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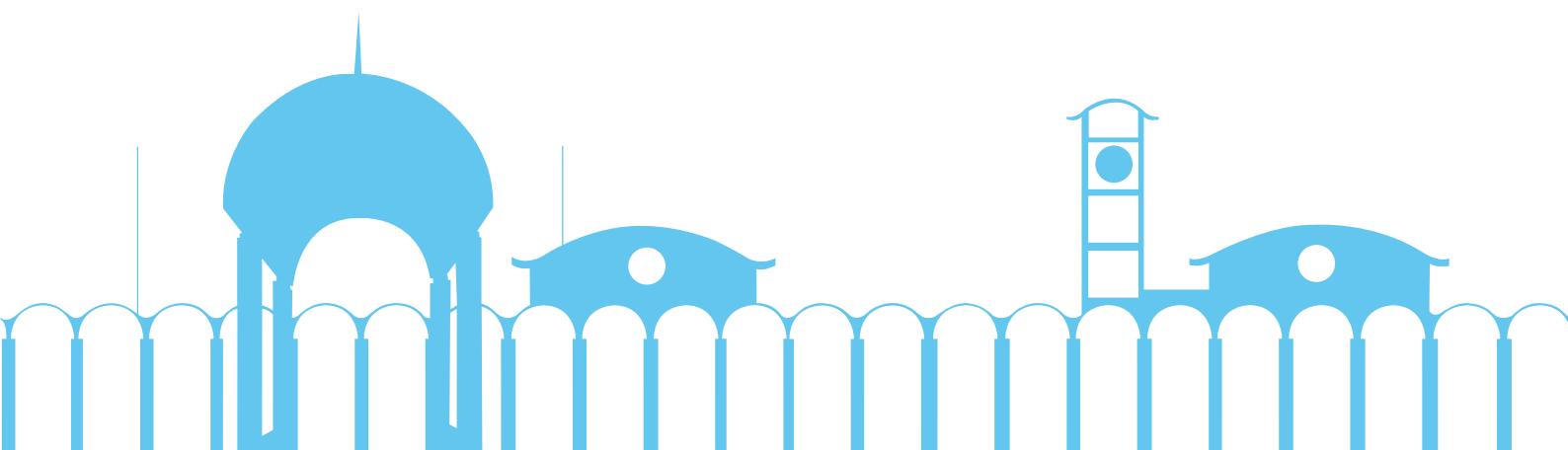
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Friday 28th March, 2025

THE ASSEMBLY met at 9:00 a.m.

(THE SPEAKER in the Chair)

P R A Y E R S

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MR SPEAKER (MR KEORAPETSE): *Pray be seated. Morning Honourable Members, le jele metsotsotso e mentsi thata. Ke tsaya gore le nnile le nako ya go itapolosa. A re simololeng lenaneo la rona ka Ministers' question.*

MINISTERS' QUESTION TIME

MINISTER OF MINERALS AND ENERGY

THEME: STATUS AND FUTURE OF THE MMAMANTSWE COAL PROJECT IN KGATLENG CENTRAL

Asked the Minister of Minerals and Energy to:

- (i) provide an update on the current status of the Mmamantswe Coal Mine in Kgatleng District;
- (ii) explain if the project has been officially shelved, and if so, what were the primary reasons for this decision;
- (iii) state actions if any, that are being taken by Government to revive or repurpose the Mmamantswe Coal Project, considering its potential economic benefits for the country, as well as local employment and infrastructure development opportunities in Kgatleng Central; and
- (iv) state what is the expected timeline if any, for decisions on the project's future during the current Government's term.

(MR M. M. MOROLONG, MP. - KGATLENG CENTRAL)

Later Date.

MR MONAGENG: Procedure. Tanki Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo. Ke ne ke re tota mme ka *Ministers* ba na le ba ba berekang le bone, fela jaaka ba bangwe ba e tle ba dire, ke eng go sa nne gore fa Tona a seyo ka potso yone e tlaa karabo e baakantswe ke bodiredi, go sa dirwe gore nako e nngwe le e nngwe go nne le Tona yo o tlaa tllang go mo arabela ka gore karabo e a bo e le teng *Mr Speaker?* Go gontsi go mna gotwe *later date, later date.*

MR SPEAKER: Nnyaa, ga go reye gore *later date all the time* e a bo e le gore Tona o a bo a seyo. Fa gongwe o a bo a le teng mme e le gore karabo ga e ise e tlhomame. Jaanong e go raya gore ba buisantse, a re tseye fela gore ba buisantse mme mo puisanong ya bone ba dumalane. Fa ba ne ba sa dumalana, o ka bo a rile yo o nkemetseng o tlaa e araba mme gongwe Tona o itse gore ke eng a batla e le ene tota a e arabang. So a re e tlogele e ntse jalo.

MINISTER OF CHILD WELFARE AND BASIC EDUCATION

THEME: MOTHER TONGUE IMPLEMENTATION AND ROLL OUT IN BOTSWANA SCHOOLS

Asked the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education to apprise this Honourable House on the current state of mother tongue teaching and learning in Botswana schools; and further state:

- (i) how the mother tongue teaching and learning is implemented; and
- (ii) the issues and problems on the implementation of the mother tongue learning and teaching of the 10 approved local languages by the past administration.

MR K. C. HIKUAMA (MAUN WEST): Ke a leboga *Honourable Speaker.* Mma re dumedise Mapalamente, re dumedise Batswana ka kakaretso; re tseye mo go Rre Kekgonegile. *Mr Speaker,* potso ya me ke e e batlang go tlhalogany seemo sa Puso le maemo a yone mabapi le go netefatsa gore dipuo tsa mo gae tse di neng di amogetswe ke Puso e e fetileng, di tlaa simolola go rutwa mo dikoleng tsa lefatshe la Botswana ka maikaelelo a gore di felele di dirisiwa mo diphuthegong tse di faphegileng tsa Mmuso. Di kgone go dirisiwa mo mafelong a a farologanyeng a Puso ka gore ke one maikaelelo magolo. Ke ne ke batla gore Tona a tle a kgone go tlhalosetsa Ntlo e e tlotelegang e le setshaba ka kakaretso gore ba tsamaya fa kae, ba gefosa dinao go le kae go netefatsa gore se se neng se akolwa ke diteme tse pedi tsa Sekgoa le Setswana, bogolo jang ka Sekgoa ga se teme ya rona. Tse tsa rona tse re tshwanetseng go ipelafatsa ka tsone, re age ngwao ya rona ka tsone ka bolesome jwa tsone jaaka di ne di atilwe ke Puso e e fetileng, di tsamaya fa kae mo go di diragatseng? A mme ba simolotse di a rutwa mo dikoleng? Ka go tshaba go ja nako ya gago, ga ke eletse go di balolola jaaka di ne di kwadilwe e bile re boleletswe mo lefatsheng le gore di tlaa simolola go rutwa.



A re tlhalosetse fa go na le dikgwetlho le dikgang tse di kgoreletsang go rutiwa le go diragatsa dipuo tse jaaka go ne go sololetswe. Dikgwetlho, dikgang tse di leng teng ke dife mme ba bona gore di ka rarabololwa jang ka pela gore merafe le dipuo tsa bone tse di neng di saletse kwa morago go bonwa e kete ga se bontlha bongwe jwa lefatshe la Botswana le setshaba, le bone ba simolole go akola boleng jwa bone? Le Omang a le mo go bone a reye sengwe. Ke gakologelwa Mopalamente mongwe wa bogologolo Rre Filbert Nagafela o kile a supa gore ga a itumela, le go opela pina ya setshaba go a mo palela ka gore ga a ikutlw e le bontlha bongwe ka gore Molaomotheo le ditsamaiso tsa lefatshe la Botswana di a mo kokonela e le Mokgalagadi. Dilo tse gore re ntshe mewa le dikakanyo tsa go ipona e kete ga o bontlha bongwe jwa setshaba, *it is a way of building a true, proud and united nation* ka go lemoga bangwe le bangwe ba ba nnang mo lefatsheng le.

Mr Speaker, ke potso e ke neng ke batla gore gongwe Tona o ka re sedimosetsa ka yone a tlhalosetse setshaba le Ntlo e gore ba fa kae, ba tsamaya fa kae? Ke a leboga Honourable Speaker.

MINISTER OF CHILD WELFARE AND BASIC EDUCATION (MS KGAFELA-MOKOKA): Mma ke go dumedise Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke dumedise Ntlo e e tlotlegang, ke dumedise Batswana ka kakaretso le bone baithuti, barutabana le ba *child welfare* ka kakaretso. Ke itumele, ke lebogele potso ya Mopalamente Honourable Hikuama. Gongwe ke ise ke arabe, ke supe sengwe gore rraetsho e ya gore e tlaa dirisiwa leng, e ka bonwa e dirisiwa kwa Dikgotleng le kwa *official meetings* ga se bontlha bongwe jwa potso e o e boditseng. Le yone ya gore metlhale e re tllang ka yone ga se *part* ya potso e o e boditseng mme e tlaa re kwa phelelong ke sena go go araba go na le potso nngwe, ke leke go tsena ka dikgang tse ke ka tswang ke di itse ka yone. Tse pedi tseo ga se *part of the question*. Mme ke tsene mo potsong.

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Minister, ke tlaa tswelela ke ntse ke gakolola gore *Ministers' questions are themed*. Mo nakong e e fetileng potso ya teng e ka bo e kwadilwe fela gotwe *Mother Tongue Implementation and Rollout in Botswana Schools*, e bo e ema fela gone foo. Jaanong fa o bona a tsentse *Roman Numeral figures for* potso ya ntlha le ya bobedi, e a bo e le *emphasis* mme *the expectation is that you deal with the general theme* ya potso. *They are themed questions, that is why they are called themes*. Ke tlaa tswelela ke le gakolola *Ministers*

gore ba bangwe e tlaa re fa ba botsa, ba bo ba botsa e le *theme* fela e sena megatlana. Tsholofelo e le gore sepe se se amanang le potso eo, ka ke *theme*, o bo o tla o na le kitsi ya sone. Ke yone kgakololo *Honourable Minister*. Fa o bona Mopalamente e re mo puong ya gagwe a bo a bua se a se tsenya mo *Roman Numeral figures*, ga go reye gore o a bo a dule mo tseleng, ka gore o a bo a ntse a setse morago *theme*.

MS KGAFELA-MOKOKA: Ke lebogela kgakololo eo Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke tlaa leka fa ke lekang teng, mme go itebaganya le tse ke di bonang mo *Roman Numerals*, ke tlaa araba jaana; *Mr Speaker*, lenaneo la go dirisa teme ya ga mme mo dikoleng, le simolotse ka ngwaga wa 2023, mme la anamisiwa mo dikoleng tse di potlana di le 170 ka diteme di le 13. Gone jaaka go ne go simololwa, go ne go itebagantswe le dikole tse di potlana (*pre-school class*), yone e e tsenang pele ga *Standard 1* go ya go felela fela kwa go *Standard 2*.

Ke gatise fa gore mo bogompienong tiriso ya teme ya ga mme, e dirisiwa e le tsela ya go tlhalosa dilo dingwe tse ngwana a ka se keng a di tlhaloganye fa di rutiwa ka puo ya Sekgoa kana ya Setswana. Ga go ise go goroge mo nakong ya gore a bo e le gore ke *subject*, ngwana o kgona go rutiwa ka teme ya bone e le *subject* jaaka a kgona go rutiwa Setswana *as a subject*.

Barutabana le ba ba thusang barutabana go tlhalosetsa bana ba ba itseng diteme tse, ba ne ba bonwa, ba rutuntshiwa, mme ba anamisiwa le dikole tse di potlana tse 170. Fa go ne go fitlhelwa e le gore mo dikoleng tse di 170 go na le morutabana mongwe yo o itseng puo e e buegang mo lefelong leo, go ne go sa hirwe ope go tswa kwa ntle go tla go dira tiro e.

Jaanong ke tsene mo go tsone dikgwetlho tsa go diragatsa lenaneo le la go ruta ka teme ya ga mme. *Mr Speaker*, bangwe ba barutabana ba ba neng ba hirelwa go thusa barutabana le bana go tlhalosa dilo ka teme ya ga mme, mo nakong ya gompieno tota ga ba ise ba rutuntshiwa mo go feletseng. Gongwe ke tseye sebaka gone fa ke re kana fa re ruta teme ya Sekgoa, go na le mo gotweng *orthographic English, standard English*, ke yone e e rutiwang mo *classrooms* tsa Botswana.

Re itse sentle gore le kwa bo Ennyelane ga se mongwe le mongwe yo o rutiwang Sekgoa se se *standard* se se *orthographic*, se se kanokilweng and *standardised* gore se ka dirisiwa e le sone se se tsepameng. Fela jalo le Setswana re a itse gore ga ke ka ke ka kwala ka



Sekgatla e ntse e le *dialect* ya kwa gaetsho. *There is standard Setswana* se se rutiwang se bo se dirisiwa. Ke a itse gore mo bogompienong jaana, ga go ise go bo go fitlhelewe mo nakong e *to standardise languages* tse re di fitlhelang mo mafelong a a farologaneng. Ga se gore go tlaa felela gone foo, ke tsone dilo tse lephata la rona le itebaganyang le gore re tle re emelele ka bonako re leke go bona gore dilo tse di a diragadiwa, bana ba rutiwa ka teme e e *standardised*.

Jaanong Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, mathata a mangwe a re neng re a fitlhela mo dikoleng ke gore go bo go tsewa morutabana fela gotwe morutabana yo ka gore o ntse mo lefelong le lebaka, ga a bolo go ruta jaaka re iphitlhela fa gongwe go na le barutabana ba ba kgonang go nna bo 20 years a le mo sekoleng se le sengwe fela, a bo a feletsa a kgona go bua teme ya kwa a berekelang teng, a bo a tsewa fela gotwe go raya gore le ene o ka kgona go tlhalosetsa bana ba teme e. Go bo go tlaa go fitlhelwa e le gore o na le dithaelo ka gore tota ga se teme e a tshotsweng a e rutiwa kana a e bua.

Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, kgwetlho e nngwe ke gore ka bana fa ba bewe mo dikoleng ga go bewe bana ba ba tswang mo lefelong leo fela, re iphitlhela e le gore bana ba bangwe ba ba tsenang mo *primary schools* kana *pre-schools* tse, gongwe ke bana ba batsadi ba bone ba rometsweng koo ka perek. Jaanong o tlaa fitlhela re na le bana bone ba mothale o, fa e setse e le gore go ka buiwa fela puo ya mo gae kana ya mo lefelong leo, bana ba le bone ba feletsa ba nna le kgwetlho mo dithutong tsa bone.

Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, go na le kgwetlho e tona jaaka ke ntse ke balolola gore *how do we intend to standardise* gore dipuo tse di kgone go buega di bo di dirisiwe, re iphitlhela go na le bothata jwa gore re sale morago tiragatso (*monitoring and evaluation*) gore re tle re kgone fa re kanokile re bone gore mme re tsweletse go le kae mo go gone go lekeng gore re tlise dipuo tse jaaka re simolotse mo dikoleng tse. Ga re ise re kgone go nna le tsepamo ya gore tota re netefatse gore go tsamaega fa kae, bokoa bo fa kae, mo go siameng go fa kae. E le ka mabaka a tlhaelo ya madi.

Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, mo nakong ya gompieno tota barutabana ba ba kgonang go bua le yone teme ya ga mme le mo mafelong a ba tsholetsweng mo go one, e santse e le kwa tlase, mme ke tseye yone tetla e, ke tseye kgakololo ya gore *this is a thematic question* ke leke go araba *honourable*.

Honourable, ke keletso ya rona re le Puso e ntsha gore teme nngwe le nngwe e tsholediwe. Kana teme nngwe le nngwe e supa kana e tlhotlheletsa e bo e fitlhelela mo setshabeng go supa le go ruta ka dilo tsa ngwao ya batho ba ba nnang mo lefelong leo. E bile gape re kaiwa ka yone teme ya rona (*identity*). Le nna gompieno jaana ke kgona go kganelwa go bua Sekgatla, ke kgona go iphitlhela go le ga ntsi ke bua gore ke gateletswe thata, ga ke kgone go dirisa Sekgatla, ga ke kgone go dirisa *my dialect*. Ke tlhaloganya setlhabi se sa gore a bo e le gore re tsena mo Dikgotleng go dirisiwa teme ya Setswana fela se e seng Sekgatla, go bo go dirisiwa le teme ya Sekgoa bogolo jang. Ke keletso ya rona, dikgang tsa *equity, equality, inclusivity* e kwa godimodimo mo dikgannyeng tsa rona tsa go tlhabolola thuto mo lefatsheng la Botswana. E tlaare fa re ntse re sutelela pele ga dingwaga tse tharo tse re di ipeetseng e seng *five* di feta, ka rona re mo lebelong tota, re tlhabolola lefatshe re bo re ntse re tsaya dikgakololo tsa gago re diragatsa. Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

MR HIKUAMA: Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke a leboga Tona go leka go araba. Mma ke tsise tse dingwe tsa motlaleletsa...

MR SPEAKER: Tima *microphone* a tle a utlwale sentle, *Honourable Minister*.

MR HIKUAMA: Ke re ke lebogela karabo kana go leka go araba. Go a itumedisa gore jaaka le le ba phathi kana Puso e ntsha ya ditshwanelo tsa setho, le bona botlhokwa jwa go tlota mongwe le mongwe yo o tshelang mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Seo re a se lebogela, e bile re a se itumelela fa e le gore e tlaa nna nnate. Kana bothata jwa go busa, ke go ntsha puo o e dira tiragalo, puo ke puo fela. A mme re tlaa bona yone puo e le *commitment* ya lona, re tshwanetse gore re e bone ka go diragala le mashetla a le kgomogelang ka one dikgang tsa ditshwanelo. Se ke batlang go se tlhaloganya Tona ke gore le kgomoga go le kae mo kgannyeng e e sa bolong go gatelela batho ba bangwe e, e bile e ba ntsha batlhanka ba ba bangwe? Kana ba bangwe Bambukushu ka ke bone ba ke ba itseng, fa ba tsena mo Gaborone, ba ne ba tshaba le go bua, ba ne ba iphitlhela gore ke Bambukushu, ba sa bue. Ke dumela gore go diragetse jalo le mo go ba bangwe, a mme kgang e, e e botlhoko e, le e kgomogela go e baakanya leng? E tshwanetse e buiwe batho ba phuthologile mo Dikgotleng tsa bone ba ipua.



Ovambanderu le Ovaherero ga ba itse Setswana. *They cannot express themselves in Setswana go bua dilo tse ba eletsang go di bua. Mme fela o tla utlwa gotwe “bua Setswana, bua Setswana,” dikgang tse di felelang di ba kgokgontsha.* Kgang e, le ikaletse gore le e fetse ka bofeso jo bo kae? Ke potso ya ntlha.

Ya bobedi, o bua ka ya *orthography*, motho e se KK. *Orthography* e, e tshwanetse gore e tlhotlheletswe ke Puso gore go rutuntshiwe batho ba lefatshe la Botswana go nna le *orthographies* tsa bone. Le mašhetla go le kae go rutuntsha *the development of orthography* e e tlhokiwang gore e dirwe mo lefatsheng la Botswana? Re tshwanetse gore re bone ka ditiro. *How far* ka diteme tse di supilweng gore di tlaa rutwa?

Ya bofelo, *the demand for the use of mother tongue was not for the purpose of translation*, e ne e le gore e tle e rutiwe mo bathong, mo merafeng le mo lefatsheng. Honourable Chombo o tshwanetse gore a itumele jaana a bua Otjimbanderu, a se ka a itumelela go bua Sekgoa fela. Le fa a bua Otjimbanderu a nne *happy*, a se bue a phuthologile, a se ithutile gore re bope tšhaba e e bopaganeng e bile e tshwaragane e tlolana. Dilo tse ke dilo tse re tshwanetseng re di emele ka dinao, bogolo jang ka re Puso ya ditshwanelo tsa setho.

Le ya go simolola go ruta leng these *languages*, re tswa mo *translation*, ka gore *translation was the start*? E ne e le gore ke *phase*, re simolole ka *phase* ya go *translate as we move towards teaching these subjects*. Re tlaa tswa leng fa o lebile mo go ranoleng, jaanong re ruta dipuo tse, re tlhwaafetse re batla go netefatsa gore batho ba Botswana re ba tshwara ka tekatekano le boleng jo bo kwa godimo?

Ya bofelo ke gore mo dikoleng tsotlhe tse di amegang, a o ka tlhomamisa gore go na le barutuntshi? A o ka ntsha sehuba o supa gore mo sekoleng sengwe le sengwe se se amegang morutuntshi wa dipuo tse o teng? Ke a leboga Honourable Speaker.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Further clarification!

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Members, fa go arabiwa kana go buisangngwa potso e e tshwanang le e, le tomoga fela mo ditilong tsa lona e le sone sesupo sa gore *you want to catch the Speaker's eye* le bo le botsa dipotsa jaaka le ne le bona *Opposition Whip* a dira. Honourable Minister, let me just find out, a o batla go di tsaya o di soboka o bo o tla o di araba tsotlhe kana *one, one, one?*

MS KGAFELA-MOKOKA: Mma ba botse Mr Speaker, ke tlaa tla ke di soboka.

MR MONAGENG: Tanki Mr Speaker. Minister o ne a re ba gateletswe e le Bakgatla, ba kganelwa go bua puo ya bone, jaanong ke re gongwe o e tlhatswe ka gore e tloga e nna o kare ga le tsewe sentle. Gongwe go a bo go tewa gotwe le se ka la bua dipuo tse dingwe tsa Sekgatla, tse o ka reng di dule mo tseleng. Gongwe o re fe sekai gore le gateletswe jang le gore le kganelwa go bua Sekgatla jang, re tle re tlhaloganye? Tanki.

DR GOBOTSWANG: Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Honourable Minister, kgang e ya gore 58 years e bo e le gore merafe ya Botswana ka bontsi ga ba kgone gore puo ya bone e bo e dirisiwa mo seromamoweng le mo dikoleng gotlhelele fela, a golo mo le ka go tlhalosa e le *cultural genocide*? Fa e le gore ke *cultural genocide*, go raya eng re le Botswana go ya pele? A mme le a lemoga le le Puso gore go ka nna ya re go ya pele, bangwe ba bo ba ka gogagoga lefatshe le go le isa fa pele ga makgotla a ditsheko go arabela melato ya *cultural genocide*? Ke a leboga.

MR KEKGONEGILE: Tanki Mr Speaker. Mma re dumedise batlotlegi le lefatshe ka bophara. Tona, go lebega wena o dumela e bile o le mo tseleng ya gore o ka diragatsa fela wa re eng, eng, eng, jaanong o nyalana go le kae le Goromente *in large* fa re lebile mo go tshwanang le bo Territories Act e e supang gore merafe e mengwe e ka fa tlase ga merafe e mengwe mo lefatsheng? A golo mo go tshwanang le bo Territories Act le gone go go amile, merafe jaanong e sa wele ka fa tlase ga merafe e mengwe, e sa busiwe ke merafe e mengwe? Ke raya jaanong le le Goromente *in general*. Tanki.

MR FURNITURE: Ke a leboga Mr Speaker. Tona, gongwe wena le lephata la gago, a gone le a dumela gore go tlhoka go dirisa puo ya ga mme mmaago, gongwe go diga boleng jwa thuto ya rona kana go tlhaloganya ga ngwana?

MR NKAWANA: Ke a leboga Mr Speaker. Ke ne ke re le nna ke tlhaloganye gore tota gatwe go senyegile fa kae ka gore mo dingwageng tse di kwa morago, ba ba mphetang ka dingwaga le ba re lekanang, ka nna ke Mmirwa, re ne re rutwa ka Sebirwa mo dikoleng, e le teme e re e tlhaloganyeng e bile re kgonia go pasa. Mme fela fa o tsisa Setswana ka e ne e le puo e re neng re itse gore ke serwa, e le ya batho ba ba tswang kwa borwa, go ne go nna thata.

Jaanong motho o ka botsa gore a mme go thata go busetsa dibuka tsele tse re di itseng tsa Sebirwa kwa Bobirwa? Minister, o tlhalose gore go pala eng? Kana le di tshubile le wena ga o sa tlhole o itse fa di leng teng? Ke a leboga.



MR MOSANANA: Ke a go leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke bo ke leboge *Minister* ka ditlhaloso tsa gagwe. *Minister*, ka gore barutabana ba tswa *from all over* mo Botswana, a ga o bone go le botlhokwa gore mme bogolo barutabana bangwe ba ba akanyang gore ba batla go berekela gaufi le kwa ga bone *could be transferred so that...* *Not necessarily* mo motseng o ba tswang kwa go one but gautshwanyane kwa ba tlhaloganyang *languages* tse tsotthe gore gongwe ba tle ba kgone go thusa mo go rarabololeng mathata a a ntseng jaana ka gore go lebega e le gore barutabana ba kabakanngwa fela fa ba romelwa go ya go bureka, ba tsamaisiwa fela gotwe, wena ya Kgalagadi a ntse a tswa kwa Bokalaka a sa itse le fa e le lefoko le lengwefela la Sekgalagadi.

Kana go a tle go diragale jaaka fa gongwe re tle re bone motho a setse a kile a nna nna golo... *I know* gore go na le situation whereby mo gongwe mo Zimbabwe o kgona go go raya a re o ka ruta Setswana mme e le gore o se itse go se bua fela, le gone mo go sa tsenelelang kwa teng. Mo ba a bo ba dirwa ke *desperation* fela. A mme ga o bone go ka nna kaone go dira jalo *Minister? I thank you.*

MS KGAFELA-MOKOKA: Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke lebogebe battlotlegi ka dipotso tsa bone le dikakgelo tse di farologaneng. Gongwe ke simolole ka e e gaufi-gaufi ya ga Honourable Mosanana ya gore; a ga re bone go le botlhokwa gore fa re bua ka teme ya ga mme le tiriso ya yone mo dikoleng, a re ka se ka ra atumetsa barutabana mo mafelong a ba tswang mo go one ka gore *already* ba a bo ba setse ba tlhaloganya dipuo tse. Ke re Honourable Mosanana, *there is the ideal* e re e gagabelang ka fa dilo re eletsang di ka nna ka teng. Mme jaaka o itse, re na le *four or five months* mo Pusong, re fitlhela seemo se ntse ka fa se ntseng ka teng. Ka fa re fitlhelang seemo se ntse ka teng, go tsaya barutabana re ba kabakanyetsa kwa dikgaolong tse di farologaneng re lebelela gore, or go ntse go lebelewa, se e leng gore *I think* se santse se tlaa tswelela ka nakwana, gore kwa sekoleng se se agiwang koo go tlhokafala barutabana ba ba rutang *subjects* dife. Ke gone mo go ntseng go laola gore barutabana ba isiwa kae.

Sa bobedi go na le kgang ya gore, ba ba tsholetsweng kwa mafelong a a kwa kgakalakgakala, a a katogileng ditlhabololo mo dingwageng tse 58 tse di fetileng, a bone ba tlie go tsholelwaa koo, ba tsene dikole kwa go senang ditlamelo teng, ba bo ba rutiwe, ba bo ba busetswe koo. Ba se ka ba tswelela mo botshelong jaaka ba ba

tsholetsweng mo dikgaolong tse di gaufi. *So we cannot discriminate* batho ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Ke gore ke dikgang tse e leng gore fa re bua gore a motho a ka se ka a atumediwe, *it disadvantages* yo mongwe jang. Ke re ke dikgang tse re tshwanetseng re di lebelele, e seng lephata la me ke le nosi fela. Go na le maphata a mantsi that deal le dikgang tse, a ke tsayang gore re ka thulanya ditlhogo ra bona gore tota kgang e e re ama jang re le Batswana, go netefatsa gore in distributing or deploying barutabana ba rona, we deploy ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Re arabu seemo se se fa pele ga rona, mme gape re sa ba kgetholole gore re fithele ba bangwe re ba beile ka fa mosing ka go ba katosa ditlhabololo.

Mma ke tsene mo kgannyeng e nngwe e e gaufigaufi e e tsamaisanyang, ya ga Honourable Dr Gobotswang. O buile kgang e e bokete thata ya cultural genocide. Wa ba wa bua gore, e bile go na le Act e. Ke re re e tla ka July, a melao e e tle mo Ntlong e e fetolwe, ka gore fa re bua ka human rights approach, re raya gore mongwe le mongwe o na le tshwanelo. Gongwe ke tlhalose, ke quote from Children's Act ya 2009, nttelelele Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente fa go kgonega...

MR SPEAKER: Please do.

MS KGAFELA-MOKOKA: Yone ya re, "children's rights are indivisible and indiscriminative." Ke tsaya fela gore le ditshwanelo tsa Batswana ba bottle di ntse fela jalo. Ga re a tshwanelo go diragatsa ditshwanelo tsa setho mo bathong ba bangwe, di kgaphela ba bangwe kwa ntle. Jaanong ke tsaya gore ke kgakololo ya gago e tona thata, re tlaa e sekaseka, yone eo ya cultural genocide. Le nna e a mpoifisa rra, e mpoifisa thata gore, ke ka iphitlhela ke le fa pele ga lekgotla la ditshekelo. Ke re ka melao e a dirwa, Bills di e tla gone fa ka July, gongwe re ikatemetse gone foo.

Ke tsene kwa go ya ga Motlotlegi Kekgonegile, ka collaboration ya rona le ministries tse dingwe, ke amogela kgakololo eo ya gago. Ke dikgang tse re di itseng gore re tshwanetse re di kopanele. Ke tla nna ke boela fela kwa kgannyeng ya child welfare, e o fithelang e le gore "education is a right, justice is a right, health is a right, sports is a right." Mme re tsamaya collaborating jalo go netefatsa gore ngwana o direlwaa sengwe le sengwe se se mo tshwanetseng. E bile le rona ra rialo, ra re le Batswana ba bottle, barutabana, social workers, ba tshwanelwa ke gore ditshwanelo tsa bone di diragadiwe ka tekatekanyo. Mme gore di diragale in a comprehensive manner; collaboration ya ministries tse di amegang e a tlhokafala. Ke kgakololo e ntle rra, ke a e amogela.



Ke sutelele kwa go Honourable Furniture... o bua ka... gongwe ke ka mo kopa gore a e nkgakolole ka gore *I captured* go dira dithuto le *reading levels*. A ko o nkgakolole foo ka gore *I noted reading levels*.

MR FURNITURE: Ke a leboga Tona. Ke ne ke re fa o lebile kwelotlase ya thuto e re nang le yone, a ga o bone go tlhoka go dirisa teme ya ga mmaagwe kana dipuo tse di teng mo lefatsheng e le bontlha bongwe jwa gore re bo re iphitlhela thuto ya rona e le kwa tlase?

MS KGAFELA-MOKOKA: Ke a leboga Honourable Furniture. Ke re ruri le nna ke itemogela gone moo. Tota kana fa ngwana a sa tlhaloganye sengwe se buiwa ka puo e a sa e tlhaloganyeng, o boela kwa morago. Ke ne ke kopane le ba Stepping Stones mo malatsing a mararo a a fetileng, ba nkgakolola ka se ba se dirang. Ba ntlhalosetsa sentle gore, mo dikoleng tsa rona tse di ntseng di le teng, bana ba bangwe ba bo *Standard 7, reading levels* tsa bone di tsamaya kwa ngwaneng wa *Standard 4*, e bo jaanong potso e nna gore, ngwana yo o balang *Standard 7* fa e le gore *reading level* ya gagwe e kwa go ya yo o ka bong a bala *Standard 4*, tota ngwana yo o ka tlhaloganya jang dikgang le *concepts* tsa *Standard 7*? Mme fa go na le tsela...jaaka ke re re tlaa taboga ka bojotlhe go dirisana le *academics* gore diteme tsa rona di tlhabololwe ka pela, bana ba tle ba kgone go rutwa sentle, *syllabuses* le tsone di kgone go fetolwa, le dibuka di fetolwe, ba kgone go rutwa ka segabone, bogolo jang go tloga gone kwa tshimologong. Ke ntse kwa New Zealand, the Māori ba ne ba kganelwa go bua puo ya bone *for over a century*, mme e rile ba boa gone kwa ba tla ka kgalefo e tona ba tsholetsa *linguists* tsa bone, tsa tsholetsa *pace* tota ba tlhabolola *language* ya Māori *to the extent that* kwa University of Waikato le bo *biology* ba rutwa ka Māori. Jaaka re itse gore le kwa France sengwe le sengwe se rutwa ka segabone. Le kwa mafatsheng a mangwe bo China le Japan, go rutwa ka segabone. Ke seemo se re se eletsang. Mme ke re, re a itse gore re tshwanetse re kgothatse le barutuntshi ba *the linguists especially*, le bone ba ba dirang le *dictionaries* jalo gore ba emelele.

Mme jaaka ke feta jalo ke re, ga re a latlhega, *there is already a study* e e simolotsweng ke Professor Thapelo Otlogetswe a e tshwaraganetse le Professor Nhlekisana, e ba neng ba gateletse kgang e, ba itebagantse le kgang e. Ke gone gore re ba atumele, re bone gore ba tsamaya fa kae, ba re thusa jang ka bonako. Ga re a phutha diatla fela.

Ke re gape ke tsene kwa go ya ga *comrade Monageng*. O re ka Sekgatla ka reng; ee, fa ke tsholwa rraetsho ke kereya e le gore ke bua kgang nngwe e leng teng, ke e tlhalositse maloba, o bo o emelela o nthaya o re, "fa o rialo Nono o a rogana." O raya ke rogana ka puo ya ga mang? Mma ke papamale, o raya ke rogana ka puo ya gago. Ke sone se ke reng, fa e le gore o ne o re gongwe re bua mafoko, ka o ne o fapoga jaanong o sa bue tse di...*(Inaudible)*... ke ne ke utlwa gore o ya gone koo. Gongwe ga o itse gore ka Sekgatla re itse morogano e le eng, se e leng gore wena gongwe ga o se itse. A re se ka ra tsena kwa go eo mongwame, re tswe mo go eo. Ee, a re tswe fela mo go yone mongwame.

Go na le kgang ya ga Honourable Dr Gobotswang...oh! ke setse ke fetile ka ya gagwe.

Gongwe jaanong ke boele kwa kgannyeng ya ga Rre Nkawana, gore go ne go ntse go dirisiwa dibuka kwa Bobirwa, ba rutwa ka Sebirwa kwa *levels* tse di kwa tlase kwa bo *primary* jaana, ka go ne go sena *preschools*. Go na le dibuka dingwe, a bo a mpotsa gore, a ke itse gore a dibuka tseo di teng kana ke di tshubile; nnyaa rraetsho ga ke ise ke di bone gompieno, mme ga ke ise ke di tshube. Ke re kana o tlisa ntlha e tona, fa e le gore go kile ga nna le dibuka tsa mofuta oo, go raya gore ke ye kwa go bo *curriculum* ka kwa, ba ba a tleng ba tshegetse dibuka tsa mofuta o ke epolole, ke fate, ke bone gore a di teng. E le tsela jaaka o bua ya gore, kana bana ba gore gape ba rutwe ka segabone, go tshwanetse ga bo go na le *teaching material*, go tshwanetse go nne le dibuka tse di kwadilweng. Gongwe re simolole jaanong re kgothatse le ba ba tswang gone kwa, ba ba tlhaloganyang puo e ba simolole go kwala dibuka, *manuscripts* di nne teng, *be edited*. Re bo re itse gore mo lefelong le ngwana o rutwa ka segabone. Mo go tlaa thusa gore le bana ba batsadi ba bone ba ile kwa mafelong a ka diperek, ba kgone go rutwa. Kana *language* ke *science*, ngwana o a e ithuta sentle fela jaaka *science*, a bo a kgone *to master it*. Jaanong *it will solve* le *problem* ya gore re bo re re, kana le bana ba ba tsenang kwa go bo go rutwa ka puo e e seng ya bone, ba tlie ka gore batsadi ba a bereka, ba nna le mathata a go ithuta.

Gongwe mo nakong ya gompieno ke tsena mo dikgannyeng tse di tona tsa yo o neng a boditse dipotso, Honourable Hikuama, re rile re Goromento yo o itemogelang kana yo o lemogang ditshwanelo tsa batho. Wa botsa gore a mme re bua dipuo fela kana re tlaa diragatsa? Honourable, ke go tlhomamisetse gore Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC) e le



Goromente, ga re sute mo seporong sa go tsamaisa Puso le Goromente yo re itebagantse le ditshwanelo tsa batho. Ke sone se o bonang e re fa ke utlwa gotwe ngwana o a lela kwa bokete, ba tlaa go bolelela ba ba nkitseng, ke taboga lepaapaa go netefatsa gore tshwanelo ya ngwana yoo ga e gatakiwe mo dikoleng. Ke gore o nne honourable o ritibetse, o itse gore Tona yo o emeng fa pele ga gago gompieno *is very passionate about* ditshwanelo tsa bana ba dikole le ditshwanelo tsa bana go tswa fela kwa moding kwa go zero. Ke di tsaya ka botsadi bo botlhe le potlako, tshekogelo, manontlholtlo le bonokopila jo bo kwa godimo. *You can rest assured,* re tlie go diragatsa puo e re e neileng setshaba.

Ya bobedi, o ne o bua ka *orthography*, *I am sure* ke setse ke e akareditse gore re leka go ikatumetsa ba ba tshwereng ditshekatsheko tse gore ba tsamaye ka bonako, ba re *advice* go tle go *affect* dibuka tse di tlaa kwalwang rraetsho gore di dirisiwe mo mafelong a a farologaneng. Kana mo gongwe ke go ranola gore *concept* fa e kwadilwe ka Sekgoa, ka puo e e mo gae ya ga mme, e ka kwalwa jang. Fela jaaka Baebele le yone ke itse gore e ranoletswe mo dipuong dingwe mo gae.

Ke tsene mo go e nngwe ya boraro ka pela; *teaching*. O buile gore re se ka ra *translate* fela, nnyaa ga re ke re *translate*, mme gongwe ke go tlhalosetse gore jaaka ke ne ke araba mo potsong ele, mo seemong se re se fitlhelang, ga gona barutaba ba ba lekaneng. Ke buile jalo mo karabong ya me mo bo jaanong, mme re tsaya kgakololo ya gago rra, re tlaa tsholetsa mosepele.

Mo go ya bone, o ne o re a mo dikoleng tse 170 tse, a ga gona barutabana ba ba tsholetsweng mo mafelong ao. Ga se tse tsotlhe tse di ntseng jalo. Ke tsaya gore e nyalana le potso e ke e arabileng Honourable Mosanana.

MR HIKUAMA: *Clarification.* Go lebega a sa e kapa sentle. Ya me e ne e se ba ba tsholetsweng koo, *that was not mine. My emphasis* e ne e le gore, a o ka tlhomamisa gore mo dikoleng tsotlhe tse di amegang, go na le barutuntshi kwa go tsone ba dipuo tse?

MS KGAFELA-MOKOKA: Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke leboge le ene Honourable Hikuama. Ke boele kwa tlhalosong ya me gore; (1) ga re na barutabana ba ba lekaneng, (2) barutabana ba ba leng teng, ba ba kgonang go bua puo eo, mme ba sa kgonang go e tlhaloganye mo go tseneletseng ka ga se teme ya bone, le tsone ke dikgwetlho. Ka bokhutshwane rraetsho, ke ka re mo dikoleng tse go na le barutabana ba ba lekaneng. Ke a leboga.

Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke tsaya gore ke arabile dipotso tse tsotlhe, ga ke itse fa go na le e e setseng. Ke a leboga.

MR SPEAKER: Order! Order! Honourable Members, *nako ya dipotso re santse re na le metsotsonyana, re leboga Minister gore a bo a re boloketse nako eo.* Honourable Members, I understand that the Leader of the House, Minister for State President Honourable Moeti Caesar Mohwasa has a Business Motion to move. This is in line with your agreement last evening in the General Assembly.

BUSINESS MOTION

MINISTER FOR STATE PRESIDENT (MR MOHWASA): Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke kopa go sutisa gore go tsamaelana le Tsetlana ya Ditsamaiso ya 30.2, re baakanye dipuisanyo tsa letsatsi leno jaaka di ntse mo Order Paper. Re lebagane le kgang ya Supplementary Appropriation ya 2023/2024 Bill, 2025 (No. 6 of 2025), pele fa re ka bua ka *Motions* tse e leng tsa batlotlegi. Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

MR SPEAKER: Order! Order! Honourable Members, let me bring your attention to Standing Order 30.2 that “the business of the House, shall be disposed of in the order in which it stands on the Order Paper, or in which other order as the Assembly may decide, on a Motion which may be moved by a Minister as he has done or a Private Member without notice at the time appointed in Paragraph (1) of this Order or at any convenient time after the commencement of the public business.”

The Motion by Honourable Mohwasa is that we rearrange the Order Paper such that, we now deal with the Supplementary Appropriation 2023/2024 Bill, 2025 (No. 6 of 2025). I now put the question.

Question put and agreed to.

First Reading

PRESENTATION OF A GOVERNMENT BILL

The following Bill was presented and read a first time.

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION (2023/2024) BILL, 2025 (NO. 6 OF 2025)

(Minister of Finance)

Second Reading - Forthwith.



BILL**SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION
(2023/2024) BILL, 2025 (NO. 6 OF 2025)****Second Reading**

MINISTER OF FINANCE (MR GAOLATHE): Mr Speaker, I have the honour to present the Supplementary Appropriation Bill as per the requirements of Section 119 (4) of the Constitution which provides that, “where any supplementary expenditure has been approved in a financial year by a resolution of the National Assembly in accordance with the provisions of Subsection (3) of this section, a Supplementary Appropriation Bill shall be introduced in the National Assembly, not later than the end of the financial year next following, providing for the appropriation of the sums so approved.”

Mr Speaker, the Supplementary Appropriation Bill is a consolidation of all the supplementary budgets already approved during the previous financial year by a resolution of the National Assembly. The amounts that this Honourable House will be appropriating are only the sums that are above what was appropriated through the Appropriation Act.

Mr Speaker, during the 2023/2024 financial year, the National Assembly approved a Supplementary Budget amounting to Two Billion, Sixty-Two Million, Seven Hundred and Eighty-Two Thousand, Eight Hundred and Sixty Pula (P2, 062, 782, 860) through Financial Paper No. 2 and Financial Paper No. 3 from the Consolidated Fund. This constitutes the budget approved in excess of the amounts already appropriated under the Consolidated Fund, but not included in the Appropriation (2023/2024) Act, (No. 2 of 2023).

Mr Speaker, in passing the Supplementary Appropriation (2023/2024) Bill, 2025 (No. 6), the Honourable House will be formally ratifying its earlier approval of the supplementary budgets through Financial Papers No. 2 and 3 of 2023/2024 in accordance with Section 119 (4) of the Constitution.

Mr Speaker, this concludes my presentation of Supplementary Appropriation Bill of 2023/2024. I therefore, move that this Honourable House approve the Supplementary Appropriation Bill of 2023/2024 (No. 6 of 2025). I thank you Mr Speaker.

MR KAPINGA (OKAVANGO WEST): *Thank you very much Mr Speaker. I will be very brief go ema nokeng kopo ya ga Mothusa Tautona, e bile e le Tona ya Madi*

a tsa Itsholelo. Molaetsa wa me o mokhutshwane fela mo go wena gore jaanong o tshwere marapo rraetsho, a madi a lefatshe la Botswana. Ke nako e e leng gore madi a, go botlhokwa thata gore a tshwarwe sentle. Re kopa gore seemo sa tiro ya gago, se nne botoka thata mo Toneng yo o neng a sa tswa go tshwara madi a rona mo Pusong e e fetileng.

Bangwe ba rona re ne re kile ra mmolelela gore re belaela gore wena, le fa monwana o supa wena, mme ke raya ene yo o neng e le Tona, gore o ya go nna mongwe wa bo Tona ba Madi yo o tlaa se keng a tshware itsholelo ya rona sentle. Rraetsho, re a go kopa gore o tshware itsholelo ya rona sentle. Re se ka ra nna le *supplementary* tse di ntsintsi tse di sa tlhokafaleng, tse di sa supafaleng gore madi a tsone a ile kae. Ga re sa tlhole re na le madi jaaka pele mo go neng go le motlhofo fela go dira *supplementary*, o itse gore go na le *reserves* tse di seng kana ka sepe tse go tabolwang mo go tsone. *We cannot afford the luxury of supplementaries anymore. The only reason that I stood up Mr Speaker, is to exhort the current Minister of Finance to be strict in the way he manages our finances. Otherwise, we will be going down the slippery slope* e mafatshe a mangwe a tsamaileng ka yone a ntse a sa dumele, a sa amogele gore a tshonne. A sa amogele gore a na le bothata jwa itsholelo go fitlhelela dilo di bo di pheskana, matshelo a batho a tlhakatlhakana. Ba bangwe ba bo ba felela ba siile mo lefatsheng la bone ba ile go batla matshelo kwa mafatsheng a sele. Ke ne ke re ke latlhele fela go le kalonyana *Mr Speaker*.

MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INNOVATION (MR TSHERE): *Thank you very much Mr Speaker, good morning. Good morning to the House. Mr Speaker, le nna tota ke emeleta to support Bill e e fa pele ga rona e ya go kopa gore re tswale dibuka sentle. Ke ne ke le teng fa *supplementary* e, e fetisiwa mo Palamenteng e e fetileng. Honourable Kapinga o bolela ruri, nako ya teng go ne gotwe “you can bring *supplementary* anytime you want, every time fa madi a tlhaela bring *supplementary*, we will approve it, we have the numbers.” I appreciate Honourable Kapinga that o lemogile gore le ngwaga o o fetileng fa re tsena, re ne re sa dira *supplementary budget*. Ga re ise re ko re dire *supplementary budget* fa re sale re tla fa. Ka tsela e e ntseng jalo, I think ke yone thotloetso ya Tona wa Madi Honourable Gaolathe, gape e le Tautona yo o tshwereng gompieno gore re bo re tshwara madi sentle. Pampiri*



e ya go kopa madi tota, a setse a jelwe. Ke gore re rurifatse gore dibuka di tswalwe sentle gore madi a, a ne a okediwa ka nako eo. Jaanong ngwaga fa o fela jaana, re tshwanetse re soboke. *I therefore support the Bill Mr Speaker. Thank you.*

MR LEKAU (MOGODITSHANE WEST): Ke a dumedisa mo mosong. Le nna ke ema fa go ema nokeng mogopoloo. Ga ke ka ke ka o ema nokeng ka ‘ee, ke o ema nokeng.’ Go na le a mabedi a ke batlang go feta ka one a gore mongwame, ke go tshepha thata tota fa go tla mo go tsa madi. Tautona mongwe o kile a bua gore batho ba na le “*to turn their legitimate expectations into right and then keeping up appearances.*” Mo seemong se re leng mo go sone sa itsholelo e e makgwakgwa, dilo tse dingwe tse ga re re name re di emetse pele, re sa di dire. Re tlaa di dira fa itsholelo e siame. Ga go na go swa ope gore re emise mekete e mengwe e e jang madi. Jaanong laolela maphata gore ngwaga o kana dingwaga tse pedi tse di tlhang tse, ga re na go bona ithutuntsho kana mekete e mentsintsi ya stadium go iwa Police Day, Botswana Defence Force (BDF) Day, kana Prisons Day. Di eme, ga go na madi. A re amogeleng seemo se. Directorate of Intelligence and Security (DIS) e emise go tlholo e tabogile mo ditsetleng mo e sutisa batho, e bo e re term e ise e fele, ba bo ba re ba kopa supplementary ba feditse madi a bone. Fa mekete e e ka ema Tona, re tlaabo re lekile ka bojotlhе gore re babalele madi.

Mesepele e e kwa godimo e e senyang madi beke le beke, le yone e fokotsege, re tsamaye fa go tlhokega. E a tle e re fa go le letsatsi kwa Maun, go bo go gasiwa mo radio gore o se ka wa tsaya mesepele e e seng bothhokwa, o nne mo ntlong, letsatsi le bepe. Jaanong le wena ntsha taolo gore go se ka ga dirwa sepe se se seng bothhokwa, go fitlhelela seemo se tokafala. Ke ema Tshutiso e nokeng. Ke a leboga.

MR KEDIKILWE (SEROWE WEST): Mma ke go dumedise Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente mo mosong wa letsatsi. Ke bo ke eme fela ke supe gore le nna tota ka re bua ka mo go fetileng, re tswale dibuka sentle jaaka a ne a tlhalosa maabane le ka fa mokwalo o tlhalosang ka teng.

Fela gongwe ka bokhutshwane ke ka se ke ke eme gone foo, jaaka Motlotlegi Kenny Kapinga a ne a bua gore jaanong kana o tshwere boikarabelo jwa madi a lefatshe le, fa o bona lefatshe le le na le reserves tse re buang ka tsone tse, e ne e se gore go ne go na le madi, go ne go na le madi ee, mme ba ba neng ba a tshwere jaaka ba ba fetileng pele, mongwe wa bone ke Rre Rraago, Baledzi

Gaolathe, o ne a tshegeditse ministry o ka botswerere jo bo gakgamatsang. Ke sone se o bonang go ne go na le reserves. A tla a latelelwа ke rre yo mongwe gatwe Matambo, le ene a tshegetsa ministry ka botswerere, a dira gore re bone go ne go nna le reserves. Ke gore sengwe le sengwe fa o se dira ka kelotlhoko jaaka ministry wa gago e le gore ke one o o tlaabong o bolotsa madi, fa re ka etsa jaaka re ne re bona mo Palamenteng e e neng e feta, motho a ema fale a bo a re, “Chema Chema ke P200 million, a re oketseng re re P500 million”, a bo e le gore gone foo go a oketswa fela *without justification* gore ke eng re ka oketsa, e le fela ka gore go ne ga bua Tautona. Wena e leng portfolio ya gago go digela wena kwa tlase le lefatshe.

Jaanong se ke se buang fela ke gore, rra, re go neets'e boikarabelo jwa gore o neets'e madi o re a beetse. Jaaka gompieno re bona re nna mo lefatsheng le le timang motlakase letsatsi le letsatsi jaana o kare ke gone lefatshe le simologang, ke gone re simololang dilo kwa tshimologong, go raya gone gore jaanong dilo di batla go dirwa ka manontlholtlo a a kwa godimo.

Ke tsaya fela gore ka bokhutshwane jo bo kalo, ke ne ke batla fela gore ke supe gore *I do support* gore re tswalele dibuka tse ka fa go tshwanetseng ka teng, ka fa molaong. Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

MR MONAGENG (MOLEPOLOLE SOUTH): Ke a leboga Mr Speaker. Le nna ke emela go amogela gore a kopo ya ga Tona wa Madi e bile e le Mothusa Tautona, e fete kana e amogelwe.

Mo puong yame ya ntlhantla mo Palamenteng, *my maiden speech*, ke buile ka fa lefatshe le go tlol lang ka teng, ka fa o dirang dilo ka manontlholtlo ka teng, ka fa o ntseng o le mogakolodi mo dikoporaseng tse ditona le mafatshe mangwe. Ka jalo, re dumela gore go bo o le Tona wa Madi, ka nnate o tlaa busetsa serodumo sa lefatshe le. Re kile ra bo re eme sentle, *foreign reserves*, eng, eng, go tsamaya sentle. Re eletsa gore sengwe le sengwe se boele kwa maemong. Jaaka mongwe a ne a bua, o mo boikarabelong jo botonatona o le Tona and Vice President. Ka jalo, lefatshe le beile mo go wena rra. *We know you would not disappoint us.*

Re a itse gore jaaka o le Tona wa Madi, go raya gore ministry wa gago o tlhokometse madi mo ministry mongwe le mongwe, ga o tshwane le Minister gongwe wa Education kana wa Health yo a tlaabong thata a itebagantse le ministry wa gagwe. Ka jalo, batho ba ba tlhokometse madi mo ministries tse dingwe, go raya

gore ba elwe tlhoko, *be supervised and monitored* ka gore fa madi a sa tsamaye sentle kwa *ministry* ope fela, matlho a boela kwa go wena Tona.

Se sengwe se se latelang ke gore *let us try to prioritise*, jaaka mongwe a ne a bua gore *prioritising* ke selo sa bothokwa. Mme kwa lwapeng fa madinyana a *grocery* a le mannyennyane, o tlaa tsaya nako e telele mo shopong *comparing prices*, mme e bile a tswe kwa shopong e a ye kwa go e nngwe, se rona banna ke itseng gore se a re itsapisa. Ke tlaa eletsa gore nna jaaka mme mo lwapeng, o lebe gore nnyaa, mme gompieno ga re a tshwanela go reka se, nte re reke se, gompieno mme re dire se re se ka ra dira se. E se ka ntata ya maikutlo, e le ka ntata ya gore go tlhokafala gore go diragale se. Bangwe ba tlaa tswelela ba re o ngame, bangwe ba tlaa tswelela ba re o gana ka madi, mme ema ka dinao o itsetsepele, kwa bofelong ba tlaa bona gore nnyaa, ga o gane ka madi, ga o ngame, o kelothhoko.

Fa re ntse re leba, kana ke ka re mo nakong e e fetileng, Matona a madi a a neng a buiwa bo Rre Gaolathe Senior, *may his soul rest in peace*, bone bo Rre Matambo, ke tlaa tsenya le Dr Matsheka, re ne re bona ba le kelothhoko, ba dira tiro ya bone ka botlalo, bo Rre Mogae. Ke re kana re a itse gore Dr Matsheka o ne a felela tiro e mo latlhogela kana fela a sa tsewe sentle fa a sena go tlhalosa gore madi a tsenye ka motlhobodika.

LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION (MR SALESHANDO): *On a point of procedure Mr Speaker.* Kana *Mr Speaker*, fa kgang e beilwe pele, re tshwanetse re itebaganye le kgang e e beilweng fa pele ga rona. Jaanong ke bona re tsena mo go tse dingwe tse dintsi tse e leng gore ga se tsone tse di beilweng ke Tona pele gone fa. Ke rona gape re neng re bua gore re na le tiro e ntsi ya *Private Members* e e beetsweng *Friday*. Jaanong re bua dilo tse e leng gore ga re ka ke ra fetola sepe *at the end of the day*, ga di a diragala ka fa tlase ga boeteledipele jwa rona re le Palamente ya bo 13th. Ke re gongwe re khutswafatse mafoko re boele mo setlhogong sa letsatsi, re fetise kgang e.

MR SPEAKER: Standing Order 57.1, le a bo le batla gore Dr Modise a emelete gakere?

MR MONAGENG: Nnyaa, mme ke mo setlhogong. Ke ne ke kgothatsa Tona. Jaanong go siame jaaka ke buile, ke amogela gore madi a rebolwe mme ke re a dirisiwe sentle. Ke a boeleta ke re Tona Matsheka o ne a nna le mathata, jaanong Tona wa gompieno fa a bona dilo di sa tsamaye sentle, a nne *brave*, a bue gore

dilo ga di tsamaye sentle, UDC e tlaa se ke e mo kobe, e tlaa amogela gore nnyaa, Tona a re golo fale le fale dilo ga di tsamaye sentle. *That is my point of departure.* Ke mo setlhogong totatota. *Minister of Finance* o ne a tsena mo mathateng ka go tlhalosa gore Goromenta ga a dirise madi sentle, madi a jelwe, a mangwe a sa jewa a dirisitswe botlhaswa. Jaanong ke ema ke re a a neelwe madi, mme *ministry* wa gagwe o tlhokomele madi, ga a nke a tseelwe dikgato. Tanki.

MR BARONGWANG: *Correction Mr Speaker.* Ke re ke baakanyetse *Honourable Monageng* gore kana ke utlwa a re, “a rebolelwe madi a ye go a dirisa.” *If I understand well*, madi a o kare gatwe go baakanngwa dibuka tsa madi a a setseng a dirisitswe. Ke raya gore gongwe e se ka ya tloga ya nna gore Tona o rebolelwa madi a motlaleletsa mo *budget* ya gompieno. Ke a leboga.

MR MONAGENG: Nnyaa, e ne e le *slip of the tongue*, go ntse jaaka a bua. *However*; ke tsaya puo e ke e buang e, tse dingwe tse o di beeble kwa thoko. Ke ema go le kalo.

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Members, Standing Order 56.1, I invoke it... (Inaudible)... to the debate.

MINISTER OF FINANCE (MR GAOLATHE): Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Gongwe le nna ke se ka ka senyetsa Mapalamente nako gore ba tsene mo dikgannyeng tse di emetseng Ntlo e. Go kgwa dikgaba batlotlegi ba ba sa tswang go bua, ke lebogela thotloetso ya lona. Ke lebogela go dumalana ga lona, e bile le mafoko a lona a bogakolodi a gore madi a ga Goromenta a dirisiwe sentle a utlwetse.

Ka go rialo Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke boele kwa go wena ke sutise gore Molaokakanyetso o wa Supplementary Appropriation (2023/2024) Bill, 2025 (No. 6 of 2025) o balwe la bobedi.

Question put and **agreed to**.

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Members, in terms of Standing Order 94.1, when the question for the Second Reading of the Supplementary Appropriation Bill has been agreed to, the Bill shall not be committed and I therefore, shall forthwith without allowing amendment or debate put the question that the Bill be now read a third time and do pass.



Third Reading**SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION
(2023/2024) BILL, 2025 (NO. 6 OF 2025)**

(Minister of Finance)

MR SPEAKER: Order! Order! Honourable Members, the question is that the Supplementary Appropriation (2023/2024) Bill, 2025 (No. 6 of 2025) be read a third time and do pass.

MINISTER OF FINANCE (MR GAOLATHE): Thank you Mr Speaker. I move that the Supplementary Appropriation (2023/2024) Bill, 2025 (No. 6 of 2025) be read a third time and do pass.

MR SPEAKER: Order! Order! Honourable Members, the question is that the Supplementary Appropriation (2023/2024) Bill, 2025 (No. 6 of 2025) be read a third time and do pass. In accordance with Standing Order 62.1 (c), I have to order a division and it will be held in a manner prescribed in Standing Order 63.

Question put and **Division Ordered.**

MR SPEAKER: Two minutes, release the clock and ring the bell.

...Silence...

MR SPEAKER: Sergeant-at-Arms, lock the door. Honourable Members, I will activate the system, *ba ba tlhophang ‘Ee’ ba tobetse 2, ba ba tlhophang ‘Nnyaa’ ba tobetse 3, ba ‘Abstain’ ba tobetse 4.*

...Silence...

MR SPEAKER: *Le tlhophile* Honourable Members? I am going to deactivate. The results of your voting, present 28, the ‘Ayes’ 26, ‘No’ 1 ‘Abstain’ 1. The Ayes have it.

Bill read a third time and **passed.**

MR SPEAKER: Congratulations, *le o dirile molao* Honourable Members. Honourable Members, *re feditse ka* the supplementaries, *re ya kwa* Motions.

**SETTING UP OF A PRESIDENTIAL
COMMISSION OF INQUIRY****Motion**

MR SPEAKER: Order! Order! Honourable Members, this Motion is by the Leader of the Opposition (LOO), Honourable Dumelang Saleshando, Member for Maun North.

MR SALESHANDO (MAUN NORTH): Ke a go leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Mma ke supe gore *Motion* o ke mongwe wa *Motions* tsa ntlha go amogelwa ke Palamente morago ga ditlhopho tsa 2019. Ke *Motion* o o setseng o akgetswe thata, bogolo jang ke Tautona go simolola kwa Selebi Phikwe ka December 6, 2024 ka *Anti-Corruption Day*...

MR SPEAKER: *Hang on LOO, go respond Minister for State President gakere?* O ntse a le fa ga ke itse gore o tswetse fa kae. Mmolelele gore *Motion* o ke o o tlhokang gore a bo a le fa.

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

MR SPEAKER: Thank you, you may go ahead.

MR SALESHANDO: *Thank you Mr Speaker.* Ka di 6 tsa ga December 2024 kwa Selebi Phikwe fa Tautona a tlhalosa ka fa a bonang go sa tlhokafale ka teng, e le la ntlha re bona *Motion* o go itebaganngwa le one o ise o begwe, e bile go itebaganngwa le one kwa ntle ga Palamente. Ke tlhalose gore tota maikaelelo a rona pheletsong ke go leka go lwantsha tshenyetso-setshaba mo lefatsheng la Botswana ka melao yotlhe e e re lettelelang gore re ka e dirisa go e lwantsha. Ke tlhalose gore go setse go dirilwe kompone e e ka itebaganyang le *corruption through a forensic audit* mme mongwe le mongwe yo o itseng gore *forensic audit* go tewa eng, o a itse gore go a farologana, go na le dingwe tsa *corruption* tse o ka se kang wa di tshwara ka *forensic audit*. Nngwe ya tsone fela gore khiro o bo o e dira ka lesika mo tirong, mo ka Sekgoa ba go bitsang *nepotism*. Gone moo ga o ka ke wa go tshwara ka *forensic audit*, but ke bontla bongwe jwa *corruption*.

E simolotse gompieno re bolelelwa jalo, mme bangwe ba ba ka tswang ba na le *information* e ba neng ba batla go ya go e rola, ga ba itse le gore e kopana kae ka gore ga se ka fa e tsamaisiwang ka teng, fa e ne e le *commission* go ka bo go itsewe gore yo o nang le *information* o ka tlhamalela kae a isa *information* eo koo. Ka ga ke batle go kgopakgopetsa ka gope maiteko a a dirwang ke Puso ya letsatsi, e bile ke tlota ditsamaiso tse bone ba di itlhophetseng, ba ntse ba itse ditlhaelo tsa tsone, ga ke ne ke tswelela ka *Motion* o go lettelela *forensic audit* e tswelela ka kitso ya gore ditlhaelo tsa yone di fa kae mo tsamaisong ya go lwantsha tshenyetso-setshaba.

Therefore, Mr Speaker, o tlala lemoga gore unlike is normally the case, ga ke a simolola ke re I move, ke bo ke o balolola, I have looked at the Standing Orders, I think particularly around Standing Order 48. I am not

sure of the terminology to use because ga o ka ke wa re ke withdrawal, we withdraw what was already before the House. I will be guided by yourself, the position is that ga ke tswelele ka Motion, I will allow the forensic audit to proceed, after all we will know before the end of the year gore go feletse kwa kae. Ke a leboga.

MR SPEAKER: Indeed, Honourable Leader of the Opposition (LOO), once the Motion is here and once you stand up is before the House. So, the withdrawal would be in accordance with Standing Order 48.

MR SALESHANDO: In accordance with Standing Order 48 Mr Speaker, I withdraw the Motion. Thank you.

MR SPEAKER: Order! Order! Honourable Members, he is seeking leave from the House to withdraw the Motion.

MINISTER FOR STATE PRESIDENT (MR MOHWASA): Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke leboge Motlotlegi Saleshando go bo a tsere tshwetso e ka gore santlhantla ke tsaya gore o tlaa re thusa ka dikgang tse di mmalwa. Ya ntlha ke gore fa go setse go na le thulaganyo, le fa e se gore e e ne e se ka fa gongwe motlotlegi a ne a eletsa gore e bo e ntse ka teng, mme dikgang tse di tlaa tswang, ga di kgakala tse ke neng ke tsaya gore o ne a di solo fela gore di tlaa kgona gore maiteko a a neng a re a dirwe a a fitlhelele. Sabobedi, ke ne ke re go tlaa thusa le Palamente e ka nako e e leng gore gompieno ga e na le yone. Sa boraro se se botlhokwa le ditsompelo tsa Puso, mme ke ema gore ke dumalane e bile ke mo leboge go bo a tsere tshwetso ya gore a bo a busetsa Motion kwa morago.

Motion-Withdrawn.

GOVERNMENT TO CONDUCT A SOCIAL JUSTICE AUDIT

Motion

MR SPEAKER: Order! Order! Honourable Members, the Motion is by Honourable Taolo Boipuso Lucas. Honourable Lucas, you may present your Motion. *Ke mang yo o arabelang Tshutiso e, ke Honourable Ramaotwana?*

MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES (MR RAMAOTWANA): Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs but he assigned me gore ke tlaa mo emela.

MR SPEAKER: Okay. Honourable Lucas go ahead.

MR LUCAS (BOBIRWA): Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke tla jaana ka Tshutiso e ka yone ke reng ke kopa Ntlo e e fano gore e dire mo go bidiwang gotwe ke social justice. Ke kope Goromenteng gore a dire mo gotweng ke social justice audit, e maikaelelo a yone e tlaabong e le go sekaseka dipharologanyo tse di leng teng mo lefatsheng la rona. Dipharologanyo tsa matshelo tse di leng teng mo lefatsheng la rona, mme e re fa e sena go sekaseka dipharologanyo tseo, a tle ka metlhale ya go itebaganya le go fokotsa dipharologanyo tsa matshelo tse di leng teng mo lefatsheng la rona. Ke sutisa jalo *Mr Speaker*, mme ke bo ke re mathata a aparetseng lefatshe la Botswana a matonatona e bile gongwe a aparetse Africa, ke mathata a lehuma, letlhoko la ditiro le mathata a dipharologanyo tsa ba ba atlegileng le ba sa atlegang.

Letsatsi leno ke batla gore le fa ke tlaabo ke itebagantse le dipharologanyo tsa ba ba atlegileng le ba ba sa atlegang, ke remeletele thatathata mo go yone kgang ya dipharologanyo tse di leng teng mo matshelong a rona mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Ke batla ke supe jaana gore sebaka se gore ke tsenye Motion o, ke o tsenya mo Goromenteng yo o mosha, mme e bile ke o tsenya ke sena go reetsa Mapalamente mo Palamenteng e e fetileng le mo Palamenteng ya gompieno. Mapalamente ba ngongorega thata ka gore go dipharologanyo tse di gakgamatsang magareng ga dikgaolo tsa lefatshe la Botswana. Ke simolole fela ka kgang e gore tsholofelo ya me ke gore Motion o o tlaa atlega ka gore Mapalamente ke bone ba ba neng ba etelela pele ka go supa gore dikgaolo tsa bone di lebega e kete tlhabololo ga nke e goroga kwa go tsone, mme tse dingwe di lebega di le botoka. Ke laletsa botlhokwa le Ntlong e Mapalamente gore ba atle Motion o ka mabaka a gore ke bone ba eteletseng pele ba supa dipharologanyo tseo. Ke tlaa di supa dipharologanyo tseo, di ka tshwara lesome fa nako e ka ntetla. Ke simolola ka pharologanyo e re neng re phakela re e bua letsatsi leno ka gore e santse e le ntsha mo ditlhologanyong tsa rona, pharologanyo ya merafe, e e neng e tla e supiwa ke potso e e neng e buiwa kgotsa e tsentswe ke Rre Hikuama.

Ga go na pelaelo mo lefatsheng la Botswana gore merafe ya lefatshe la Botswana ga e lekane. Go na le merafe e e tseelwang gore ke merafe e metona le e mennyyenyane. Go na le merafe e e tsewang gore e ka fa tlase ga merafe e mengwe fa o tsaya merafe e tshwana le ya rona ya Batswapong, Babirwa, Bakalaka, fela jalo ke merafe e e



ka fa tlase ga morafe o mongwe. Seemo sone seo, fa re ka dira *a social justice audit*, e e tseneletseng e tlaa re supegetsa gape mme gore se gateletse jang batho ba ba tsewang e le batho ba merafe e mesesanyane.

Ke nngwe ya dilo tse ke batlang gore *the social justice audit* e e itebaganye le seemo seo e tle e supe tota gore dipharologanyo tseo di ka tswa di raya eng mo matshelong a rona a malatsi otlhe, mo kgaolong ya rona le mo dingwaong tsa rona. E le ya ntlha, jaanong ke boela kwa dipharologanyong tse dingwe.

Pharologanyo ya bobedi ke ya letseno, dipharologanyo tsa ba ba nang le madi le ba ba senang madi. Lefatshe le le a swabisa ka dipharologanyo tsa lone. Fa o ka tsaya motho yo o amogelang madi a a kwa tlase mo Pusong, le yo o amogelang a a kwa godimo, wa tsaya motho wa *A scale* le wa *F scale*, dipharologanyo tsa bone di kwa godimo mo go tlhabisang ditlhong. *A social justice audit* e tlaa lebelela dipharologanyo tseo gore di raya eng mo matshelong a batho a malatsi otlhe, fa e le gore yo mongwe ke wa *A scale*, yo mongwe ke wa *F scale*, mme dipharologanyo tsa bone di kae. Gone moo ka bogone, ke batla gore *social justice audit* e lebelele seemo seo.

Motho yo o berekang mo mmeselaneng le yo o berekang gotwe ke Chief Executive Officer (CEO), fa o re o lebelela dipharologanyo tsa bone, o ka tsaya gore ga ba tshele mo lefatsheng le lengwefela, o ka tsaya gore ga ba reke mo dishopong di le dingwefela, o ka tsaya gore ba mo mafatsheng a mabedi a a farologaneng. *Social justice audit* e ka itebaganya le dikgang tse di tshwanang le tsone tseo gore re tle re bone gore re ka di fema jang gore dipharologanyo tse di fokotsege.

Pharologanyo ya boraro e e teng ke ya ditlhabololo. Fa o re o lebelela gore ditlhabololo tsa rona di aname ka tsela e e ntseng jang, o ka fitlhela fa gongwe dipatela di kgobokane golo gongwe mo lefatsheng la rona mme mo mantlheng a mangwe a lefatshe go sena le fa e le sepatela, e le gore batho ba tle ba bone sepatela se se gaufi ba tsamaya *kilometres* fa gongwe di ka feta bo 600. Motho a tswa kwa Gudigwa a latela sepatela kwa Letsholathebe, motho a tswa Lentswelemoniti a latela sepatela kwa Nyangabgwe, motho a tswa kwa Tsabong a latela sepatela mo Gaborone. Seemo sone se ke pharologanyo e re tshwanetseng re e sekaseke mme e re rute gore mo nakong e e tleng ditlhabololo tsa rona re ka di aba ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Fa o ka reetsa Mapalamente ba tshwana le bo Reason le Rre Disho ba bua ka dikgaolo tsa bone, o ka bona gore golo fa lefatshe le o kare ga se lefatshe le le lengwefala.

Mo kgaolong ya monna mongwe gatwe ke ene Disho, gatwe ga go na le fa ele *one metre* wa sekondere, mme kwa dikgaolong tse dingwe dikontere di a kgabaganya. Seemo sone se, re tshwanetse ra se sekaseka, bogolo jang lona le le Puso e ntsha go bona gore a seemo se, ga se se e leng gore gongwe re tshwanetse ra se *correct* mme se tshwanetse se batle gore go nne le *audit* e e tseneletseng ya gore ditlhabololo mo Botswana di abiwa jang. Fa e le gore kgang e mongwe o ka e gana a tshwana le Rre Bogatsu, yo o neng a bua ka kgaolo ya gagwe a tlhalosa dikgaolo tsa Kweneng ka fa, tsa bo Medie ka fa di ntseng ka teng, ke ka gakgamala thata, ke ka bona gore o tshabe motho.

Fa o ka reetsa bakaulengwe ba ba tswang kwa bo Dimajwe, ba emetse bo Dimajwe, dikgang tse ba di buang ka dikgaolo tsa bone le letlhoko la ditlhabololo, di utlwisa bothhoko tota. O a bona gore lefatshe le ke lefatshe le le nang le dipharologanyo tse di swabisang, o kare ba bangwe ke ba Modimo, ba bangwe ke ba ga Saatane. Seemo se se tlhoka gore se direlwetshekheko e ke e bitsang *social justice audit*. Se a tshwenya batho betsho, se tshwanetse se lejwalejwe, go bonwe gore se ka baakanngwa jang.

Fa o re leba gore lehuma le aname jang mo lefatsheng la Botswana, o tlaa fitlhela le le botoka mo dikgaolong di tshwana le tsa ditoropo. Fa o re o a tswa jaanong o tsena kwa dikgaolong di tshwana le tsa bo Ghanzi, Kgalagadi, Ngami le Okavango, lehuma le tsamaya ka dinao, le a rotoba koo. Seemo se, ke se se sa amogelesegeng, mme re tshwanetse ra dira *a social justice audit* go sekaseka seemo sone se, sa gore ke eng ba bangwe ba tshwanetse gore ba aparwe ke lehuma mo go kanakana mme ba bangwe ba tshelela mo ga tlebebe. Ke seemo se e leng gore rotlhe re tshwanetse ra se kopanela, bogolo jang Puso e santse e le ntsha jaana, e ise e tlwaele mafulo.

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

MR LUCAS: E ise e tlwaele tlebebe rraetsho. E tshwanetse gore e itebaganya le dikgang tseo tsa kanamo ya lehuma le ya letlhoko la ditiro.

Go na le mafelo a mangwe, bogolo jang a a bidiwang gotwe *settlements*, a o fitlhelang e le gore motho yo o berekang ke yo o berekang kwa sekoleng kana kwa Kgatleng, go tsweng foo ga go na tiro e nngwe gape. Fa e le sengwe e ka nna Ipelegeng e le yone o kgonang go tlolwa ke dikgwedi di le *five*. Ke seemo se e leng gore re tshwanetse ra itebaganya le sone, ra dira *a comprehensive social audit* go lemoga gore seemo se, re

ka se baakanya jang re le lefatshe, mme bogolo jang le le Puso e ntšha. Ke gore fa o le Puso ntšha, dikgwetlho tse di tshwanang le tse, ke tse o tshwanetseng gore o di amogele mme o bone gore o leka go baakanya seemo. O se ka wa tshwana le bale ba ba neng ba re, “nnyaa, a re ganeng *comrades*, re na le dipalo,” ke seemo se se tshwenyang.

Seemo fela sa ka fa botsogo bo abiwang ka teng, pharologanyo ya ba ba nang le *medical aid* le ba ba senang one, e tona thata. Fa o sena *medical aid*, leso la gago le gaufi. Botshelo jwa gago ga se jwa sepe fa o sena *medical aid*. Fa o na le *medical aid* o kgona go bona thuso *within a week or two* mme fa o seyo, o a fola (*queue*) *two years* gotwe emela bongaka kana leso. Seemo se, re tshwanetse ra se sekaseka, le le Puso e ntšha, re ka se dumalana gore ke seemo se re tshwanetseng gore re se baakanye, mme se batla *a comprehensive social audit*. Re sa lebe tsa botsogo fela, re leba makalana otlhe a botshelo rraetsho.

Fa re lebelela ka fa thuto e abiwang ka teng le *quality* ya yone, go a gakgamatsa. Bana ba *fail* ka dipalo kwa magaeng. Bana ba rona ba ba tsenang dikole tsa makgoa, English Medium Schools, ba pasa ka A le B fela. Ke seemo se e leng gore re tshwanetse ra se sekaseka Mma Kgafela-Mokoka gore golo mo go ka rarabololwa ka tsela e e ntseng jang gore bana bothle ba nne le katlego. Ke bua jaana ke le mosupi ka gore ngwanake yo o neng a tsena mo Gaborone o pasitse, o ne a tsena kwa English Medium. Bana bagaetsho ba ba tsenang kwa Bobonong School kana kwa Madikwe, ba felela kwa Matshekge. Ke seemo se re tshwanetseng ra dira *a comprehensive social justice audit* gore re itebaganye le sone for dipharologanyo tse di kanakana tsa *quality* ya thuto fela. Yo mongwe yo *quality* ya bone e neng e le kwa godimo, ke bone ba tsogang kamoso ba re busa gone fa e le gore bale bone le fa nne ba le bothlale go le kae, ba felela kwa tlase. Ke sengwe sa dilo tse ke neng ke re re di lebe.

Lebelela pharologanyo ya ba ba nang le bogole le ba ba senang bogole. Banalebogole mo lefatsheng le, fa e se yone *allowance*-nyana, bontsi jwa bone ba latlheletswe. Batho ba e ka tswa e le banalebogole jwa kutlo, jwa go bona kgotsa jwa go tsamaya. Bontsi jwa bone e bile ba lebiwa ka lenyatso fa gongwe le ke mapolotiki tota, ba bona gore batho ba ke batho ba ba tshwenyang. Seemo sone se, banalebogole ga ba na *facilities* tse ka tsone ba ka kgonang gore ba ithutuntshe le bone kamoso e tsoge e le batho ba ba atlegileng. Seemo seo, ga re se bone se diragala mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Seemo sone se, se

batla *a comprehensive social justice audit*, re lebelele matshelo a batho ba, ba ba tshelang ka bogole gore re ka a tokafatsa jang, bogolo jang le le Puso e ntšha ka le a lemoga le lona gore le ne la fitlhela seemo e se sone. Mme fa e le gore le dumela gore le fithetse seemo e se sone, a re dumalaneng gore re dire *a social justice audit* gore batho ba ba tshelang ka bogole ba tle ba thusiwe.

Yone e, e amana le dikgang tsa Basarwa. Ke lona basupi, maloba le ne la tsamaya ka dipalopalo le ya kwa phitlhong. Basarwa mo lefatsheng le ga ba tsewe sentle gongwe le gongwe kwa ba leng teng. Seemo se, e tshwanetse ya nna seemo se re se tlhwaafalelang re le lefatshe la Botswana.

E bile *take advantage* ya gore re na le Puso e ntšha, e e ka lebang dilo botoka. Ga se Puso e leng gore jaanong fa e tsena, go iteba mapolotiki a yone fela, re tshwanetse ra leba kwa ntle ra dira *a comprehensive social justice audit*. Re itebaganye le dipharologanyo tse, tse di kanakana mo gare ga batho ba lefatshe le lengwefela, diteemane e le tsa rona rotlhe mme go lebega e kete jaanong batho ba di ba sologelang molemo go gaisa e nna setlhophanyana se se kaenya fela. Ke seemo se se batlang gore re se ele tlhoko.

O lebelela gape dipharologanyo tse dingwe, ka fa go tsewang ka teng batho ba e leng gore ke bagwebi ba ba bottlana ba ba mo mekgwatheng le ba e leng gore ke *the formal sector*. Bagwebi ba ba bottlana ba tshela jaaka mebutla mo lefatsheng le, ba tshela ba alotswe ke mapodise kana ba *bye-law*. E bile yole wa *formal sector*, o bua Sekgoa fela e bo e le gore o a reediwa. Jaanong ke re diemo tsone tse, ke tse di batlang *a comprehensive social audit*, re ko re leke go fokotsa dipharologanyo tse.

O ka bona le balemi gore ba tsewa jang, *commercial farmers and subsistence farmers*, fa o lemela mo ganong, ga o tsewe o le wa sepe, o lemela go jela mo ganong. Le fa magapu a gago a jelwe ga o duelwe. Mme fa o le *commercial farmer*, fa magapu a gago a jelwe ke ditlou o a duelwa. Ao! batho ba Modimo, dipharologanyo tse di kanakana? A re ko re direng *a comprehensive social justice audit*, e ka yone re ka kgonang gore re leke go fokotsa dipharologanyo tse di kanakana tse, ke dumela gore le Modimo ga o di rate. Ga re ka ke ra nna le dipharologanyo tse di kanakana, batho ba bangwe ba phatsima mo go kanakana, ba bangwe ba setlhafetse mo go kanakana, ga go lettelesege le mo Baebeleng ya bophelo, ke gore ga ke itse gore ke *verse mang*, ke tlaa botsa bo malome ...(*Inaudible*)... gore ke *verse mang*.



Ga re ka ke ra tshela ka tsela e e ntseng jalo, re bo re re nnyaa, go siame fela go lokile go lokile, ga re ka ke ra dira jalo batho betsho.

Ke dingwe tsa tse ke reng re tshwanetse ra sekaseka dipharologanyo tse, mme ke beile thata mo go reng le phathi e ntsha go busa, ga le ise le tsene kwa ga tlebebe. Re ne ra bona batho ba tsene mo ga tlebebe, e le gore ga o ka ke wa ba gakolola ka sepe. Ke tsaya gore lona le ka gakololwa, e bile re ka kopanela kgang e ra e bua mmogo, ra ba ra e dumalana.

Mr Speaker, ka mafoko ao ke kopa gore Mapalamente ba amogele Motion o wa go kopa Puso gore go dirwe a social justice audit e e tlaa sekasekang dipharologanyo tse di leng teng mo lefatsheng la rona, ka maikaeleo a go e fokotsa le go bona solutions mo dipharologanyong tse di kalokalo. Ke ema gone foo, ke kopa Mapalamente bothle gore ba nkeme nokeng mo Tshutisong le mo kopong e ke tlango ka yone. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

MR SPEAKER: Thank you Honourable Lucas. Honourable Members, the floor is open.

ACTING MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS (MR RAMAOTWANA): Mr Speaker, *ke a go leboga. Ke leboge Honourable Member ka Tshutiso ya gagwe le batlotlegi ba ba fano.*

Mr Speaker, I want to say that during the State of the Nation Address (SONA), President Gideon Boko has adequately pronounced his approach of the Government's commitment to promote human rights-based development agenda. The President underscored the need to expand social services access among other things. According to 2024 Report by the World Bank in Botswana, "despite Botswana's relative high-income status, poverty remains widespread, job creation has not kept pace as unemployment is persistently high, at 27.6 per cent as of the first quarter of 2024. Additionally, the country faces significant inequality with a Gini Coefficient Index of 63.3, ranking amongst the highest globally." Of course, this is worrisome and plans are underway to address this situation.

Mr Speaker, I can reaffirm that the Ministry of Local Government and Traditional Affairs's commitment to promoting equity, social inclusion and justice for all citizens in Botswana, there are already ongoing efforts to reduce poverty, improve access to education, health care and social protection and ensure fair treatment of our citizens across all sectors.

Mr Speaker, in view of the foregoing, this Motion's terms and intents are adequately encapsulated in the present SONA Speech under the Social Development theme, where it commits to building a Botswana that is prosperous, equitable and prepared for the challenges of tomorrow. Further in line with the new Government's commitments of healthcare, social protection and gender equality, the ministry is embarking on the development and implementation of an inclusive, shock-responsive and adaptive social protection programme for Botswana.

...Silence...

MR RAMAOTWANA: *Mr Speaker,* ke utwile motlotlegi a nankola 10 inequalities that are prevalent in our country. Re a dumalana gore se a se buang go ntse jalo, re se itse ba rotlhe. Le manifesto wa UDC o ne o bua ka income disparities tsa A scale le F scale, gore di kwa godimo thata. Ra ba ra itlama mo manifesto gore, re tlide go aga itsholelo e e leng gore ultimately the intention ke gore fa Motswana gotwe ga a amogele, there is an average salary of P10,000. Re lemoga income disparities tse di teng mo lefatsheng la rona, re lemoga dilo tse maloba Mothusa Tona wa Transport and Infrastructure fa a araba Honourable Disho a bua gore ga gona le fa e le sekondere kwa kgaolong ya bone, a bua gore they are going to prioritise mo Development Plan e e tlango gore go nne le ditsela tse di siameng kwa mafelong a Okavango le a mangwe a a sa akarediwang.

Le tribal inequalities re a dumalana motlotlegi gore, Molaomotheo fa o bala Section 77, 78 le tse dingwe, o ka tswa o o fa picture ya the principal tribes and the minority tribes. Ke sone se re yang go fetola Molaomotheo gore re nne le Molaomotheo o o re tsayang rotlhe ka tekatekanyo, ga o kgetholole ope, ga o tlogele ope kwa ntle.

Ka jalo *Mr Speaker*, re amogela gore dilo tse di buiwang ke motlotlegi di nnete, ga re ka ke ra di ganetsa, re dumalana le ene, ke dilo tse le rona mo SONA re setseng re buile ka tsone. Mo budget ya ga Honourable Minister of Finance and His Honour the Acting President, o nankotse dikgwelhlo tse re di bonang mo itsholelong ya rona, mo inequality e e teng mo lefatsheng la rona. Ka jalo, tsotlhe tse a di buang ga di ganediwe, ke sone se fa re bua ka the High Court mo lephateng la me maloba, Chief Justice a bua gore re a go leka gore re atumetse ditlamelo kwa bathong. Re ye go bona gore in the Kgalagadi Region there is a High Court, as well tsa Mahalapye-Tswapong fale go leka gore re atumetse service to the people gore le bone ba kgone go nna le



access to justice. Ke sone se re neng re bua ka P1,800 wa bagodi le P4,000 *living wage*, gore re nne re totobe re atumele kwa *an average salary of P10,000*.

In short tse tsotlhe re di nankotse mo manifesto, Budget Speech, SONA le mo maphateng a rona in the Committee of Supply. Kwa Ministry of Health ba setse ba tsile ka lenaneo la go bona gore re nna jang gore re nne le ditlamelo tsa botsogo tse di akaretsang botlhe di tsenya le bahumanegi mo teng, gore le bone ba se ka ba tlogelwa kwa ntle. Re bone gore botsogo ke kgwetlho e re tshwanetseng gore re e rarabolole, re bone gore jaanong go nna le *medication*, batho ba nna le botsogo jo bo siameng gore *productivity* kwa ditirong e oketsge le yone. Ka jalo, go raya gore *this social justice audit* re dumalana le yone, mme e tlaabo e dira se re mo tseleng ya gore re se baakanya, ka gore le rona re lemogile gore go na le dikgwetlho tse Puso e e neng e tswa ya maloba, was excluding batho ba le bantsi ba salela kwa ntle. Kwa lephateng la me la Legal Aid Botswana, ke ba laetse to review the means test ya bone, ka gore it excludes a number of poor people, ba ba sa kgoneng go nna le *quality justice* go itsheka. Ba bone gore ba se ka ba dirisa factors tse di teng gompieno, ke sone se ke reng all these things tse o di buang tsa *inequalities* di...

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Ramaotwana, ga re na quorum, and it has not been there for quite some time. 15 minutes fa a ka wela we adjourn, without any question put.

...Silence...

MR RAMAOTWANA: I thank you very much. Motion wa ga Motlotlegi Lucas, we welcome it ka gore it is one of those Motions tse di tlaabong di batla report, adding to many reports that we have or that we will be bringing forth gore e nne nngwe e ka tsone re tlaabong re nontsha tse e leng gore already di teng. Re oketsa se re nang naso. Ke raya gore tsotlhe tse a di buang ke tse e leng gore mo *manifesto* le *presentations* tse di setseng di dirilwe gone jaana, di teng mo teng, they are covered ka bolele. Nngwe ya tsone e re lekang gore re nne le itsholelo e e siameng, *economic growth* e e nang le *job creation* mo teng, e e duelang dituelo tsa *decent wages* tse batho ba ka nnang le itshetso e e siameng. Ke sone se a ngongoregang ka sone thata gore *income inequalities* di kwa godimo.

Tribal inequalities; review of the Constitution will answer that problem.

Development disparity; e ka tsela ya rona re le UDC re rile re tlie go dira gore ditlhabololo di nne gongwe le

gongwe mo lefatsheng. We will be having the railroad e e tlaabong e tsena ka bo Kazungula le Trans-Kalahari, e le gone go leka go aga kana to cover lefatshe lotlhe.

Ditsela; ba *transport* ba ne ba supa gore di tshwanetse go dirwa lefatshe lotlhe, re sa lebelele gore yo ke wa *principal or minority tribe*. Re lebeletse gore Motswana o batla ditlhabololo, o tlhokana le go tshela, le gore a atumelwe ke ditlamelo. Ke sone se ke supang gore, jaaka re bua, re na le matshwenyego a gore dikole tsa rona seemo se se mo go tsone ga se se se siameng, mme kgwetlho e e leng gore Rre Maele le Mme Kgafela-Mokoka ba ba lebaganeng le tiro ya go baakanya dikole le thuto ya rona, ke yone e ya to address those *inequalities*, tse e leng gore re batla thuto e le yone that will render private schools irrelevant, ka e tlaabo e le gore jaanong facilities tsa rona kwa dikoleng are conducive for learning, competing le tse di kwa private schools. Ke gone kwa e leng gore that is the future that we want to go, and we want to be at that position.

Ka a le kalo, I support the Motion gore go ye go dirwa the audit. E bo e nna report e e tlaabong e oketsa reports tse dingwe tse di tlaabong di tla ka Matona kana ka maphata, kana tse e leng gore, gompieno jaana re na le e nngwe forensic audit report. Le yone e tlaabo e thalosa gore madi a rona a jewa jang, a dirisiwa jang, a dirisiwa sentle kana botlhaswa kana nnyaa. Ke tseela gore it will be one of the many reports that will be coming to this Honourable House or Government. I thank you Mr Speaker.

THE ACTING PRESIDENT (MR GAOLATHE): Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Le nna ke ne ke re ke kgwe Motlotlegi (OomLu) Lucas dikgaba ka kopo ya gagwe ya gore go tlhongwe lekgotla le le ka tlhodumelang dikgang tsa tekatekano kana go tlhoka go lekalekana ga matshelo a batho mo lefatsheng la Botswana.

Pele ga ke mo kgwa dikgaba, ke supe gore, ke dumalana le ene go se go nnye, ke dumalana le ene thata go tsena e seng mo marapong, go tsena le kwa mokong wa marapo. Kana Motlotlegi Lucas ba le sa itseng, ke moitseanape wa matshelo a batho. Motlotlegi Lucas ke rraboipelego ba le sa mo itseng. E bile fa a bua dikgang tsa matshelo a batho, o kgona go gotela mo le utlwileng fa a gotetse, o ne a setse a tsena le mo dikgannyeng tse dingwe tsa gore, dilo tse di dirwe go ise go tlwaelwe mafulo. Ke re nnyaa eo...ke tlaa remeleta mo dikgannyeng. O bua ka dipharologanyo tsa batho tse di tshwenyang, tse di amang dipharologanyo tse gongwe di tsalwang ke



gore motho ke wa letso lefe. A re dilo tse di lebelelw sentle. Ga gona ope yo o ka ganetsanang le tlhoko ya gore dilo tseo di lebelelw sentle. O bua ka go tlhoka go lekalekana ka dikamogelo tsa Batswana, go tlhoka go lekana ka go goroga ga ditlhabololo ga Batswana. E bile o fa dikai tse ke dumalanang thata le ene. Ke kile ka dira Tirelo Setshaba kwa Ngamiland, gaufi le kwa go Rre Disho, Bo Nxaunxau. Ke tsene gongwe le gongwe kwa kgaolong eo, mme nngwe ya dilo tse di utlwisang bothhoko ka lefatshe la Botswana, ke gore dikgaolo tse, ke sale ke tswa koo ke le monana, tota ke le ngwana, fa ke boela teng, sekonomotere sele sa mogala e santse e le sekonomotere seo, ga se ise se fetoge. Sengwe le sengwe se ke se tlogetseng nako eo se ntse fela jaaka ke se tlogetse. Ga ke bue ka motse, ke bua ka kgaolo yotlhe. Dilo tse di a tshwenya...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Elucidation.

MR GAOLATHE: Ke tla go tsenya kwa pelenyana *sir*. A bua gape ka batho ba ba tshelang ka bogole. O bua gape ka dipharologanyo tsa go tlhoka ga batho gore ba ba nang le ditlamelo tse di siameng tsa botsogo...

MR SPEAKER: Your Honour Acting President, as you have observed, Honourable Ramaotwana, I think he took under 10 minutes, but his appropriate time ought to have been 20 minutes. So, I will give that time to the Acting President, so that those who seek to clarify... I will give him 20 minutes, so that he has an extended period. So, just add 10 minutes to the six minutes already taken.

MR GAOLATHE: Mme go raya gore ke ka neela Rre Disho.

MR DISHO: *Elucidation.* Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Tota ke ne ke re *Acting President* o e tshwere sentle. Ke ne ke re ke akgela ka ya sekonomotere se a se tlogetseng nako e a neng a le kwa kgaolong. Fa a ka tsamaela fa Etsha fale, sekonomotere sa teng se dule, ke *gravel jaanong*, ga e sa tlhole e le sekonomotere. Ke raya gore ke ne ke re ke *elucidate* gore, se fedile, ke *gravel fela jaanong* e e setseng. Ke a leboga.

MR GAOLATHE: Ee rra, ke a leboga. Ke ne ke santse ke bua ka dikgang tse di neng di ntshiwa ke Motlotlegi OomLu. Ke re o bua gape ka bo mmadimausu le bo rradimausu, e seng bo rradimausu le bo mmadimausu fela, o bua ka bo mmadimausu le bo rradimausu ba ba itekang tota. Ba ba emeng ka dinao, ba e leng gore le go robala ga ba robale. O tlhalosa gore dilo tse di tshwanetse go lebelelw mo go tseneletseng.

Ke tlhalose gore matshwenyego a gago ke a rona, e bile ke a Batswana botlhe. Ga gona Motswana yo o sa tshwenyegang ka dikgang tse. Ke re, ka lebaka la gore ke dilo tse di tshwentseng e seng Batswana fela, tse di tshwentseng le Goromente yo mosha, Goromente yo mosha e bile o setse a tsere kgato ya gore a fetole, a fenyenkolole dikomiti tsa Matona. O simolodisitse komiti e ntsha e bidiwa gotwe *Social Justice*. Komiti e, nngwe ya dikgang tse e tlileng go itebaganya le tsone ke ya go tlhodomela tlhoka tekatekanyo ya dikarolo tse o ntseng o bua ka tsone.

Ke tlhalose gore, mme gone barutegi le maphata ka go farologana, go na le ditlhodomelo tse ba setseng ba di dirile jaaka o itse. Go na le ditlhodomelo tse di setseng di dirilwe ka lehuma, go tlhoka go lekana ga letseno, go tlhoka go lekana ga ditlhabololo le dipharologanyo tse di bitswang gotwe *special developments*. Se se tshwanetseng go dirwa ke gore, ditshekatsheko tse, tse di ka tswang di dirilwe mo dikarolong tse di farologanyeng mo go tse o buang ka tsone, ke gore di tlhabololwe, di atolosiwe, tse dingwe *be updated*, di shafadiwe ka gore ke tsa bogologolo. Tiro e ya *audit ya these inequalities*, ke nngwe ya dilo tse di...

MR LUCAS: *On a point of clarification.* Ke a leboga Motshwarelela Tautona. O buile ka *committee* e ke utlwileng ke e kgatlhegela thata e o reng ke ya Matona. Gakere re itse dikomiti e le tsa rona ka kwano ba ba seng Matona, rona le bo Rre Sam Digwa. Ke re, yone eo, *unpack it* go se kaenyana wa re tlhalosetsa gore e tsaya sebopego sefe? *Is it a group of ministries or go ntse jang?* Ke a leboga.

MR GAOLATHE: Re ne ra simolodisa go henyenkolola ka fa Matona a berekang ka teng le dilo tse e leng gore Matona ba tshwanetse ba itebaganye le tsone segolobogolo. Nngwe ya dilo tseo ke ya *social justice. Ministry of Local Government and Traditional Affairs* ke one o tlaabong o eteletse pele komiti e. E na la Matona a mangwe. Ke itse gore e na le bo Tona ba *Environment and Tourism, Minerals and Energy, Social Justice and Correctional Services* le *Lands and Agriculture*. Jaaka ke bua, e tlaabo e itebagantse le go tlhodomela dikgang tse o sa tswang go di bua. E seng fela foo, e ya go tswelela, e ya go leba gore mme matshwenyego a a teng, a ka lwatshiwa ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Dikarolo tse o ntseng o bua ka tsone, go na le dipatlisiso tse di ntsi tse di setseng di dirilwe. Nngwe ya ditiro tsa *committee* e ke gore ka Sekgoa, *they must update these studies, nourish them kwa e leng gore they are not comprehensive enough.*



Motlotlegi Lucas, o ka dumalana le nna fa ke go raya ke re, e re le ntswa dilo di tshwanetse di tlhodumelwe, mo botshelong ga o ka ke wa emela gore o tlhodumele sengwe le sengwe pele fa ke ka simolola go tsaya dikgato. Ka mantswe a mangwe, le ntswa komiti e, e simolotse go tlhodumela, go na le dilo tse e leng gore ga di a tshwanela gore di emele gore mongwe le mongwe a bo a kgotsofetse gore seemo se ntse jang. Ke sone se Goromente wa Botswana yo mosha, a buang ka dilo tse e leng gore go sa kgathalesege gore go fitlhelwa eng, Goromente o tshwanetse a di dire.

Santla se Goromente wa Botswana yo mosha a tshwanetseng a se dire, a batho ba a lekalekana kana ga ba lekalekanye. Ke gore a thibe diphatlha tse e leng gore madi a setshaba, a ntse a tsena ka tsone. Ke dumela gore re a dumalana rotlhe ka fa le ka koo. Le ka fa le ntseng le re kgothatsa ka teng gore diphatlha tseo di thibiwe, re a dumalana.

Sa bobedi, rotlhe re a dumalana gore re tshwanetse re age lefatshe sesha, *major infrastructure*, mafaratlhatalha a ditsela le metlakase gore a ise dithlabololo kwa batho ba lebalesegileng teng. Mafaratlhatalha a botsogo; go isa botsogo jo bo botoka kwa bathong ba ba lebalesegileng. Dilo tse, di tshwanetse di dirwe. Re ya go di dira go sa kgathalesege gore lewa le wela kae.

Sa boraro, ra re dikompone tse e ntseng e le tsa ga Goromente, bontsi jwa tsone ga di tsamaisiwe sentle gothhelele. Tse dingwe di tsamasiwa ka fa tlase ga melao ya bogologolo. E tshwanetse e baakanngwe gore dikompone tseo di bereke sentle jaaka kompone ya Botswana Power Corporation (BPC). E bereka mo molaong wa segologolo o o kopantseng sengwe le sengwe; phetlho le kabakanyo ya motlakase. Goromente yo mosha o tlaabo a aga sesha melao e gore o kgaoganye phetlho le kabakanyo ya motlakase.

Go na le dikompone tsoora Goromente tse e leng gore ka fa di berekang ka teng, ke gore re a di bona, ga re di bone, mme ga re a tshwanela gore mo Botswaneng yo mosha, kompone e bo e le re a e bona, ga re e bone. Kompone e tshwanetse e dire ka mashetla re e bone. Re a di bona dikompone bogolo jang tse di amanang le go banka le madi gore fa re ka di emela ka dinao, kgabagare e ka nna tse di ka atolosiwang, tsa dira mo mafatsheng mangwe.

Kompone ke e ya melemo, e a iteka. Ra re rona mo Botswaneng yo mosha, maiteko ga se selo se se lekaneng, e ka dira ka mashetla. Ra dira dikompone fela tsa mogobagoba tse di ka felelang di hira batho ba le bantsi mo lefatsheng la Botswana.

Ke buile ka dikompone tsa ga Goromente mme go na le sengwe gape se e leng gore Goromente yo mosha o itebagantse le sone, ke se Makgoa a se bitsang ba re *capacitation of Government civil service*. Goromente mongwe le mongwe, yo mosha kana ope fela o ka nna le ditogamaano a re, ke eletsa go dira se, le se, jaaka Goromente yo mosha a eletsa go dira dilo tse ke ntseng ke bua. Goromente le fa a na le dikeletso tseo, mme a sa augega ka tsela e e leng gore dilo tse o ka di kgona, ga go thus sepe. Goromente yo mosha o itemogetse gore Goromente ka fa a augegileng ka teng, fa a sa ithutuntshe sesha, a ikaga sesha, dikeletso tse ga di ka ke tsa kgonega. Ke tlaa fa sekai; Goromente yo mosha o bua ka *mega projects* le Public Private Partnerships (PPP). Dilo tsa ga di ka ke tsa ikaga, di tlhoka baitsaanape, boitsaanape le Goromente yo o augegileng ka tsela e e leng gore o na le batho ba ba nang le dikitso tse. Jaanong ra re, mo go Goromente yo mosha, re itemogile. Re simolotse gore re rutuntshe, re age ka gore Goromente o kgona go diragatsa *these PPPs*.

Motlotlegi Lucas, fa o ka lebelela banana ba lefatshe la Botswana, dikitso tsa bone bogolo jang mo dikgannyeng tsa maranyane, ba kwa pele ga batsadi le ene Goromente. Le fa banana ba ka re, “leba, re dirile *software programmes* tsa *payment systems*, tsa se, le se, le se,” ba di dirile di bonala, Goromente ka fa a augegileng ka teng, fa a leba dilo tse bana ba di dirileng ke gore fela, “hei! bana ba ba a leka, ba tlaa re isa golo gongwe.” Nnyaa, mo Goromenteng yo mosha ra re re batla Goromente yo o augegileng ka tsela e e leng gore banana ba ba nang le bokgoni jo bo ntseng jaana, ba ba dirang dilo tse di ntseng jaana, re se ka ra ba leba fela re bo re re ba na le maiteko. Goromente o tshwanetse gore a bo a augeile ka tsela e a reng maiteko a, re a a tsaya go dira le banana ba, go diragatsa dilo tse di rileng, to *digitalise* gone mo go Goromente, go tlisa ditlamelo kwa bathong. Ka fa Goromente a augegileng ka teng, ga a ka ke a kgona gore a dire dilo tseo ka bonako jo bo tshwanetseng. Ke sone se ke reng Goromente yo mosha nngwe ya dilo tse o ikamantseng le tsone, ke gore o ikage sesha gore o kgone go dira dilo tse.

Ke bue gape Motlotlegi OmLuu gore Goromente o na le lenaneo lone la togamaano la National Development Plan (NDP), e e leng gore e dirwa ke lone Lekgotla le la National Planning Commission (NPC). E e leng gore e ne e ntse e sena ka fa molao o tlhokang ka teng, baokamedi ba baitseanape. Goromente yo mosha o setse o tlisitse baitseanape ba e leng gore tiro ba setse ba e simolotse. Tiro e e tsweletse. Nngwe ya dilo tse e leng



gore togamaano e e itebagantse le tsone, ke dikgang tsa phetlho tiro, go fetlhela Batswana botlhe, banana le bagolo tiro ka tsela e e tseneletseng. Nngwe ya dilo tse e itebagantseng le tsone ke tsone dikgang tse o buang ka tsone, go tlhoka go lekalekana ga matshelo a Batswana, gore dilo tse di tshwanetseng gore di dirwe gore re tsene mo seemong se e leng gore, gore Motswana mongwe le mongwe o na le seabe mo itsholelong, ke fa re dirile jang. Re a amogela gore Roma ga a agiwa letsatsi le le lengwefela.

Rra, ke re ka mafoko a a kalo, ke sa oshaoshe, ke sa tshikinyege, ke sa belaele, e bile ke sa nyatse mafoko otlhe a o a re lebisitseng ka Tshutiso ya gago, o kare ke mafoko a a tswang mo go nna ka sebele. E bile re a a amogela, re a a atla, e bile re ya go a diragatsa. Ga re ye go a diragatsa fela, re ya go feta foo. Ke tlaa go neela sekiti seo, mme re ya go tlisa dikiti tse dingwe tsa tiro; epe ya tiro e e leng gore e tlaabo e le ya go tlhabolola matshelo a Batswana botlhe. Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

MR MOTAOSANE (THAMAGA-KUMAKWANE):
 Good morning Mr Speaker, and thank you for giving me an opportunity to...

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Motaosane, mme o kare o kgakalanyana le bone, o ka rola *mask* gore o tle o utlwale mo *mic*. O role gotlhelele.

MR MOTAOSANE: Ke ne ke sa batle go ba penta *sir*.

Ke leboge Motlotlegi Lucas ka Tshutiso e a e tlisitseng. Ke a itse gore Tshutiso e ga e a ka ya tsena sentle mo Palamenteng ya bo 12, mme o sale a eletsa gore e nne teng. Ke batla ke mo reye ke re ke ema Tshutiso ya gagwe nokeng thata e seng go le go nnyennyane. Ke nontshitswe pelo segolobogolo ke Tona yo o lebaganyeng fa a mo kgwa dikgaba gore *at least* go supafala gore le ene *he is sharing the same sentiments* le mosutisi wa mogopololo.

Kana dilo dingwe bagaetsho di teng, Goromenta ka gore ke ene Kgosi e bong thotobolo e re latlhelang sengwe le sengwe mo go ene, go a lebega, o a lebega e nna ene yo e leng gore o tshwanelwa ke gore a arabele dikgang tse. Ke tlaa go fa sekai; ke gore fa re bua ka *these inequalities* re bo re tsaya fela kgang ya dituelo, re na le makalana a a leng gore fa go buiwa ka dituelo, re sa bue ka ba Puso fela, o tlaa fitlhela a le teng makalana a, a na le bokgoni jwa gore a ka duela batho madi fela a a rileng, mme ba gana fela e le gore ba lebile fela gore *they want to make more profits*. *I will give an example; I was so surprised*

Choppies, *I am sorry to mention it, but I will have to mention it because ke a lemoga gore ke nngwe ya ba ba neng ba tlolela kwa godimo ba re we will be able to pay people P4, 000.00 yet they have always had the capacity to do that but they never did it.* Ba a fa excuses tse ba reng Goromenta wa lona ke ene a reng re duele jaana, which was not true. No Government has ever said to anyone gore do not pay batho, ba duele bokana. When you talk of minimum wage, you are talking seelo se e leng gore gatwe ga o ka ke wa duela motho kwa tlase ga bokana, but anything se o se kgonang depending on your profits. Ke gore you will be surprised to find when profits are declared tsa kompone e tshwana le yone Choppies, e bo e tla to declare madi a a fetang bo P650 million as profits. When you talk profit, you are talking of madi a e leng gore o tsaya gore o duetse makgetho, you have paid all the expenses. We expect go bona bana ba ba berekang kwa Choppies sharing profits tse le Choppies. They did not do it under the pretext that molao wa re, which was not what the law was saying.

Honourable Ramaotwana would agree with me, if the law says minimum wage is this, it does not say pay people this much, it says you cannot pay below this. Ka fa go neng go diragala ka teng, dilo tse OmLuu di dirwa ke gone gore gongwe re le mebuso le rona fa re tsentse melao e e ntseng jaana, re tshwanelwa ke go ela tlhoko le go leka to drive ka fa makalana a mangwe a tsamaisang dikgwebo tsa one ka teng, so that golo mo ga the disparity ya dituelo e bonagale, go supe gore motho fa e le gore kompone ya gagwe e dira sentle, o bone ka babereki ba yone.

Ga ke kgatlhege le fa Choppies e ntse e re e tlaa duela batho P4, 000.00, le fa e le go le go nnyennyane. I know ba leka go ithatisa Puso e ntsha. They have always been able to pay that money but they did not want to pay it because they were just taking advantage ya gore ba ba setseng melao morago ba tshwanelwa ke gore ba dire jaana, mme ga ba dire. Dilo tse OmLuu di bottlhoko. Gompiano if you talk of Government employees ba e leng gore they are at the lowest scale...

MR MOROLONG: Clarification Mr Speaker. Ke a go lemoga motlotlegi. Ke re gongwe motlotlegi a thalose gore mo go yone kgang e a e buang a ipolets a re Choppies e ne e sa bolelele ruri, e bile e leka go ithatisa ba ba leng teng, gongwe o e tlhatswe Honourable Member gore a e seng gore there was no political will ka nako eo to encourage seemo sone se sa dituelo? Ke a leboga Honourable Member.



MR MOTAOSANE: Thank you. There was a political will. The past Parliament we corrected melao, tota re lekile go baakanya gore minimum wage e tlthatloge go sekae. Fela jaaka o bone bo Choppies, all these chain stores and the like ba setse ba tswa kwa go ma P800 le ma P1,200 a ba neng ba a duela batho, ba ya go ba duela bo P1,800 mme e le gore that law was temporary. There was a holistic review of minimum wage, e teng kwa ministry. O tlaa bona gore go ne go tsamaiwa fa kae ka yone. Ke dumela gore le Honourable Mokgware will attest to that. Maiteko a teng but as the Government, you do not have to kick anybody from the back to say duela batho jaana. Ga o pateletse, you encourage and keep on reviewing as and when there is necessity. The political will was there but se ke se buang ke gore Rre Morolong, ga e ka ke ya re o tlhaloganya molao, gompieno fa re bua ka Minimum Wage Bill ya P4, 000, we are calling it living wage ka fa ke itseng lona le e bitsa ka teng. That living wage is something se e leng gore tsamaiso ya sebolepo seo can change any other time depending on the inflation and the economy ka fa e tsamayang ka teng. It should change gakere. So there is no difference between minimum wage and living wage. If you only set gore the basic bare minimum e o ka e dirang go leka go duela motho a bereka in a particular industry ke e mme fa o tswelela o tlhalositse fa o rialo. Ga go tewe gotwe o ye go tsaya a professional o bo o mo hira kwa Choppies o mo neela P2, 000 kana P4, 000. I do not think you are saying that as we speak as the new Government. Fa le re minimum wage ya P4, 000, ga le re ba ye go tsaya an accountant ba bo ba mo duela P4, 000. That is not what you are saying, you are saying this is what we are thinking gore o ka duela batho ka teng.

Jaanong dikgang tse di botlhoko mme e e ntshwenyang e tla gantsi Honourable OmLuu ke ya inequality mo ditlhabololong. I do not know gore e re ka e bereka jang ka gore, ke gore nna le wena re tlaabo re le mo Palamenteng re tswa kwa bathong ba dikgaolo tsa rona re dumalane gore tlhabololo e re e tlhokang ke, e bo e tla to national level. Fa e tsena to national level lona se le se buileng kwa dikgaolong tsa lona se tla se se mo teng ga development plan. Go dira ba ba dirang, fa ba sena go dira e le komiti whatever jaaka ke itse gore go na le commission e e lebelaelang NDP gompieno, fa ba sena go ntsha tse ba di ntshang ba tlogetse kgaolo ya ga Lucas le ya ga Motaosane kwa ntle. O bo o fitlhela o ipotsa potso gore tota who is responsible; is it the Government kana some individual officers ba ba neng ba dira ditshwetso tsa gore go ya go dirwa sennanne kwa boketekete, e seng kwa boketekete? Dilo tse until

re dumalana gore re le Palamente e ntse jaana fa NDPs di nna teng, fa madi a seyo at least every constituency must have a mega development e go tlaa bonalang gore kwa kgaolong e batho ba teng ba lebega ba tshwanelwa ke go direlwa dikarolo dingwe tsa dithhabololo. Tota fa gongwe we point fingers at the wrong people, but our planners ke bone ba ba tshotseng marapo. Ke batla go bua gore le Goromente yo mosha fa a ka se ke a ele tlhoko ka distribution e dirwang teng kwa go tsewang ditshwetso teng, then we are in for a high jump. Ba tlaa tshela di ntse di ya nthla e le nngwefela, ntlha e nngwe di sa goroge ka nako. Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo.

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Members, I have been sitting for almost three hours, can I invoke Standing Order 26.2 to go for a health break jwa 20 minutes. Ke a bona gore le ntse le le basesane mo Ntlong mme le se ka la ba la monega go feta foo. A re boeng fela in 20 minutes re tle re feleletse tiro ya letsatsi. We adjourn.

PROCEEDINGS SUSPENDED AT 11:33 A.M. FOR APPROXIMATELY 20 MINUTES

PROCEEDINGS RESUMED AT 11:50 A.M.

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE (MR ATAMELANG): Ke a leboga Mr Speaker. Ke ne ke re ke tseye tshono e le nna go dirisa Kgaolo ya Boteti as justification ya go dumalana le Motion wa ga Motlotlegi Rre Lucas. Ke tlaa tsaya motse o o tshwanang le Khwee, o dikologilwe ke dipolase; o kare go ne go dirwa ka bomo. Go ne go le strategic gore go dirwe like a human resource mining gore batho ba Khwee ba bereke mo go tsone dipolase tse. Re bo re nna le dikgang tsa concentrated development ya infrastructure jaaka ditsela jaana mme le a itse gore mo ministry wa rona re tshela re bua ka gore there is an unequal distribution ya ditsela. Motse wa Khwee le one has been denied tsela for the longest of time, mo go rayang gore generations tsa kwa Khwee ba gola ba itse gore the only career ke go ya go bereka mo polaseng. That is very unfortunate and sad.

Re bo re boela kwa Letlhakane which is the capital ya Boteti ka kakaretso, re bona motse o go nang le conflict ya the mining entities versus the expansion ya the settlement ya Letlhakane. Re tlhoka ditsha, a village cannot expand, it cannot upgrade into a town because ga gona ditsha. Gape re bo re nna le issue ya gore go na le high concentration ya mines gone kwa but we are still challenged ka the basics fela tsa go nna Motswana, which is the right to water. Ga re na metsi, motlakase,



ditsela, re tlhoka *a big referral hospital*. Batho ba tswa mo Boteti ba ya Nyangabgwe and le yone *it is overwhelmed* ka gore e tsaya batho kwa bo Maun. Fa re ya kwa bo Maun gape *they have the same challenge* ya dipatela, ditsela, motlakase mme fa re tswelela gape re ya kwa pele, re bona seemo se jaanong o kare se nna worse. Kgaolo ya Okavango, *it is unfortunate* gore after so many years go na le kgaolo e e nang le 3.7 kilometers (km) ya sekondere and e na le metse e e fetang six; population. E na le *a very justified industry which supports the economy* ya Botswana. 3.7 km relative to Rre Pule yo o batlang *streetlights* e se gore ke gata batho ba kwa Kgatleng menwana, but I am just saying gore we really need to be careful about our priorities. Fa re bua ka gore re batla *equal distribution* ya *infrastructure*, Rre Pule le name le eme pele ka *streetlights* re tsenye tsela ya Khwee. Tsela ya Khwee fa re e tshela...

MR SPEAKER: Honourable Atamelang, address the Speaker. All your observations address the Speaker.

MR PULE: *Procedure.* Ke a leboga mongwame. Kana Atamelang ene mokgwa wa gagwe o tshamekela fela mo nna.

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

MR PULE: Tota kana *Honourable Minister* ga a bue sentle e bile re beile mo go ene, a bo a re ke emise *streetlights* kwa kgaolong ya me. O raya Bakgatla a reng? Ke raya gore fa e le gore o batla *to debate*, a *debate for kgaolo ya gagwe* fela a tswe kwa Kgatleng East. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

MR SPEAKER: Nnyaa, he is making an argument, ya gore fa a lebeletse seemo sa kgaolo ya gago, tota ba a ba reeditseng ba bua ka *streetlights* ene o bona o kare priority ke ba ba lebegang e le gore ga ba rothegelwe ke sepe. He is making an argument and he is certainly in order.

MR ATAMELANG: Ke lebogela tshireletso eo *Mr Speaker*.

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

MR ATAMELANG: E ne e le gore ke fa sekai sa gore ditshwetso tse di ntseng di tsewa *for the past 58 years* di ne o kare ga di informed. Batho ba ne ba huraletswe kwa Boteti, Ghanzi, Gweta, Nata le Mochudi. *Infrastructure segregation...*

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

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

MR ATAMELANG: ...le kwa Kgatleng East, mme kana ke ne ke fa sekai sir. Ke ne ke e fa sekai fela Mr Speaker gore when you talk about infrastructure equity...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Elucidation.

MR ATAMELANG: ...dikgang tseo. Kana jaanong you are extending four minutes wa me. I had already crammed, le nketsha mo tune. This is an opportunity ya gore fa re bua ka go lebelela the social justice, re na le opportunity jaanong ya go tla ka melao e e tlaa lekang go baakanya seemo seo. Maloba ke ne ke bua ka the Contextual Beneficiation Law gore re tlhokana le molao wa go nna jaana, gore fa e leng gore kwa Bobirwa kana kwa kgaolong ya ga Rre Lucas, go epiwa teemane, go na le natural gas kana sengwe fela that contributes to the Gross Domestic Product (GDP), a molao o o leke go sireletsa batho ba kgaolo yone eo gore e re fa go tla go tsewa ditshwetso tsa gore *streetlights* di ya kae, go bo go lebelelwya kgaolo ya ga Rre Lucas gore a mme 1 km o o kopanyang metse kwa kgaolong ya ga Rre Lucas e setse e tshetswe sekonetere. This is what we need as a country, these are the laws tse ke dumelang gore after enquiry e e nna teng, then re ka tsaya ditshwetso tse di maleba go tlhabolola lefatshe la rona e bile gore mongwe le mongwe a nne Motswana ka Omang, a se ka a nna ka letso la gagwe le gore o tswa kwa kgaolong efe. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

MINISTER FOR STATE PRESIDENT (MR MOHWASA): Mr Speaker, ke tsaya gore Tshutiso ya ga Motlotlegi Lucas, jaaka fela Motshwarelala Tautona a e tlhalositse, e tsamaelana le maikaeleo a Puso ya gompieno. E bile a bo a kaya le gore go dirilwe eng, go tserwe dikgato dife gore go baakanngwe seemo se. Motlotlegi Rre Atamelang gompieno yo o sa tswang go bua Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, o ne a supa ka fa re boneng ditlhabololo ka fa di neng di dirwa ka teng mo lefatsheng la Botswana. A bo a supa le gone kwa Nhabe kwa o tlaa fitlhelang go na le ditsela tse di 1.5 km mme e le kgaolo e tona e e bophara. Seemo seo ke se se sa nnang sentle. Fa o tsaya kgaolo ya Boteti ke nngwe ya dikgaolo tse di nang le lehuma le le ntsi, mme fa re leng teng jaaka re gakologelwa gore kana fa Shashe project e simolola, Goromente committed madi otlhe mo Shashe project. Go bo raya gore ba De Beers ba tla ba tlhabolola moepo wa Orapa, fa go sena go tlhabololwa moepo wa Orapa, madi a neng a tswa koo, ke one a neng a felela a tokafatsa seemo mo lefatsheng



la Botswana, a bo a dira ditsela tse di kanakana, a bo a tlhabolola a dira Botswana se a leng sone gompieno. Fa o re o a lebelela, batho ba tikologo eo o bona seemo se se sa nnang sentle.

Re tlaa tshwanelwa ke gore re tle re lebalebe dikgang tse re bone gore ga go na se se tlaa boevelang sa go nna jalo. Madi a re tlholang re a bua ka bontsi gore go na le madi a a tswang mo *tourism*, o bo o lebelela batho mo dikgaolong gone kwa godimo kwa *North West*, o bo o bona gore go ntse jang, seemo seo ga se a nna sentle. Le bone ba ba ka fa morago ba dikgaolo tsa kwa letsваing, o a bona gore diemo tseo ga di a nna sentle.

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

MR MOHWASA: Fa o re o a lebelela le kwa dikgaolong tse di tshwanang le tsa kwa bo Phikwe, fa o tsaya kwa bo Rre Nkawana le wena o tswang teng Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, kwa re tswang teng rotlhe, re a itse gore go diragetseng fa moepo wa Phikwe o simolola. Moepo o fa o simolola go ne go tsewa metsi kwa bo Shashe, a ralala Shashe a sa fe bo Francistown le Tonota metsi, a bo a tla go nowa ke ba Phikwe ka gore go ne go dirwa moepo koo. Go ya go fa batho ba ba neng ba nna gone koo metsi, mme go sa lebelewe batho ba metsi a tswang kwa go bone. A bo e le gore jaaka fa ba ne ba ka gakologelwa ba ba golwanyane ka dingwaga, gongwe ba ba tshwanang le bo rona jaana, kwa kgaolong ya Selebi Phikwe gompieno gone fa e leng bo *number three shaft*, ke fa go neng go bidiwa gotwe African Mall. Go ne ga thubelwa batho golo fale gotwe go dirwa *number three shaft*. Le fa e ne ya se ka ya fela *number three shaft* tsa lefatshe le lotlhe, e ngathile ntlha e nngwe. Ba ba gakologelwang, ba tlaa gakologelwa ka *case* ya ga Jimmy Isaac kana Edmore Isaac Brothers Organisation vs BCL (Ltd) e e neng e batla *compensation* ba bo latlhegelwa ke *case* ya go nna jalo gotwe ga o ka ke wa phimolwa keledi gabedi. Dikago tsotlhe tse batho ba neng ba di agile gone fale di bo di thubiwa, fa godimo ga fa go sena go nna go fuduswa batho ka mafudiso a bone. Diemo tse di ntseng jaana go bo go felela go *impoverish* ba ba neng ba le foo go feta.

Fa o re o a lebelela o tswa o ya kwa Mmadinare ke gone mo bosheng jaana o bonang e kete go nna botokanyana, *smelter* se sena go tswalwa. *Smelter* se ne sa senya tikologo ele mo go sa nnang sentle. Go tlie go tsaya nako for kgaolo ele to *recover*. Metsi a santse a pompiwa gompieno a tsenelela mo *number three shaft*, ke metsi a a santseng a tletsese leswe.

Bagaetsho, re tshwanetse gore re ne re akanya gore fa re dira ditlhabololo, re netefatsa gore batho ba ba mo ditlhabololo di leng teng, ba tshwanetse gore e nne bone ba ba *benefit because* ke bone ba arametseng manokonoko a ditlhabololo tseo. Ba ba balang ba tlhaloganya ka *the rights and follow the African Peasantry* ka seemo se se neng se diragala le kwa Gauteng. Fa le simolola le nna le ditlhabololo, go ne go tla batho ba tsena ka ditlhabololo, batho ba kgona go tsaya mashinyana ba ya go rekisa koo ba dira eng. E le bone batho ba ba tshwanang le batho ba rona ba dikgaolo tsa kwa bo Mmadinare le tse di tshwanang le tsa bo Orapa le Jwaneng. Se se teng gompieno o fitlhela e le gore le gone kwa bo Kimberley, go tletsese mafuti, go tlogetswe mabadi a re ka se kang ra a bua mo Ntlong e e ntseng jaana, ke a a neng a sa nna sentle. Re itse tse di diragalang, Rre Nkawana o a itse, fa e santse e le makawana fa gotwe go a hirwa kwa Phikwe, ba ne ba ya koo ba ya go bona dilo tse di neng di sa nna sentle. Dithipa tse di neng di lela koo *because* go na le dikgang tse di ntsintsi, lefoko la bo suna papa o ne a goroga, e le gore go diragala dilo tse di sa nnang sentle gone kwa. *These things* di a diragala fa go tlisiwa ditlhabololo tse di tllang gothle di ntse jalo.

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

MR MOHWASA: O a itse fa o bona a tshega jaana gore ke bua selo se se boammaaruri. Se se leng teng se ke se buang...

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

MR MOHWASA: Nnyaa, se nkgaoganye le Rre Nkawana, ke mogolole, ga se suna papa...

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

MR MOHWASA: ...jaanong selo se ke se buang ke gore rotlhe re le setshaba re dumalane gore re tshwanetse go sekaseka re bone gore re tsamaisa dilo ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Fa go na le ditlhabololo bogolo jang batho ba ba mo kgaolong eo, fa re tlaa jaaka Puso e dirile thulaganyo ya gore e ye go lebelela batho ba ba kokonelwang bao, go tshwanetse gore go nne le tsela nngwe ya gore le bone ba thusiwe gore manokonoko a a tllang le ditlhabololo ba kgone gore ba itshireletse ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Ke dikgang tse re tshwanetse gore re bu e ka tsone mme ga re a tshwanelwa gore fa re di leba bagaetsho, sengwe se se tla dirang boikuelo mo go rona le ba ba kwa lethakoreng le le ka kwa, gore dikgang tse di ntseng jaana jaaka o bona re amogela le mogopolo wa gago Motlotlegi Lucas, a re nneng le



mowa oo rotlhe, gore mathata a rona re tshwaragane le one le setshaba, mathata fa a tsena, ga a tle a botsa gore *membership card* ya gago e fa kae gore ke bo simolola ke ka tla ka tsena mo lelwapeng. Ke mathata a re tshwanetseng go a tshwaraganelo re kgone gore re a rarabolole re le baeteledipele, ka mowa o mongwe fela. Bogolo jang fa re nnile le *opportunity* e e tshwanang le e re nang le yone ya gompieno. Ga re ise re nne le *opportunity* e mo nakong epe fa e sale ka 1966 ya gore re le setshaba re ikage sesha. Re ikagile sesha ka 1965, gompieno re ikaga sesha ka 2024, *opportunity* e ke ya rona. Le ba ba neng ba busa ba nna le nako ya gore ba dule mo go buseng le ba sireletseng, jaanong ba kgona to reflect and introspect. Bona jaaka le gompieno le go na le megopoloo e tlaabong e tswa ka bo Rre Pule e e buang ka gore go epiwe didiba, e e neng e le gore ngogola ba ne ba dumela gore ga go a tshwanela gore go epiwe didiba golo mo, golo mo re tshwanetse gore re ba fe *opportunity*, re se ka ra ba shaota, re ba kgothatse.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Ba tsetswe sesha!

MR MOHWASA: Ee, ba tsetswe sesha. Megopoloo e ba neng ba e gana mo dingwageng tse di fetileng, a re ba rotloetseng ba tle ka yone e neng rona re e tsisa gore re kgone gore re ye kwa pele re le setshaba sa Botswana. Ga go *benefit* ba phathi e fela fa re dira dilo ka tsela e e tlhamaletseng, go *benefit* lefatsheng la Botswana. Re ka kgona gore re tswelele re ye kwa pele Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke tsaya gore fa go beilwe nako Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ga go beelwe gore re e minolose, le fa go santse go na le nako, motho o ka ema. Ke a leboga go bo o mphile sebaka.

MR MOTAOSANE: A-a! O ntimile *elucidation* nako e le ntsi jaana?

MR KEKGONEGILE (MAUN EAST): Ke dire jang? Ke truncate kana...

MR SPEAKER: Hang on Honourable Kekgongile. Leader of the House, ke ne ke kile ka botsa earlier on gore kana ke le jetse nako ya about 25 minutes ya health break, jaanong ga ke itse gore a le a mo tsenya kana le tlaa tswelela beke e e tlang? Leader of the House.

LEADER OF THE HOUSE (MR MOHWASA): A-a! Tla ke reetse, Lucas o a gana a re go Labotlhano, nna ke ne ke re go Labotlhano, e tlaa oketswa beke e e tlang.

MR KEKGONEGILE: Tanki Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, re mo Tshutisong ya ga Honourable Lucas e e buang ka ditshwanelo le go lekalekanwa ga batho mo lefatsheng,

e se batho fela, e le dikgaolo ka go farologana. Kana Botswana ke a signatory to Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the United Nations 2030 Agenda. Maloko a United Nations ba dumalane ka 2015 gore go tshwanela ke gore jaanong go lebelelwé ditlhabololo mme go lebelelwé le ditlhabololo tsa motho le botshelo jwa motho lefatsheng ka bophara gore a mme batho ba tshela sentle, a mananeo a a leng teng a ga Goromentle le makgotla a e seng a ga Goromentle ba dira gore batho ba kgone go tshela sentle kana jang.

Mo go raya gore rotlhe mafatshe e bile re le mo Botswana jaana, the 17 Goals tse re di beilweng pele, tse re dumalaneng natso gore re ya go di diragatsa go tokafatsa motho mo lefatsheng la Botswana, tse di ganeletseng thata mo go fetseng lehuma, di ganeletseng thata mo go reng kgokgontsho... di ganeletseng thata mo go reng ba bangwe go bewa ka fa mosing, a ke ka itsholelo, botsogo kana dikole di tle di kgone go rarabololwa gore botsogo le thuto, botshelo fela in general, bo kgone go tokafala mo lefatsheng ka bophara. Le go fokotsa tlhoko go lekana, a ke fa gare ga ga mme le rre, a ke fa gare ga morafe ofe le morafe ofe, a ke fa gare ga ga mogolo le monana kana jang fela gore tlhoka tekatekano e, e kgone go emisiwe.

Ke sone se e leng gore Tshutiso e, e bua ka sone. Ke dumela gore rotlhe re tlhaloganya seemo sa gore lefatsheng la rona when it comes to inequality, it is amongst the highest fa go tliwa mo gare ga dipharologanyo fa gare ga batho, thatathata ba ba itsholetseng le ba ba sa itsholelang. Mogopoloo fa o tla o ntse jaana, ga re re o atle, re o beef-up gore yo o tlaabong a o tsaya e bong Honourable Ramaotswana, a ye go o diragatsa mme a utlwile megopoloo ya rona. Ke matshwanedi gore mogopoloo o o diragatswe ka gore malobanyana fela jaana ka 2024 fa United Nations ba sekaseka gore gone SDGs di tsamaya fa kae ka tiragatso ya tsone, ba fitlhets e le gore targets tse di leng teng, only 17 per cent ya tsone di diragaditswe ke mafatshe ka go farologana. Go raya gore more than 50 per cent, go santse go le kwa tlasetlase, ga go ise go diragale sepe. Motho o ka ipotsa gore mme fa o re targets more than 50 per cent go le kwa tlase, go tewa jang? Kana targets ke tsone tsa tokafatso ya botsogo, thuto, ditiro le gore go lekalekanwa, jalojalo. Dilo tse fa di sa diragatswe, go raya gore matshelo a dingalo. Motion o o leka go botsa rona re le mo Palamenteng e le rona ba re diragatsang melao le policies gore mme mo lefatsheng la Botswana, ke eng re sa diragatse? A mme fa re sa diragatse jaaka re lemoga gore ga re diragatse jaana, a ga se nako jaanong

gore Goromente a ntshe lekoko la go ya go sekaseka gore *inequality* e, e dirwa ke eng e bile e diragala kae thata? *What are the protocols and processes that can address this inequality go leka gore tekatekanyo ka mofuta ope fela, a ke ka itsholelo, a ke ka eng, e kgone go nna teng?* Mme fela...

MR MOTAOSANE: *Elucidation. Thank you sir. Thank you Honourable Kekgonegile, o e tshwere sentle fa o bua ka the 17 Agenda ya SDGs. Go na le e nngwe ke e e very very important, jaaka fa re bua ka go tlhoka tekatekanyo, o leba jang kgang e e tshwanang le ya bathokomedi ba banalebogole ba e leng gore they take care of them for 24 hours, bone ra reng ka bone? Thank you sir.*

MR KEKGONEGILE: Tanki Honourable Motaosane. O bua ka SDG No. 10 e buang ka *reduced inequalities*, ke jone bothata jo bo leng teng jaaka yo o neng a sutisa a bua kgantele gore ke gore fa o lebeletse batho ba ba nang le bogole mo lefatsheng la rona fa re lebile ditiro, meamuso le *access to land* mme re lebile gore bone le rona ga re ka ke ra kgona to compete for resources, mananeo a re nang nao mo lefatsheng la Botswana, ga a *enough* gore a ka kgontsha batho ba. Re tshwanelia ke gore go nne le bo *Affirmative Action* e e leng gore ba nna le *easy access to lefatshe* le *easy access to jobs*. Re tshwanelia ke gore go nne le *Social Responsibility* mo dikomponeng tse di farologaneng lefatshe ka bophara tse di ba pateletsang gore ba hire banalebogole mo dikomponeng tsa bone.

Fa o ya kwa dikoleng gompieno, bana ba dikole ba ba nang le bogole ba a *graduate*, mme ba mo malwapeng fela, fa dikompone di hira, di batla ba ba siameng fela, bone ga ba ba tseye. Fa o lebelela gape kwa dikoleng, o ya go fitlhela gore ga go na *teacher aides* gompieno jaana mo *classes* tsa bana ba banalebogole. *When it comes to examination time, ga go na teacher aides* fa ba kwala *examinations but go na le bangwe ba rutwa ka teacher aides. Yes, banalebogole rra, it is a component ya serious inequalities* mo lefatsheng la rona e e leng gore e okeditse le lone lehuma tota. Ba ba tlhokometseng are doing a 24-hour job, ga ba tswe ka dijarata, ba tshwanelwa ke gore go nne le *Affirmative Programme* fela e e lebaganeng le *guardians* tsa banalebogole. Tanki Honourable Motaosane, it was one of my notes.

Fa re bua ka SDG ya *Justice and Strong Institutions*, kana rona kwa Maun East, re a gakgamala gore ke gore morago ga dingwaga tse 20, re santse re ntse re bua kgang ya gore batho ba Disana ga ba ise ba duelwe

ba sena go nna ba fudusiwa kwa lebaleng la *flying machines* la Maun. Ba tswa kwa bo Botshabelo ba ya kwa Disaneng, le gompieno ga ba ise ba duelwe *after 20 years*. Mme ga o ka ke wa utlwalela dilo tse gope gape. Ke gone kwa dikgaolong tsa rona kwa, kwa e leng gore ga re tsewe tsia teng.

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

MR KEKGONEGILE: Fa o lebelela babereki ba ba itshekang fa re bua ka *justice, Court Orders* di dintsii, Goromente ga a duele.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Ba a fonya mme ga ba fonye sepe.

MR KEKGONEGILE: *They win but go tshwana fela le fa ba sa win cases tsa bone. A ke private kana Goromente, go tshwana fela. Fa o lebelela rona ba re tshelelang mo *human/wildlife conflict* gore for the past 20 years re bua ka gore dituelo tse ke matsana, di a re humanegisa... Ke gore podi fela gotwe e jelwe ke tau o bo o duelwa P200.*

HONOURABLE MEMBER: P157!

MR KEKGONEGILE: P157, gatwe o ye go dira eng ka ene? Dilo tse di humanegisa rona ba dikgaolo tse re tshelelang mo bojanaleng. O tlaa fitlhela ke utlwela Motlotlegi Lucas botlhoko a ntse a re o a go tlhola dinku le dipodi, ke re kana fa a ne a di ruile kwa go rona o ka ba a inela fela gone fa a sa nke a ya kwa, ka di ka bo di jelwe tsotlhe fela go sena se a ka netlang.

Clean water and sanitation; 50 per cent ya Maun letsatsi le letsatsi e reka metsi, a seyo. Mme le fa a le teng ke metsi a a leswe a a sa nwiegeng.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: A letswai!

MR KEKGONEGILE: A letswai, tanki.

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Elucidation!

MR KEKGONEGILE: E tshaile. Fa re bua ka *good health and wellbeing* fa re ya kwa Letsholathebe gompieno jaana ke mathata, ga go na *specialists*, ga go na eng. Letsholathebe operates jaaka *primary healthcare rather than a referral hospital* ya *district* kana *region*. Ke ntse ke bua le Mothusa Tona gompieno gore, kana kwa jaanong koloi ya *dental is parked*, ga go na *battery*. *Dental Therapist* re na le ditilo tse tharo, where three people could be operating, o one, yo mongwe konteraka ya gagwe e a fela ka Labobedi. Go raya gore re tlaabo



re bereka ka motho a le one, 10 people will be operated ka letsatsi, go na le capacity ya bo 30:50. Ke dilo tse di diragalang fela kwa go rona. Ka kwano, nnyaa ba ba ntsintsi fela. Ke sone se Motion o se buang gore, kante ke eng kwa dikgaolong tse dingwe ditirelo e se tsone fela sentle. Fa o lebelela kwa kgaolong ya rona kwa bolwetse jwa diphilo, kwa go rona gore motho o a tlhokafala ka diphilo *is a norm. We have the highest cases* ka ntata ya metsi a le tse dingwe fela jalo. *I support this Motion Mr Speaker.*

MR HIKUAMA: *Procedure Mr Speaker.* Ke a leboga Honourable Speaker. Ke gore fa ke lebeletse, ke reeditse, go a dumalanwa, ga ke ise ke bone ope yo o gananang le one. A mme ga o dirise dithata tse di leng mo go wena gore bogolo we conclude it gompieno, o bo o neela...o oketsa, ka o na le thata ya go ka oketsa metsotsonyana, then we conclude it, re neela the responder to respond, ka gore ga go na pharologanyo, re a dumalana. Let us conclude and save nako, re nne efficient ka fa re dirisang nako ya rona ka teng.

MR SPEAKER: Ee, ga ke batle go nna o kare ke le kgoreletsa to debate.

ASSISTANT MINISTER OF HEALTH (MR OOKEDITSE): Ke a leboga Mr Speaker. Ke tle ke itumelele Motion wa ga Honourable Lucas, ka ke dumela thata gore ke Motion o o nang le kutlwelobothhoko e e tshwanetseng go nna teng. Kana Honourable Lucas o rata gore fa o tlhasela...

HONOURABLE MEMBER: Elucidation!

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

MR OOKEDITSE: Ga ke ise ke bo ke simolole, elucidate.

MR SPEAKER: Order! Order! Honourable Members. Honourable Members, as it is now 12:30 p.m. I shall now call upon the Leader of the House to move a Motion of adjournment.

MOTION

ADJOURNMENT

LEADER OF THE HOUSE (MR MOHWASA): Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke ne ke re mo motheong o ke kope gore ke sutise gore Ntlo e e ye boikhutsong kana e phatlalale ka e feditse dikgang tsa tsone tsa letsatsi. Ke a leboga.

Question put and agreed to.

The Assembly accordingly adjourned at 12:30 p.m. until Monday 31st March, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.



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