipalangwa tse di teng go tshegetsatsa le go tsamaisa ditiro tsotlhe tsa Mmuso, go akaretsa le tsa dikole tota.

Ga se maikaelelo a Puso gore barutabana kgotsa badirelapuso ba dirise dikoloi tsa bone go dira ditiro tsa Mmuso. Fa go na le maeto a semmuso a a letleletsweng, a tshwanetse go tsamaisiwa ka dithulaganyo tsa dipalangwa tsa khansale. Ke ne ke sedimosa se e leng dikgwetlho, kwa re yang teng le gore ka nako e e ntseng jang. Ke a leboga.

**ABSENCE OF STOP SIGNS ALONG MMOPANE ROAD**

**MS H. P. MANYENENG (MMOPANE-METSIMOTLHABE):** asked the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs if he is aware of the absence of stop signs, speed limits, and traffic-calming measures along Mmopane Road between the Spar junction and Iron Rod Bar, as well as poor road conditions during the rainy season; and if so, what interventions are planned to improve the poor condition of the road and its safety.

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

Ke a leboga gape Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke leboge Mopalamente yo o nonofileng thata. Go nonofa ke raya mo tirong...

**MS MANYENENG:** *Point of order. Honourable Motshegwa a re ke nonofile eng?*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Mo tirong.

**MS MANYENENG:** O Motshegwa wena?

**MR SPEAKER:** Ene o kare o ne a na le maikaelelo a go go boka fela, jaanong ba bangwe ke bone ba o ka reng ba tswa mo tseleng.

**MS MANYENENG:** A ko o kgalemele Motshegwa, ke motona mo go ene.

**MR SPEAKER:** *Honourable Members*, ke nna ke le gakolola ka go tlhasela *Deputy Speaker*. Ke selo se se diphatsa se se ka le tsenyang mo mathateng.

**MR MOTSHEGWA:** O nkutlwile sentle Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke mo pokong fela.

Lephata la Dikgaolo le Merero ya Ngwao le rurifatsa fa le itse ka seemo se se sa nametseng sa tsela ya Mmopane, gammogo le tlhalelo ya matshwao a tsela le dipone tse di laolang pharakano mo tseleng. Mo godimo ga se, lephata le a itse ka seemo se se sa nametseng sa tsela fa marakanelong a marekisetso a Spar le go gopega ga tsela ka nako ya dipula mo go bakang dikhuti mo tseleng. Seemo se se felela se baka mosuke wa dikoloi mo tseleng ya A12 go tswa Gaborone go ya Molepolole e le selo se se sa amogelesegeng, mme re se batlela tharabololo.

Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, go tsibogela dikgwetlho tse, lephata mo tshwaraganong ya lone

le Khansele ya Mogoditshane-Thamaga, le mo thulaganyong ya go anamisa ipapatso ya theko (*tender*) ya didirisiwa tse di tlhokegang go baakanya tsela pele ga kgwedi ya Mopitlo e wela ka Lenaneo la Makgetho a Tiriso ya Tsela (*Road Levy Fund*). Tiro e e akaretsa go tsenya karolo ya ntlha ya moalo wa tsela kwa marakanelong a tsela ya Mmopane le go tokafatsa kgopo ya metsi gore ka nako ya dipula, a kgone go tsena mo mesimeng le melatswana ya kgopo ya metsi a a leswe. E re ntswa lephata le le mo thulaganyong ya go tla ka tharabololo ya sennelaruri, khansele e tsentse mo tirisong mengwe metlhale go tlhomamisa gore badirisi ba tsela ba tswelela ba e dirisa ka tshosologo le morago ga dipula.

E re dikgang di eme jalo, go tsamaela kwa pele letsholo la go kaba mesima mo ditseleng le tswelsetse go ralala kgaolo. E bile kgaolo ya Mmopane ke nngwe ya tse di tlaa tsibogelwang go baakanngwa.

Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, kwa bofelong, fa re tla mo go itebaganyeng le go laola lebelo la bakgweetsi, lephata le dumalana gore dipone tsa taolo mosepele tse di teng gone jaana ga di kgone go itepatepanya le seemo sa mosuke wa dikoloi mo ditseleng. Ka jalo, lephata le ikemiseditse gore le tlaa oketsa ditsela le dipone tsa taolo mesepele mo mafelong a a rileng, gammogo le go rotloetsa bakgweetsi go obamela matshwao a tsela go tla dikotsi. Ditiro tsa itshireletso mo ditseleng di solofetswe gore di bo di weditse pele ga ngwaga wa madi wa 2026/27 o wela. Ke a leboga.

**MS MANYENENG:** *Supplementary. Mr Speaker, ga ke a utlwa Minister gore o arabile a reng ka ya bus/combi stops ka gore jaanong ke tsone gantsi di bakang mosuke. Ba ema gongwe fa gare ga tsela go bo go raya gore jaanong traffic e a ema ga go tsamaege. Ga o a akgela gore jaanong eo le tlaa e attend leng Honourable Minister.*

**MR MOTSHEGWA:** Re tlaa e kopanya tsotlhe le e ke neng ke e bua le ya mesima le ya bus stops ka Road Levy Fund. Ke tlaa go neela le karabo eo.

**MR LEKAU:** *Supplementary. Ka nako ya dipula jaana go gaketse, mme e bile go na le seemo jaaka mo Mogoditshane se e leng gore gongwe madi a setse a tswaletswe go na le batho ba ba ithaopang. O le Minister, ga o na tshekatsheko ya gore gongwe o bule go le go nnyennyane fela gore potholes tse di mo tseleng bogolo di lekiwe go kabiwa?*

**MR MOTSHEGWA:** Ke utlwile o re ke bule, e Rre Mohwasa a reng go henosa, gore re leke gore re tle re dire jalo. Ke tsaya gore ke se se letlelesegang. Mopalamente Lekau, Mopalamente Barongwang le Mme Manyeneng, ke tsaya gore re tlaa dira thulaganyo ya go tla go le akaretsa. Re na le phuthego mmogo ka Monday e re tlaabong re bua ka tsela ya Mogoditshane. Re tlaa le kaetsa lenaneo la go kaba le diphatlha tsa mo tseleng ka gore Mogoditshane kana ke moka e le Gaborone kana o kgomaretse mo Gaborone. Tota mma ke re metse fela yotlhe, go matshwanedi gore ditsela di bo di le boreledi sentle di sena diphatsa. Ke a leboga.

**MR SPEAKER:** Order! Honourable Members, *nako ya lona ya dipotso e fedile, go raya gore you will have the remaining questions as carryovers to tomorrow.*

**MR BARONGWANG:** *Procedure. Tla ke go dumedise Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo. Tla ke leke go bolokela Ntlo e nako, ke bona potso e nngwe e e neng e latela ya me gongwe le ka felela le e tsentse gape kamoso mme go lebega e kile ya arabiwa, number 9.*

**MR SPEAKER:** We will check that Honourable Barongwang. I think the Clerk will check.

**MR LESEDI:** *Procedure. Ke ne ke re ke go dumedise mo tshokologong Mr Speaker. Procedure ya me e ke emelelang ka yone ke gore there was a confusion between Order Paper le Notice Paper tsa letsatsi leno. Gongwe mo isagong e baakanngwe Mr Speaker ka gore fa go ntse jaana e ka etsaetsisa. Dipotso tse di neng di bodiwa letsatsi leno are noticed gape kamoso mme e ntse e le the same questions.*

**MR SPEAKER:** Ga ke e tshware sentle, mme ke ne ke kile ka e bua jaana Honourable Lesedi ke re kana the implication ya go tsenya later dated questions, go raya gore questions which are duly noticed, tse di matured ga di nke di tsene kana dingwe tsa tsone ga di ka ke tsa tsena whilst we are still dealing with the backlog. The Notice Paper may actually mislead, so what you should pay particular attention to is the Order Paper on the day before, gakere re a utlwana batlotlegi? In terms of communication to Ministers, nothing changes, you still get those on time.

ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE

(CHAIRPERSON in the Chair)

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

ORGANISATION 2800-ETHICS AND  
INTEGRITY DIRECTORATE

(Resumed Debate)

**MR CHAIRPERSON (MR KEORAPETSE):** Order! Honourable Members, the debate in the Committee of Supply for Organisation 2800 is resuming. Please note that I shall call upon the Honourable Minister for State President, Defence and Security to reply to the debate at 1550 hours and then the question will be put at 1629 hours. I will update you on the times but we have an hour and 10 minutes. When the House adjourned yesterday, Honourable Leader of the Opposition (LOO) had just concluded his debate and therefore the floor is open.

**MINISTER OF WATER AND HUMAN SETTLEMENT (MR RAMOGAPI):** Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*. Ke ema fa ka boikokobetso ke ema nokeng Motlotlegi Tona gore madi a gagwe a rebolwe gore ba kgone go dira tiro e e botlhokwa e. Bagaetsho, lephata le le dira tiro e e botlhokwa fela thata. Botlhokwa jwa tiro e tona e ba e dirang ke go leka *to promote* gore go nne le boitsholo jo bo siameng mo batlotleging le setšhaba ka kakaretso. Fa re ka tsaya kgang e tsia, ke nngwe ya dikgang tse ditona tse di ka fokotsang tshenyetso-setšhaba. Potso e Tona ke gore tota rona re e leba e ntse jang? *Mr Chairperson*, nna ka bonosi, ke dumela gore tota re le Matona, Mapalamente kana setšhaba, go batla re ka supa dithoto tsa rona *publicly*, mang le mang a di bona. Go dira jalo *Chairperson*, go na le dilo tse di molemo mo teng. Rona batho ba e leng gore gongwe o tla o ntse o itiretse sengwenyana, o na le dipodi kana dikgomo tse pedi fa o nna Mopalamente, batho ga ba ka ke batla ba re, “jaanong o tsaya kae dikgomo tse” ka gore ba ne ba sa itse gore o na le tsone. Maloba fela jaana batho ba kile ba ema ka dinao e le gone ba utlwang gore Ramogapi o ne a na le kgwebonyana ya sekole. Gatwe, “aa! e rile fela jaaka a tsena mo boToneng a bo a reka sekole.” Ke dilo tse di ka thusang Batswana ka kakaretso gore motho yo o tla a tshwere golo mo a go itiretseng, ga a go bona ka polotiki.

Mathata a rona mo lefatsheng la Botswana ke gore fa o bona batho ba bangwe ba tshaba, fa o itiretse, o huma, o kare ga go a siama. Re tshwanetse gore re rotloetse Batswana gore ba itirele ba hume. Fa o ka huma o le lepolotiki, ke gore e bo e le gore o sentse fela. Le fa go ka nna jang fela ke gore o sentse, o kare go katwe ga a ka ke a huma e se moloi ke eng a netla.

Se sengwe se e leng gore ke mathata ke *bullying*. Go na le *bullying* e e leng gore fa batlotlegi ba ka ntsha dilo tsa bone go tlaabo gotwe, “aa! “kana ke bomakgorwane, ga kere le a ba bona.” Ke gore ga re Batswana ba rutwe. Ke dumela gore go siame ke gore mongwe le mongwe fela a *declare assets* tsa gagwe. Fa re ka tsamaya ka yone tsela e fela re sa re mongwe le mongwe a *declare*, go na le *fashion* e e tsenang gore dilwana di fitlhiwa kwa selong gatwe *small house*. *Small house* sone *will not declare*. Fa motho a tshwana le Moalosi jaana a na le kwa e leng gore o ka baya teng, o tlaabo a baya gone koo. Fa motho a tshwana Ramogapi go na le kwa e leng gore o ka baya teng, o tlaabo a ka baya gone koo. Tota fela mo go botlhokwa ke gore re bone gore re ema ofisi e nokeng, re e rotloetsa ka sengwe le sengwe.

Ke itumelela gore batho ba bangwe ba ba tshwanang le bo *Procurement Officers, Inspectors, Engineers* le ba ba dirang ka lefatshe jaanong ba tsentswe mo teng. Bagaetsho, ga go na khumo e tona mo lefatsheng jaaka ya lefatshe. Fa re ka lesa khumo e fela, batho ba bangwe ba ya go gogoba ditsha, ba dira sengwe le sengwe, e ya gore dingwaga tse 50 tse di tlang go bo go sa lwelwe sepe, go lwelwa lefatshe fela.

Ke ema jaana ke re ke ema nokeng mogopolo o wa gore ofisi e e nne teng. Le rona re ba rotloetse gore fa re le Matona kana Mapalamente, re bo re *declare*. Jaaka ke ne ke bua, ga ke itse gore re ka dira jang gore Matona le Mapalamente go nne le ka fa e leng gore e ka re fa ba *declare publicly* ba bo ba rotloetswa, ba itumelelwa, e seng gore ba bo ba kgesiwa, ba tikiwa ka mantswe gotwe, “o ne a ka tlhoka jang, bona gore o ne a tla a bopama jaanong o rwelerwele.” Dilo tse di ne di ka siama thata fa re ka di rotloetsa ka tsela e e ntseng jalo.

Kgang ya *integrity* ke kgang e e leng gore tota e botlhokwa mo setšhabeng. Le tse dingwe fela tse o tlaabong o di fiwa gare o bo o ntse e le gore nnyaa o kgona gore o bo o supa. Mo ofising ya me ke a ne ke

ba raya ke re, “mo ke go filweng mo bagaetsho a go tsamae go ye go supywa kwa go Permanent Secretary to the President (PSP) a bone gore o a saena gore ke neetswe eng.” Ka jalo, ke a leboga. Ke go eme nokeng motlotlegi.

**MR BOGATSU (LENTSWELETAU–LEPHEPHE):** Tanki Modulasetilo. Mma ke leboegele motsotso o o mphileng gore le nna ke bue ka kgang e re ntseng re e beiwa pele ya go kopela lekgotla le la *Integrity* madi. Ke dumalana jalo ke lebile dintlha tse di buang gore maikaelelo e ne e le gore le rotloetse go dira tiro ka matsetseleko, go sa nneng dinalanyana le gore e re fa o botswa o kgone go araba gore dithoto tse o nang le tsone o kgonne go nna le tsone ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Go na le sengwe se se ntshwentseng. Ke ne ka se utlwalela fa kgang ya teng e santse e ngangisanngwa mo Pusong e e fetileng. Mathata a teng ke gore gantsi fa re loga letloa le le tshwarang ditlhapi, re dira le le diphatlha ditona le le letlang gore ditlhapi tse ditona di fete mme go sale tse dinnyenyane. *What I am saying in short is that the net is always woven in a way that it allows the big fish to go through but catching small fish.* Re e lebelele gore a mme ka boammaaruri ka fa go dirilweng ka teng e a go ya go tshwarwa disinyi tota kana go a bo go ntse go ya go tshwarwa ba bannyennyane. Ke kopa gore molao ono ka gore ga ke ise ke ko ke o bale, re o sekaseke sesho, re o bone gore mme a ka fa o dirilweng ka teng o tlaa dira gore ba e leng gore ke bone bommampodi ba tshenyetso-setshaba ba tshwarwe go na le gore nako tse dintsi go bo go alotswe ba bannyennyane. Ke yone keletso ya me.

**MR MAPULANGA:** *Clarification.* Ke a go leboga *Honourable Member.* Golo fa a ke go utlwa sentle, a wa re letloa le le kgona go tshwara tlhapi e nnyennyane mme e tona yone e feta? Ke gore se se tlhalosa gore ke gore dikgang le ditlhotlhomiso tse ga se gantsi re bona maduo a tsone a tshwara ba ba senyang le go feta.

**MR BOGATSU:** Nnyaa mme o nkutlwile ka gore ke molao o Puso e ntsha e e o fitlhelang. E ka tswa e le molao o montle go thibela batho go nna dinalanyana mo tironng. Ga go na ope yo o ka ganetsang gore tshenyetso-setshaba *is very rife in this country.* E ntsi tshenyetso-setshaba, re ne re e utlwalela, *projects have collapsed* di le dintsi ka yone. Go a tlhokafala jaanong gore re le Puso e ntsha, re tle go leka go thiba maroba otlhe a a

teng le a a neng a le teng a tshenyetso-setshaba. Ke se ke dumalanang le sone. Re a bona gore gompieno batho ba taboga lebelo le go ka tweng la nmenyane kolekole *helter-skelter*, ka gore jaanong gatwe supa gore tse o nang le tsone o di bonye ka tsela e e ntseng jang? Dikarabo di a pala. *People are now seen as skipping the country*, ka gore dikarabo di a pala gore thoto e e kanakana e, re ne re goroga fa maabane, rotlhe re sa tshola sepe, wena go le kanakana o go tsaya kae? Tota ke a o rata molao, se se botlhokwa fela ke gore re bone gore re thiba diphatlha tsotlhe tsa tshenyetso-setshaba, gore e re kamoso fa o tswa mo tironng gotwe supa, o bo o re tse ke tse ke di ipereketseng ka bo nna. Ka go rialo Tona, ke go ema nokeng. A madi a o a kopang o a neelwe.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Elucidation.

**MR MOALOSI:** *Clarification.* Ke a leboga *Honourable Speaker. Honourable Member of Parliament (MP)*, ga o bone go le botoka gore molao oo o fetolwe, gore se re se supang se nne *public. If I have under declared*, mongwe a kgone go bua gore rre yo o na le moraka ke o, ga a o *declare*, ka gore gompieno ga re itse gore a batho ba supile dilo tsa bone tsotlhe. Ke a leboga.

**MR BOGATSU:** Molao o ke o utlwalelwe ga ke ise ke iphe nako ya go o bala, mme ke itse gore go ne go tllile bangwe *should declare* kwa go Tautona nako e o neng o dirwa. Jaanong ka re, a o tswe koo, o tle fa, go nne *open* gore go se ka ga nna sephiri, *we need to remove all the secrecy. Last time* ke ne ke bua gore, go dirwa molao *from there people are sworn into secrecy and none disclosure*, gakere o a bona! Fa go nna jalo *it means we are not open. The thing is we need to open these things*, go nne *clear. Parliament must be accountable* gore, go tllilwe fa ga supywa ka boammaaruri, motho yo dilo tse ke tsa gagwe. Ga gona mosola gore re re, re baakanya molao re bo re boa re baya matareko gape, fa go ntse jalo ga go thuse ka sepe. Ke a go leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

**BRIG. MOKGWATHI (LETLHAKENG):** Dumelang mo tshokologong e betsho. Fa re bua ka bosula le molemo, ke selo se ke tsayang gore mongwe le mongwe o a se itse. Modulasetilo, re ka se ke re bue bosula le molemo, re sa lebelela tshenyetso-setshaba. Fa re bua ka *ethics*, boitsholo, ke golo mo e leng gore fa re le Batswana, Motswana mongwe le mongwe o a itse gore

boitsholo go tewa eng. Ke atle ke utlwe ba bangwe ba re, kana boitsholo jwa me bo simolola fa jwa gago bo felelang teng. Fa re bua ka dilo tse re bo re re, fa go na le boleng jwa motho (*integrity*) o bo supa a eme jaaka ke eme kgotsa a le esi. Jaanong fa re bua ka dilo tsa bosula le molemo, ga gona ka tsela epe e re ka reng ga re bue ka motho, ka gore bosula jo bo dirwa ke motho yo a senyetsang yo mongwe kgotsa a dira dilo tse e seng tsone.

Mo Botswana re a itse gore re godile re itse gore ga gona tshenyetso-setšhaba, ntswa e ntse e le teng. Ke na le tumelo ya gore go diregile jalo ka gore Batswana ba ne ba ise ba bulege matho, ba sa itse gore go na le ba bangwe ba ba direlang setšhaba ba ba senyetsang setšhaba. Fa go ntse jalo, re le batho ba ba itseng gore go na le bosula le molemo, se se tsetseng gore e re nako e, re bo re setse re bona, re lemogile gore go na le tshenyetso-setšhaba, go diregile jang?

Go na le mo gotweng *moral decay*, e ke tsayang gore...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Le se ka la mo tsoetsa modumo. Standing Order 58.4.

**BRIG. MOKGWATHI:** ...e ne ya re re ntse re tsamaya, tšhaba ya rona ya latlhega, ya kgona go bona gore go tshwanetse gore go nne le ba ba dinalanyana. Yo mongwe o kile a bua a re, go na le motho yo gotweng sesinyi, go na le yo o tlhotlheletsang gore mongwe a senye kgotsa a nne *corrupt*. Batho ba botlhe ba, ke basinyi. Fa gongwe o fitlhela motho a tshwana le mokaulengwe, a sa itse go senyetsa setšhaba, mme kana makgoa ba re *everybody has got a price*. Mo e leng gore fa o sa ikatlega, fa o sa nitama mo mogopolong, o sena boikarabelo, mokwatla wa gago o sa tia o kgona go dirwa gore o senye.

Se ke ka se buang ke gore fa re bua ka *Ethics and Integrity*, go simologa mo mothong ka boene. Maloba fale ke ne ka le bolelela gore fa ke santse ke berekela kwa ke neng ke bereka teng, *every year* ke ne ke fiwa madi a a kana ka P2.7 *billion*, gotwe a tlhokomele Mokgwathi. Batho ba teng ba ne ba tla kwa go nna fa ba sena go nna ba fenywa *contracts* ba nthaya ba re, rra re fentse konteraka ke e, re ka go neela eng? Ka ba raya ka re, se o ka se mphang motho wa Modimo ke gore fa e kare Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) fa o ka re o e dira wa ya go aga sekole kwa Khudumelapye kana wa ya go aga sepatela, ke gone o tlaabong o itse gore o ntiretse sentle.

Fa o le motho o le moeteledipele go bo gotwe tsamaya o supe gore o na le dithoto tse gotweng bomang, go bo go pala gore o di supe..., ke sone se motho yo mongwe a buang gore e tlaa re *net* e tla, gongwe ka gore o moeteledipele o bo o re nna *net* e, e ka se ke e ntsware, e tshware ba ba bannyennyane. Re a itse e bile re a tlhomamisa gore, mo Botswana mo batho ba bangwe ba dirile le dithoto tse dintsi! Jaaka motho mongwe a ne a bua, ke amogela madi a bo Palamente a a lekanyeng gore ke itshidise ke bo ke tshidise ba lelwapa la me, ke bo ke bona gore go botoka gore ke a oketse. Ga se bone fela, le *Heads of Departments* ba ba fiwang marapo a a ntseng jalo, dikhumo tsa bone a di tlhodumelwe. Le wena itlhodumele o le motho, o le moeteledipele. Go ka nna ditlhong jang bagaetsho, re le fa re le Mapalamente e re kamoso fa re tswa fa, ke bo ke gogagoga mo gotwe ke senyeditse setšhaba. Ke gore tšhaba e e ntebeletseng ke ne ke re ke tlaa ba emela le bongwanake, ba tlaa tsaya gore a Goramente wa Botswana a o itse gore a motho a tshwanetse gore a tle go etelela pele, a bo a ikanne go reng?

Ke bua jaana ka gore ke santse ke dumela gore, ke a itse gore fa re bua jaana ba bangwe ba tlaa re nnyaa gongwe o ipona ka gore o na le dikgomo tse tlhano. A motho e re *before* a tla Palamenteng ke emela batho, ke sekaseke ke bone gore a mme motho yo e ka re a tsena kwa, a bona dithoto tsa setšhaba ga a na go di meletsa mathe. A re dire jalo betsho re le Mapalamente gongwe le gongwe. Ke a leboga.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES (MR NYATANGA):**

*Good afternoon Mr Chairperson.* Le nna ke eme ke *support the proposal before us* ka Minister. Ke re kana golo mo Mr Chairperson, ka Setswana ke go rotloetsa botho jo bo siameng. Ke e lebelela jaana gore, re tshwanetse gore re e tlhaloganye ka gore e gwetlha gore re nne le boammaaruri, re nne *trustworthy*, e re fa re leng teng re dire dilo sentle go sa kgathalesege gore mang o go lebile kana jang. Ke rata thata go e gatelela ka gore, go a supafala gore kgang e ya tshenyetso-setšhaba e ba *ethics and integrity* ba e setseng morago, ke selo se se diragalang mo mafatsheng a le mantsintsi, e bile se tshabelela bone ba o ba bonang ba kwadile mo, mapolotiki a le mo teng. Go botlhokwa gore re dire *declarations*.

Golo mo go ntshwenyang ke kgang e ke etlang ke e utlwa gotwe, go na le ba bangwe ba re tsayang lebaka go ya go dira *declarations*, ka gore *guidelines are very clear* gore fela fa o sena go ikana mo ofising, *within 60 days* o bo o setse o dirile *declarations*. Ke gone fa bothata bo simololang teng, fa re simololang e le gore ga re *comply*, go supa gore ga re ise re wele teng. Ke tsaya gore *this thing is about our moral compass*, e re fa re ntse jaana e bo *Mr Chairperson* re netefatsa gore re dira dilo tsa rona sentle.

*I support* kgang ya *declarations*, di siame, mme e bile re tshwanetse gore re tseye go le gontsi. Ke ba kope *Honourable Minister* gore, a re direng gore go nne le *a lot of public education*. Ke a itse ba a leka, mme a re tsamayeng re ruteng Batswana thatathata, ka gore Batswana kana fa gongwe fa go tla jaaka mongwe a ne a bua, o tswana le nna ba go bona gongwe o setse o riana, ba tlaabo ba simolola ba nna le tumelo ya gore o a bo o di simolotse. Batswana ba tshwanetse go itse gore, mosola wa golo mo go tewa gore go sireletsa nna le wena gore, fa re supa fela *from the onset* gore ke na le eng, go tlaa ntshireletsa le mo e tlaareng kamoso ke bo ke ka kgona go supa gore mme ke tsene ke ntse ke na le tse. Kana ga tlhofofatsa gore tse ke di bapetseng ke le mo tirong e, a ke tse e leng gore go boammaaruri.

Golo mo ke neng ke batla gore ke go gatelele fela thata Rre Mohwasa, sengwe se se tsamaelanang le sone se ke kgang ya *corporate liability*, *very, very important*. Kana *organisations sometimes they wrong the society, because of the people who hold positions*. Jaanong ke re, *I think* re tshwanetse gore...fa o utlwa ke gatelela *public education* ke gore, *we need to even assist* ba ba eteletse go netefatsa gore re dira dilo sentle, ka gore malatsi *a society* sa rona *is very litigious, they can hold you to account*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification.

**MR NYATANGA:** Nnyaa, mo *five minutes* go na le *clarification* ne Mosanana? Golo mo go bothokwa fela thata gore, *this concept* ya *corporate liability*...e bile re itse gore *we can be vicariously held responsible* fa e le gore ga re dire dilo sentle, *where* o itlhokomolosang dingwe tsa dilo tse di ntseeng jaana, ka gore *it has got far reaching impact even on the reputation* ya lefatshe. Jaanong ke re, re tlhoka dithapelo le *self-restrain* re le mapolotiki, *especially those who have got access to*

*public funds*, gore a re itseng fela gore tseo ga se tsa rona bagaetsho. Re romilwe gore *we want to be servant leaders*. A re se ka ra nnang *greedy, because* nako tse dingwe *this is a function of greed*. O bo o iphitlhela e le gore kamoso fa o tshwanetswe ke gore jaanong o nne le *legacy of having served your country diligently*, o fitlhela e le gore o gogagogwa ke ba ditsheko, ka gore *they will always be there. If we do something* se e leng gore ga se sone *they will always be quick to come to you*. Ga se golo mo go siameng *especially that* re na le bana.

Ka ke berekela kwa lephateng le le dirang thata le dikgang tse tsa ditsheko, o fitlhela e le gore fa o gogagogwa o na le bana ba e leng gore *they have been looking at you as a role model* gore *my father, my mother*; ba bo ba fitlhela e le gore o nna le bothata jo bo ntseeng jalo. *What you do not know* ke gore, *the people who get more impacted* ke bana ba gago. Jaanong *let us try and protect the integrity of our kids by making sure that we do these things properly. Thank you very much* *Mr Chairperson*.

**MR KEKGONEGILE (MAUN EAST):** Tanki *Mr Chairperson*, mma re dumedise setšhaba ka kakaretso. *Mr Chairperson*, go buiwa ka *ethics and integrity*, re bua ka *ethical leadership, good governance, corrupt free public service*. Kgang ke gore, gompiano seemo se ntse jang, jaaka re *declare* jaana, re itshupa jaana, re itshupa jang? Mme e bile fa re sena go nna re itshupa, kitso eo, *information* eo, *data* eo go dirwa eng ka yone, e ya kae? Mo nakong ya gompiano e tsena fela ka fa tlase ga tafole, e nna sephiri sa ofisi e re itshupang kwa go yone. Potso e bo e nna gore mosola wa go itshupa jaanong ke eng, mosola wa *to declare* ke eng? O tshwanelwa ke gore o supe, le gore setšhaba se itse gore wena o teng mo tshenyetsong-setšhaba kana ga o yo mo teng. Se go kale morago ga nako e e rileng, fa e le gore *you are declaring* e bo e nna sephiri sa ofisi, setšhaba se tlaa go kala jang? Le ofisi eo e go kala jang, gore wena o wa tshenyetso-setšhaba kana jang? Gone moo fela ka bogone go raya gore tsamaiso e ke *maxhambora* fela, ga se e e tshwanetseng gore e ka bo e le teng, *it does not meet international standards. It is a joke to declare* mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Ke tshenyo ya nako le madi fela. Ke go duela batho re sa ba duelele sepe se se tlaa nnang le mosola ope mo lefatsheng. Kana jaanong re mo Pusong e ntšha, *they talk of robust asset declaration*, ke Goromente wa Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC). Fa o bala...

**MR PHOLOGOLO:** *Point of clarification.* Thank you Honourable Kekgonegile. Ke re mo kgannyeng e o e buang, a go na le tsamaiso e e kganelang gore fa o le moeteledipele you can publicly make your declaration to the nation?

**MR KEKGONEGILE:** Potso ke gore lephata re le diretse eng? Potso ke gore, ke eng re nna le gore bangwe ba ka dira publicly fa ba batla, bangwe fa a sa batle ga a dire? *It must not be an issue ya go batla, it must be an issue of the law, gore the law forces you to be transparent, the law motivates the public to participate in monitoring corruption, mo lefatsheng la bone.* E seng gore semangmang fa a batla o ka bewa leitlho (*monitor*), semangmang fa a sa batle o ka bewa leitlho. Moo fela ka bo gone ga gona *uniformity*, mme e bile ga re ka re ra nna le kgatelopele mo go lwantsheng tshenyetso-setshaba, ka gore mang o batla eng, mang ga a batle eng. *It should not be an issue of what an individual want, it should be an issue of what the law says to prevent corruption, to make this country corruption free.*

**MR HIKUAMA:** *Point of elucidation.* Ke a leboga Honourable Kekgonegile. O e tlhalositse sentle mo go feteletseng, mo go ka ntshang pelaelo epe mo go ope, le ene yo o neng a botsa tota o kgotsofetse. Ke dumela gore kana fa re tliša selo re re *we are creating an institution* e e tlaa lwantshang tshiamo le thokgamo mo lefatsheng, e tshwanetse ya nna mo molaong. Fa re e tlogelela gore e nne *the individuals* go tshwana fela le fa re sa dira sepe. Jaanong ga go thuse sepe gore e re re tlhamile selo gore se re tlhokomele, go tswa fa re bo re re, nnyaa mongwe le mongwe a dire...re ne re ntse re dira, mongwe le mongwe o a itse gore kwa ga bone o na le eng, mme re bone go tshwanela gore re le lefatsheng, re le Puso, re tle ka lekalana le le tlaa dirang gongwe mongwe le mongwe a bonale, e bile a itshupe mo setshabeng, go tlamege gore motho yoo go itsiwe gore o na le eng. Ke a leboga fela thata.

**MR KEKGONEGILE:** Tanki Honourable Hikuama. Go ntse fela jalo, ke dumela gore le *comrade* Vice President (VP) o a dumalana. Goromente yo mosha o bua ka *introduction of a robust asset declaration*. Fa o re o a bala *in the speech* o solofetse bo *robust* jo, ga bo yo, ga o bo utlwe. Se ba se simolodisang jaanong ke gore, go na le gore go bo go beiwa ka fa tlase ga tafole, go tlaa nna le *dashboard* e e leng gore fa o batla go

itse gore mang o nna le eng mo lebakeng le le kana o ya go duela gore o kgone *to access that information*. *What are we saying? Are we saying setshaba jaanong gore se re thuse go lwantsha corruption se tshwanetse gore se duele? Ga se gone, this information should be free.* Le ne le le ka kwano mo dingwageng tse tlhano tse di fetileng, re lwantsha gore *declaration* e ya sephiri ga se yone. Gompiano go na le gore le tle ka *declaration* e e *free*, jaanong la re le tla ka *declaration* e e duellwang. Ke duelele gore ke bolelele setshaba gore semangmang matlo a BCL a a rekileng ga a reka sentle. *What is that?*

**MR MOSANANA:** *Point of clarification.* Ke a go leboga Honourable Kekgonegile, ke go leboga Modulasetilo. Ke re Honourable Kekgonegile ke eng fa o kare o tlaa tlhobosa thata lephata le, mme rotlhe re itse gore lephata le ke gone le ntseng le tlhamiwa, le santse le le ntsha?

**MR KEKGONEGILE:** Tanki. Ga ke tlhobose lephata, ke tlhobosa tsamaiso le molao. Ga o tle ka lephata, o tla ka lona babusi gore se le tlang ka sone, ga se sone, tšisang mo go botoka, mo re neng re ntse re bua ka gone dingwaga tse tlhano tse di fetileng. Lephatla le ga le lesa, *I have declared* mo go lone gongwe gararo, le ntse le le teng. Re tlhoka *improvement from* lona, e seng go le dira *worse*.

Setshaba se tshwanelwa ke gore se rotloediwe gore se kgone go lwantsha *corruption*. *Public participation must be motivated, transparency must be there, it must not only be known to be there, it must be seen to be there. It can only be seen* fa go na le *access to this information*, e le *free*. *It can only be seen* fa go na le *repercussions* tse di tlhwaafetseng.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification.

**MR KEKGONEGILE:** E tšhaile *comrade*, ke *two minutes* fela. *Sorry, next time.*

*Expanding scope of public oversight; gore le oketsa maphata le batho who can declare. It is a good thing more especially* fa le bua ka bone ba ba rekang dithoto tsa ga Goromente le ba ba di tshwarang fela jalo, ba ba dirang *projects and all the sorts*. Go ntse go lelwa thata ka bone gore *escalation of prices* e kwa godimo ka ntata ya gore batho ba ga ba tlhodumelwe.

Le dira *gradual rollout*, go batla a *high impact comprehensive risk assessment* ya gore ke bo mang

ba ba ka tshwanelang go nna teng *so that* go nne a *holistic inclusion* ya batho ba e leng gore ba tshwanela ke gore ba nne teng. Fa o lebelela *quantity surveyors for example*, ga ke ba bone mo *list* e. Fa o lebelela ba ba nyalaneng le *Ministers* le Mapalamente, *girlfriends and boyfriends* tsa bone, ga ba yo fa, mme batho ba ba tshwanetse gore ba nne gone fa, ka gore re fitlha dilo gone koo. *Your girlfriends and boyfriends, wives and husbands must declare* ka gore le fitlha dilo gone koo.

*Enhancing development budget execution*; fa o lebeletse *speech* se, se go raya se re *Development Budget as at end of January, it was zero per cent expenditure*. Go raya eng golo mo? A go raya gore batho ba ga ba a fiwa madi *totally*, kana ba filwe madi mme a padile gore a ka dirisiwa? *It is very important Minister* gore o tlhalose, *because* fa e le gore ga ba a fiwa madi, re tloga re leba babereki re re ga ba bereke go sena sepe se ba se filweng gore ba bereke ka sone. Fa e le gore ba filwe madi, *then they must account* gore ke eng ba sa kgone go dira jalo, e bile ba tswe ka *a detailed project implementation road map within this budget proposal* gore a ba a fiwang one a, ba ya go kgona go a dirisa jang. Fa e le gore ga go na gore ba ka kgona, *then* a a fiwe maphata a mangwe. Rona re emetse madi kwa bo Constituency Community Project (CCP), le kwa Maun re baakanye ditsela tsa Shorobe-Khwai, Somelo-Maun, Kareng, Chukumuchu, Gudigwa, re emetse gore di ka dirisiwa. Madi a a kanakana a ba a fiwang fa e le gore ga ba a dirise, *then* a isiwe go sele a ye go dira go sele. Tanki, *Mr Speaker*.

**MR MONAGENG (MOLEPOLOLE SOUTH):** Ke kopa e mphete *honourable*.

**MINISTER OF LABOUR AND HOME AFFAIRS (MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE):** *Thank you very much* Modulasetilo yo o tlotlegang gore le nna o bo o mphile sebaka gore ke bo ke akgela mo kgannyeng e. Ga ke na go boelela kana go bua mafoko a a builweng ke bakaulengwe *supporting* kgang e. Ke tsepame fela jalo ke re, ke na le bone mo mafokong a ba setseng ba a buile otlhe, a ba neng ba *support* ka one.

Ke leboge bakaulengwe ba rona kwano *since they have declared* jaaka go tshwanela ka fa molaong. Selo seo ke se se siameng, sa botlhokwa, gatwe *emanate from the front*. O tshwanetse gore o dire jaaka o bua, jaaka molao o batla gore o dire jalo. Selo se ke sengwe sa botlhokwa, e bile ke sone se se dibelang se se ntseng se buiwa ke bagarona fa ka bontsi.

Ke ntse ke reeditse bagarona ka fa kganetsong, ba bua gore go tshwanetse gore molao o nne jaana. Ke ba reye ke re kana ga se bone ba ka bong ba rialo, *if they feel that there is something with this Ethics and Integrity Law, they should come out with amendments to this House*. A ba tsise ditshutiso mo Palamenteng ba baakanye molao o, ba re bolelele le mabaka, *and motivate the reasons for that*, re tlaa ba ema nokeng. Fa ba tla fa, ba bo ba tlela gore e nne o kare ke rona jaanong re nosi fela, mme e rile molao o fetisiwa, ba bangwe ba ne ba ntse ba le teng mo Palamenteng. *So, they are free to do that, the purpose of Parliament is to make laws*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification.

**MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE:** Ikatle pele, nako e nnyennyane, le ntse le neelwa ma 10 *minutes*.

Jaanong ke ne ke re tsisang molao o o tlhamaletseng, o o tlaa bong o tla mo Palamenteng...

**MR HIKUAMA:** *Procedure*. Ke a leboğa *Honourable*. O tshwanetse gore o bolelele *Honourable Member Mokgware* gore re akgela mo *Committee of Supply Speech* e e leng gore go gakololwa Tona yo o lebaneng, nako ya melao ke e sele. A se ka a ntsha Ntlo e mo tsamaisong ya gore go itebagantswe le *Committee of Supply*, a bo a re re ye kwa Palamenteng ya melao. Palamente ya melao e tlaa tla. Mo neele tsela gore *the discussion is on Committee of Supply*, a se ka a tshwaya batho phoso fa ba gakolola Tona ka fa ba tshwanetseng ba gakolole ka teng.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Ga le dumalane, se a se buang a re, tla ka *Private Bill* o tle o fetole se o reng se fetolwe, ka gore se ka fetolwa fela ka fa molaong. Jaanong ga o dumalane le ene, ga se *procedure*.

**MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE:** *Thank you* Modulasetilo yo o tlotlegang. Ke raya gone gore setšhaba se tshwanetse se itse gore fa ba ntse ba tla fa, jaaka motlotlegi yo o neng a fetsa go bua, o ne a ntse a re *girlfriends* tsa lona, basadi ba lona, bone ba iketshetsa kwa ntle, *they are Members of Parliament*. *To declare* mo go tewa mongwe le mongwe, a a bue ka Setswana a re, *girlfriends* tsa rona le basadi ba rona, a se ka a e baya jaaka e kare molao o *it was only meant for us*. *Even Members of Parliament can still be corrupt*. Molao o ga o a direlwa *Ministers* fela ka kwano, o diretswe rotlhe ba ba mo Ntlong e. Ke ne ke batla gore selo se re se tlhaloganye.

Sa bobedi ka re, go na le mo gotweng People of Political Interest (PIP), ya go bala molao wa teng gore o ntse jang. Gompiano jaana, *most of us who have been in connection with this political office, we are suffering simply because mongwe le mongwe wa ga lona gore a tseye loan*, kana a tseye eng, yo e leng lesika la gago *is being scrutinized more than any other person*. Le ye go o bala, le bo le bala le molao wa *Information Act* lotlhe, le bo le tla go bala molao o sentle. Jaanong le bo le tsena gore gone foo, di nyalana fa kae, e tlhoka eng.

Sengwe sa ntlha sa gore le tseye dilo tsa batho, ke gore gotwe motho a bo a nyanyabolola, a bo a kwala dilo tsa gagwe; *as it is being required, are you not exposing that person mo bathong, mo dilong tse e seng tsone, mo magodung?* Ke tlhola ke ntse ke utlwa go kwadilwe gone fa gotwe motho fa a rekile koloi e le ya gagwe, a bo batho ba simolola ba bua dikgang tse e seng tsone, e kare go raya gore motho yo o moo *with political influence*, ga a na thata ya go reka koloi kana go reka ntlo, kana go nna le matlo a mabedi jaaka fa motlotlegi a ne a bua jalo. Fa le ka dira jalo bakaulengwe, la re le tsile go tsaya dilo tse le bo le di manega kwa, mongwe le mongwe a bo a tsamaya kwa a bala kwa, le tlaabo le sa itirele sentle ka bo lona.

Ke batla gore ke le reye ke re, *lead*, fa e le gore le bona gore molao o o a tlhabela, lona le ithaope le re molao o o a tlhabela, mme rona re batla go ipaakanya. Ke le bone fela le simolola ka lona le kwala *assets* tsa lona tsotlhe. Gompiano kwa matlong a lona kwa, kwa le nnang teng, ga go na ope yo o nang le koloi e e kwa tlase ga P500,000. Le di kwale tsotlhe dilo tse fela gone kwa, re di itse, le *plots* tsa lona jalojalo. Morena Aaron, re a utlwana? Simololang pele ka lona le kwale jalo gore re tle re bone gore mme banna ba ba tlhwaafetse, ba bolelela ruri tota gore molao o ke tshwanelo gore re tle re o fetole.

Go bothokwa go o fetola, e se ka ya re fa le tsena ka kwano le bo le tla go re kgala. A kgang e re e tshwaraganeleng rotlhe, re dire molao *for the future, not molao wa gore re batla go araba gompiano fela jaana*. Fa re ka dira jalo, *we will be doing a service for this country* gore ba ba tlaa tlang kwa morago ga rona, ba bone gore re dirile jang, re ne re tlhwaafetse jang. Fa re ka nna re tla kwano re bo re kgala ba bangwe re sa tsepame mo teng ga boammaaruri gore rona ra re re batla jang, ga go a siama. *Thank you Mr Chairperson.*

**MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES (MR RAMAOTWANA):** *Thank you Mr Chairperson.* Ke a go leboga ka *topic* e ya *ethics and accountability*, e e rayang rona batlotlegi gore re tshwanetse go itlhaloganya gore re...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** *Ga gona yo o mo line*, so I will give you the whole 10 minutes.

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** Yes.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Nnyaa.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** O rile e go fete *Honourable Monageng*, ke ne ke go reeditse ka tlhwaafalo.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Procedure. *Ke mo list Mr Chairperson.*

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Ga o yo wena yo o reng o mo *list*.

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*. Ke leboge batlotlegi gore fa re le mo Ntlong e re tshwanetse go itsaya re le batlotlegi; *public figures*. Re itseye ka go itse gore bana ba lebeletse rona *as role models*. Fa re bua ka *topic* e ya *integrity and accountability*, go raya gore re itseye ka tlhomphe, matsetseleko le masisi. Fa re tlaopang teng go bo go le *relevant* go nyalana, go se ka ga nna gore re Ntlo ya matshamekwane. Seo ke bontlha bongwe jwa thulaganyo e re mo go yone ya *integrity* gore *as public figures* re itseye jang.

Fa ke tsena mo go yone, ke ema nokeng Tona le *budget supply speech* sa gagwe se ka fa a se kopang ka teng. Mo *Paragraph 18* go tlaa nna le *register* ya gore batho ba kgone gore fa ba batla go itse, a ye go duela lemmonyana la go batla *record* e gore ke bomang. Le fa a ya kwa *court* a batla *record* o duela P20. Fa o batla *copies* o duela P5 *per page* gore o fiwe *record* ya *court*. Fa o batla go itse gore go diragala eng, o a duela. Fa o ya kwa khanseleng o batla metsotso ya khansele, le gone o a duela. *That is the normal practice* ya ga Goromente. Se se teng ke gore a mme o letlelelwa go nna le *access to it; yes*, e go letlelela gore o ka nna le *access* ya go ka e tsaya.

Batlotlegi ba tlogele go kgoba, fa ba na le kgang o ya kwa Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime (DCEC), o ya *to report* fa go na le motho yo o utswileng. Go se ka gatwe le bahumi koo le ne le tsena maabane le

humile, e bo e nna go kgobana ka mafoko. Nna yo ke leng fano ga gona sepe se e se mphileng, ke rekile koloji fela. Ke sone se gotweng re bahumi mme batlotlegi botlhe mo Ntlong e ba rekile dikoloi fa ba sa le ba tlhophiwa ba nna Mapalamente, ga gona yo o sa re kang koloji. Ga ke itse gore fa o reka koloji gotwe o mohumi mme o reka ka *loan*, go tewa re humile eng. *I have declared Honourable Member* gore ke na le *residential properties* tse *four*; e *one* e kwa Senete ke e neetswe ke boswa jwa ga nkuku. Ya bobedi ke e rekile ke le kwa Attorney General ka 2009 kwa Borolong. E nngwe ke ya mosadi wa me e a e filweng kwa Motokwe, e nngwe re e rekile ka 2022 re ise re tsene mo Palamenteng. Ga gona se Palamente e se mphileng, se ke ka reng ke na le setsha ke se tsere mo go yone. Ga gona. *I have declared* tsoitlhe, re se ka ra rogwa gotwe re magodu re rileng, ga re magodu. Dikoloi tsa me di *four*, e *one* ke e rekile ke le *Minister*, tse *three* ke di rekile ke ise ke tsene mo Pusong, ke ise ke nne Mopalamente. Ga gona sepe se re ka tlholang re kgobiwa gotwe re magodu re humile, ga gona se Puso e se ntliseditseng se go ka tweng ke mohumi ka gore *properties* tsa me tsoitlhe ke tsa *before* ke nna mo Palamenteng. Ke sone se ke reng a re le baganeng le molao gore re rotloetse *those who did not declare*. E seng bone fela, re oketse *list* jaaka Tona a bua gore go na le batho ba e leng gore ba mo *procurement in the Government system*, ba o fitlhelang ba tshwanetse go nna bontlha bongwe jwa *to declare* ka gore ba aba *tenders*. Fa ke le *Mayor*, o ne o fitlhela komiti ya batho *who assess tenders*, mongwe le mongwe a na le *company* ya gagwe gotwe gompiano go tsaya ya me, maloba go tsere ya gagwe. Batho bao ke bone ba ba humang go feta rona, re sa lebelele kwa re tshwanetseng go lebisatse matlho teng. O fitlhela e le gore...

**MR MOSANANA:** *Clarification.* Ke a go leboga *Minister*. Re ka ipotsa gore ba ba fitlhelwang ka madi mo Jojong, gatwe ba a bo ba a tsere kae, jang? *Thank you.*

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** Ga ke na bosupi ka gore ga ke na *report* ya teng, mme fa o fitlhelwa o tshotse madi a a kalo o ka *report*. Fa o itse mongwe yo o ntseng jalo o ka mo *report* kwa mapodiseng kana kwa DCEC. Ke yone tsamaiso ya gore ba kgone go tlhotlhomisa gore o ka tswa a a tsere kae.

Go raya gore re tlhome kwa o fitlhelang e le gore mathata a teng, a gore batho ba ba mo *procurement*

*systems*, mongwe le mongwe o fitlhela a na le *company* ya gagwe. Go buisanwa gore maloba *tender* re file ya gago, gompiano go tsaya ya me. Gongwe motho a le mo *C scale* o bo o fitlhela a tsamaya ka dikoloi tse a di rekileng *millions* ka *cash*. O bo o ipotsa gore go diragala jang gore o bo o reka dikoloi tsa *millions* o le mo *C scale*, go diragala jang gore o bo o ka nna le matlo o aga *cash*, o epa didiba *cash*. Ke gone kwa re tshwanetseng go atolosa *list* e gore re tle re kgone go lwantsha borukutlhi gore madi a nne teng mo Pusong a direle setshaba, re dire ditlamelo.

**MR MONAGENG:** *Clarification.* O ne o tshwanetse go e nneela ka gore golo ga Makgoa go ne go gana go bulega. Ke ne ke re o e bua sentle jaaka o ntse o bua. Naare fa motho a kwala a re ke na le koloji kana ke na le eng se se jang bokana, ke gore a bua *value* ya sone, go lemogiwa jang gore *farm* eo fa o re ke *P3 million*, a gone mme a ke *P3 million*? Fa o fitlha tse dingwe jaaka re itse gore go na le ba ba ka fitlhang, go dirwa jang gore go ye go bonwa gore *your lifestyle* ka fa e ntseng ka teng, e kare *you did not declare* gotlhe mo re go bonang mo *lifestyle* ya gago? Gongwe o ne o ka tshwaratshwara tseo. Ga ke itse gore a o ka mpha nako ka gore tota e ne e le *slot* sa me kana jang. Ke a leboga.

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** Ke a leboga *Honourable Member*. O bua nnete ka gore *Judge* Moroka fa a santse a le Mmakaseterata, o kile a kwala *judgement* nngwe, ga ke na go bua ka leina la motho wa teng. A bua gore *the paramour, girlfriends* kana dinyatsi di tshwanetse gore le tsone di tsenngwe mo *list* ya gore ke batho ba ba mo thulaganyong, ba *risky* ka gore re fitlha dilo kwa go bone. E rile Palamente e tla e lebelele *judgement* ele, e bo e ntsha *paramours* mo teng ka nako eo. Ga ke reye ya gompiano. Ka nako fa a santse a le Mmakaseterata, Palamente e bo e ntsha dilo tse tsa go nna jalo gore e oketsa *risk* e e teng e sa fokotse.

Gore *P3 million* o bonwa jang; *there is only one method of determining value* ya *property*. *It is valuing* ka gore go na le *valuers that you can engage, and can value scientifically*, a ba a go bolelela gore *is it P3 million, P2 million, P6 million*. Ka matlho o ka baya *value* e le *estimate*, mme go na le *to underestimate and overestimate*. Go raya gore o ka kgona *to determine value with valuers*. Ke bone ba ka kgonang go bua gore e ja bokae.

*Mr Chairperson*, ke emela go supa gore ke *support* Tona ka Tshutiso e a e re beileng pele gore e fete, re tlaa nna re ntse re tlhabolola fa go nang le *gaps* teng. Rre Moalosi o tlaa tla ka *Private Member's Bill*, re mo *support*, ga go na mathata. Re tlaa nna re tlhabolola, le fa o sa tla ka yone, re tlaa nna re ntse re tlhabolola, re ntse re tsweletse re le mo mosepeleng. Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** We have overshot by a minute. I therefore call upon the Honourable Minister for State President, Defence and Security to reply to the debate.

**MINISTER FOR STATE PRESIDENT, DEFENCE AND SECURITY (MR MOHWASA):** *Thank you Mr Chairperson*. Tla ke simolole ka go akgola ba ba ntseng ba akgela le ba ba neng ba dumalana le mogopolo wa gore re bo re ka tla ga neelwa lephata le madi. Tla ke simolole ka wa bofelo Rre Ramaotwana, a akgola go bo re tsentse batho ba bangwe mo palong ya ba ba tshwanetseng *to declare*. A bo a bua gore fa e leng gore batho ba dumela gore bangwe ba na le tshenyong, a ba tseye kgato ba ikuele kwa go ba ba tshwanetseng gore ba dire ditlhotlhomiso. A bo a tlhalosa gape gore motho a bone *records*, go a duelwa jaaka gongwe le gongwe, ga se selo se se sha.

Rre Mokgware le ene a tlatsa, a ema nokeng kabo madi a, mme e bile a *feel* fela gore molao fa bangwe ba dumela gore ga o a lekana, ba itse se ba tshwanetseng go se dira. Molao o re a o fitlhela Modulasetilo, mme ke tsaya gore mo nakong e khutshwanyane e re saleng re tsene, re fetotse melao e le mmalwa, mme e bile fa o ka lemoga, le *posture* ya rona ke go tswelela re ntse re oketsa go bona gore go na le *accountability*. Se sengwe se o neng o se bua Rre Mokgware ke *suggestions* tsa gore go molato gore motho a *acquire property*.

Yo mongwe yo o neng a bua ke Rre Kekgonegile, o ne a re gompiano motho o tsere matlo a mo BCL. *I have to say*, ga ke itse gore gatwe eng, kana ke gore motho o utlwalela dilo, a bo a di dumela, *as far as we know*, ba e bileng re itse le ka go dira le *disposal* ya matlo a BCL kwa Phikwe, ga go na ope *who acquired* ntlo ya BCL kwa Phikwe *illegally*. *If there is anyone who has, I challenge* mongwe le mongwe *in this House* gore a supe motho wa go dira jalo. Ga go na ope *who acquired property* kwa Phikwe *illegally*. E bile fa o bua jalo, a bo o bua o le *sure*, ka gore ga go na ope *who acquired that*

*property*. Rre Kgoberego Nkawana ke yo. Rre Kaizer ke yo, o a itse. Ga go na ope *who acquired property illegally* kwa Phikwe.

Se ke neng ke batla gore ke bue ka sone gape ke kgang e neng e buiwa ke Rre Kekgonegile, a bua ka *ethical leadership, lecturing* botlhe ka di..., *you know* maabane *I was listening to* Motlotlegi Saleshando, *a very good friend of mine*, yo re tshidileng mmogo. Re kile nako nngwe ra emela ditlhopho mmogo, re tsamaile dipolotiki mmogo, *who has been in the political struggle probably gongwe much shorter than I have been*. Se ke itseng gore o a se itse, a bua gore go na le batho ba dikgwebo, a re fa o ka bona motho wa kgwebo a a fa lepolotiki madi, go a bo go na le se a se batlang. A re motho wa kgwebo ga a nke a a fa lepolotiki madi mahala. Ke bo ke gagamala. *When we went into elections tsa 2014, those on the other side, they know who financed even the buses tsa Botswana Congress Party (BCP). It was not the BCP members who contributed and financed that. It was business people who financed this.*

*There is no politician in this House who can tell you gore go na le phathi nngwe e e tshelang mo lefatsheng le...*

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Hang on Honourable Leader of the House.

**LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION (MR SALESHANDO):** *On a point of order*. Nnyaa, *for the correct record*, bese e e neng e dirisiwa ke BCP ka 2014, e koleketswe ke maloko a BCP. *It was not funded by any businessman*. Ba ba neng ba emetse ditlhopho, ba ne ba itse gore e bile fa e goroga kwa dikgaolong tsa bone, *they are expected* go kolekela gore e tshela leokwane la go fetela kwa pele. *So, se o se buang is untrue* Rre Moeti Mohwasa. Ke a leboga.

**MR MOHWASA:** Rre Saleshando *will agree with me gore at the time, there was a company e a e itseng, e e neng e bereka mono, it was part of the Oseg Group that funded us.*

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

**MR MOHWASA:** *I am going forward to 2019, but before* ke tsena foo, le wena Rre Gobotswang, ema pele, o iketle pele. Akere o bona fa le bua, ga ke nke ke le tsena ganong. Repang.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** On a further point of order.

**MR MOHWASA:** *Iketleng*, relax. When we got to 2019...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Hang on. *Mma a wele mo* point.

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

**MR SALESHANDO:** Nnyaa, *Mr Chairperson*, it will be *unfortunate* go tla go bua maina a dikompone *that never sponsored bus* epe ya BCP. O buile leina lengwe le fa ke sa le utlwa sentle, le ke sa tseyeng gore beng ba lone ba ka itumelela go utlwa le buiwa ba ise ba neele BCP madi a bese e a buang ka yone. *So*, a a *withdraw* se a se buang ka leina la kompone eo. Ke a leboga.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Leader of the House, *wa re company e bidiwa mang*, it funded *eng* specifically?

**MR MOHWASA:** Bese ya BCP ka ngwaga wa 2014. Fa re tswela re ya kwa pele, *I am challenging you* jaanong...

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

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Hang on Leader of the House. Before the challenge, *wa re* which company funded the bus ya BCP?

**MR MOHWASA:** Kana jaanong ke boelela leina le la boraro *Mr Chairperson*. Ka re Oseg Group. Jaanong ke reng? Ke a tswa mo go 2014, ke a tswela. *I am challenging each one of you here* gore a eme ka dinao fa a na le boammaaruri gore mo *campaigns* tsa lona lotlhe *as BCP up to today*, ga go na *company* epe...kana a re batho ba *businesses* fa ba ntsha madi, ba a bo ba na le *interests*... (Interruptions)...

**MR SALESHANDO:** Point of order.

**MR MOHWASA:** *There is no politician in this House who can stand up and look at me with a straight face, unless* fa e le gore ke motho yo o ikgantshang ka go tlhoka boammaaruri, yo o ka reng ga go na ope wa kgwebo...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ke nna.

**MR MOHWASA:** Nnyaa, wena ga o na boammaaruri. Yo e leng gore o na le boammaaruri...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Ga ke itse gore le emetse eng ka dinao.

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

**MR MOHWASA:** *Who can claim* gore o na le boammaaruri, yo o ka reng ga go na lepolotiki le le ka reng ga le ise le fiwe madi ke a *business person* gone fa. Yo o nang le boammaaruri. Go tswa gore a o na le segakolodi. Mafoko a ga Motlotlegi Saleshando fa a le fa maabane, a re fa bo radikgwebo ba ntsha madi ba go neela, ba a bo ba ipeeletsa, ba itse gore go na le sengwe. Jaanong ka re, a wena *Honourable Gobotswang*, o batla go nthaya o re fa e sale o le lepolotiki *up to now*, ga o ise o fiwe madi ke a *business person*?

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Nnyaa rra.

**MR MOHWASA:** Ga o ka ke wa nthaya jalo, ka gore re a itse gore re ntse re fiwa madi ke *businesses*. Rre Gobotswang o a itse le fa re tsena re ya kwa go 2014, re ne re na le dibese le diteraka tse di neng di tsamaya kwa dikgaolong, tse le boetsweng (*benefited*) mo go tsone gone fa. *So, I want to find out from any one of the politicians* ba ba leng fano, gore a e rile fa ba sena go tsena ka 2019, ka *funding* ya batho ba *businesses*, a go na le sengwe se ba se dirileng se se neng se le *untoward*? Ga go na ope *who can claim* gompieno a tla ka *holier than thou attitude*.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Point of order Honourable Dr Gobotswang.

**MR MOHWASA:** Jaanong tla ke tswela *Mr Chairperson*.

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** Ke a leboga. Nna fa fatshe.

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

**MR MOHWASA:** Wena o bua jaaka o kareng..., o bona nna, ga ke ise ke bue ka go huhumela dingaka. Jaanong o batla gore ke go gakolole dikgang tse ba tlholang ba di bua.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O se ka wa re o le legodu o bo o re mongwe le mongwe ke legodu.

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

**MR SPEAKER (MR KEORAPETSE):** *Order! Order! Honourable Members.* Le a bo le batla go tsenya

tlhakatlhakano, tsweetswee se direng jalo. *Leader of the House is pursuing a clear argument* e a reng le le mapolotiki, ga a dumele gore go na le yo o ka mo lebelelang mo matlhong mo go lona a re ga a ise a ke thusiwe ka madi (*funded*) ke a *businessman* kana *party*. *That is his line of argument.*

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

**MR SPEAKER:** Fa e le gore ga se boammaaruri, le ka mmaakanyetsa.

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

**MR SPEAKER:** No, I have never ordered any withdrawal. The only thing *se ke neng ke batla go utlwa a se bua, ke kompone e a reng* it has funded a bus, *o e buile. Ga ke ise ke utlwe gore ga se boammaaruri* at least on the company that he mentioned unless *e ka tsena* on record. But his overarching *ke yone e ya gore* business people have funded parties including as he says, the UDC at the time that the BCP was part of the UDC. He is asking a very simple question *ya gore* how did that change your behaviour post your election? His response as he says is on the argument *ya gore fa* business people *ba fund mapolotiki, go na le* expectation *mo go bone*. So, he is asking *gore* what was that expectation *ya 2019* and how did it change your behaviour to meet that expectation?

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

**MR SPEAKER:** No, I am saying that is his argument. *Ga ke bone sepe se se phoso ka* argument that he is pursuing. The only thing, if any *ke* that specific company which was mentioned. *Gongwe eo o ka e batlela bosupi jwa gore a le kgotsofatse* but his argument remains and I will not overrule him on it. Is it something that you are prepared to do in terms of bringing evidence exactly on the Oseg Group?

**MR MOHWASA:** *Mr Chairperson*, fa ke simolola, *I prefaced my statement* ka go tlhalosa kwa re tswang teng le Rre Saleshando.

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

**MR MOHWASA:** A ko o iketle wena, o ne o le kwa masimo fa re na le Rre Saleshando.

**MR SPEAKER:** O *address* nna kwano, o ba tlogele.

**MR MOHWASA:** Mme o mo kgalemele *Mr Chairperson* ka gore dipuo tsa gagwe di tswa mo tseleng.

Ke tlhalositse, le ene Rre Saleshando o a itse kwa re neng re le teng re tswa Poloka a re bolelela gore Motlotlegi *Director*...

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

**MR MOHWASA:** Nnyaa, araba *Mr Chairperson. Mr Chairperson*, go thata gore fa gongwe e re fa o araba o bo o bona motho a tswa mo tseleng jaaka taola ya sejaro jaaka *Honourable* Gobotswang. O etla a go kgotla, go thata tota, ke a leka *to avoid him*.

**MR SPEAKER:** *Ee*, I can see that. Honourable Members, please *mmang a le arabe*.

**MR MOHWASA:** Re ne re bua gore yo o neng e le wa *company* eo e leng Rre Pheko, o ne a thusa, a tlhalosa, re dumalana re bua, *there was nothing*, ke tsaya *from him* re dumalana. Jaanong gompiono fa e le gore go fetogile, go go sha, o ne a sa mpha sepe. *At the time*, ke ne ke sa itse, ke ka bo ke kopile gore a mphe bosupi jwa gore madi a a neng a tlile ke bokae? Tanki.

**MR SPEAKER:** *Honourable Minister*, kana go raya gore tota o boela kwa go reng o ne o utlwa. O ne o utlwa ka eng, mong wa kompone kana Rre Saleshando?

**MR MOHWASA:** Ke ne ke utlwa ka Rre Saleshando.

**MR SALESHANDO:** *On a point of order*. A Rre Mohwasa a tlotle maemo a a tshwereng, *he is Leader of the House*. Ga ke ka ke ka ema fela fa ke bo ke re ke godile le ene, e kile e kile ya re mo go goleng ga rona a nthaya a re ke bo ke e tliša mo Palamenteng. *I have never at any point disclosed anything* sa BCP kwa go ene ka gore ga ke ise ke mo tshephe ka nako epe ka dikgang tsa sepolotiki; Rre Moeti Mohwasa. Ga a tshephagale, *bus* e koloketswe ke maBCP, e tshetswe ke maBCP. A a se ka a bua dikgang tsa kwa ntle tse a reng ke tsa fa go golwa. Di dintsi tse ke ka di buang ka wena fa go golwa mme ga se tsa Palamente.

**MR SPEAKER:** *Leader of the House*, mma ke riane ke re tswang mo go yone, *do not pursue the Oseg one, especially that you cannot give us anything*. Ga ba dumalane le wena, wa re o ne o utlwa ka ene, o a latola jaanong a re tsweng mo go yone, re tsweleng ka tse

dingwe. Ke tlaabo ke gologela kwa tlase go raya gore o bo o tswelela le *debate*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Procedure* o ise o fologe.

**MR SPEAKER:** Ga gona *procedure*, re a tswelela. *Order! Order!*

**MR MOHWASA:** *Mr Chairperson*, tla ke tswelela. Maabane Motlotlegi Saleshando gape...

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

**MR MOHWASA:** Nnyaa jaanong ya gompiano ke fa o ntse o le *madala* jaana. O ne o baya sekai sa bo Obama, a re fa e le gore go na le *an accusation* e e dirwang, o tshwanetse gore wena o tle *public*. Gakere re na la *approach* ka gore motho o itsheka jang e e leng gore o a e tlhophya wena gore o batla go itsheka jang? *There are serious allegations* tse e leng gore *there are some people within political circles* tse e leng gore ba a di dira *against opponents* tsa bone kana ba ba dumalaneng le bone *and you choose the path* e o e tsayang. E nngwe ke e e *legal* which in this instance, I have chosen so that whoever yo o buang gore ke tsera matlo a BCL e se ka fa tsamaisong, a ye go tlhalosa gore jang. *I am also going for others* ba ba ntseng ba le mo dilong tsone tsa go tsamaya ba ntshenya maina. *I have a responsibility* go itsheka.

A re ke ka bo ke ne ka tlhalosa dikgang tse. *As a way of* go tlhalosa *background* ka gore go ne go bapisetswa, ke tlhalose sentle...

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** *On a point of procedure*. *Mr Chairperson*, gongwe o gakolole *Honourable Member* gore fa a na le kgang e e leng gore e tsamaisiwa ka ene, go na le ditsamaiso mo Palamenteng e, *he can make a personal statement* ka yone ka gore o tsamaya o kare e a mo tshwenya, o a e boelela, o tswa mo go yone, o a e boelela. Ke tsaya gore e mo tshwentse. *What he can do*, a a supegetswe *the relevant* tsamaiso ya Palamente, a tsenye *personal statement* a tle a itlhalose sentle gore a re kgang e ya gagwe ke ya eng. Ke a leboga Modulasetilo.

**MR CHAIRPERSON (MR KEORAPETSE):** *E ne e le kgakololo fela, ene gakere a re* he is pursuing a legal route ya to sue for defamation of character.

**MR MOHWASA:** Modulasetilo, ke ne ke re o gakolole le Motlotlegi Aaron; o dira *some side remarks* tse e leng gore di tlaa mo golega. Ke kopa gore a di bue kwa ntle, a se ka a di bua mo Ntlong e. O itse se a se buileng.

Jaanong se ke batlang go se go bolelela Modulasetilo...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** *Honourable Leader of the House, just take your seat just quickly. I feel I have actually remembered that. Honourable Aaron, this thing seems to be continuous on your side* gore fa ba bangwe ba bua o ba tsena ganong mme o rumolana, mme go rumolana ga teng go utlwala fela thata. Tota ke ne ke rile e tlaa re fa ke palamela kwa godimo, ke go kobebe kwa ntle. Jaanong o *lucky* mo go maswe, o kile wa bona *Speaker* a lebala go koba motho? Fa o ka nna wa tswelela jalo ka *that behaviour*, ke tlaa go kobela kwa ntle.

**MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND TOURISM**

**(MR MMOLOTSI):** *On a point of order*. Ka fa e leng gore go duwa mo tseleng ka teng Modulasetilo mo Ntlong e, ga se ene fela, o na le *Honourable* Gobotswang mo teng. Ke go gakolole Modulasetilo gore gona le Standing Order 60 se ke le kang gore go ya kwa pele, fa banna ba ba ka tswelela ka go dira ka fa ba dirang ka teng, gongwe ba se dirisetswe ka gore tota ga se ba ba tlhokang go kobiwa letsatsi le le lengwefela, go batla beke yotlhe. *They need to be named*.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Tswelela *Leader of the House*. Ke kgalemile *Honourable* Mmolotsi.

**MR MOHWASA:** Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*. Go na le kgang e e letseng e buiwa maabane, Tautona a bapisetswa. Go buiwa gore motho o tsaya *planes*, ditsala kae go reng, e boela mo kgannyeng e ke neng ke e bua gone fa..., o bo o tsena mo ngwaneng wa gagwe. Ke batla gore *Mr Chairperson if you allow me*, ka gore Companies and Intellectual Property Authority (CIPA) e bulegile, go tlhola go buiwa mo maranyeng *and I need to clarify this* ka gore ngwana wa Modimo ga a ka ke a kgona go tlaa a itshireletsa fa.

Go na le company e bitswa Primo Link, *that was registered in June 2021 and it was removed* ka 2022, *he was only listed as a secretary*. Ya bobedi ya Heritage Site, *registered in October 2020, it was removed in 2021, he was listed as a Secretary*, ngwana wa ga Tautona.

Registered on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2015, and the company is currently removed, Take Fun, he was listed as a Director. Mabaka Holdings, registered in 2010, removed in 2023, he was listed as a Director. MCC Sporting Academy, registered in 18<sup>th</sup> February 2025, he is listed as a Co-Director. Ulsan Botswana, registered in 16<sup>th</sup> May 2025, he appears as a company Secretary. Real Wealth, registered in June 2016, removed in 2022 July, he was a Co-Director. Re Mmogo Agricultural Projects, registered 11<sup>th</sup> May 2021, removed on the 11<sup>th</sup> June 2022, he was never mentioned on this company. Good Vibes All the Way, registered on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018 and was removed in 2021, listed as a shareholder. Abstract Visuals, registered in October 2021 and he is listed as the company Director. Ascent Development and Construction, registered in 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025, listed as a beneficiary owner with other two Bokos. Loeto Commercial Farms, registered in 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021, he is listed as the company Director. Mmanakalengwe, registered in 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021 and is currently removed, he is not listed in this company. AT Cars, registered 17<sup>th</sup> May 2024, he is listed as the Director in this company. Young Royals Academy, registered in 2024, August and it is a business under AT Cars, therefore he is a Director. Duma Boko and Company, registered 6<sup>th</sup> September 2018, he does not appear anywhere in the company register. Second Republic, registered on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2025, he appears as a shareholder here through Abstract Visuals which is listed. Some of these companies were removed and never operated Mr Chairperson, tse dingwe e ne e le company Secretary and you understand better from Mapalamente mo dikgannyeng tse.

I have to say, Rre Saleshando o ne a bua golo gongwe le Motlotlegi Mokgothu yo o tlhalositseng gore, ene o ne a bolelela bana ba gagwe gore ba se ka ba batla ditsha fa a le kwa..., ga ke itse gore a o ne a le kwa go ba lefatshe. I can tell you gore none of these companies tsa rre yo re buang ka ga ene are doing business le Goramente. Ke ipotsa gore a la re motho fa e le ngwana wa ga Tautona, ga a tshwanela go dira business. A o molato gore a bo a sa dire business le Goramente, is this the sin gore a bo a sa dire business le Goramente? Ke batla go feta ka yone ke re, it is not right Mr Chairperson.

E go neng go buiwa gore companies di thusa bangwe e bile they suggest gore go na le corruption, fa e le gore that is the sin ya go nna le companies di le thusa, then

rotlhe in this House re tshwanetse gore re bo re seyo fa, ka gore companies have assisted us. We are going for congresses gompieno, we know we run around re kopa madi mo dikomponeng go re thusa. We campaign, we run around re kopa batho. Fa e le gore wena ga o a nna sego, wa ya go wela mo yo o go thusang go le go nnyenyane, o se ka wa nna lefufa mo go yo o kgonang gore a kope thuso a thusiwa mo go botoka. Rotlhe re ne re le mmogo, ga gona ope ka koo wa BCP yo a ka nthayang a re ga a ise a benefit from business people. Le fa o bona ba ne ba le bogale ba bua ka Muti jaana, they have benefited a lot ka 2019. The issue that I want to bring forward ke gore, a re leseng go nna re leka go ipaya botoka and start painting batho ba bangwe jaaka e kete ba bosula, ba a senya.

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

**MR MOHWASA:** Private jet gakere e tshwana le chopper e le neng le tsamaya ka yone, what is the difference? BCP e na le chopper.

Go ne go na le kgang e batlotlegi ba neng ba bua ka yone, ke ne ke re ke fete ka yone ka bokhutshwane. Ba bua ka madi a development, ke tlhalose Mr Chairperson gore expenditure e ne e sa dira mo development fund ka go ne go sena madi, go sena office space e e neng e ka letlelela gore go dirwe networking. Fa godimo ga moo...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Leader of the House, please do note that o setse ka 3 minutes ele e se ka ya go mislead.

**MR MOHWASA:** Mr Chairperson, this concludes my budget proposal for Organisation 2800-Ethics and Integrity Directorate. I now request that a total of Twenty-Nine Million, One Hundred and Fourteen Thousand, Six Hundred and Forty Pula (P29,114,640), which consists of Twenty-Five Million, Six Hundred and Fourteen Thousand, Six Hundred and Forty Pula (P25,614,640) for the Recurrent Budget and Three Million, Five Hundred Thousand Pula (P3,500,000) for the Development Budget be approved and stand part of the 2026/2027 Appropriation Bill (No. 1 of 2026) for Organisation 2800. I move accordingly. Thank you, Mr Chairperson.

Question put and agreed to.



## ORGANISATION 2900-MINISTRY OF JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Order! Honourable Members. Honourable Members, please note that two hours and 10 minutes has been allocated to this organisation, and I shall call upon the Honourable Minister to reply to the debate at the time that will be announced, because we need to readjust the times. The question will also be put at the time that we will subsequently announce. I now call upon the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services Honourable Ramaotwana Nelson Ramaotwana to present.

**MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES (MR RAMAOTWANA):** *Ke a leboga* Mr Chairperson and Honourable Members. Mr Chairperson, I wish to present to this Honourable House the 2026/2027 Budget Estimates for the Ministry of Justice and Correctional Services –Organisation 2900.

Mr Chairperson, before presenting the ministry's Budget Estimates, please allow me to brief this Honourable House on the performance of the ministry during 2025/2026 financial year. The ministry remains committed to enhancing the justice sector through legislative and policy development that is inclusive. As you are all aware, inclusivity is in line with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 16 which requires of United Nations (UN) member states like Botswana to "promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, providing access to justice for all and building effective accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels". Inclusive governance is also the theme of the Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC) manifesto. The theme of my Government's maiden development plan, National Development Plan (NDP) 12, is Building a Diversified and Inclusive Deep Economy for sustainable jobs, which is very consistent with Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 16, and the NDP 12 True North of transforming the nation into a high-income, digitally enabled, export driven and economically diversified Botswana where every citizen is employed, empowered and fulfilled.

### **Gender Mainstreaming in the Criminal Justice System**

Mr Chairperson, in implementing strategic reforms to strengthen a child-friendly justice system, a key initiative during this financial year has been the launch of a multi-sectoral Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for handling children's cases and the holding of a Judges' Colloquium to consult on the SOPs. These efforts aim to transform the legal and institutional framework so it becomes more responsive, inclusive, and sensitive to children's needs, ensuring stronger protection of children's rights within the justice system. The development of SOPs is to guide child-sensitive legal processes. The Judges' Colloquium is part of the broader national effort to establish a fully functional child-friendly justice system. The ministry will continue collaborating with stakeholders to support these reforms and ensure a justice system that upholds fairness, protection, rehabilitation and the dignity of every child in Botswana.

Mr Chairperson, the ministry has made progress in institutionalising gender mainstreaming within the criminal justice system by engaging a consultant to train justice sector stakeholders on gender mainstreaming guidelines and develop an implementation plan. The guidelines ensure that policies, processes and services within the justice system are inclusive, equitable, and responsive to the different needs and experiences of all genders. The ministry is now cascading and integrating this process across the justice sector through strategic annual plans and progress will be monitored periodically using the developed Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) framework.

Mr Chairperson, in so far as ensuring that children of refugees access equitable and quality tertiary education is concerned, Government obligation under the 1951 UN Convention relating to the status of refugees is providing basic education only. It is against the foregoing that my ministry has partnered with tertiary educational institutions and private sector to sponsor refugees at tertiary institutions, such as Botho University, University of Botswana, BIUST, Limkonkwing just to name a few.

### **Legal Aid Services**

Mr Chairperson, further to the legislative development and policies in pursuit of access to justice, we have Legal Aid Botswana (LAB) whose primary mandate is

to provide legal education, advice, and representation to indigents members of our society who cannot afford legal services in the private sector.

Mr Chairperson, LAB continues to bring legal services closer to the people of Botswana. Under the current strategy, dubbed “*re a ba latela*” LAB aims to ensure that indigent members of the public do not travel more than a 150-kilometre radius to access legal aid services. In pursuit of this objective, LAB has significantly enhanced accessibility by commencing the establishment of a new operational centre in Ghanzi, adding to the six operational centres delivered under NDP 11. Furthermore, LAB has access to four visiting offices. The facilities are situated across Botswana in Mochudi, Letlhakane, Kavimba and Ghanzi. Some of the sites are in collaboration with Stepping Stone International (SSI) which LAB has an established partnership to utilize their offices during visiting schedules. These initiatives demonstrate LAB’s continued efforts to decentralise services.

Mr Chairperson, LAB has made significant strides in the provision of legal representation. An official launch of the Criminal Legal Aid Programme, incorporating media and stakeholder engagement, was done in January 2026 for LAB to deal with *pro deo* criminal matters. Further to that, regional launches were done in all the six centres. This will enable stakeholders to become aware of the programme and to take advantage of same, through referrals.

In addition, the outsourced mediation service continues to gain traction, with a notable increase in cases referred for mediation. As at end of the third quarter, mediated cases surpassed the target 115 by 26. This has resulted in improved service delivery turnaround times and positive settlement rate.

Mr Chairperson, let me acknowledge the support extended to LAB by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), which has yielded tangible benefits over the years. One notable outcome of this collaboration under the current financial year is the UNDP funded billboard advertising LAB services at strategic locations in Gaborone.

Mr Chairperson, LAB has embraced technology and digital transformation to improve service delivery, internal systems, and operational efficiency. Following

the development of ICT strategy, a five-year ICT development blueprint, known as the Statement of User Requirements (SOUR), has been developed to guide the phased development and deployment of LAB’s digital infrastructure.

Mr Chairperson, despite the above achievements, LAB is faced with several significant challenges such as shortages in human capital and high staff turnover, inadequate resources (laptops, vehicles, furniture) and limited office space.

### **Human Rights & Equity**

Mr Chairperson, Botswana continues to demonstrate its commitment to uplifting the dignity of the San people. His Excellency the President at the occasion on his maiden State of the Nation Address (SONA) acknowledged the sanctity of the rights of indigenous communities and committed remedying past transgressions.

Mr Chairperson, extensive consultations of the San communities have been carried out, but had to be halted due to economic meltdown currently besieging Botswana. The ministry facilitated the participation, inclusion and integration of San communities in the development of the Government’ NDP 12.

### **“EXCHANGE OF SPEAKERSHIP”**

**MADAM CHAIRPERSON (MS MANYENENG):** Order, Order! Good afternoon.

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** Thank you Madam Chairperson. San Communities were facilitated to participate in the development of the Botswana Economic Transformation

Programme (BETP). As part of this inclusion effort, interviews were conducted with San representatives and subject matter experts to gather their perspectives on San economic inclusion.

Representatives from San communities across five districts of the Okavango, Kgalagadi, Boteti, Ghanzi, and Charleshill were physically present at the BETP LABS. During the LAB sessions, representatives of the San developed a culturally appropriate programme, which was subsequently submitted to the Ministry of Finance and Development to inform the NDP 12 on their aforesaid plight.

Adoption of the Government's National Plan in November 2025 and the Human Rights Chapter of the plan fully address human rights claim for redress for indigenous peoples of Botswana by among other things, committing to positioning Botswana as an authority in advocacy and protection of rights of indigenous peoples, the ratification of all Regional and International Instruments that promote the protection of rights of indigenous peoples, making Central Kalahari Game Reserve (CKGR) a symbolic with recognition of Indigenous People and the right of return and formalizing participation mechanism for San communities to ensure their meaningful participation in development.

The Government's commitment to uplifting the dignity of indigenous peoples has also been acknowledged and positively received at the international level. In this regard, attention is drawn to the End-of-Mission Statement issued in September 2025 by the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, following his working visit to Botswana from 1<sup>st</sup> September to 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2025. The Special Rapporteur commended Botswana's demonstrated political will, openness to reform, and growing leadership in the region with respect to the recognition, protection and promotion of Indigenous Peoples' rights.

Madam Chairperson, Botswana continues to demonstrate strong performance in governance and human rights. According to the 2024 Mo Ibrahim Index, Botswana scored 65.8 per cent, ranking 5<sup>th</sup> in Africa, well above both the continental and Southern African averages. This reflects sustained commitment to good governance and the rule of law.

Madam Chairperson, the ministry remains actively engaged with regional and international human rights mechanisms. In compliance with Article 62 of the African Charter, Botswana presented its 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Periodic Report to the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights in October 2025 Banjul, in The Gambia and were represented by the Assistant Minister and were given a standing ovation for having corrected or remedied all pending matters under the human rights session.

Additionally, in collaboration with civil society, Government submitted follow-up reports under the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

(ICCPR) and Convention on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD) in the year 2025.

Madam Chairperson, the ministry is currently coordinating the submission of the CERD substantive Human Rights State Report which is due in March 2026, as well as the Universal Periodic Review Mid-Term Report, which is due by September 2026. Timely submission of Human Rights State Reports enhances Botswana's human rights rankings.

Madam Chairperson, these efforts reaffirm Botswana's commitment to strengthening human rights, meeting international obligations, and maintaining our leadership in governance in the continent and indeed the globe as we have been appointed the Chairperson on indigenous matters.

#### **Anti- Human Trafficking**

Madam Chairperson, the ministry remains steadfast in its commitment to the fight against human trafficking, and we are fully committed to strengthening regional and international cooperation to combat this transnational organised crime. In fulfilment of this commitment, the ministry has advanced the process towards the ratification and domestication of the Southern African Development Community (SADC) Protocol Against Trafficking in Persons. The protocol provides a comprehensive framework for cooperation among SADC Member States in preventing and combating trafficking in persons, protecting and assisting victims, and prosecuting offenders. Ratification and implementation of this protocol will further enhance our ability to work collaboratively with neighboring countries in addressing cross-border trafficking networks.

Furthermore, Madam Chairperson, I am pleased to report that the ministry, with the support of the International Organization for Migration (IOM), moved from policy development to full-scale implementation of the four human trafficking operational frameworks, namely the Standard Operating Procedures, the National Referral Mechanism, the Communication Strategy, and the Trainer of Trainers Guide. These frameworks have significantly strengthened coordination, clarified institutional roles, and improved victim-centred responses across the country.

Madam Chairperson, the ministry has intensified training of frontline service providers such as police officers, prosecutors, immigration officers and social workers across the country. Through these capacity-building efforts, a total of 1, 591 officers have now been capacitated, enhancing detection, investigation, and prosecution of trafficking in persons cases. In addition, nationwide awareness raising campaigns have been conducted, and are aimed at preventing human trafficking, as well as informing the public on available reporting mechanisms, and reducing vulnerability, particularly among women and children.

### **Refugee Management**

Madam Chairperson, the ministry is committed to the welfare and management of recognised refugees and asylum seekers in line with the provisions of the international law and our domestic statutes. On the 1<sup>st</sup> of November 2025, we commenced the Refugees (Recognition and Management) Act whose provisions are aligned to international best practices such as protection of family members of a refugee and a robust status determination process that will ensure that only eligible persons are granted refugee protection in Botswana.

In so far as remove reservations Botswana entered on the ratification of the 1951 United Nations Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees;

Madam Chairperson, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) has revised and changed its level of representation in Botswana. The UNHCR field office in Dukwi has been closed and UNHCR will support Botswana from Pretoria, South Africa. This means that some of the refugee management and welfare roles that were implemented by UNHCR will be done by Government. This means an increase in the Department's 2026/2027 Budget, where most costs associated with their upkeep, in terms of procurement of food and non-food items will be borne by Government.

### **Recurrent Budget Estimates**

Madam Chairperson, during the 2025/2026 financial year, the ministry was allocated a budget of One billion, Fifteen Million, Three Hundred and Fourteen Thousand, Six Hundred and Ninety Pula (P1,015,314,690). As at

end of January 2026, a total of Seven Hundred and Forty-Eight Million, Four Hundred and Fifty-Seven Thousand and Seventy-Five Pula (P748,457,075) has been utilised representing 74 per cent usage. Madam Chairperson, it is important to note that due to the moratorium on issuance of Government Purchase Orders (GPOs), overtime and travel, the expenditure has drastically reduced, save for Botswana Correctional Services as their business had to continue nonetheless.

Madam Chairperson, it is also important to highlight that the ministry has a new structure which will be implemented during the next financial year and Botswana Prison Services will be an independent department, hence a decrease in my ministry budget.

### **Budget Proposals**

Madam Chairperson, now it gives me great honour to present to this esteemed Parliament the Recurrent Budget Estimates for the financial year 2026/2027 for Organisation 2900: Ministry of Justice and Correctional Services. Madam Chairperson, I hereby request that the sum of One Hundred and Fifty-Three Million, Two Hundred and Ninety-Five Thousand, Five Hundred and Sixty Pula (P153,295,560) be approved to enable the ministry to fulfil its mandate effectively. The proposed budget is to be shared as follows:

#### **2901-Headquarters**

Madam Chairperson, I propose One hundred and Twenty-Nine Million, Ninety-One Thousand, Seven Hundred Pula (P129,091,700) to be allocated for headquarters. These funds will cover payment to headquarters salaries, allowances, subvention to Legal Aid Botswana and office accommodation.

#### **2904-Refugee Management and Anti-Human Trafficking**

Madam Chairperson, I propose an allocation of Twenty-Four Million, Two hundred and Three Thousand, Eight Hundred and Sixty Pula (P24,203,860). This budget will cater for provision of core relief items to refugees, welfare and repatriation of refugees, food supplies for asylum seekers and recognised refugees, maintenance of houses and other related needs.

**Development Budget**

Madam Chairperson, allow me now to give an overview blah, blah!

**Conclusion**

Madam Chairperson, this concludes my presentation of the 2026/2027 budget estimates for my ministry. I therefore move that the sum of Hundred and Fifty-Three Million, Two Hundred and Ninety-Five Thousand, Five Hundred and Sixty Pula (P153,295,560) under the Recurrent Budget for Organisation 2900 be approved and stand part of the Schedule of the Appropriation (2026/2027) Bill, 2026 (No.1 of 2026), and that the sum Forty-Eight Million, Nine Hundred and Forty Thousand, Four Hundred Pula (P48,940,400) under the Development Budget for Organisation 2900 be approved and stand part of the Estimates for the financial year 2026/2027. I thank you Madam Chairperson.

**MADAM CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you Honourable Minister. Honourable Members, note that by 5:55 p.m. the Minister will be replying and the question will be put at 6:25 p.m. The floor is open Honourable Members. Honourable Kenny Kapinga.

**MR KAPINGA (OKAVANGO WEST):** *Thank you Madam Chairperson, thank you Honourable Minister for your presentation. Kana nna my whole purpose today is to remind you that you have the responsibility, you have the onerous task on your shoulders to be a transformative Government.*

Selo sa ntlha ke batla go go gakolola se ke itseng gore o a se itse, *the principle that says fiat justitia ruat caelum; let justice be done, though the heavens fall.* Mongwe le mongwe Madam Chairperson, mo lefatsheng le o na le tshwanelo ya boatlhodi jo bo ntshang dikatlaholo tse di siameng. Mma ke e beye jalo; fa gongwe Setswana se a tle se tsene ka sekgwa. Le sone serukutlhi se se maswe go gaisa, *the worst criminal has the right to justice.*

*The serial rapist, the serial murderer, the ritual murderer in our society has the right to justice.* Nna ke lepodise fa godimo ga go nna a lawyer. Ke lepodise le le rutilweng gore motho fa a dirile borukutlhi o mo tsaya as a suspect, fa o sena go mo tshwara o mo tsaya as an accused person. Ga se wena yo o nang le tshwanelo ya gore o ka mo athola. *Therefore, as political leadership*

*in this country, we must not be seen to run along with mob justice.* Ga re a tshwanela go bonwa re le bangwe ba ba emang nokeng batho ba ba atholwang ba ise ba neelwe se se bidiwang gotwe *due process of law.* *Otherwise, fa re dira jalo re tlaabo re latlhegetswe ke boikarabelo of dispensing justice in our society.*

Ke batla go go kopa rraetsho gore potso e ke e go boditseng mabapi le batho ba ba ganyaotsweng kwa Phase 2 o e arabe, o tlhalose seemo sa Goromente wa gago gore o leba tiragalo eo jang? Fa o ka tliša karabo mo Ntlong e rraetsho ka go utlwa gore wa reng, gongwe ke ka kgotsofala gore ka nnete le Goromente wa ditshwanelo tsa batho, le Goromente yo o itebagantseng le *justice regardless* gore yo o kabong a dirile molato ke motho yo o ntseng jang.

Se sengwe rra se ke batlang go se go tlhagisetsa, ke gore a Goromente wa gago a se ka a nna Goromente yo o tlaa itsiweng ka go tliša melato e e itiretsweng kगतलhanong le ba ba tsewang gore ba ka bo e le *enemies* tsa ga Goromente. *Trumped-up charges, like we saw in the past Government* batho gotwe ba utswile maP100 billion ba logelwa segwenegwene. Ga ke eletse go bona le lona le wela mo tseleng eo, e Goromente a kgonang go bopela motho kgomo ya mmopa go sena boammaaruri mo teng. *You will be violating your responsibility to uphold justice in this country.*

Se sengwe se ke batlang go se bua rraetsho, ke se buile maloba gape fa re bua ka Administration of Justice (AoJ), *your ministry has the responsibility to come up with ideas.* Kwa Rwanda fa ba sena go nna le *the genocide* ya 1994, *they came up with a creative system* ba e bitsa, 'The Gacaca Courts.' Fa o ka bula mo Google gone jaana o bo o kwala Gacaca, e tlaa go bolelela gore; *let me quote Madam Chairperson.*

**MADAM CHAIRPERSON:** Please do.

**MR KAPINGA:** "Gacaca courts were community-based justice mechanisms in Rwanda established to process nearly two million cases following the 1994 genocide against the Tutsi. Running from 2002 to 2012, these courts focused on truth telling, national reconciliation and community reconciliation, allowing perpetrators to confess, show remorse and receive reduced sentences." Professor Frimpong told me when he taught Penology at University of Botswana (UB) *gore* there is what is called a condign sentence, a

sentence that is fit and proper, *e itebagantse le molato, modira molato e bile e ka kgotsofatsa community e e diretsweng molato.*

Ke batla go go tthagisa *against the temptation* gore e re o bona melato mengwe e oketsega, o bo o tsaya *the populist shortcut* e re neng re e bona e dirwa gotwe melato ya Gender Based Violence (GBV) le *sexual abuse* e oketsegile, a molato wa *defilement minimum* wa one e nne 25 years. Bagaetsho, ngwaga mo toronkong ke sebaka se se leele. Fa re le fa jaana, fa mongwe wa rona fela a ka bewa kwa toronkong dikgwedi di le tharo kana beke, o tlaa baka.

*That is why* ke dumela gore *the best deterrence* ga se go oketsa *sentences* di nna kana jaaka re ne re dira bo *defilement* e nna 25 years, *rape* e nngwe gotwe 30 years, *that is not the effective direction to take. What is effective is that offenders must be caught, arrested and be brought before the courts. Those who are guilty, be found guilty and punished.*

*The more offenders that are caught and prosecuted and punished, the more the law becomes deterrent.* Fa o oketsa dikatllholo e nna bo 30 years, mme o tshwara one fale, o kapetsa one fale, *the law does not become deterrent.* Fa gompiano jaana bangwe ba le babedi ba le bararo ba ba neng ba tshwere maemo a matona, fa ba ka sekisiwa ka bofefo ba ya kwa toronkong, o tlaa bona batho ba ba akanya gabedi, gararo *when they are tempted to commit acts of corruption.*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Go tewa lona kana.

**MR KAPINGA:** Fa o oketsa *sentences* tsa *corruption* e nna bo 20 or 30 years go sena ope yo o tshwarwang, yo o sekisiwang a bonwa molato, *there is no effect at all ya deterrence. Deterrence lies in increased arrests, prosecutions and convictions before court and punishment. Before* ke tšhaelwa ke nako, nako e e khutshwanyane thata *Madam Chairperson*, ke tshotse dilo tse dintsi fa.

Ke batla go bua ka *juvenile justice*, maabane ke ne ke bua kwa Gabz-FM maitseboa ka *juvenile justice* gore bana ba ba dirileng melato, ba direlwa *injustice* ya gore *case* e bo e elangwa. Ngwana fa a dirile molato a le 16 years, *case* e, e bo e elangwa go fitlhela a bo a ya go tshwara 18 years ke gone a bo *case* e tsewa fa e neng e

beilwe teng, a bo a sekisiwa jaanong gotwe o motho yo o motona re go sekisa *as an adult, that is injustice Madam Chairperson.* Motho yo o dirile melato eo, e le *a juvenile influenced* ke dilo *that can influence a juvenile* gore a nne *delinquent* kgotsa a *commit a criminal offence. That is why I am of the position Honourable Minister* ya gore *juvenile offenders who are accused of serious offences* ba ba tlisiwang fa pele ga *Magistrate Court, should be assigned legal representatives right from the word go, gore* ba emelwe ke *lawyers* tsa ga Goromente. *It will be an easy decision for you because Legal Aid is there. You can easily decide and give instructions from now hence forth* gore Legal Aid e *represent juveniles* tse di sekisiwang ka bo *armed robbery, rape* le *whatever serious offence they may be accused of.* O tlaabo o tlišitse phetogo mo lefatsheng la rona *Honourable Minister* fa o ka dira jalo.

Sa bofelo se ke batlang go se *encourage*, mme e bile ke bona *the new Director of Public Prosecutions* o kare o tlaa se dira, *is to resort to molao* wa Proceeds and Instruments of Crime Act. *I was taught as a police officer* kwa Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) gore *if you want to hit organised crime and corruption syndicates, seize their assets, confiscate their assets* and o tlaabo o ba iteile mo seperuperung selo sa ga KFC Motshegwa. Mo tsele tsone tse a di kgobokantseng *as a result of commission of crime. I want to encourage you to go along that path* because fa gongwe *criminal investigation that will be followed* ke *criminal prosecution is going to take all the time.* Ke a leboga *Madam Chairperson.*

**MR LEKAU (MOGODITSHANE WEST):** Tla ke dumedise gape *Madam Chairperson.* Ke tswelidise fela fa Rre Kapinga a emeng teng mo kgannyeng ele ya bana. O ya go fitlhela e le gore bana ba ba tserweng ba le kwa Moshupa Prisons kwa gotweng ke bana teng, kgantele e nna ngwana a bo a golela moo, mme a ise a ko a seke, e le gone go diya gore a tle a seke. Ke bo ke bona gore e kare jaanong ngwana yo, o atlhotswe pele ga a ka atlholwa. E bile gape fa gongwe ba kotlopietsa gore gatwe o tlhakanetse dikobo le ngwana yo o monnyennyane, mme ba raya ka dingwaga tsa bone, ba ne ba lekana mo dingwageng jaanong ba batla go pinelela yole wa mosimane gore ba mo diye kwa, fa a tswa kwa go bo gotwe ke *defilement.* Golo mo, o go tsenye leitlho thata gore a ko go se ka ga nna jalo.

Se sengwe se ke neng ke batla go bua ka sone ke gore kwa dikgolegolong go na le batho ba le bantsi ba e leng gore gongwe *programmes* tse di neng di le kwa go Rre Maele tsa *brigades*, tse e neng e le gore ba dira *courses* koo, *it is a good initiative* ba a dira, bothata jo bo teng ke gore go tsaya lebaka *to be tested*. Fa e ne e le gore *you can talk* le bo Rre Maele gore bone bao ba fiwe *preference to be tested*. Kana gone fela go tsena sekole ga gagwe le go ithuta tiro ya diatla, le ene ka bo ene *psychologically*, go mo raya gore o amogelesegile mo setšhabeng. Fa re *speed up that process* go ba fa monyetla wa gore ba ipone ba ka boela *back to the community*.

Kgang ya bongaka jwa bone fa ba le mo dikgolegolong, *we need to improve our healthcare access so that* fa ba batla *medical services*, ba di bone e se ka ya nna gore o kare le bolwetse bo dirisiwa go go atlhola la bobedi gape mo kgolegolong. *Their mental health is very important* gore re itse gore kana motho yo mongwe o tsena kwa le ene a ntse a belaela gore gongwe ga a atlholwa sentle, golo mo a bo tshela ka gone. Tshidilomaikutlo ya rona e nne kwa godimo.

Gongwe e re ke tsamaela kwa bokhutlong, ke supe kgang ya *infrastructure*, e kgologolo mo e leng gore *staff* sa teng o kare jaanong le bone ba athlotswe, ke magolegwa. Fa o ka tsaya dikai di tshwana le kwa bo Village, dipulanyana tse fela jaaka di na, *staff* sele sotlhe metsi a tsena mo dijarateng tsa bone. Ditlankana tsa bone ba di kokomeditse kgakala tota mo makotswaneng ka gore ba itse gore fela jaaka ba tšhika *corner* metsi a a tsena. A ko o ye go lebelela *infrastructure* eo. A *staff* le bone ba *progress*. Ke itse mongwe wa badisamagolegwa kwa Mahalapye e sale ke *supplier rice* ka 2013, ke ntse ke mo fitlhela fela fale a sena le fa e le sepe mo legetleng. Bana ba Modimo ba a bereka, mme e bile ba bereka *in a very risky environment*, mme o kare ga re ba *recognise* go ya jaaka maphata a mangwe re bona ba *progress*. A ko re lekeng gore le rona kwa lephateng leo, re itsose mongwame.

Fa o ka lebelela, o tlaa lemoga gore *there is a high turnover as compared to police* ya *staff* sa batho bao, o bo o ipotsa gore e ka tswa e bakwa ke eng? Ke *conditions* tse e leng gore ga di monate. O ya go berekela kwa Tshane o sena *day offs*, o sale o ya kwa Tshane ka 2010 o ntse o foo fela ga o ise o ko o bo o tsholediwane maemo

le fa e le ka sepe. Kgantele o ipotsa gore mosola wa teng ke eng? Ke go tlogela golo mo. A re lekeng ka bojoitlhe gore re dire jalo.

Sa bofelo, fela jaaka go ne go buiwa fa, ke batla gore re supe batho ba Modimo, a ko re se ka ra nna Puso e e leng gore fa motho a re kgala kana a bua sengwe, a bo jaanong e le ene re tlohlang re mo alotse motshegare otlhe. Mo gongwe e a bo e le go tsoetsa motho *trauma* fela le ka molato o mosesanyane a bo go tsamaya dikoloi tsa Special Support Group (SSG) kana tsa *Prison* di le *six* di letsa *alarms* gore motho *has posted* a re Rre Lekau o bolaile motho. A ko re se ka ra dira jalo gore e kare jaanong re na le *witch-hunt* mo bathong e bile re batla go dirisiwa. Re a itse gore ke rona re tshegetsang, mme a se ka ya nna e kare re dirisiwa boloi jo bo sa lebanang gore re batla gore ba ba kgalang Puso kana ba ba dira eng, e nne bone ba e ka reng *we are targeting*. A re supeng gore re *transparent*, mongwe le mongwe o tsewa ka tekatekano.

O ka ipotsa gore motho fa a tswa go bolaya dinonyane kwa Mochudi a bo a sa tshwarwe a lelekwa ka dikoloi tseo mme motho fa yo mongwe a dirile sengwe fela se se sesane e bo go tlhola go lela *sirens* mme a setswe morago ke badisamagolegwa ba bantsi. Selo seo a ko re se tsenye leitlho gore re direle batho *justice*.

Mme le tsone dithoto tsa bone, a ko di tsewe bagaetsho. A re tseye dithoto tsa badiramelato re di ise...

**MADAM CHAIRPERSON:** E go tshwere *Honourable* Lekau.

**MR MOSANANA (KANYE EAST):** Ke a go leboga *Madam Chair*. Mma ke simolole fela ka gore re go utlwile *Minister* ka kgang eo ya gago ka kopo eo ya madi. Ke simolole fela ka gore go botlhokwa thata gore ka gore go na le dikgang tse e leng gore go le gantsi re a tle re utlwe gotwe go dirwa *outsourcing from outside*, go tsisiwa batho ba e leng gore ba tlile go di tsamaisa, *high profile cases* tseo a go nonotshiwe Batswana ba e leng gore ba tlaa di dira. Seo se tlaabo gape se ba nonotsha le go ba fa *experience* ya go tsamaisa dikgang tse di ntseng jalo. Go tlaabo gape go ba fa le *exposure*, seo se botlhokwa thata.

Fa ke fetela kwa dikgolegolong tsa rona, kana mongwe le mongwe yo o mo toronkong ga se gore o dirile molato,

ba bangwe ba tsena koo ka mabaka gongwe a gore o paletswe ke go itlhalosa sentle gore tota go diragetse eng a bo a iphitlhela a setse a le moo. Mo gongwe e a bo e le ka ntata ya go rotloediwa ke ditsala mme tota ene e se gore o tlholega e le motho yo o nang le dinalanyana kana ntwadumela kana eng fela se se tlaabong se mo isitse koo. A batho ba ba ntseng jalo ba lebelelwe thata. Golo gongwe go lebelelwe *parole* gore motho yo o ntseng jalo a fiwe *parole* le fa nako ya gagwe e ise e ye kgakala *so that* go fokodiwe ditshenyegelo tse a tlhokomelwang ka tsone fa a le gone kwa toronkong, a tswe a ye go itšhebatšhebela a bone gore o ka itirela eng dingwaga di ise di mo sie thata le go fokotsa *congestion* ya magolegwa mo dikgolegolong *Madam Chairlady*.

Gape ke kopa gore Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) *should be extended* le kwa dikgolegolong tsa rona *so that these people* ba ye go rutwa boitseanape jo ba ka bo kgonang gore e re motho fa a tswa fa go bo go na le se a ka bonang gore o ka se itirela *to avoid* gore e re kwa morago a ba a boetse gape kwa kgolegolong.

**MADAM CHAIRPERSON:** *Honourable* Lekau, boela kwa o nnang teng.

**MR MOSANANA:** *Madam Chair*, go na le *congestion* e ntsi ya *cases* kwa *Magistrate Courts*. Ka jalo, go botlhokwa gore Makgotla a Setswana le one a nonotshiwe, a thatafadiwe a bone gore *cases* tse dingwe di felela fela koo le fa re itse gore batho ba bangwe ba re ga ba seke teng. Motho fela a utswile dikgomo a re ga a seke kwa Makgotleng a Setswana. Dilo tse di ntseng jalo di tshwanetse gore motho a bolelelwe fela, a se ka a kopiwa gore wena o ya go seka kwa. Ke dilo fela tse e leng gore di dingalo thata *Madam Chair*.

*Phones* le ditagi di a tsena mo dikgolegolong tsa rona tse o ka se keng o itse gore di tsene jang ka gore badisamagolegwa ba nna ba le teng, *machines that detect* dilo tse di teng. Go tla jang gore di kgone go goroga kwa bathong ba ba sa tshwanelang gore di bo di ka ba fitlhelela? Pelaelo e ka nna gore di tsenngwa ke bone ba ba tlhokomelang. Se se dirwa ke gore batho ba ba Modimo ba ga ba bone sepe, letseno la bone le kwa tlase mme le kwa ba nnang teng ga go a nna sentle. Mo gongwe motho o tlaabo e le gore o foo o ..

**MADAM CHAIRPERSON:** E go tshwere *Honourable* Mosanana.

**MR BOGATSU (LENTSWELETAU-LEPHEPHE):**

Tanki Modulasetilo. Mma e re ke akgela ke tsamaye jaana ke re ke utlwile Tona fa a ikopela madi mme a bua ka go sireletsa ditshwanelo tsa bana. Maikaelelo a mangwe a magolo gape a *our justice system* ke go sireletsa bana. Fa re sireletsa bana jaana, kana go na le mo gotweng *juvenile delinquency* jaaka *Honourable* Kapinga a ne a bua. Ga ba a tshwanela gore e re fa bana ba dirile diphoso e bo e kete re a tsietsega. *There should be what we call reformatory institutions or schools*. A re se ka ra ema pele ba tsofala, a e re fela fa ba dira molato, ba lebagannngwe le molato *through the relevant justice system* ba bo ba isiwe gone kwa *reformatory* ka gore maikaelelo ke gore ba ye go baakanngwa e tle e re ba tla ba boela mo setšhaeng ba bo ba siame go na le gore re ba tlogele ba gole e re ba setse ba le 18 e bo e le gone gotweng ba a sekisiwa.

Dilo tse dingwe re ka di tsenya gape ka thuto, *the relevant education*. *We need relevant education* e e leng gore e ka ruta ngwana le gore o tshwanetse gore a itshware ka tsela e e ntseng jang e le ngwana mo setšhabeng. Gongwe go tlaa re gape le yone *our education system* re e lebelele gore e tle e nne e e leng gore e ka siamela ngwana ya mo ntsha mo go tlhokeng tsebe.

E nngwe e ke e ratileng ke fa o bua ka ditshwanelo tsa Basarwa *more so that* ra re re Puso ya ditshwanelo tsa setho. A re tlhwaafaleleng mo gotweng ke *Affirmative Action* ka gore ke dumela gore ke yone e ka ba atumetsang kwa ditsompelo di leng teng. Kana fa re bua ka *Affirmative Action*, go raya gore re ba fa *priority* gore *at least* fa re bona sengwe se direga, ba tshwanetse gore ba bo ba le mo teng. Ke lebile jaana ka gore le nna mo kgaolong e ke e emetseng *around* bo Loologane, re na le batho ba mofuta o. *Maybe through Affirmative Action*, ke gone ba ka emelelang fa ba leng teng, ya ba suteletsa golo gongwe. *They have resources*, ba ya go tlhoka fela *empowerment from the side of the Government*. Goromente a ba thuse ba tle ba tsewelele ka tse e leng gore ba na le tsone. Ba dirile *a business proposal* Tona. Ke tlaa tla ke e rwelwerwele ke tla ke le e neela gore le tle le ye go simolola *plants* tsa bone tsa bo sengaparile le tsa bo morama ka gore fa ba ka dira jalo, gongwe itsholelo ya bone e ka tokafala.

Phoso e nngwe e ke kileng ka e bona e diragala ya *Affirmative Action*, bana ba teng fa ba sena go nna ba

rutuntshiwa, go tsweng foo ba a latlhiwa, ga go ke go itsiwe gore ba feletse kae. Ke na le *example* ya bana ba ka nna bararo ba kwa Loologane ba e leng *graduates*. *After schooling*, go raya gore *they went back to* Loologane, ba ntse ka *certificates* tsa bone, ba bereka Ipelegeng.

**MR MOTAOSANE:** Clarification. Thank you Honourable Bogatsu.

**MADAM CHAIRPERSON:** Nnyaa, o emela gore ke go e neele.

**MR MOTAOSANE:** Tanki Madam Chair.

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

**MR MOTAOSANE:** ...(Laughter!)... Ba a bo ba akantse go sele fela o re o e nneele.

*Honourable* Bogatsu, ke ne ke re *the Affirmative Action thing has always been there*, tota go thata eng gore e diragadiwe ka gore *it has always been there for the past 15 or 20 years ago? I am talking from experience because I was taking care of the Rural Area Dwellers (RADs) areas* fa ke santse ke le Mothusa Modulasetilo wa khansele, jaanong *what has stopped?*

**MR BOGATSU:** Ee, ke potso e ntle Motlotlegi Motaosane mme e tlaa mpalela go e araba. E ka re Tona wa bone o ka bo a le fa, *Honourable* Motshegwa, ke ene a neng a ka nthusa go araba potso.

*Affirmative Action*, ke lenaneo le le neng le siame thata la ga Goromente. Fa nne gongwe a ka e emela ka dinao, a bona gore mme ka boammaaruri go a diragala. Re bua ka bana ba e leng gore fa ba sena go nna ba fetsa sekole fela, ba boela kwa dikgaolong tsa bone ba ya go nna fa fatshe. Ga gona ope yo o bonang gore *after achieving that education*, o tswelela jang. Yo mongwe o tswa *to train* kwa Botswana International University of Science and Technology (BIUST), o kwa Loologane o ntse fa fatshe, o bereka Ipelegeng. Ke golo mo go utlwisang bothoko. Ka mafoko a a kalo ke re, a Tona a neelwe madi a a kopileng. Ke a leboga Modulasetilo.

**MR MONAGENG (MOLEPOLOLE SOUTH):** Ke leboga sebaka se ke se boneng se. Le nna ke dumalana le gore lephata le neelwe madi. Dinako tse dintsi madi a ga a lekane, ke mo gotweng *do more with little*. A Tona a leke thata gore tsotlhe tse re ntseng re bua ka tsone re le Mapalamente le bodiredi jwa gagwe bo eletsa gore

go tlhabololwe jaana le jaana, a bonnyennyane jo a bo boneng dire gotlhe mo a ka go dirang. Fa gongwe e tlaabo e se gore dilo ga di diragale ka gore madi ga a yo fela, fa gongwe dilo ga di diragale *because there is no that will power* ya go eletsa go dira dilo gore go bonale gore di a diragala.

Madi a re a neelang maphata a otlhe fela ke *millions*, mme jaaka go etle go buiwe, ga go nke go nne le gore ba boe gape ba re re tlaetse, re feng foo. *On the other side, let us avoid* mo re neng re a tle re bone go diragala go nna gotwe madi a boile, madi a lephata a boa mme go sa dirwa ditiro tsotlhe tse di neng di tshwanetse gore di dirwe. *All this needs supervision*, fa kwa lwapeng, sekoleng le kwa maphateng go sena *proper supervision*, ga gona sepe se se welang. Jaanong ke leka gore ke re, e seng lephata le fela, a maphata a eme ka dinao, dilo di diragale.

Fa ke bua ka dikgolegelo, ga ke ise ke tsene mo kgolegolong...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O batla go tsamaya?

**MR MONAGENG:** ...e bile ga ke batle go tsamaya, Modimo a nthuse. Batho ba ba kileng ba tsena mo toronkong fa o utlwa ka fa ba buang go ntse ka teng, o ka tlhomoga pelo. Jaaka *Ambassador* Kapinga a ntse a bua, ga se gore fa o le molato kana o isitswe toronkong, jaanong o atlholetswe lesa, *unless* o bolaila motho. Fa o dirile molato o bo o isiwa kwa toronkong, a o se ka wa bewa mo *situation* e tota jaanong e kareng o atlholetswe lesa. Mo e leng gore fa o le mo teng foo o a itlhoboga, *you are no longer a human being*, le wena o a itse fela gore owaii jaanong go feletse fa ka nna. A re ntsheng batho mo seemong se se ntseng jalo, ka gore fa e ka re motho a le kwa toronkong a bo a ikutlwa gore go fedile ka ene, fa a tswa fa ga e sa tlhole jaanong a ka sologela lefatshe molemo.

Re a gakologelwa gore go na le bangwe bagolo ba ba kileng ba tsena mo toronkong, ba ne ba le mo maamong a ba neng ba ka tlhabolola ditronko ka ntata ya dikago, le eng le eng, a bo gongwe ba sa dire jalo, mme fa motho a tsenye mo teng..., ke gore le wena fela jaaka re ntse re bua jaana, mongwe wa rona *God forbid*, fa a ka tsena mo toronkong *for a month or two months*, fa a tswa kwa e tlile go nna ene mmueledi yo motona gore a re baakanyeng ditronko tsa rona, ka gore *the person*

would have experienced what we are talking about. He would have experienced...

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

**MR MONAGENG:** ... nna ke Mokeresete ga ke ka ke ka ya toronkong, go tlaa ya ba ba sa yeng dikerekeng. Go raya gore dikgolegelo tseo, a seemo sa tsone se baakanngwe.

Dithuto tse batho ba di rutwang kwa toronkong, a re leke gore fa re tswa fa re ba sale morago go bona gore fa a rutetswe se, a o a se dira. Re leke gore e re fa ba tswa kwa ba tla ba rutetswe sengwe, go nne le gore ba salwe morago gore ka o rutetswe se, a mme o a se dira.

Rotlhe re a itse gore ditsheko di tsaya nako e telele, ke gore motho o fitlhela a ikutlwa e kare o athlotswe, ke gore o itse gore o a sekisiwa, gongwe wena o itse gore ga o molato, mme go bo go tsaya lebaka gore go rurifadiwe gore ga o molato. Le fa o le molato, *you wish* gore a ke sekisiwe ke bonwe molato fa ke bonwa molato, ke ye toronkong *and serve*. Jaanong nako e e tsewang, ke sone se o bonang fa gongwe gotwe nnyaa mme o ka bo o athholelwa *five years*, jaanong ka gore go tsere lebaka le le leele gore o sekisiwe, jaanong re go neela *two years*.

A tota fela go lekiwe gore *the Affirmative Action* e go ntseng go buiwa ka yone ke Mokwena wa gaetsho fale, a e nne teng. Re e bone e diragala, ke gore fa gongwe re bua mafoko *and policies* fela, fa o re o a leba gore fa gotwe *Affirmative Action*, e le *Minister* a tlaa dumalanang le yone, a gone mme go tsweng fa ba a e dira *Affirmative Action*. Ke a leboga.

**DR DOW (KGATLENG WEST):** Thank you, Madam Chairperson. The UDC Government rode into town on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November, riding a white horse called human rights. It seems to me that whatever they do, that has to be at the core of everything they do.

Therefore, let me talk about justice, at the core of what they do, it must be justice that restores, that limits harm and that builds. Let us look at the criminal justice system, often when we talk about the criminal justice system, we concentrate on the perpetrators. We say very little about the victims of crime and the extent to which they need to be restored, if they are going to live in the justice system. Let me give two examples, a 14-year-old girl becomes pregnant, clearly a crime has been committed

and everybody you know is looking at the criminal justice system of that particular incident, but very little attention is given to the justice of that particular girl or even the parents. *Fa* the parents of the perpetrator or the perpetrator themselves come and say P20 000 *ke yo, ra re go raya gore batsadi ba rekisitse ngwana*. The truth is that they know the justice system, they know *gore o ya toronkong* minimum 10 years, but they do not see how that justice actually rebuilds them. At least with the P20 000 you can support the child for maybe a year, six months or so. So, justice must make sense to the victim or those affected by crime itself.

Why do we think for example, so many Batswana are for the death penalty? I think one of the reasons that is the case is they do not see any debates around the justice for the victims. *Motho o bolaya ngwana wa gago, o ya toronkong, wena wa re a bolaiwe, a bolaiwe. Ke eng o rialo*, because *ga o bone gore wena...*, *ke gore fa ba sena go nna ba phatlalala gone fa, mmuso o sena go nna o tsaya motho yo, ga gona yo o botsang gore bana ba mosadi yo ba kae, ga gona yo o botsang gore ba tshela jang, ga gona yo o botsang ka counselling* at all. So, justice for the state or for the public, is not always justice for the individual. Therefore, until and unless we balance these, people will always think that justice is only one sided, that we talk only about the rights of the accused, how prisons are so...

**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF WATER AND HUMAN SETTLEMENT (MR MOTSAMAI):**

*Clarification.* Ke go leboge mmaetsho, puo e o e buang tota ke puo e e siameng thata. Ke batla gore o mphetise jaaka e bile o le mongwe wa ba ba iteilweng seatla mo molaong gore, kante kgang e ya gore gongwe motho fa a bolaile yo mongwe go bo go tsaya lebaka le le leele, a bo a tla go atholwa, a o ka athholelwa leso kana a se ka a athholelwa leso, kgang e o e leba jang ka gore nna e a nngongola mo moweng, gore motho o ka bo a direlwa ka bonako.

**DR DOW:** *Ke leboga. Tota kgang eo o builwe ke Honourable Kapinga gore a dikgang di fefosiwe. Boammaaruri ke gore go ntse jalo, dikgang di a diega and golo moo ga go a siama.*

Justice must also be justice of the victims themselves. I know *gore* we can differ about maybe what is the appropriate sentence in a murder case, is it 10 years, 20 years, whatever, but we live in a community that is very,

very small. So, if somebody kills your daughter, son, whatever, *kana jang, o bo o mmona kwa lesong* after 10 years, *kana 10 years o moleele mme ga a moleele... Fa e le gore o ne o le 20, o 30 nako eo, fa e le gore o ne o le 30, o 40 nako eo, fa e le gore o ne o le 40, o 50 nako eo... O ya go kopana le ene kwa lesong kana lenyalong. O dumela gore go raya gore* there was no justice. Maybe in huge communities like New York, you will never see the person *yo o bolaileng ngwana wa gago*, but *mono*, because of the small community that we are in, you are going to see them. So, in deciding what sentences are appropriate, you also have to locate them in the community where we are. That is all I can say.

*Kgang e nngwe ke gone gore, kana* every crime that physically hurts like rape, assault, *polao kana* that hurts financially, is also a civil case. Is it not time Minister *gore fa case e e tsene, le* Legal Aid *o gone foo* to make sure there is also justice for the victim, *gore fela fa case e fela*, when *motho* is convicted *go be go tsena case jaanong ya delict ya civil case, e e leng gore* there should be reparation or restoration of the victim. So *tota fela* criminal justice system that is not only punishment oriented and not restoring victims, *e na le mathata*.

Another area *e ke batlang go bua ka yone, re ntse re bua ka* human rights, think about protection of the family home in case of inheritance and even in case of divorce. I think it is high time you ask yourself, when a spouse dies *a tlogela yo mongwe, a boswa fa bo kgaogannwa ga go a tshwanela gore go nne le molao gore, mme* one of the primary homes or the primary home of the surviving spouse *ga e kgaogannwe, ga ke itse gore a o nthaloganyana*. I am saying this *ka gore, akere molao* should be informed *ke* what we see on the ground, *gore le na le ntlo e le nngwefela, mme o a tlhokafala, rre o sala gone foo le bana, bana ba re batla boswa jwa ga mme kana jwa ga ntate*, but there is no law that protects the spouse at least in the family home until the last dying. You have to think about those things.

Even in case of divorce; I have represented many people in divorce cases and also have been a Judge in these cases. When dividing estates, *a ga se nako ya gore re dire molao wa gore* it is not enough to say *gore* divorce, then division of estate, custody of the children and then maintenance. Before you decide how to divide that particular property you have to ask yourself *gore*, are

we leaving a core of the joint estate for the maintenance of the children. *Fa e le gore go na le ntlo e le nngwefela*, should we not be actually protecting a home, so that *ba ba setseng gone foo, fa e le gore monna ke ene a nang le bana* there is actually a home for them to raise those children.

The other thing I really would like to engage you on is the jurisdictional issues. I think it is high time we relook at the jurisdiction of our courts and ask yourself, *a ga se nako ya gore* divorces *di ye kwa ga Mmakaseterata, o bo o hira bo Mmakaseterata ba bantsi*, so that you can declog the High court. *A ga se nako ya gore* review the jurisdiction even *ya Customary Courts gore a go na le cases dingwe tse e leng gore di boleta mo di ka buisanngwang gone foo*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Dikoloto.

**DR DOW:** Dikoloto jalojalo, *even labour cases* tse di *simple fela, gore motho o a nkolota ke ne ke mo diretse selo se. Let us look at the jurisdiction, that will promote access to the courts, because go raya gore motho yo o kwa Takatokwane ga go pateletse gore a ye kwa kgakala, court ya gagwe e gaufi gone foo. Ke re, these are some of the things we would be looking at.*

*Estate matters;* *a ga se nako ya gore Customary Courts le Mmakaseterata should be able to do certain estate matters of limited value.* E seng tsoitlhe di ya go kgobokana kwa *Masters* kwa *High Court*, mo e leng *gore there are very few High Court divisions*, sengwe le sengwe se kataganela gone foo. *This will promote justice because we will be declogging some of the courts fa re ntse re ya kwa pele.*

**MR LEKAU:** *On a point of elucidation.* Yone eo ya dithoto, ga o bone *gore kgantele ke yone e jaanong e busetsang malwapa a a neng a tswetsetse mo lehumeng le le botlhoko gape, e bo e boa e nna morwalo wa Puso? Fa gongwe bana ba felela ba ya go kwadisiwa kwa go mmaboipelego, mme gongwe go ka bo go sireleditswe dithoto tseo.*

**DR DOW:** Ke dumalana le wena. Mma ke go fe *example, nako nngwe bogologolo, when faced with a very simple case when I was a Judge, these people had only one hut, they were divorcing.* Mosadi a sale a tsamaile, monna o setse gone moo, akere gatwe gompieno ke *divorce, go*

tswa fa gatwe *division of the joint estate*. Usually go raya go reng, go raya gore o rekisa mokgoro o o a ba kgaoganyana akere.

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

**DR DOW:** Yes, *akere* that is the only one house they have. The second one *ke custody, o neela monna wa teng custody, o bo o re maintenance, mosadi o sale a tsamaile bogologolo*, obviously she is not going to pay maintenance. You should be able to say that, her half interest in that hut is a one-time payment in maintenance, so that the family does not get split. You will always ask yourself how will this affect this family instead of just *go leba molao*. So, in that case I am saying, ask yourself whether or not, even your interest in the estate cannot be a lumpsum payment of maintenance. I thank you Madam Chairperson.

**HONOURABLE MEMBERS:** ... (Applause!)...

**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS (MR MOSWAANE):** *Thank you Madam Chairperson.*

Mma ke supe gore ke ema nokeng kopo ya ga Tona Ramaotwana e a beileng Palamente e pele. Mma ke simolole fela ka dikgang tsa *Presidential pardon* mo bathong ba ba tswang kwa dikgolegolong rraetsho. Ke ne ke akanya gore *when someone had served sentence*, e re *the last month when* le mmaakanyetsa go tswa, a bo a baakanyetswa le *Presidential pardon* gore menwana ya gagwe... a ye go goroga kwa setšhabeng, ka re na le thulaganyo ya go ba gorosa kwa setšhabeng gore se ba amogele. Ke ntlha e ke e kopang fela thata.

Ya bobedi ke ya motho yo o tshwereng ke ba sepodise. Mo tsamaisong ke akanya gore... o kare ga go a tuma thata mo lefatsheng la Botswana gore, fa o tshwarwa o bo o bolelelwa gore o na le tshwanelo ya go itidimalela, *you are not forced to make a statement*. Mme o kare se se tlwaeleseng thata kwa sepodiseng sa rona ke gore, o ya go pompiwa, *clapped* mo dikgopong, o itewa, gotwe o ntshe *statement*. Kwa mafatsheng a mangwe, o bolelelwa gotwe o na le *right* ya go *itolela*. Ke re kgang e, ke eng re sa e lebe ka nngwe ya ditshwanelo tsa batho ba ba tshwereng ba ba batlang *justice*. Ke re o e sekaseke rraetsho.

Kgang e nngwe e ke akanyang gore ke bue ka yone ke ya Legal Aid rraetsho. Legal Aid ya rona ke a e rata, ke a bona e siame. Mme o kare mo nakong ya gompieno e setse e na le batho ba ba mo *waiting list* ba batla dithuso ba le bantsi ka ntata ya tlhabelo ya madi. Nngwe e ke neng ke akanya gore re ka e baakanya ka bonako jo bo kalo ke ya gore, fa e le gore ke ya lwa Legal Aid, ke eng fa batho ba Legal Aid ba mpatela *lawyer* ke sa mo itse. Ke eng re sa nne le *rates* tse di ka supang gore fa o emela motho yo *under* Legal Aid re go duela bokana re le Goromente, wena o bo o ithlophela *lawyer* e o e batlang. Ke akanya gore golo mo go ka leka go thusa ba le bantsi gore ba ipatlele ditshwanelo tsa bone ka fa go siameng ka teng.

Ntlha e nngwe e ke batlang gore ke bue ka yone ke ya *refugees*. *Most of the refugees* ba setse ba le mo Botswana *for the past 30 years and they have been begging and crying* ba kopa gore ba batla Omang, ba batla *citizenship*. *Most of them have stayed in Botswana for more than 30 years, they have never committed any crime, but the Government of Botswana is refusing to give them citizenship. Why? I do not know.* Ke re e lebelele ka ke *issue* e ke tsayang gore re Puso ya ditshwanelo tsa batho. Se sengwe se se utlwisang botlhoko ke gore, bana ba bone ba ikutlwiswa go tswa kwa go Form 1 go ya go ema kwa go Form 3, ga ba kgone *to access universities* le *colleges* tse dingwe, ba koame mo malwapeng. Ke re ka gore re Puso ya ditshwanelo, *why can we not allow these kids to go to universities and colleges*, ba kgone go tswela pele le botshelo jwa bone, gore bo *refugee* e se ka ya nna phutso mo go bone. Ke dingwe tsa dikgang tse ke neng ke akanya gore re di sekaseke.

E nngwe o buile ka *issues* tsa *human rights*, mme o lebile thata batho ba rona ba letso la Sesarwa. Ka fa ke akanyang ka teng, e kile ya re nako nngwe ka *the Eleventh Parliament* ka nna le Tshutiso ya gore batho ba ke eng re sa ba direle *brigade* ya bone fela, kwa e leng gore fa o gola o le Mosarwa ga o tlhokiwe dilo tse dintsi, o ya go rutwa setena, bokheneke kana *you have failed*, kana o rileng, ka gore re ba siile, ba saletse kwa morago mo matshelong. Gore re bo re ba akanyetsa gore ba tlaa tshwana le bana ba rona ba go tlaa tweng ba tlaa nna le bo 34 *points*, go raya gore re ba kgamile, ga ba na go ya gope fela. Ka jalo, ke ne ke re golo gongwe re ba akanyetse batho ba, re bone gore re ka ba thusa jang. Mma ke go letle, *I yield. Thank you.*

**MR MOTSAMAI:** *Clarification.* Ke ne ke re ka bonako *Madam Chair*, ke se ka ka go senyetsa nako. A o bona mme gone go tlaabo go le maleba fa e le gore o re direla *brigade* mme rona gongwe re ne re tlhokana le gore mo CKGR re ruile diphologolo, re a go rekisetsa? Ga se gore go botoka go re tsenye dithuto tsa gore re rua diphologolo jang re iketsha kwa morago? Tanki.

**MR MOSWAANE:** *Thank you rra.* Nnyaa, kana fa ke re *brigade*, lona le tlaa bona gore ba ka rutwa eng, le gore ba ka thusiwa jang. Se ke se lebeletseng ke gore, ba ba kgonang, ba kgone *to access* dithuto tse dingwe, mme mo ditirong tsa diatla, ba ka kgona go itshetsa botoka ba iphitlhaba ba mekamekana le setšhaba sa Botswana go itlhabolola. Ke dumalana le wena gore fa ba ka rutwa ka tsamaiso ya diphologolo, mme e ke bonang gore le yone e *seasonal*, ga ba ka ke ba kgona go tshela ka botshelo jo bo *seasonal* ka gore diphologolo go na le nako e di sa kgomiweng ke ope. *Thank you very much.*

**BRIG. MOKGWATHI (LETLHAKENG):** Mma ke dumedise gape mo phirimaneng eno Modulasetilo. Ke leboge sebaka se o se mphileng, ke leboge Moswaane ke re tanki gore o bo o bone gore o bue ka rona, gore ka re sa bolo go tlogelwa kwa morago, re direlwe mo gotweng *Affirmative Action*.

Ke simolole fela ke re, mo tseleng ya botshelo go tshela tshiamo le tshiamololo, o ntetlelele ke nopole George Orwell mo bukeng ya gagwe ba ne ba re Animal Farm.

**MADAM CHAIRPERSON:** Please continue.

**BRIG. MOKGWATHI:** A re, “*All animals are equal, but some animals are more equal than others.*” Ke batla le itse gore *statement* se fa ke bua jaana, ke bua gore le fa re ka bo re tshela bo Botswana gotwe re Batswana mmogo, go na le Batswana ba ba setseng ba le kwa pele ka dilo tse dintsi. Mma e re la ntlha ke re ke go ema nokeng Tona. Ke bua jaana ka gore, fa o lebelela kwa dikgaolong tsa rona kwa bo Kgalagadi, Letlhakeng, Khudumelapye, badiramelato, *rehabilitation* e e ka tswang e dirwa kwa dikgolegelong, fa go na le gore o ka tataisiwa, a kgona gore a bopiwe; ke buile gore go na le bosula le molemo mo botshelong, re tshwanetse go dira *continuous assessment* ya motho yoo ka gore le gone koo kana ga go na tiro. Fa re mo ntshitse mo Gaborone a ya bo Khudumelapye, ga go na se a ka se dirang, gongwe ga go tshwane le Gaborone. Ga re go

bonwe gore a motho yo *rehabilitation* ya gagwe, a re ka kgona go mo senkela tiro golo gongwe, bogolo jang re dira *Affirmative Action*.

Mongwe o ne a bua gore go sa kgathalesege gore *within the spectrum of life, there lies a righteous man, and a devilish man*. Motho fa a na le sengwe sa *justice*, ga a kgone go itse. *As an Affirmative Action*, a re dire gore batho ba ba dikgaolo *their education* e dirwe gore ba kgone go rutwa, ba itse gore molato le bosula ke eng. Le fa ba ntse ba itse, fa ba kile ba dira molato, ba ka kgona go emelwa ke mongwe yo o tshwanetseng go ba emela.

Ke ne ke bua ka *risk assessment* ke re, a e re gape le rona re le ba *justice*, re kgone go bona gore *area* e e tletse borukutlhi. A re bone gore, gore borukutlhi jo bo se ka jwa tsena jwa jwelelela, re ka dira eng. Fa re bona gore go na le borukutlhi jaaka ke bua ka dikgomo, re itse gore kwa re tswang teng, batho ba utswa dikgomo. Re tshwanetse gore le fa re ka itse gore ba molato, mme re bone gore re ka dira jang gore ba tswe mo manokonokong a go nna jalo.

*Training* ya teng, ke ratile fa *Honourable* Moswaane a bua ka go dira matlalo. Kwa gaetsho kwa ke dikgomo, re tlhaba malatsi otlhe. A e re fa a tswa kwa a bo a itse gore o dira setlhako se se ka rekwang ke lepodise, lesole, lejelekate le le neng le mo kata nako ya a le mo kgolegelong. Dilo tse re di lebelelang tse, re ka di dira fela fa e le gore e kare dinako tse tsothle re bo re na le *home-based groups*. Batho fa ba tswa kwa dikgolegelong, ga ba sidilwe maikutlo fela kwa dikgolegelong, le kwa go na le *community structures* tse di ba tsenyang mo *community* gore ba bone gore ba tswelela le matshelo a bone. Gakologelwa gore fa batho ba utlwa gore Botswana ga go na *correctional services*, fa gongwe ba ka nna ba re *grey list* ba re batho ba ga ba na sepe le molao, ba gataka ditshwanelo tsa batho.

Re ne re bua ka gore re tshwanetse gore fa re dira dilo tse, re tlise serodumo sa boeteledipele jwa rona re le Goramente wa letsatsi leno. Mo go ka dira gore go nne le *equitable human*...

**MADAM CHAIRPERSON:** E go tshwere *Honourable* Mokgwathi.

**MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND TOURISM (MR MMOLOTSI):** *Thank you very much Madam Chair.* Gongwe ke simolole ka go supa gore mo

tsamaisong ya molao wa lona *Honourable Minister Ramaotwana*, batho ba ba tlisang batho *for civil imprisonment*, a ne a kolota, jalo he, o a tsewa o ya go tlhatlhelwa kwa toronkong, molao wa lona o supa gore bone ba ba tlisang e leng *Deputy Sheriffs*, ba tshwanelwa ke go duelela *upkeep* ya batho bone ba. Mo nakong ya gompieno, ga ke dumele gore go na le ope yo o kileng a tlisa motho a re a tle go tshwarwa, a bo a duelela *upkeep* ya gagwe. Go raya gore ke Goromente yo o tseletseng ka go dira jalo. So, kopo ya me mo go lona *Minister* ke gore, *let us enforce this so that* fa motho a tlisa motho *for civil imprisonment 90 days or three months*, a bo a ka kgona go duelela gore a bo a le koo, dijo tsa gagwe le sengwe le sengwe. Le bone *Deputy Sheriffs should also take responsibility* ya dikgang tse ka lebaka la gore tota fela Goromente ga a ka ke a tselela ka *to support* diemo tse di ntseng jalo.

Ke kopa gape gore, kana ke a bona gore batho ba ba kwa dikgolegolong ba thusiwa ka ditiro tsa diatla; go betla, ba rutiwa sele le sele, *upholstery* jalojalo, *they do a good job. I would also want to see* ba ba eletsang *to further their education*, ba bangwe ba na le bo *Diploma, Degree* jalojalo fela kwa toronkong, *can we provide support*. Ba ba gone koo, mme ba batla *to pursue their first Degrees, Diplomas, Master's Degrees, PhDs, let us give them support in terms of providing infrastructure whether* ke ya *internet* gore batho ba ba kgone gore e re a tswa kwa toronkong, a re ke tsene ke na le *Diploma*, mme mo nakong e ke neng ke na le yone, ke kgonne go e dirisa, ke fa ke tshwere *Degree or Master's Degree*. E kare gongwe fa ba tswa, ba kgone go leka go bona botshelo ka tsela e e pharologano *after attaining those levels tsa qualifications* tse ba ka tswang ba ne ba sena natso.

Ke batla go bua gape ka kgang ya *refugees*. *Honourable Moswaane* o ntse a bua ka bana ba e leng gore *some of them have done so well* mme ka lebaka la gore ga se Batswana, ga ba kgone *to be sponsored. Some actually got* bo 45 *points. I would like to say*, a re lebeng gore kana bana ba ga se molato wa bone gore ba bo e le *refugees*. Ba iphitlhela ba le mo lefatsheng le e le gore *it is not out of their choice. So how can we assist* gore ba tsewelele ba tsene dikole tsa *tertiary*, Goromente a ba thuse gore ba kgone go nna se ba eletsang go nna sone jaaka bana ba Batswana ba ba mono.

*We have refugees* ba ba dirang sentle, ba dirile sentle, ga ba ise ba senye sepe. Ba bangwe ba setse ba itshupile gore ba ka kgona go tsamaisa dikgwebo. Kante go bokete eng gore re bo re ka kgona go thusa gore ba re bonang gore ke batho ba ba ka tokafatsang itsholelo ya rona ka tsela nngwe, re ba letlelele gore ba nne *citizens of this republic*? Lefatshe la Botswana ga le ise le nne le batho ba bantsi, *population* ya rona e santse e pala mme *I do not see the reason why* re palelwa ke go letlelela ba e leng gore *they are good people* gore ba nne *citizens of this country*.

*The last one; I know* gore batho ba *join* ditiro ka go rata. Go na le batho *who join prisons* ba akanya gore ke tlaabo ke le modisamagolegwa, ke dira tsele le tsele. *I do not think* gore ope wa bone o a bo a *join* a na le kgatlhego ya gore o ka iphitlhela e le ene yo o yang go kaletsa ba ba atlholelsweng leso. *I think that thing is so traumatising*. Bogologolo fa ke ntse ke gola, ke ne ke itse gore gatwe go na le *hangman* mongwe yo o hirwang go tswa kwa lefatsheng lengwe, o kaletsa motho yo e leng gore ga a mo itse, ga a ise a mmone. Kana batho ba fa ba le mo *prison* ba nna le *relationships*, ba tlwaelana le batho ba, ba tsaya dikgang, *they confide in them* jalojalo. Kgantele go nna le *relationship* ya botsala. Akanya motho a ne a ntse a tlhola a go bolelela tsele le tsele tsa lelwapa la gagwe, eng, eng, e bo e le gore ka letsatsi la go kaletsa ke wena o yang go mo kaletsa. Ke ne ke akanya gore a re boeleng kwa go bale, ke gore batho ba bolawe, bo *hangmen* ba ba neng ba tswa kwa mafatsheng a sele ba tlela tiro ya go kaletsa a bo a boa, a sa itse yo a mo kaletsang gore bana ba rona ba se ka ba nna *traumatised*.

**MADAM CHAIRPERSON:** E go tshwere *honourable. Honourable Mokgware*.

**MINISTER OF LABOUR AND HOME AFFAIRS (MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE):** *Thank you Madam Chairperson*. Kana ke a bo ke utlwa Motlotlegi Wynter, o batla go ya go rekisa ditiro tsa rona a di isa kwa ntle. Nnyaa, le rona *we qualify* go dira jalo. Ga ke dumele gore re tseye tiro ya rona re e ise kwa ntle gotwe re tlaa nna *traumatised*. Ke tiro ya rona.

Ke ema jaana ke ema nokeng motlotlegi fa mme ke na le dikgakololo. Ke tshwentswe ke bana ba ba kgokgontshiwang ba santse ba le bannyennyane ba betelwa. Ke gore ga ke itse gore kgang e e re palela ka eng ka gore batho ba a bega, le rona gape re a ba

bona. Ke gore fa o ka lebelela *statistics* tsa bana ba ba *under age* ba ba belegang kwa dipatela, go pala eng gore re tseye ngwana yo o belegang kwa sepatela re bo re botsa gore rraagwe ke mang, a bo a seka. Jaanong mo gotweng ga gona yo o ngongoregang, go raya eng? Akere re tshwanetse go ngongorega rona re le setšhaba? Gompiano fa o ka lebelela bana ba ba kgokgontshiwang ke batho gone jaaka re ntse re bua, bogolo jang *these underprivileged children*, ba ba thubediwang letsatsi le letsatsi, ga gona ope yo o tsayang dikgato. Fa o lebelela *cases* tsa bone gore di kae tse di begiwang kwa *police*, re bo re lebelela *the rate* ya batho ba ba sekang, e kwa tlase. Kana thubetso mo garona e kare go *normal*. O utlwa gotwe re tlaa buisana le batsadi. Batsadi ba bo ba neelwa matsananyana fela a mannyennyane.

Ke a kopa Tona gore kgang e re e tlhwaafalele. Kana e bile bosupi jwa ngwana yo o thubeditsweng, yo o kgokgontshitsweng a le monnyennyane, a kgokgontshiwa ke motho fela yo motona, yo o berekang, a na le madi, monna yo a bo a tlogelwa mme ene a ka se ke a kgokgontshe bana ba gagwe. A go bona go le molato gore fa ngwana wa gagwe a ka kgokgontshiwa, go ya go nna botlhoko. A re lebeleleng dilo tse. Ngwana fela jaaka fa a belega, fa a tshola ngwana fela kwa sepatela gotwe rraagwe ke mang, a bo a latelwa. E bile katlholo ya teng e nne setlhogo, e se ka ya ba ya nna nnyennyane. Golo mo ke gone go ka emang. Batho le bone ba itse gore go betelela bana ba bannyennyane le bo le ba senyetsa botshelo ga se gone. Ngwana yo o ntseng jalo a kgokgontshitswa a le monnyennyane, ga nke a bo a gola sentle, ga a re tswela mosola re le setšhaba sa Botswana jaaka go tshwanetse.

Ke batla go tsena mo lekgotleng le la Legal Aid. Nnyaa, Botswana ba le bantsi ga ba bone botlhokwa jwa lone, ga ba bone se le ka bong le ne le se direlwa. Ba kae ba ba bonang mo lekgotleng le gore le ntse jang? Kana fa ba tsena kwa, le babueledi ba teng ba ba hirwang ke Legal Aid ga ba nke ba bona gore a ba emetse batho sentle. Babueledi ba teng ba latlhelela *cases*. Kana Legal Aid e diretsewe gore batho ba ba kobo dikhutshwane, ba ba sa kgoneng babueledi ba ba turang, Goromente a ba thuse. Jaanong babueledi ba ke gore ba tseela gore *this is just soft money* a a tlang fela, ga ba ka ke ba emela batho sentle ka fa tshwanelong. Fa o ka lebelela *the rate at which* batho ba ba emetsweng ke babueledi ba ba hirilweng ke Legal Aid gore ba fentse dikgang ba

kae, *as compared to* dikgang tse ba di tshotseng. *This should worry us* gore *what is the rate of success?* Kana gatwe ba ithaopile, jaanong ga ba emele batho sentle. Golo mo go a ntshwenya. *Let us audit* Legal Aid re bone *performance* ya yone, re bo re bone gore *mandate* wa yone tota a e a o fitlhelela kana ke kwa babueledi ba bangwe ba itirelang madi teng. E bile e kare go na le ba e leng gore ke bone ba beetsweng teng fela, ba kwadilwe gore lona le ba le emelang *cases* tsa Legal Aid.

**DR DOW: Elucidation.** Fa re bua ka Legal Aid, gakere re bua ka ba e leng gore ke badirelapuso. Legal Aid e a buang ka yone ke badirelapuso, ba duelwa ke Goromente, ka jalo ga ba dire madi ape fela. Ke re gongwe re se ka ra ba tlhakanya le ba ba ntshang *services* kwa ntle. Gongwe o a ba tlhakatlhakanya. Bao ba reeditse, e bile ba utlwile botlhoko thata.

**MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE:** Tanki mma. Ke raya ba ba hirwang kwa ntle.

Le yone kgang e o neng o e bua rraetsho ya *human trafficking*, a re e tlhwaafaleleng. Ke gore e nne le dikatlholo tse di rileng. Re ntse re nyatsa kgang e mme gompiano ke fa re a bona bana ba Botswana ba utlwalelwa kgakala. Bone ba ba dirileng jaana le fa motho a ka bo a le kwa ntle ga Botswana, a a latelwe a tle go seka. Re se ka ra e tsaya fela gore ke kgang ya batho ba ba kwa ntle. Ke kopa gore le yone o e tlhwaafalele thata le ka dikatlholo. Ke a leboga.

**MR MOALOSI (NKANGE):** Ke a leboga *Madam Chairperson*. Ke go dumedise Nelson Ramaotwana. Gongwe ka gore ke na le *five minutes*, ke ka tsena mo kgannyeng e le nngwefela ya *rehabilitation of offenders*. Re le Mapalamente, *one of the issues* tse ditona tse re di tsayang kwa *ofising* ya rona ke batho ba ba tlang ba ikopela gore re ba kwalele makwalo gore ba ye go kopa maitshwarelo kwa go Tautona. Bontsi jwa bone e a bo e le batho ba batona, ba bangwe ba sa bolo go dira melato bogologolo, gongwe motho a ne a ntse a sa itse gore o na le molato. E bo e re go na le sengwe se a se tlhokang gotwe a ye go dira *fingerprints*, a bo a fitlhela gore e rile ka 1992, o kile a betsa mongwe ka mpama a ne a mo rogile. A bo a ya kwa lekgotleng la Setswana a feta a atlholwa *suspended sentence* ya *two years*, a bo a tsewa menwana.

Ke ne ke reeditse *Honourable* Mokgware kgantele a bua gore re tle ka melao. Gongwe ke go bolelele *Honourable*

Mokgware, *I have submitted a Private Member's Bill* kwa go *Speaker*, e e buang ka *an Expungement of Records Bill*. Mo *Bill* ya teng re eletsa gore fa motho a ne a dirile molatonyana o monnyennyane, gongwe go bo gotwe *after three years* a sena go tswa mo toronkong kana *after katlholo* ya gagwe e sena go fela, *Police Commissioner* a bo a nna le gore o ka sekaseka, a bo a kgona go mo itshwarela, a bo a ntsha *record* ya gagwe mo *data base*. Ke gore gompieno kana fa o itshwarelwa ke Tautona, ga go reye gore *fingerprints* tsa gago di a ntshiwa. O itshwarelwa fela, go bo gotwe o itshwaretse mme *there is no law that says the Police Commissioner can remove your fingerprints from that record*. Gongwe molao o ke tla ke le kopa bagaetsho fa e le gore o tlaa goroga, le dumalane le nna gore o ka re thusa le rona gore re bo re sa kwalele batho ba re sa ba itseng makwalo. Ke a tle ke ba botse gore, “a o sekebekwa monnamogolo, o ne o rileng?” E le go tshameka fela le bone. Ba tlaabo ba bua sentle fela gore, “e kile ya re re le kwa bojannyeng nako nngwe mongwe a nthumola, ke bo ke mo itaya ka mpama.”

Jaanong *the current situation* ke gore *the Police Act, the Commissioner of Police is mandated to maintain records of all convicted persons. There is currently no administration mechanism in the Police Act that allows the Commissioner to delete these records based on good behavior*. Gongwe re tle ka molao o o tlaa dirang gore motho yo tota a ntseng a itshwara sentle mo setšhabeng, a se ka a atlholelwa botshelo jotlhe *for* molato o a o dirileng a santse a le monana *due to youthfully exuberance*, ba a tle ba rialo ba ba itseng Sekgoa.

Gongwe re baakanye *the Criminal Procedure and Evidence Act to define the legal status of an expunged records*. Fa motho e le gore *record* ya gagwe *has been expunged* o na le ditshwanelo dife tse e leng gore o ka di *enjoy* mo *society*.

*Honourable Chairperson*, gongwe o lebelele gore a o ka se ke o tle ka molao fela o o bidiwang gotwe Rehabilitation of Offender's Act jaaka kwa South Africa o teng le kwa United Kingdom. Go nne le *a structure and framework* e e leng gore batho fa ba ne ba sentse re bo re ba *rehabilitate*, re ba busetsa jang mo setšhabeng gore re ba ntshe lebadi la gore motho o kile a senya. Ba kgone *to enjoy all the civil liberties* tse e leng gore motho o ka di *enjoy*.

Fa ke wela Rre Ramaotwana, mongwe o kile a bua gore ditoronko di *overcrowded*. Gongwe fa le akanya go dira toronko le e tlise kwa kgaolong ya me kwa Tutume, mo kgaolong yotlhe ya Nkange fela, re na le lefatshe, re ikopele toronko bagaetsho. Batho ba rona re ba tlholela kgakala. *Imagine* motsadi wa gago a le mo toronkong a bo a isiwa kwa bo Mahalapye le Boro. Kana toronko *is rehabilitation* ga se gore motho o a bo a otlhaiwa. Re batla gore *rehabilitation* eo re e direlwe gautshwane, re nne re ba isetsa makgomane.

**MR MAPULANGA:** *Elucidation*. Ke a leboga. Ke rata kgang ya go aga batho sesha. Mo *paragraph 11*, fa o lebile madi a ba kgonneng go a itirela ka go dira ka diatla tsa bone *and input* ya bone mo *agriculture*. Go raya gore fa re ne re ka tlhwaafalela go bona gore le fa ba ile gone kwa re se ka ra ba leba gore ke ba ba sentseng, mme re dumela gore ke motho a ne a dirile phoso o ka agega a kgona go neelwa botshelo jo bongwe gore a se ka a boela gone koo.

**MR MOALOSI:** Ke a leboga. Ke ithaya ke re o e tsere *Honourable Member* gore re tlhoka ditsompelo tsa *to rehabilitate* batho ba rona gautshwane le rona. Ke ditlhabololo ka gore fa go na le toronko, ba a lema gone foo ba a re rekisetsa. Gongwe e le lesika la gago le le gone foo, o kgona go le isetsa makgomane jaaka go le letlhafula kwa ga rona jaana. Kwa Dikgotleng ke ba boleletse gore ke ya go le kopela toronko...

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

**MR MOALOSI:** Ke a leboga *Honourable Chairperson*.

**MADAM CHAIRPERSON:** Order! Order! I now call the Minister to reply to the debate.

**MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES (MR RAMAOTWANA):** Ke a leboga *Madam Chairperson*. Ke leboge batlotlegi fela botlhe ba ba akgetseng. Ke bo ke leboge fela thata *Honourable* Moalosi o batla toronko kwa Nkange. Ke tseela gore e tlhokafala thata segolobogolo jang kwa Sepopa ka mabaka a *distance* ya go tswa kwa Maun go ya kwa Shakawe Court. Ke yone nngwe e e leng gore ke gone kwa re lebileng teng. Ke go solofetse gore ga go sa tlhole malatsi a go tlhokafala gore gongwe o ye go tlhola lesika la gago *physically* kwa toronkong ka gore re na le maranyane, o ka kgona gore o mo tlhole ka one. O

le kwa Maun o mo tlhole mo Gaborone ka maranyane. Ba kgona gore ba *mention* kwa Dikgotleng malatsi a ka maranyane. Ke dilo tse re le kang go di tlhabolola gore di nne teng gore go nne motlhofo gore ba ba senang madi, ba kgone go tlhola bana le masika a bone.

Ke dumalane le wena mo go ya menwana gore re a e sekaseka ka gore ga e tshwenye wena fela, le kwa ofising ya me ba a tlala teng. Ke ba kwalela makwalo. Ke raya ya *constituency* e seng ya *ministry*. Ba a tla kwa go nna ba batla gore menwana ya bone ba thusiwe *to clear to be pardoned*. Ke rurifatse gore ke nnete, *to be pardoned* ga go tewe gore molato o phimotswe kana menwana ya phimolwa. Go na le *judgement* ya ga *the late* Justice Walia e a neng a leka go tlhalosa gore *pardoning* go raya eng, ga go reye gore jaanong menwana e a phimolwa. Go tlhokafala gore jaanong re tle ka *system* ya go baakanya seemo sa menwana ka gore e a tshwenya. Ga ke dumele gore *if you have served* kwa toronkong, re tshwanetse gore re tle re go beye gape sebaka se sengwe re re o a letela. *After having served* jaanong *why should we punish you twice?* Ke tseela gore ke dilo tse re tshwanetseng go tla go di lebelela gore gongwe menwana e, re nne le banka ya mongwe le mongwe Motswana *for purpose of*, fa go na le yo o thubileng re kgone go bona gore *fingerprint* ke ya ga mang, mme e sa dirisediwe gore o na le molato ga o ka ke wa hiriwa. Go bo go nna le banka fela ya Motswana mongwe le mongwe e re ka kgonang *to check* ba ba thubileng gore monwana o, o tshwana le wa ga mang, e se ya gore e ke ya ba ba sentseng ba tswa kwa toronkong.

**MR MOALOSI:** *Clarification.* Nnyaa eo *Honourable Member* ya gore o tseye menwana ya rona o e beye mo bankeng o tlaabo o gatelela *our rights, privacy* ya me fela. Kana o tlaabo o kgona go ntlhola gore a ke kile ka tsena fale, o bo o tsenya menwana ya me mo bankeng. Tota fa motho a sa senya sepe, a sa senyetsa Goromente sepe, *you do not need to keep their records*. Ke a leboga. Kana le tloga le re le *keep* le Deoxyribonucleic Acid (DNA) jaanong. *Imagine* le kgona go tla *to check* gore ngwana ke wa me, mme le sa *consent*.

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** *Honourable* Moalosi, akere gompiano jaana go na le ba e leng gore fa o tswa toronkong menwana ya gago e bewa *for life*, e banka ke ya mongwe le mongwe jaaka melao ya gompiano e batla *for identification purposes* gore mapodise ba kgone go

tshwara ba ba sentseng, go nna motlhofo gore e re ba sena go tsaya menwana ba tshwantshanye (*compare*). Ofisi ya me e sale e thubiwa ga raro, ba nna ba tsaya *fingerprints* ga ba itse gore ke bo mang *up to now*. Ofisi ya me kwa Phase 4, e thubilwe ga raro, mme go nna go dirwa *fingerprints* ka gore ga re na banka *to compare* gore ke mang yo o neng senya foo.

**MINISTER OF LABOUR AND HOME AFFAIRS (MAJ. GEN. MOKGWARE):** *Elucidation.* *Thank you Madam Chairperson.* Fa o lebelela *the* National Identification Act ya re mongwe le mongwe a tsewe *fingerprints* le Omang wa gago ke yo o na le *fingerprint* mo teng. *What is missing* se se ka bong se buiwa ke *Minister* gone fa ke gore, gongwe go raya gore jaaka go tsewa *fingerprints*, go bo go iwa kwa go yone banka e go bo go ya go tshwantshangwa menwana. Rotlhe re tsewa menwana *and the new* Identification Act ya re re tseye menwana yotlhe ya gago jaaka e le 10 jaana. Ga re ka ka ke ra gana. *It is there, the law allows us to do that.* *Thank you.*

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** Ke a go leboga *Honourable Minister* for tlhaloso eo e e tseletseng. Mma ke re ya Rehabilitation Offender's Act, ke tsaya gore *currently* tsamaiso ya kwa toronkong go na le *Policy* ya *Correct, Rehabilitate and Reintegrate*. *Policy* ya teng ya re, go raya gore o tshwanetse gore fa o tsena kwa, mongwe le mongwe fela yo o pantitang o tshwanetse go nna *subjected to* thuto eo ya gore ba a baakanngwa ba bo ba rutuntshiwa gore phoso e ba e dirileng ba ka agiwa sesha jang, *to be corrected and reformed*. Gone moo go dirwa e le gore go lomaganwa le malwapa a batswa-setlhabelo gore le bone ba leke go amogela gore motho yo kana ka nako nngwe o tlaabo a fetsa *sentence* ya gagwe a bo a boela mo setshabeng. Gore e re a boela mo setshabeng, ba bo ba kgona gore ba amogele gore go kile ga nna le phoso eo, mme ba bo ba mo itshwaretse, e se ka ya re ba tla ba mmona, ba bo gakologelwa tsa bogologolo go bo go nna *trauma* mo go bone. Ke lenaneo le le teng le le ka tswang gongwe ka ditsompelo le sa tia thata, mme le teng le a diragadiwa kwa ditoronkong tsa rona mo bogompionong jaana.

Bontsi jwa lona le ne le ntsha megopolo gore re ye go nna fa fatshe re bone gore re ka baakanya fa kae, re ka dira fa kae. *Honourable* Kapinga, ke rata se o neng o se bua mo go maswe, ke sone se ke reng gongwe

*Chairperson* o ka bo a go okeleditse ka *five minutes* gore o tswelele o ntshe dikgakololo tseo tsa gore Batswana re nne le thuto. *Honourable Dow* o ne a re kana go raya gore thuto e ke yone e e tlhaelang, *that is why* o utlwa batho ba gaketse ka gore kaletsang batho ka gore ga ba itse gore *justice* e tshwanetse go nna jang, go diragale jang. Gompieno mongwe le mongwe ke yo o kelemileng gore tsayang batho ba le ba tlhatlhele ka ditoronko. Ke gore gongwe le fa le *idle* jaana, “tsayang le tlhatlhele ka ditoronko.” Ba tsaya gore toronko ke yone e tlaa yang go tsisa tshiamelo kana e tlaa ya go baakanya sengwe le sengwe, mathata a rona a *society* a a teng.

Re tshwanetse go itse gore tsamaiso mo Molaomotheong wa rona ke gore motho *remains a suspect until proven guilty by competent court of law*. Ke gone o ka reng jaanong *he or she is a convict*, o sentse. Fa o ka nna fela gotwe o a belaelwa, ke gore o setse o le molato gale, ba go athlotse, go raya gore re nna *emotive* thata mo e leng gore re batla go itseela molao ka matsogo. Go raya go tlhokana le gore thuto e tle e nne teng gore ba itse gore ga se gore fa o le *suspect*, go raya gore *already you are guilty*.

Re tlaabo re simolola re re *you are guilty therefore prove yourself innocent*. Go bo go raya gore re fapaana le se e leng gore ke se se buiwang ke *justice* gore motho yo o na le tshwanelo ya gore *you remain silent* go fitlhelela ba ba go latofatsang ba tsisa bosupi jo e leng gore bo go supa gore ke wena yo o molato. Seo se teng, Ke tsaya gore ke *case* ya 1985 ya ga Desai e e neng e bua gore *an accused person or a suspect has got the right to remain silent*. Ke gore o ka nna *silent*, o ka bua mme fa o bua o bo o itse gore se o se buang se ya go dirisiwa kgatlhanong le wena kwa tshékong. *So*, ke dilo tse e leng gore di teng, di a diragala.

O bo o bua ka kgang ya...

**MR MOTAOSANE:** *Point of clarification. Thank you Madam Chairperson, thank you Honourable Ramaotwana. Gongwe ka botlhoka kitsonyana fela, tota le ko le tlhalose that part of the law. Ke gore mo molaong jaaka o bua gore motho is not guilty until proven guilty by the courts, gone mme fela fa jaaka re bona motho a tlhaba motho ka thipa ya okapi a bo a mmolaya a swela gone fa, go bo go nna gotwe o tlhabilwe ka sengwe se se bogale e bile go buiwa gore motho yo o na le tshwanelo ya gore a ye go seka, ke gore ga a ise a nne molato mme*

a go dirile *in the public domain, what does the law mean* fa e re motho ga a molato *until proven guilty*? Go raya jang ka gore re a bo re bona tiragalo e diragala fa pele ga gago? *Do you not think we need to go and adjust this kind of law* go leka go o tsisa mo seemong sa gore *reality* e bonale, e buiwe jaaka e ntse ka nako eo? *I think that is what delays* dikgang gore di bo di tlala kwa makgotlatshekelo go sena mabaka.

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** Ke a leboga *Honourable Member. The court finds you guilty on the basis* ya bosupi jo bo beilweng ke ba ba neng ba bona tiragalo eo motho a tlhabiwa ka thipa. Go raya gore fa o mmona a tlhaba motho ka thipa, go raya gore o mosupi wa Puso ka gore ke molato kgatlhanong le Puso. Wena o nna mosupi wa Puso. Ka jalo, go raya gore ga go na jaaka o ka re re bona fela o tlhaba re bo re re o molato. Ba ba boneng ba tshwanetse go ya go ntsha bosupi gore ke mmone a ntsha okapi ya go nna jalo. *Pathologist* ga a ka ke a bua gore o tlhabilwe ka thipa. O ne a seyo gone foo, *he is not a witness of fact*. Ka jalo, go raya gore se a ka se buang ke gore golo mo go bakileng ntho e, ke golo mo go bogale jo bo nang le ntlha e e ntseng jaana. Ga a ka ke a re ke thipa ka gore ga a itse, ba ba ka buang ka thipa ke ba ba boneng tiragalo, ba supa gore ntho e e tsereng botshelo jwa motho, e e bakilweng ke selo se se bogale, ke bone ba ka reng selo se se bogale se ke thipa ka gore ba bone e tshwerwe e tlhaba motho. Ba ba boneng ke bone ba ka buang gore o tlhabilwe ka thipa.

Se sengwe se re ka se keng re re o molato ke gore ga re itse gore fa a ne a mo tlhaba jaana, gongwe o ne a dira jalo *in self-defence*, go raya gore le ene o tshwanetse go ya go ikarabela gore ke eng a ne a tlhaba motho. Gongwe o ne a mo tlhaba a ne a mo iteile ka letlapa, pitsana kana eng.

*So*, o tshwanetse gore a bidiwe go fiwe bosupi gore o dirile tiro eo a iphemela, a kgopisegile kana a mo rogile matlhapa a e leng gore gongwe o mo rogetse batsadi a bo a nna *provoked*, go bo go raya gore o tlhaba motho ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. O tshwanetse gore le ene a ikarabele gore ke eng a ne a dira tiro e e ntseng jalo. Ke sone se go ka se keng go tsewe fela gore o molato a ise a ikarabele. Bosupi bo tshwanetse gore bo tle gore ke ene a dirileng tiro e, a bo a tlhalosa gore ke eng a ne a dira tiro e e ntseng jalo *Honourable Member*. Go a thusa, *otherwise society can descend into chaos* fa re ka nna *arbitrary* fela re re “o molato tsamaya.” Go raya gore go nna *arbitrary*.

Ke ne ke santse ke bua ka *Honourable* Kapinga gore kgang ya Phase 2 ke e utlwile. Ke ne ke santse ke bua ke re ke na le dikarabo tse dintsi fa tsa dipotso tsa bo *Honourable* Dow le *Honourable* Kapinga tse di sa arabiwang. Di sale di nna fa, fa o tla gompiano, potso ya teng ga e yo *for two, three weeks* mme dikarabo di ntse di le gone fa.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Ke kopa clarification sir.*

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

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** Nnyaa, e ne e boditswe e bo e sa tsene mo Order Paper e bo e sa arabiwe. Go raya gore potso e ne e tsile e le gone fa.

*Issue* ya Phase 2 ke a e utlwa, ke dumalana le wena gore re tshwanetse gore go nne le ditlhotlhomiso, go bo go ka raya gore ba ba dirileng molato, molao o tseye karolo ya one, ba lebiswiwe molato. Ke dumalana le wena, ke tsamaiso ya molao gore fa go na le se se diragetseng, go tlhotlhomisiwe gore ke bomang ba ba dirileng tiro eo. Go bo go ka nna le gore go tsewe tshwetso.

Ke dumalana le wena gape mo *the P100 billion saga*. Ke tsaya gore ke kile ka araba kgang e kwa Ntlong ya Dikgosi gore mo bosuping jotle jo bo neng bo le fa pele ga me jo ke neng ke bo tsere mme ka ya le bone batho botlhe ba e leng gore ba a umakega, go ne go sena gope fa e leng gore P100 *billion* o utswilwe. *Once* o re go utswilwe, *there must be an onus of stolen property*. Re ne re utlwa gotwe go utswilwe kwa Bank of Botswana mme e ise e re e latlhegetswe. Kana go tshwanetse go nna le yo o reng ke lathegetswe ke bokana kana ke utswetswe bokana. Fa a seyo, go raya gore go supagala gore sengwe ga se a tsamaya sentle.

*Whether there was a password*, o tshwanetse gore o re bolelele gore *password* ya ga semangmang e dirisitswe *to transfer* madi go tswa mo Bank of Botswana go ya fa. Fa selo seo se seyo, go supagala gore sengwe se phoso, ga se a tsamaya sentle. *That is why* re ile ra tsaya tshwetso ya gore *we are settling out the matter because* go ne go supagala mo *report* e ke neng ke e tshotse gore tota sengwe le sengwe se gotweng se diragetse ga se a diragala. Ka jalo, ke sone se...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification.

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** *Madam Chair*, ga ke itse gore a ke dirisa nako e e kwa tlase kana e e kwa godimo?

**MADAM CHAIRPERSON:** *Let me clarify something, Honourable Ramaotwana*, e tshwanetse gore ka 6:25 p.m. ke bo ke baya potso, *that is why* ke ne ke go diretse *that note*.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS (MR MOSWAANE):** *Point of clarification*. Ke ne ke re o e tshwere sentle motlotlegi...

**MADAM CHAIRPERSON:** Wena o e neetswe ke mang?

**MR MOSWAANE:** Ke ne ke kopile *Madam*, ke ne ke re ke boloka nako ya gago.

**MADAM CHAIRPERSON:** Ke raya gore ga ke ise ke go reye ke re o bue, nna fela fa fatshe. O neetse mang Nelson Ramaotwana?

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** I was yielding to clarification.

**MADAM CHAIRPERSON:** To who because there was Honourable Monageng and Honourable Moswaane?

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** Moswaane.

**MADAM CHAIRPERSON:** Honourable Moswaane.

**MR MOSWAANE:** *Thank you. Honourable Ramaotwana* o tshwere dikgang tse di molemo sentle. Ke re ka o le moeteledipele yo o nonofileng e bile ke go tshepha thata, gongwe o re tlhalosetse kgang e, re bona mo nakong e ntsi Batswana ba ba tshonngeng, ba ba tlhokang, ba sena le fa e le *one cent*, ba tsenngwa mo ditoronkong ka *civil imprisonment*. Seemo se wa reng ka sone, ka gore ke a tle ke utlwe mo Kenny Kapinga ba re *you cannot force blood out of the stone*. Ke akanya gore golo gongwe fa motho a tshonne ga a gane go duela, o tshonne mme gantsi bo Mmakaseterata ba gago le fa motho a ka isa bosupi jwa gore ga ke bereke, ba mo atlholela toronko, a supa gore ga a na letseno ba mo atlholela toronko. A seemo se, ga re ka ke ra se baakanya ga ya kwa toronkong ba ba ganang go duela jaaka e le tsamaiso? *Thank you, very much*.

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** *Honourable Member*, ke tsaya gore mongwe o buile ka ya *the civil imprisonment* ke *Honourable* Mmolotsi, go raya gore ke di arabele ruri. Molao wa re go raya gore, o tshwanetse gore wena o filweng *summons* ya *civil imprisonment*, o tle o supe e le

*defence* ya gago gore ga o na *means* tsa go ka *satisfy the judgement* e e ntshitsweng kgatlhanong le wena. Fa e le go re o supile ka botlalo fa pele ga ga Mmakaseterata kana *Judge* gore o motho fela, ka gore ga o a tshwanela o isiwe toronkong gotwe re a go gamola, o tshwanetse go isiwa kwa toronkong e le gore wena o na le *means*, mme fa a gana go duela ka bodipa ke ene yo o isiwang kwa toronkong ene yoo. Yo e leng gore ga a na *means*, le fa o ka mo isa ga 10 ga a ka ke a duela, ka gore ga a na *means*. Yo o yang toronkong ke yo e leng gore o na le ditsompelo tsa go duela, mme a gana e le ka bodipa.

**DR DOW:** *Clarification.* Ke a leboga, gakere mme boammaaruri ke gore gantsi batho ba, ba isiwa toronkong Deputy Sheriff a sena go nna a boa, *return* ya gore ga ke a bona sepe, *any valuable return*. Kana fa o eme fa pele ga bone o bo o re ga ke a bona sepe, o tshwanetse a *return* e re a re, o gana ka dithoto kante o di fitlhile. *This thing* ya gore Deputy Sheriff a re ga ke a bona sepe ga o na dithoto, e bo motho a isiwa toronkong a ga o bone gore go tshwanetse gore go baakanngwe gone foo?

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** *It is a grave injustice I agree with you Honourable Member,* gore fa go na le bosupi jwa gore ga gona sepe se ke se boneng ke motho fela, *they are a pauper, then why should you take a pauper to prison to do what?* Le fa o ka mo isa kwa ga 25 ga a ka ke a ntsha sepe ka gore ga a na sepe. *Unless* e le yo gotweng o na le ditsompelo le dilwana, mme o di fitlhile.

**MR HIKUAMA:** Tlhaloso. Ke a leboga *Honourable Ramaotwana*, ke a leboga *Madam Chairperson*. A mme motho yo o sa kgoneng go ka duela molato wa me a nkolota, a lekgotla le molao ga di kgone go mo nkadima a ya go bereka ditironyana tsa me gore ke kgone go ikgotsofatsa? A ye go duela dilo tsa me ka go bereka, kana ka go ntirela sengwe se se tlhokang yo o ka di berekang, *being supervised* ke tsamaiso le molao.

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** *Currently* molao ga o rialo fela, o bua dilo tse pedi fela gore o tshwanetse go supa gore ga o na *means*, o bo o supa gore mme motho yo o na le tsone mme o gana fela ka bodipa a sa batle go duela, lekgotla le bo le re mme mo mabakeng jaana ke utlwile gore wena o *candidate* ya go ya toronkong, ka gore o na le ditsompelo mme o gana go duela. Ke tsaya gore go ya kwa pele kana ke kgang ya batlotlegi fa e le

gore ba dira molao o, ba ka o sekaseka gore a mme o ka adima motho gore a ye go rema disana kwa tshimong, e le *bartering system* jaanong... (*Laughter!*)...

*Madam Chairperson, Honourable* Kapinga o buile ka kgang e nngwe ya gore a re se ka ya re fa re ntsha dikatlholo e bo e le tse di gobelelang, di lebe *the interest of the accused, the interest of the victim and the interest of the society at large*. Gore *at the end what will be a proper and fit sentence* fa o lebeletse dikeletso tsa boraro jo bo amegang mo kgang eo. A bua gape gore kana kgang gongwe e dirwa ke gore, fa batho ba sa seke kgapetsakgapetsa kana ba sa tshwarwe ba dirile melato, go ka se ke go nne le *deterrence*. *I agree*, dilo tse a neng a di bua ke dilo tse ke dumalanang le tsone. Gore tota kgang ke gore, a mme batho ba bona go na le gore ba ba dirang melato go ka nna le tshoko ba atholwa *whether* o ya *5 years* or o ya *10 years*, mme ba bone gore go dira molato go na le manokonoko a a sa siamang o ya toronkong ke tseela gore ke dumalana le wena.

Ya *juvenile justice*, ke dumela gore mo bo gompioneng re na le mo gotweng Ikago Center kwa Molepolole e re tsereng tshwetso ya gore re e tlhabolole re e dire *like a reformatory school* gore bana ba ba dirang melato ba le bo *15 years* ba se ka ba nna kwa ditoronkong, gotwe o bolaile motho jaana a bo a bewa mo toronkong a nna le bagolo ba e leng *hardcore criminals*. A bo a ka ya kwa Ikago a tsena sekole a le foo, a rutintshiwa, a sugiwa gore a kgone go bona gore o ne a dirile phoso, mme a ya sekoleng a se kwa toronkong, e le *more like a reformatory school* ba le foo. E dirwa ke Mme Kgafela-Mokoka, e le sekole sa bana ba ba dirileng molato, pele ba ne ba isiwa kwa Moshupa, go bo go raya gore o kgaolelwa go tsena sekole a le kwa Moshupa. Go raya gore bontsi ba tlaabo ba nna kwa...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Elucidation.

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** Nako mathata e tsamaile ka re ke di fetse. Le yone e kile ya ne e atile thata gore fa motho a le 15 kana 16 a dira molato ba mo letlelela gore a nne 18 e bo e le gone ba mo *charge*, gore ba tle ba kgone go mo sekisa. Kgang ya teng ke tsaya gore Children's Act e baakantse golo moo, gore a motho a tshwarwe a bo a sekisiwa ka nako eo, fa e le gore o ne a sa kgona gore molao ga o letle, e se ka jaanong a godisiwa gotwe re mo ikgodisetsa go ya go mo sekisa.

Go raya gore a sekisiwe ka nako eo, fa a sa seke ga a seke. Ka fa molao o bua gore ke mang yo o ka sekang, ke mang *who is most capable to be liable for offence, like* Penal Code e bua gore motho yo o *14 years is not capable* gore o ka dira molato. Go raya gore ga re a tshwanela go ba godisetsa gore ba tsene fa go *18 years* re bo re ba sekisa.

Ke setse ka *5 minutes*. Ya *proceeds of crime*, ke dumalana le wena ke tsaya gore...*(Inaudible)*... re ne re e buile le ene. O dumalana le kgang ya gore batho ba ba tsereng *millions* ba, fa o re o a ba sekisa go tsaya nako *to investigate* ka gore *these are complex crime*, o ya go tsaya *10 years* o *investigate* go bo go raya gore le *property* ya teng ya *dissipate*. Fa o ya go seka gongwe o ya go fitlhela go sena sepe, ka gore jaanong a bo go tsaya gape nako e telele bo *20 years* o ntse o le mo go bone fela. Gore gongwe fa re ka tsaya tsone dithoto tseo, go ka nna bobebe gore re kgone go bona madi a boela mo go rona, gongwe le ene a bo a ka kgona gore bakaulengwe ke dumalana gore ke ne ke dirile phoso, tsayang dilo tsa lona ke tseo, *let there be amnesty or some form of mechanism* e e ka dirwang gore re bone gore madi a boela jang mo setšhabeng.

*Honourable* Lekau ke tsaya gore ya gagwe ya TVET, *currently I think* ba *Prison* ba ne ba na le maikaelelo a o a buang gore ba buisana le ba ga *ministry* wa ga *Honourable* Maele, go bona gore ba *introduce element* ya TVET mo teng. Kwa Mahalapye re na le *college* e e rutang bana dikgang tsa tiro ya diatla, motlakase, *brick layering*, go raya gore e teng. Ba setse e bile ba *introduce* le ya ICT mo teng gore e tsene. *I remember* ke le kwa Mahalapye go ne go na le rre mongwe wa legolegwa *very innocent guy* a re, tla o bone ditoronko tsa rona gore di ntse jang, le di baakanye ka gore ga di a siama gore le wena e tle e re o tla fa o bo o ipaakanyeditse nako nngwe, e bo o ka robala sentle di siame. Rre wa teng o ne a dira *Degree*, a re e bile ke saletswe ke dikgwedi tse pedi ke tloga ke fetsa *Degree* tse ke di dirang University of South Africa (UNISA), gore o dira *Degree* le bone. Ke bo ke araba le ya ga *honourable* ke tsaya gore ke Wynter Mmolotsi, yo o neng a bua gore re ba *upgrade* ka dithuto ba ye *Degree* le bo PhD, re ba thuse jalo. Ke tseela gore ke one maikaelelo le gone kwa re yang teng.

Ke setse ke arabile ya *accommodation* ya bone, *currently* boroko jwa babereki ba dikgolegelo re a itse gore ke

selelo, ga go a siama, mme *we are working on it* gore re dire jang go baakanya seemo sa teng.

*Issue* ya gore o kare re tlaa gatelela ba ba re kgalang, ke tsaya gore ga go a tshwanela go nna jalo. Fa e le gore go a direga, re tlaa bua le *Honourable Minister* Mohwasa, ka gore mapodise a ka fa tlase ga ga *Minister* Mohwasa ka gore rona re tla fela re sekisa, ga re tshware. Rona re tla fela go na le *docket* gotwe ke eo, jaanong sekisang batho ke bao.

*Honourable* Mosanana ke go utlwile, go raya gore ke setse ke arabile, e e tshwana le tsa bo *Honourable* Lekau.

*Honourable* Bogatsu; ee, ke setse ke arabile ya *rehabilitation* gore re na le *process* ya teng, mme re batla go e tokafatsa gore e nonofe, ka gore *currently* se se diragalang re tlaabo re ya go bua le *victim* le *family* ya gagwe re bo re mo kopanya le *the convict*, gore, kana rre ke yo o tshwanetse gore e bo mo lebakeng la dingwaga tse pedi, tse tharo, o tlaabo a tswa mo kgolegolong, mme kana ke ngwana wa lona o ne a dirile phoso. Ba lekwa *to be counselled*, ba agisanngwa, gore e tle e re fa a tla mo setšhabeng ba kgone go mo amogela. Ba se ka ba bona serukutlhi se tlile, le bone go ba tsenya *trauma* gore jaanong ba nne ba tshogile fela gore, hei! se a bo se boile serukutlhi re tlaa reng. Ba bone e le motho yo o kileng a dira phoso, mme o agegile sesha jaanong o ka kgona go tshela le bone.

Ke re ke leboga le ya *the Khoisan* gore ka fa o buang ka *Affirmative Action* ya teng. Tota re na le lenaneo le le itebagantseng le bone. Go raya gore e tlaa re fa tsotlhe di wela le tlaa ribololwa ga bonwa gore go ntse jang.

Mongwe o buile ka *parole*, gore ditoronko di tletse. Ke gore go na le *difference* ya *parole* le go ntsha motho gore a ye go feleletsa katlholo...*extra mural services* kwa lelwapeng. Molao gompieno wa re, fa o saletswe ke *12 months* o bo o ka ntshiwa go a go feleletsa *to serve* kwa ntle. *Parole* ke fa gantsi e le ya bo *terminally ill*, gore, nnyaa motho yo totatota le fa a ne a saletswe ke *20 years* mme bolwetse jo a bo lwalang ga a ka ke a tlhola a fola (*recover*), a ye lelwapeng ba ye go mo okela kwa lelwapeng, *so* e le yone...Mme gantsi ke itse gore mapolotiki golo gongwe ba ne ba sa e dirise sentle kwa lefatsheng lengwe, gotwe motho o *terminally ill* kgantele o fitlhela motho a raga ditlhako mo phefong jaanong, aa! ga se ene yo a neng a tswa gotwe o a swa yo. *So*, kwano ga re e dirise jalo. Re e dirisa sentle ka kwano.

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

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** Nnyaa, ga ke itse gore ke mang...(Laughter!)...

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

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** *So, ke yone e ke reng ke utlwile dikgakololo tsa lona tsotlhe. Loologane, ke utlwile ka graduate yo o tswang kwa Canada, go raya gore o tshwanetse a bo a na le skills tse di botlhokwa, Canada ke lefatshe lengwe le le dithuto tse di kwa godimo thata. Dithuto tsa teng di kwa godimo, ba rutuntsha batho dilo tse di kwa godimo thata. Go tlaa re a batliwe ka gore, ga a ka ke a rutwa mo go kalokalo a ba a ya go nna kwa Ipelegeng, e le wa batho ba e leng gore ke ba letso la the minorities kana San. Go raya gore re tlaa kopana le wena motlotlegi re bone gore...gongwe o na le dithuto tse re di tlhokang thata. Honourable Monageng; I hear you.*

Mma Dow; ke tseela gore tse o neng o di bua bontsi di tshwana le tsa ga Honourable Kapinga, we noted them. Re dumalana le tsone gore, attention e a tlhokafala gore... bana malatsi a go na le mo gotweng child friendly justice system, e mo go yone e rutuntshang gore go nne jalo.

**MADAM CHAIRPERSON:** O e bone, o tlhwaafalele to move.

**MR RAMAOTWANA:** I therefore Madam Chair, move that the sum of One hundred and Fifty-Three million, Two hundred and Ninety-Five Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty Pula (P153 295 560) under Recurrent Budget for Organisation 2900 be approved and stand part of the Schedule of the Appropriation (2026/2027) Bill, 2026 (No.1 of 2026), and that the sum of Forty-Eight Million, Nine Hundred and Forty Thousand, Four Hundred Pula (P48 940 400) under Development Budget for Organisation 2900 be approved and stand part of the estimates for the financial year 2026/2027. Thank you, I move Madam Chair.

Question put and agreed to.

**MADAM SPEAKER (MS MANYENENG):** Order! Order! Honourable Members. We have come to the end of our business today. I now call upon Minister Mmolotsi to move a Motion of adjournment.

**MOTION**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND TOURISM (MR MMOLOTSI):** Thank you very much Madam Speaker. Madam Speaker, now that we have concluded what we needed to do today, I wish to move that this House do now adjourn.

Question put and agreed to.

The Assembly accordingly adjourned at 6:26 p.m. until Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.

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