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Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2022

THE ASSEMBLY met at 11:00 a.m.

(THE SPEAKER in the Chair)

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ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE

(CHAIRPERSON in the Chair)

**APPROPRIATION (2022/2023) BILL,  
2022 (NO. 2 OF 2022)**

**ORGANISATION 0800 – MINISTRY OF  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND RURAL  
DEVELOPMENT**

(Resumed Debate)

**MR CHAIRPERSON (MR MOATLHODI):**

Honourable Members, the debate on this organisation is resuming, I shall call the Honourable Minister to reply to the debate at 12:05 p.m. today and the question will be put at 12:35 p.m. When the House adjourned yesterday, Honourable Mmusi was on the floor and he was left with 2 minutes, 55 seconds.

**MINISTER OF DEFENCE, JUSTICE AND  
SECURITY (MR MMUSI):** Mma ke go dumedise

*Mr Chairperson.* Ke dumedise batlotlegi mo mosong o. Ke bo ke eleletse bomme ba Palamente e, letsatsi le le molemo la bomme...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** You are not very audible, please come closer to your microphone Honourable Minister.

**MR MMUSI:** *Thank you Mr Chairperson.* Mma ke dumedise mo mosong wa letsatsi. Ke bo ke eleletse bomme ba Palamente e, le bomme lefatshe ka kakaretso, letsatsi le le ntle la bomme.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Honourable Minister, re santse re na le mathatanyana a go go utlwa, ga ke itse gore a ke bana ba me ka kwano, mma re leke go ikgabetsa re tlaa tlaa kwa go wena.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Rona re a go utlwa ka kwano.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Fa *Chairperson* a sa mo utlwe, ga go na recording e e ka nnang teng.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Mrejo, what can I do without you Reggie. Just try again Honourable Minister Mmusi.

**MR MMUSI:** Mma ke go dumedise Modulasetilo. Ke a utlwala mongwame?

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** ... (Afrikaans)... please continue.

**MR MMUSI:** Tanki ... (Afrikaans)... Mma ke go dumedise Modulasetilo mo mosong o. Ke bo ke eleletse bomme ba Palamente e, le bomme lefatshe ka kakaretso, letsatsi le le ntle la bomme. Maabane fa ke wela, ke ne ke santse ke bua ka motse wa Fikeng o ke neng ke kopa Tona gore a re akanyetse go re simololela *primary school*. Le fa a ka simolola ka *classes* tse di kwa tlase ka gore bana ba tsamaya sekgele se se leelee go tswa kwa motseng wa Fikeng ba ya Mmankgodi.

Mma ke tsene mo *infrastructure development*; re ne ra bona ditlhabololo kwa motseng wa Gabane. *Infrastructure development* ya ditsela le dipone tsa *solar*. Re lebogile fela thata *Honourable Minister Autlwetse* le bomonnao. Rraetsho, ke a itse gore *project* e setse e wela, mme mo malatsing o re fe letsatsi re ye go dikologa mmogo, re bone gore re tsamaile jang, ga go a tsamaya sentle fa kae. Ke leboga gore e rile mo ngwageng one o wa madi, ke a bona le mo pegong ya gago ka madi a Economic Recovery and Transformation Plan (ERTP), gore re tlaa tsenyediwa seknotere mo ...

...Silence...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Honourable Mmusi?

**MR MMUSI:** Ehe! Ke boile jaanong, ke a utlwala?

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Welcome back.

**MR MMUSI:** *Thank you.* Ke ne ke re ke lebogela gore mo pegong ya ga Tona, o re file madi a gore re tsenyediwa seknotere mo motseng wa Lesirane le Tsolamosese. Ke dumela gore e tlaa nna 25 kilometers wa *internal roads*. Re a leboga. Re na le metse e tshwana le Metsimotlhabe le Mmankgodi, ke e kopela gore le yone tlhe e bone *internal roads* rraetsho mo ngwageng o. Mma ke wele ka gore nako e setse e tshaile. Ke eleletse Tona Autlwetse le bomonnawe ba ba fetsang go neelwa maemo a go tlhokomela lephata le, masego le matlhagonolo mo tirong ya bone. Ba e dire ka manontlholtlo. Ke ba ema nokeng mo Tshutisong e ba e beileng ya go kopela lephata la bone madi. Ke a leboga Modulasetilo.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Re a leboga Motlotlegi Tona. Ke lebega letsatsi leno ke apeile *mboza* ka segaetsho.



Ke ne ke tshotse *list* ya Batlotlegi Mapalamente ba me ba ke ba ratang *on the other side*, ba ke ba kwalelwang ke Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Ghanzi South. Ga ke e bone, ke rile ba ye go mpatlala yone. Ke itse gore letsatsi leno fa pele ga ga Motlotlegi Lesedi go na le mongwe *Honourable Motsamai*, ga ke itse gore ke mang? Fa ke santsa ke emetse *folder*, ke kopa le intshwarele batlotlegi ba me, mmang ke bitse *Honourable Lesedi*, ke ene ke mo gopolang gore o *mo list*, ga se ka lepe. *Honourable Member for Serowe South...*

...Silence...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Fa a seyo mo Ntlong *Mr Chairperson*, ga ke itse gore a Motsamai o ne a setse a buile, le ene o teng mo *list* le *Honourable Gobotswang*.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** I think I take your advice Honourable Leader of the Opposition (LOO), thank you very much. Honourable Member for Sefhare-Ramokgonami!

...Silence...

**DR GOBOTSWANG:** I am sorry Mr Chairperson, I was not aware that I was in the list.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Ema pele fa o santsa o se aware. Now you are aware. Honourable Lesedi o tsile. Ya go ipaakanya mokaulengwe wa me. Mma ke bitse Honourable Lesedi. I am still waiting for the list, mme e tlaa re *list* e tla I will be aware from panicking.

**MR MOTSAMAI:** Procedure Mr Chairperson. Mr Chairperson, fa e le gore ke dipuisanyo tsa Local Government, go na le Moswaane, Mathoothe, Lesedi le Kekgonegile.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you Honourable Member.

**MR SALESHANDO:** My apologies Mr Chairperson. I was looking at Agricultural Development. Rre Motsamai is correct, *ke ne ke lebile e sele. E e teng ke ya Local Government. Maina a a buileng ke one*. My mistake.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** No problem Honourable Leader of the Opposition (LOO). I have already called upon Honourable Lesedi, let him take the slot.

**MR LESEDI (SEROWE SOUTH):** Ke go leboge Modulasetilo. Ke go dumedise mo mosong ono. Ke supe gore ka boammaaruri ke ne ke eleditse gore ke tle ke latlhele tlhwara legonnyana. Mma pele rra ke

simolole ke supe gore mo kopong e re e beilweng pele fano e Modulasetilo, ke e ema nokeng. Gongwe mafoko a ke tlaa dirisang ke gore mma pele ke reye Tona ke re mo go iseng ditirelo kana go atumetsa ditirelo kwa setshabeng, ke mo eme nokeng. Fa o gakologelwa o boela fa moragonyana fale, re kile ra bua ka khansele, bogolo jang e tshwana le ya Central District Council (CDC). Ke re gongwe mo lemmeng le a tlaabong a le kopa letsatsi leno a le neelwa, a a tlhomamise kana a itse gore re mo eme nokeng gore a ye go kgaoganya *sub-districts* tse e nne *fully-fledged districts*. Gongwe golo mo go tlaa thusa gore dithhabololo di atumele kwa bathong.

Fa o tsaya motse wa Serowe ke efa sekai fela, re na le bothata gone jaana jwa *internal roads*. Ditsela tsa Serowe gotlhelele tse di *under Local Government*, ga di tsamaege. Tse di kileng tsa ne gotwe di dirilwe ka sekondere ke mafuti fela. Ke tsaya gore le ene Tona o a itse ka gore o tshelela gone mo motseng ole. Rraetsho, ke supe gore ke go eme nokeng. A e re mo lemmeng le o tlaabong o le filwe le o bone gore gongwe kwa phelelong ya letsatsi *sub-districts* tse e nne *districts* gore di tle di nne le *budget* e re ka reng kwa morago fa re e leba ra bona le fa ntswa e ka se ka ya kgontsha gore go dirwe tsotlhe tse di akantsweng mme gongwe e ne e ka suteletsa botoka go nale jaaka fa go ntse letsatsi leno.

Ke supe gore fa re santsa re le foo, rraetsho ke efa sekai; Dikgotla tsa metse ya gago jaaka ke ka fa sekai ka motse wa Sehunou le Mabuo, Dikgotla tse ke Dikgotla leina. Ga di na gope fa bodiredi jo bo tsenelang teng, bogolo jang diofisi, maobo fa pula e na le matlwana a re ka a lebang e le one a motho a ka kgonang go itapolosetsa mo go one. Fa o lebelela *situation* e batho ba tshelelang mo go yone e bothhoko thata rraetsho. A ko o lebe gore a fa o ntse o tsutlaganya jaana, go ka se ke go go kgontshe gore Dikgotlana tsa mofuta o, o di ele tlhoko. Kgotsa ya Mabuo, yone ntlyonyana e ba neng ba a tle ba tsene mo go yone e lebega e le ofisi, *it has long been boarded. Cracks* tsa yone fa o le ka kwa teng o bona motho yo o ka kwa ntle kana motho yo o ka kwa ntle o bona motho yo o ka kwa teng. Go ne go ka bo go le botoka fa nne yo o ka kwa teng a bona yo o ka kwa ntle mme go nna maswe fa yo o ka kwa ntle a bona yo o ka kwa teng. Ke re gongwe diemo tse re bone gore di nna diphatsa go le kana ka eng mo bathong ba ba a bong ba beilwe foo ke Puso gore ba tsamaise ditirelo tsa letsatsi le letsatsi mo motseng.

Fa ke kgabaganya, go na le Dikgosana rraetsho jaaka fa bangwe ba setse ba buile ba ba saleng ba go gadimile. Ke na le Kgosana yo o kwa Ramakolo yo o



ntshwenyang letsatsi le letsatsi a supa gore go lebega jaaka e kete kgang e tsile kwa go wena mme a leba jaaka e kete ga o eletse gore a felele a thusiwa. Ke re diemo tse mo lemmeng leo a ko o bone gore ba ba santseng ba saletse kwa morago o ba dira jang gore ba bone sengwe  
*Mr Chairperson.*

Sengwe sa dilo tse ke ka fetang ka tsone ke dikole. A ko e tle e re jaaka fa o tsutlaganya jaana, o lebe dikole. Dikole di mo seemong fela se e leng gore bontsinyana jwa tsone... kana fa o ka gakologelwa gore bontsinyana jwa tsone ke tse di saleng di agilwe mo dingwageng tse dintsintsi tse di kwa morago. Fa o tsaya dikole di tshwana le bo Simon Ratshosa le Manonnye Primary tse di neng tsa agiwa ka mmu ole o nneng ditena tsa teng di apewa, jaanong fa o ya go lebelela gompieno o fitlhela e le gore *notice boards* ga di sa tlhole di le teng, di jelwe ke motlhwa. Le tsone di mo seemong se di tlhokang gore *maintenance* e nne sengwe sa dilo tse di ka lejwalejwang. Dikole tse Tona fa le ne le ka re le riana la di leba, gongwe go ne go ka tlisa botsogo gare ga barutabana le bana gore le bone ba tle ba kgothale mo tirong e e tlaabong e ba lebane ya letsatsi le letsatsi. Diemo tse Tona, ke tsone tse re lelang ka tsone.

Fa ke santse ke le foo, gongwe re itemogela gore go na le dipalopalo tse di oketsegileng, bogolo jang mo metseng ya rona. Fa o tsaya motse o tshwana le Radisele, bana ba e leng gore re ntse re lebile gore ba ka tsewa kwa Radisele Primary, ba oketsegile ka dipalo ka gore metse ya bone le yone *on daily basis* dipalo tsa yone di a gola tota. Ke ne ke re a re lebe Tona gore fa go kgona falang teng ka gore ga re ka ke ya ne e kete re ttle go rulaganyetsa mo Palamenteng, gongwe o lebe gore bogolo go ka okediwa *classrooms* tsa kwa *primary* gore bana ba tle ba kgone go bona diphatlha go santse go lebilwe gore go ka tsenngwa sekole sa bobedi ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Diemo tse Tona ke tsone tse re eletsang gore o di lebe le ba ofisi ya gago le bone gore le ka thusa jang.

Sengwe sa dilo tse di tshwenyang gape ke gore Tona a ga go na tsela epe e o ka lebang ka yone, bogolo jang fa re lebile mo ditiragalong tse o fitlhelang e le gore bana ba tsena dikole ba tswa kgakala. Ga go ise go tle. Ke a itse gore le kile la dira maiteko a re neng re a lebogela a gore le bo le ne le tsentse dikotsekara tsa ditonki. Kana tota rotlhe re lemogile gore ga go tshwarege, ga go kgonege ka gore kwa phelelong ya letsatsi o fitlhela dikotsekara tse jaanong di tsamaya ditsela tse e leng gore gongwe ga se tsa tsone. Kgabagare ditonki tsa teng tsa felela

tse dingwe di swela gone koo kwa go a tleng go itisiwe teng. Ke re gongwe a ga le ise le tle mo seemong kana ga o ise o tle Tona mo seemong sa gore o lebe gore ka golo mo ga go gontsi mo go kalo, a ga go na tsela epe e go ka buisanwang le bangwe ba e ne e re gongwe kgwedi e fela go nna le ka fa Goromenta a neng a ka thusa ka teng? Ke raya ke lebile gore go ka emisetswa madi a sekotsekara kana a dikotsekara tseo ka teng. Gongwe ga nna le mongwe yo o tlaabong a feta ka tsela yo o kaneng a pega bana bao. Kana ke go ba pega maphakela le maitseboa fa dikole di tswa. Ke raya gore fa gongwe o fitlhela diemo di mna thata mo e leng gore o fitlhela e kete batsadi le Goromenta ba lebega ba lotlhana ka dilo tse e leng gore fa e ne e ka re kwa morago la di leba ka tsela nngwe Tona, gongwe go ne go ka thusa *Mr Chairperson.* Ke raya gore ke e leba jalo gore bana ba a sokola, bogolo jang fa o bapisa tsela mo maphakeleng. Bana ba tswang kwa bo Makoro, Thebane, Modoole le Madiaela e le gore ba bapisisitse sekondere go leka go tsamaelwa kwa Radisele. E le gore e tlaa re fa e le gore ga ba a kgona go bona sepe sepagamo ba bo ba ka kgona go ya go tsena kwa Radisele ka nako e setse e ba tshwere Tona. Ke re tsone dilo tse a re di lebeng ka tsela e e ntseng jalo re bone gore re ka di tokafatsa ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Fa ke ya kwa go ya bofelo e ke nang nayo ya dikhansele ke re Tona a re lebeng gore a ga go na tsela epe e di tshwanetseng gore di nne *independent* ka teng. Gongwe re lebile gore kana dikhansele mo dinakong tse tsotlhe, di itsheegile fela ka *ministry* wa gago. Ntleng le *ministry* wa gago o fithele go le thata mo dikhansele tse dingwe gore di itirele madi ka tsela epe fela. Go bo go raya gore ditlhabololo tse dingwe tse re di lebang e kete di saletse kwa morago, tse go ne go ka raya gone gore gongwe mo mabakang a gore dikhansele di bo di ikemetse, di bo di ka kgona go itirela letseno ka ditsela dipe fela, a bo e le gore di ka kgona go itirela letseno gore fa o tlaabo o ise o ba gopole, kana se o tlaa bong o ba gopotse ka sone ga se a lekana e bo e le gore go na le ditsela tse ba ka kgongang go tsweledisa ditlhabololo, bogolo jang kwa metseng. Gompieno jaana dilo tsotlhe fela tse di amanang le dikhansele, go raya gore selelo tsotlhe fela re se tlisa kwa go wena.

Mme o gopole gore fa re bua ka metse e e okametsweng ke dikhansele e, mengwe ya yone ga se metse fela jaaka o ka akanya, ke mafatshe a a tlhokang gore ka bo one a bo ditlhabololo tsa one tsa letsatsi le letsatsi of tsweletse. Ke raya gore tsone dilo tse Tona a re di lebe ka sebopego seo kwa phelelong ya letsatsi, re bone gore ditlamelo tse



le fa di ka bo di sa lekane, mme go supega gore sengwe se a direga. Kana gompieno fa o tsaya motse o tshwana le wa Serowe, o e leng gore ga gona taolo ya kgopho ya metsi a pula, metsi a pula a tsamaya fela le o dira maiteko otlhe jaana a gore gongwe fa o ka bong o kgonne teng go dirwe ditsela bogolo jang tsa *paving* tse re neng re di bona bontsi jwa nako di tla ka Constituency Community Projects (CCP). O fitlhela metsi a felela a tlola gongwe le gongwe ka gore le ditsela tse fa gongwe fa di dirwa o fitlhela e kete bogakolodi jwa ma*Engineers* le jone ga bo tsepame. E le gore metsi a jaanong a tsaya ditsela tse. Go raya gore letsatsi le letsatsi re boa re dira selo se le sengwe fela, se re ka bong re dumela gore mo nakong ele fa e ne e rile se dirwa sa dirwa e le sa sennelaruri go ka bo go fokoditse ditshenyegelo tse di kalokalo. Ke raya gore ke ne ke e leba jalo mme rraetsho ke supa gore ke go eme nokeng, a e re lemme le jaaka fa re lela jaana le o le neelwang o ye go le dirisa gore gongwe le tle le fokotse matshwenyego le dilelo tsa Batswana. Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Re a leboga rraarona, Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Serowe Borwa, Tshetlhong le Mogatsapoo di le mo teng.

**MR LESEDI:** Go ntse jalo *Mr Chairperson*.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** The next speaker, shall be the Honourable Assistant Minister of Health and Wellness. Honourable Lelatisitswe.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS (MR LELATISITSWE):** *Thank you so much Mr Chairperson and good morning. Mr Chairperson, mma ke leboge thata go bo o mphile sebaka se morago ga lebaka le le leele ke ntse ke tlolwa ke laene. Sa ntsha ke leboge Minister wa rona Rre Kgotsa Autlwetse gore a bo a filwe maemo a a filweng, ka e bile e le motho yo o ntseng Mokhanselara lebaka le le leele. E bile a berekile thata mo dikgannyeng tse tsa Local Government. Ke re seo ke se mo leboge. Ke rialo ke re to bomme a ba itumele mo letsatsing la bone. Sa ntsha ke supe jalo gore rra, ke go eme nokeng gore madi a o a filweng a, I support you gore o bo o filwe madi a o a letsatsi leno o a kopang.*

Ke tabogele ka bofeso ka gore nako ga e yo kwa kgaolong e ke e emetseng *Mr Chairperson*, ke supe jalo gore rra, ke eme mo kgaolong e e nang le metse e le mmalwa Khwee, Mosu, Mokubilo, Mmea, Letlhakane le Makgaba. Makgaba e le motse o mosha o e leng gore ga o na le fa e le sepe se se leng teng kwa go one. Ke re a

e re mo *budget* e o kope bana ba gago ba lebe gore go ka dirwa eng teng. Ga gona le fa e le sekole, ga gona le fa e le sepe, mme bana ba metse eo ba tsamaya sekgele se se leele ba ya kwa motseng o ba bapileng le one. Kana ba bangwe *end up boarding* mme ba ngwega mo dikoleng, ka mabaka a gore e ya bo e le bana ba ba nnyennyane ba tlhoafalete batsadi ba bone. Selo se ke seemo se sengwe se se tshwenyang thata kwa kgaolong. Fa o tsaya motse o tshwana le Mokubilo, Khwee, Mmea le Mosu jalo, o fitlhela *primaries* tse di fitlhelwang koo, di onetse *Mr Chairperson, they are very old*. Ke gore di onetse fela thata mo di tlhokanang le *maintenance* o tlhoafetseng. Jaanong ke dingwe tsa dikgang tse go tlhokafalang gore o tsenye leitlho *Minister* mo dikgannyeng tse. Dikgaolo tse ke di buang tse ga se tse o sa di itseng, ke tse o di itseng.

Fa re tsena mo motseng o motona wa kgaolo ya Boteti o gotweng Letlhakane, ke tsentse dipotso tse dintsi thata mo Palamenteng ke supa jalo gore, dipalo tsa bana ba ba tsenang kwa *primary school* mo dikoleng tseo di fetile dikole. Ga gona sekole sepe mo Letlhakane se e leng gore bana mo sekoleng ba *less than 1, 300*. Ke gore fa ke tsaya dikole fela tsa bana ba ba tsenang dikole mo Letlhakane, di feta le dikgaolo tsa batlotlegi ba bangwe gone fa, *just the number of students* ba ba yang kwa *primary*. Seo se a go supegetsa...Ke supe jaana *Mr Chairperson* gore go a tlhokafala gore mo motseng wa Letlhakane go bo go le mo ditogamaanong tsa gore re nne le *primary schools* tse di tona di ka tshwara tharo, tse di ka agiwang. Ke kile ka dira *comparison* ke supa Letlhakane ke mo tshwantshanya le Ramotswa because the population e a lekana, o fitlhela e le gore Ramotswa o re sia ka *primary school* tse tharo. Jaanong dikgang tse di tshwanang le tse ke dikgang tse *Ministry of Local Government* o tshwanetseng go di lebelela.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O ko o iketlele Ramotswa, iketlele Ramotswa rraetsho!

**MR LELATISITSWE:** Nnyaa o mosha monna mo polotiking, ga o itse. Ramotswa o fitlhela a ntse a na le *primary schools* tseo...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Order! Order!

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ka re o iketlele Ramotswa rraetsho, bua ka...(inaudible)...fela o tswe mo Ramotswa.

**MR LELATISITSWE:** Dikgang tse tsa ditlhabololo re bua gantsi re re di tsamaya ka *population size*, ke ne ke tshwantshanya on the comparison ya *population size*.



Jaanong ba ba sha ba ba fitlhela dilo re ntse re di dirile. Fa o tsaya motse wa Letlhakane gape ke motse o mo botshelong jwa one o iseng o nne le *the internal...*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** You are out of order Honourable Member, you are out of order!

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Honourable Minister of Mines, give him chance please.

**MR LELATISITSWE:** Ga o ise o fiwe *the internal roads* mo tshimologong ya one. Ke ditsela fela tse di fetang. Tsela e ne e dirwa e ya Francistown, e tsenya tsela e fetang e tsena mo nnetlung, le tsela *that joins* go tswa mo tseleng e e tswang mo Serowe e ya kwa Francistown. Jaanong ke re *Minister*, dikgang tse ke tse ke di buang gantsi gore motse wa Letlhakane *is surrounded by mines*. Batho fa ba tsena kwa ba a gakgamala, le bone ba ba tletseng mo Palamenteng mo, gore ao! Motse o meepo e le kana mo go one ga o na le fa e le *the internal roads*. Ke ne ke utlwa mongwe a amogela 25 *kilometres* ya *internal roads* gone mo Palamenteng e. Ke dingwe tsa dilo tse re di tlhokang kwa motseng wa Letlhakane *like yesterday*. Motse o le o tlhabologa mo go menaganeng. Jaanong ke re, maloba re bone...

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

**MR LELATISITSWE:** ...(*Inaudible*)...go tsewa madi a ya go dira golo gongwe, *two years ago* re bone madi ao gape a tsewa a ya go dira golo gongwe, gone mo kgaolong ya *Central*. Re re a gompieno a tlhamalale kwa motseng wa Letlhakane a ye go dira *internal roads*. Le mo Development Plan ya National Development Plan (NDP) 12, ke sone se le rona re supileng jalo kwa Letlhakane gore re kopa *internal roads* gore di tsene mo nnetlung. Jaanong ga ke itse gore yo o buang o bua a le fa kae.

Legale Mr Chairperson, re supe gape rraetsho gore, mo kgaolong e ke tswang mo go yone e, dikgang tsa Bogosi rra di teng. Ke supe jalo gore motse o tshwana le wa Khwee, ke motse o e leng gore Kgosi o sale a tlhokafala, mme e bile go a tlhokafala tota mo bogompienong gore *Headman of Record at least* ba nne babedi. Fa o tsaya motse wa Mmatshumo o fitlhela e le gore Kgosi o a kgarakgatshega, o nosi. Le gone go a tlhokafala gore re nne le *two Headman of Records*, mme gape le diofisi tsa bone a di tlhokomelwe, ba fiwe ditlamelo. Tota lefatshe le tlhabologile, ke tsaya jalo gore *Tribal* ke lengwe la maphata a e leng gore ke one a simolotseng lefatshe le. Fa o a lebelela gompieno o ka bona e le

one a boetseng kwa morago. Kana Khansele e dirilwe morago ga *Tribal*, mme gompieno fa o tsaya mokwaledi wa Khansele le wa *Tribal* o fitlhela e le gore wa *Tribal* o mo *scale* se se kwa tlase, mme a lebeletse kgaolo e e lekanang le ya mokwaledi wa Khansele. Dilo tse ke tse di tshwanetseng go lebelwe, di godise serodumo sa bakwaledi ba. Jaanong gongwe ke gone mo o fithelang e le gore fa o tsaya *maintenance* ya Dikgotla, o re o lebelela dikoloi tsa bone ka fa di ntseng ka teng, di sa baakanngwe, ba sokola mo go kalokalo. Jaanong ke re dilo tse ke dingwe tsa dikgang tse re tshwanetseng go di lebelela.

Rra ke supe jalo gore ke wena o o neng o dira *consultation* kwa Boteti, Boteti is an old sub-district. Fa o tsaya motho a tswa Makalamabedi, Makalamabedi ke go bapa le kwa Maun, go bo gotwe a ye go saena kwa Serowe, fa a tsena kwa o fitlhela e le gore *officer* e a lwala mo go *fair* fela, o fitlhela e le gore motho yoo o ya go emaema. Ke re batho ba Boteti bottlhe ba go lebile gore ke wena yo o kareng kamoso wa re supegetsa jalo gore Boteti e nne a full-fledged district. Se e le go atametsa ditlamelo kwa bathong. Segolo fa motho a tswa Makalamabedi, a tla a felela mo Letlhakane ga a ka ke a tlhoka masika... mme fa a tswa kwa le *transport cost* fa gongwe a tlela selo sa P20 fela, a go feta a se tsamaela kwa Serowe, a dirisa madi a a seng kana ka sepe. Golo moo ke golo mo eleng gore re le batho ba Boteti re go lebile rra, go bona gore kgang e you can address it ka seemo se se ntseng jang.

Motse wa Letlhakane gape rraetsho, o le mo Boteti o godile. Re tswa kgakala re ntse re batla a fire brigade. Re kile ra re mo dingwageng tse pedi ra utlwa gotwe tshutshurutshutshuru gongwe e tlaa goroga, le gompieno ga gona sepe se se diragalang. Buildings tse di kwa tsele fa di tshwara molelo, di a lora ka gore ga gona a fire brigade.

*Storm water drainage*; motse ole ke o o tlalang ka metsi, diteraka le dikoloi tsa batho di a tshwara go sala go le maragaraga. Ke dingwe tsa dikgang tse re eletsang jalo gore le di ele tlhoko, le bone jalo gore *storm water drainage* e ka dirwa mo motseng o.

Kgang e nngwe e ke e buang ke ya gore Local Government is a big ministry but nako e gorogile ya gore re simolole go akanya ka dilo tse e leng gore ke tsa privatisation, go leka to privatise dilo tse dintsi thata. Go apaya kwa dikoleng ga ke dumele gore gompieno tota re tlhabologile go le kana, go pala eng gore re tsenye private companies di apeye mo primary schools tsa rona



gore Batswana ba hirwe, ba itirele ditiro tsa sennelaruri.

*Transport; gore khansele e bo e ntse e reka dikoloi, re fitlhela di kgotlhagane kwa bo Central Transport Organisation (CTO), go sena sepe se di se dirang. Fa o ka tsaya dikoloi tse e le gore o di rekisetsa a private company and engage private companies, gongwe o fitlhela e le gore khansele owns JCBs, graders le sengwe le sengwe; ke dilo tse di fetlweng ke nako. Batswana gompieno ba na le madi le these kind of equipment mme ke tse di tshwanetseng to be rented in the private sector. Ke ne ke rialo ke re dilo tse di ntseng jaana Minister, re tshwanetse gore re di lebelele, re leke to empower Batswana or the private sector gore e gole. Kamoso bone batho who serve khansele ba, e nna bone ba jaanong ba godileng ba ka dira ditiro tse dingwe. Jaanong ke ne ke re dikgang tse mo gongwe ke leboge yone project ya rona ya CCP gore e boetsa, gongwe le yone e tlaa ya go thusa go latlhela fale le fale mo dikgannyeng tsa ditsela le go phatlalatsa metlakase le metsi mo dikgaolong tsa rona.*

*Destitution; madi a a tsenang kwa dikgaolong tsa rona a mannyennyane rra, o ko o thuse foo. Ke a leboga.*

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you Honourable Assistant Minister of Health, thank you sir. You are going to be followed by the Honourable Minister responsible for Mineral Resources, Green Technology and Energy Security. Honourable Minister, please take your slot.

**MINISTER OF MINERAL RESOURCES, GREEN TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY SECURITY (MR MOAGI):** Ke a leboga Motlotlegi Modulasetilo. Ke dumalane le Motlotlegi Letsholathebe gore a name a ikadimile slot seo, ke tlaa tsaya sa gagwe. Ke baakanya mabaka mangwe gore ke tle ke bege (present). *Thank you sir.*

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** *Le e fane le le kwa Ga Ramotswa, thank you Honourable Minister. Honourable Minister responsible for Tertiary Education, as per your mutual agreement with your colleague.*

**MINISTER OF TERTIARY EDUCATION, RESEARCH, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR LETSHOLATHEBE):** *Thank you for your understanding Mr Chairperson. Ke go leboge fela thata, ke leboge Honourable Moagi gore o bo o mphile slot seo.*

Ke simolola ka go leboga Tona mo pegong ya gagwe e ke tsayang gore e ntle fela thata ka gore ministry o a o okametseng, ke o o botlhokwa mo matshelong a

rona a Batswana, segolobogolo rona ba re tswang kwa dikgaolong. Ke sengwe se re tlaa mo emang nokeng le go ya pele. Ke mo leboge ditiro dingwe tse di diragetseng; diphetogo tse di diragetseng tse di neng tsa begiwa ke *Minister wa Finance*. Ke tsaya gore o ne a na le karolo e ntsi mo go tsone; dikgang di tshwana le tsa Village Development Committees (VDCs), tsa bagodi; kokeletso ya madi. Ke a itse gore ga se a re ka tsayang gore a lekane mme re go leboge Tona gore o bo o ntse o leba batho ba ka gore ke bone tota ba ba re godisitseng, ba agile lefatshe le. Barutegi ba ba rutegileng ba rutegile ka madi a a neng a dirwa ke bagodi bao. VDCs ba tshwere lefatshe la rona, ke bone ba ba tshegeditseng metse le ditoro tsa rona jaaka Ward Development Committees (WDCs), e le dingwe tse ba di tshwereng.

Ke go leboge gore o lebagane le kgang ya to review the Affirmative Action Framework le the Remote Area Communities (RACS). Fa o ntse o lebaleba jalo Tona o atolose, o lebe le metse e mengwe e kwa dikgaolong tsa rona e ntseng e tlodisiwa matlho fa go tla gone kwa dikarolong tsone tsa go nna jalo. Metse e tshwana le bo Matopi le Patayamatebele, seemo sa yone tota se tshwanetse gore se lebalebiwe ka gore malwapa a le mantsintsi ka koo a tshwanetse gore a akarediwe mo dikarolong tse gore Batswana ba ba koo ba kgone to benefit le bone.

*Mr Chairperson, ke leboge Tona go bo a buile ka kgang ya gore CCP e tlaa tswelela. CCP e re tlwaetseng go itse re e bitsa re re the Community Projects, a e tswelele e thuse Batswana. Re dirile dilo di le dintsintsi ka Lenaneo le la CCP. Re kgonne go ka tokafatsa metse ya rona, ditlhabololo tse di neng di saletse kwa morago di tlaa kgona gore di tswelele. Ke sengwe se e leng gore ke rotloetse le Batswana gore a re direng projects tse di tlaa kgonang go tokafatsa matshelo a rona. Re encourage, especially the VDCs gore a re lebelele projects tse di ka tokafatsang matshelo a rona. Re se ka ra lebala big charming projects, tse re tlaa nnang re ipelafatsa gore re na le stadium le tse dingwe mme fela re sa se dirise gantsi. Ke re gongwe ke ba rotloetse khutlong tse nne tsa lefatshe gore a re lebeleleng dingwe tse di ka tokafatsang matshelo a rona.*

*Ke bapise se le transformation ya Ipelegeng gore that will be a good thing. Re tlhokana le gore Ipelegeng e fetoge, e tle e kgone go re thusa ditlhawatlha tse o fitlhelang di ile kwa godimo kwa dikgaolong. Le one madi a CCP fa a tswa o re a age sengwe kana a age LA2, o fitlhela e le gore prices tsa teng di kwa godimo fela thata. Fa*



Ipelegeng e ka tlhabolola, bana ba rona ba ba tseneng kwa *brigades* ba tsaya karolo, ga rutiwa Batswana gore ba kgone itshetsa ka dikitso tse ba tlaabong ba di tsere mo Ipelegeng, re ka ya golo gongwe.

*Mr Chairperson*, kgang ya *decentralisation* e Tona le ene a e tshepisa, ke sengwe se re se tlhokang fela thata. Kwa dikgaolong tsa rona o fitlhela e le gore batho ba felela ba ineela mo dilong tse dingwe tse ba neng ba ka kgona go bona thuso. Ba tsamaya mesepele e metelele, motho a tswa fela kwa Shashe Bridge a feta Francistown, a ya kwa Masunga ka kwa, o fitlhela e le gore go nna bokete mo go bone. Le yone metse e e ka kwa bo Siviya le Senyawe, o fitlhela e le gore ba tsaya dithuso tsa bone tse ba di tlhokang kgakala. Le gongwe ditirelo tse batho ba bangwe ba ntseng ba di latela kwa bo Gaborone, fa re ka dira *decentralisation* Tona, e ka kgona gore e thuse Batswana gore ba thusetswe mo bogaufing, ba thusiwa ke batho ba ba itseng mathata a bone, ba tshela le bone. Ke sengwe se re ka kgonang gore re tokafatse matshelo a Batswana.

Tona mo go Paragraph 26, o bua ka *expanding and building of new schools*. Ke kgang e re e lebogelang fela thata mo e leng gore dikole ka bontsi mo kgaolong ya rona kwa Tati East, ga di mo seemong se sentle. Le metse e mengwe e tshwana le bo Sekokwe jaaka ke ne ke bua ka *education*, o fitlhela bana ba ba tsamaya sekala se setelele ba latela sekole. Gongwe fa o ntse o atolosa jalo o aga *new schools*, o akanye Sekokwe, o kgone gore o tsene sekole ka koo. Go diphatsa ka gore ba tlola tsela ba ya kwa Matshelagabedi mme se se dira gore go nne bokete mo go bone. Le metse e e bapileng le toropo e tshwana le ya bo Mabudzane le Tsamaya, le yone ke e kopela gore a ko o e lebalebele thata fa go tla kwa *classrooms* ka gore o fitlhela bana ba tlhaelwa go sena gore ba ka nna jang.

Tona, kgang nngwe e ke batlang go feta ka yone ke ya boroko jwa barutabana ba e leng gore tota ga ba tshela sentle, ga ba nne sentle. Gongwe fa o ka e lebaleba le yone wa e neela *priority*, wa kgona gore o thuse ba *Basic Education* teng.

Dikgang di tshwana le *equipment* e ba e dirisang, o fitlhela e le gore *photocopying machines* le tse dingwe tse tsotlhe ga ba kgone gore ba thuse bana sentle. Tona fa o ka nna o ntse o dira ditiro tsa gago le ntse le buisana le le ba *Basic Education*, le kgone gore le thuse dikole tsa rona.

Dikgang tsa *Tribal Administration*, a lot se a tlhokafala kwa kgaolong ya rona. Kgang e e botlhokwa e ke batlang go simolola ka yone ke ya *upgrading* ya Kgotsa ya

motse wa Mowana go e ntsha from *Court of Arbitration*. Ke sengwe se Tona ke wang ka lengole fa go wena gore e re o ntse o leba and upgrade jalo, o lebalebe Dikgotla tse di ka nnang jalo; ya kwa Mowana. Le Dikgotla di le dintsintsi are very dilapidated Minister, di mo seemong se di tlhobaetsang. Ke ne ke lebeletse tsa kwa Butale maloba, ceilings di a wa, bo Kgosi ba fuduga every now and then fa dipula di na. A go lebalejwe, go bonwe gore ba ka thusiwa jang.

Ke lebogele Khansele ya kwa North East gore ba ne ba leka ka fa ba lekang ka teng mme fa e le sengwe se o ka ba thusang, o ba thusene Tona.

Kgang nngwe e ke neng ke batla go feta ka yone ke ya *Court Clerks*, they are playing a very important role mo Dikgotleng tsa rona. Ba kgona gore ba thusene Magosi a rona gore ba thusene Batswana sentle fa go tla mo cases.

...Silence...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Yes, welcome back.

**DR LETSHOLATHEBE:** Sorry about that, network, I am very sorry.

Metse e tshwana ya Matshelagabedi, Thamashanga, Tsamaya le e mengwe, ditsela tsa teng ga di tsamaege Tona. Gongwe dikgang tsa *internal roads* fa re ka di lebaleba, ra kgona go bona gore re di thusana jang, le rona re a di leka ka madi one a a CCP. Le lona le lebalebe, le bone gore le ka re thusa jang gore go yeng kwa pele. Ke sengwe se e leng gore fa re ka kgona gore re di thusane, metse ya rona e ka tokafala fela thata.

Tona ke go lebogele tse o di buileng. Fela ke re tswelela o ntse o thusa, o lebelele gore gongwe go ka se ka ga nniwa le *sub-district council* kwa North East. Batho ba a sokola go ya kwa Masunga, gongwe fa re ka bona gore re ka kgaoganya ra kgona go thusa batho ba the eastern part ya North East gore o kgone gore o ba thusetse segautshwane. Teng kwa Tatisiding kwa batho ba teng ba leng bantsintsi teng, re thusene re kgone go bona ditlamelo botoka. Se Tona fa o ka re thusa ka sone, o tlaabo o lekile fela thata.

Tswelela Tona o lebalebe dikgang tse ke di go beileng pele, mme o tswelela o ntse o lebaleba le tsa ba VDC ka ba dira tiro e ntle. O ba okeleditse, mme tswelela o ba lebalebe. Ke batla go ba rotloetsa banni ba Tati East le Batswana ka bophara gore jaaka re tlaabo re tlhopha batho ba ba tsenang mo VDC, a re tlhopeng batho ba e leng gore ba tlaa re thusa go yeng kwa pele. Go se ka ga lejwalejwa bosika, diphathi, a re tlhopeng batho ba ba tlaa agang lefatshe la rona.



Ka a le kalo Tona, ke go leboge, e bile ke go eleletse tiro e ntle mo tirong ya gago. Ke a go leboga *Mr Chairperson*.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Maybe before I call upon the next speaker, let me appeal to you Honourable Ministers, *le bolelele* your staff, *le ba kope* to improve your communication, more specially the bandwidth. *Mo Palamenteng mo*; half of Parliament, I take so much pride as well as pomosity, about the astronomical bandwidth that our able staff is providing to all Members of Parliament. Do the same also Honourable Members.

I have now found my list, Honourable Motsamai, thank you very much. *Go ya go bua Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Serowe Bokone*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Re lebogela Sekgoa Rra Nkamo.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Rra?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ke ne ke re re lebogela Sekgoa.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you *ngwana wa ga nkgonne*, I am a Moeng College product by the way.

**MR MATHOOOTHE (SEROWE NORTH):** *Good morning Mr Chairperson.* Nte le nna ke tle ke tshwaele mo mafokong a re sa tswang go a bewa pele kana *the document* e e lebaganeng le ba *Local Government*.

Kgang e ke batlang gore ke simolole ka yone, ke supe jaana gore, ka fa dikgang di beilweng sentle ka teng mo pampiring e, di siame thata. Jaaka ke a tle ke bue, golo mo ke nang le mathata le gone ke *implementation*, go na le mathata a matona teng, a ke dumelang gore gongwe gompieno ba ba leng mo boikarabelong Matona, ba tlaa tsaya boikarabelo jo botona gore kwa diofising kwa ba tlhodumele nako le nako gore dikgang tsotlhe tse e leng gore ba di bayfa pele ga Palamente re di amogela, ba di diragatsa jaaka di ntse, go sa nneng jalo, Batswana ba tlaa tlhobogela ruri.

E ke batlang gore ke tshwaele mo go yone thata, ke kgang ya Ipelegeng. Kwa dikgaolong tsa rona re dumela gore babereki ba Ipelegeng le bone go tshwanetse gore ba okediwe gore ba tle ba kgone go dira dingwe ditiro tse di saletse kwa morago. E bile re na le tumelo e ntsi ya gore le bone ba ka bo ba latlhleletswe sengwe ka gore ba dira dithuso fela tse di tona.

Nngwe e ke tlaa e lebang thata ke ya *skill development component*, e go tlhalosiwang jalo gore batho ba ba tlaa fiwa dikitsa tse di rileng. Ke tsone tse e tlaa reng mo

isagong fa ba ntse ba tshela, ba tle ba ithuse ka tsone. Tona o tlhalosa jaana gore *they will collaborate* le *Ministry of Labour* gore batho ba ba tle ba nonotshiwe jalo mo dikitsong tsa *carpentry, bricklaying* fela jalo le tse dingwe.

Ke ne ke batla go fa kgakololo ya gore, gongwe e se ka ya nna one *ministry* o o le nosi, a ba itshwaraganye gape le *Ministry of Agriculture*, ka gore fa re bua jaana, go na le *short courses* tse di nna teng kwa Botswana University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (BUAN) tse di amanang le gore di tlhabolole ba ba nang le keletso mo go rueng dipodi, dikgomo, le keletso mo go direng merogo. Batho ba ba Ipelegeng o fitlhela gantsi fa gongwe fa go tla dinako tsa temo, o bo o bona dipalo tsa bone e kete di fokotsegela kwa tlase ka gore ba a bo ba boela kwa gore ba ye go lema. Fa e le gore ba *Ministry of Local Government* ba ka itshwaraganya le ba ba *fang courses* tse di ntseng jaana, go tlaa ba fa dikitsa le dinonofo tsa gore jaanong fa ba le kwa masimo, ba bo ba na le dikitsa gore gongwe jaanong ba se ka ba tlhola ba boele mo *programme* e jaanong e bo e nna balemi ba popota ba e leng gore jaanong ba ka kgona gore ba itshetse. Ke dingwe tse e leng gore gongwe ke fe bogakolodi joo gore fa ba ka ikamanya le ba sekolo sa BUAN, ba ka kgona gore *groups* tse di leng mo Ipelegeng tse, di tsewe le tsone di ye go fiwa dikitsa tsa go nna jalo, e se ka ya nna bao fela ba gongwe ba tlaa bong ba lebagane le *carpentry*, le eng. Ka kwa le gone ba ka rutiwa jalo le gone go kgweetsa *tractors, how to maintain tractors*, le gone gore ba itse go aga mekoro, ba bo ba rutiwe le gone go dira Artificial Insemination (AI). Ke tsone dikgang tse e leng gore nna fa ke lebile kgang e, fa ba ka itshwaraganya le bone, go ka nna botoka thata ka tsela e e ntseng jalo.

Ke dumalana thata gore Ipelegeng e tshwanetse gore e tokafadiwe, e kgone gore e dire ditiro tsa sennela ruri. Ke gone mo e leng gore le mo dikgaolong tsa rona fa re ntse re dirisa madi a CCP gongwe re lebile mafelo a e leng gore gongwe ga a bereke a le fa gare ga motse, re kgona gore gone foo ditshentshinyana tse di salang, re dire *poultries* jalo. Le tsone *poultries* tse kana *fencing*, fa batho bao ba filwe kitso, ba kgona gore jaanong e bo e nna bone ba ba ka dirang ditiro tsa go nna jaana. Re tshwanetse le gone kwa CCP go lebege e kete golo gongwe gongwe ga re itebelele fela le *projects* tse e leng tsa dikago kana tsa ditsela, re tshwanetse le yone e participate on creating a platform e e leng gore batho ba ka kgona gore ba hire ba bangwe, kana e tlhame ditiro jalo, e dire *income generating projects* tse e tlaa reng le



madi a CCP a fedile, ba bo ba itse gore ba kgona gore ba ikemele ka bonosi. Ke dingwe tse e leng gore fa ke di leba ka tsela e e ntseng jalo, ke tsaya gore ke gone ka fa e ka tokafatsang ka teng.

Gongwe kgang e e leng gore ba a e gatelela bogolo jang ya gore e re fa re dira ditiro tse under CCP e bo e le gore re lebelela *the local contractors*. Ke re go mosola thata, e bile ke dumela thata. Re tshwanetse gore e se ka ya nna puo fela e re e buang e le pampiri, re e amogela re le Palamente, e tshwanetse e nne kgang e re e bonang e diragala kwa dikgaolong. Fa ke ka fa sekai kwa kgaolong ya Mabeleapudi-Paje go ne go na le ditirelo tse dingwe tse di neng di abilwe e le tsa ma LA2 Houses, mme borakonteraka ba ba neng ba tswa kwa ntle, go supagala gore go dira ka fa ba neng ba dira *projects* tsa teng, ba ne ba saletse kwa morago e kete ba a palelwa, mme bana ba motse ba ba neng ba filwe ba tswa mo kgaolong yone e ba ne ba dira *projects* tse ka botswapelo, ba tlhaloganya gore ba di dira mo kgaolong ya bone. Gongwe ga ke itse ba ne ba dirwa ke gore kana e tlaa re bommati kana ba masika ba ba bapileng le bone ba bo ba re kana ke lona ba le re agetseng ntlo e e leng gore e ka nna ya re wela.

Ke dilo tse dingwe tse re di boneng gore *using the local*, bana ba mo motseng, ba kgona go dira ba tlhwaaafetse gore le bone ba a bo ba itirela. Ke gone ka fa ke dumelang ka teng.

Fa re lebelela ya *decentralisation reform*, ga se kgang fela ya *to decentralise*, e tshwanetse gore jaanong *local authorities, sub-districts*, di fiwe dithata tse dingwe tse gompieno gongwe di dirwang mo *headquarters* mo Gaborone. Fa ba fiwa *administration powers* go dira ditshwetso le gore ba *mobilise resources*, ba kgone gore ba ka tsenya madi jang e le *councils*, ke nngwe ya ditshwetso tse di siameng thata. Gongwe jaaka ke bua, go mosola thata gore mme fa re bua dikgang tse, re se ka ra di bua fela ka melomo, mme re di bone di diragala.

Re bone kwa Serowe kwa go ya go hirisiwa nngwe *building* ke ba *Education*, e e neng e rekilwe ke mongwe yo o tswang kwa ntle, e le gore jaanong go a duelwa kgwedi le kgwedi, mme fa e ne e le gore khansele e ne e na le dithata tsa gore e ka bo e kgonne go reka *that building*, re ka bo re bua jaana go sena madi a ba a duelang kgwedi le kgwedi. Ke dingwe tse di mosola thata fa re bua ka *decentralisation*, mme re e tla re ba fa *powers* tsa gore ba kgone go reka le gore ba ithuse sentle le go dirisa madi a setshaba sentle.

Fa ke tswelela *Mr Chairperson*, gongwe ke supe jaana gore fa re bua ka tsa *village infrastructure*, gongwe ke lebelelse *internal roads*, motse wa Serowe ke motse o motona thata o o golang ka lebelo, mme ditsela di saletse kwa morago. Kana motse wa Serowe ke motse o o matlapa, motlhaba e bile o seloko. Fa go tla nako ya dipula jaana, go nna bokete. O fitlhela e le gore go a tlhokafala thata fa re ntse re bona *internal roads* di ntse di tikelwa jaaka mo bo Gaborone, Mogoditshane le Tlokweng, re e tla re tswa pelo. Re e tla re tswa pelo re re nnyaa, le rona Matona le re akanyetse. Gongwe e se ka ya nna kgang ya Matona fela, le kwa dikgaolong tsa rona le re akanyetse. Kana gongwe le fana ka bo Tona fela.

*Mr Chairperson*, fa ke ntse ke siana, ke fetela kwa go tse dingwe, o tlaa fitlhela e le gore mo kgaolong ya me, fa re bua ka *primary schools*, go mosola thata gore *primary schools* tsa rona, re dire *maintenance*. Fa ke lebelela mo kgaolong ya me, dikole tsele tsotlhe tsa *primary schools*, di tlhokana le *maintenance*, mme se se amegileng go feta, ke sekole se bidiwa Masokola Primary School. Sekole sele *classrooms* tsa teng fa o tsena mo teng, o fitlhela e le gore *floor* e setse e le motlhaba thata. Ke ne ke re Tona kgang e a tle a e lebelele thata ka gore e bile sone sekole se ga se kgakala thata le Rre Autlwetse, gongwe o ka feta foo a tlhodumela, a bona gore o ka re thusa jang. Fela jaaka ke bua jaana, *all the primary schools in Serowe North Constituency*, di tlhokana le *maintenance* o o rileng. Mme sone se sa Masokola se, o fitlhela e le gore barutabana ba ya go theogela e le gore mewa ya bone e kwa tlase ka gore *the environment* e ba berekelang mo go yone, ga e a ba tshwanelo, ga e a ba siamela, mo ba ka ntshang maduo a a siameng.

Sa bofelo fa ke feta ke gore, a *services which are provided by companies at the local level*, a ba duelwe nako e sale teng. Fa e le gore *companies* di abetswe tenders, le gone lekwalo fela le le kwalwang gore re go abetse *tender*, a ba kwalelwe nako e sale teng, gore ba tle ba *supply on time*. Go utlwisa botlhoko o bona gongwe *company* e abetswe gotwe e *supply* dipitsa mo dikoleng, e bo e re jaanong ba bona gore ba siilwe ke nako, a bo e le gore mo nakong e khutshwanyane, ba ya *to pressurise* rakanteraka. Go nnile le dikgwedi tse dintsi ba sa mo kwalele, mme e sa bolo *to be approved*, go bo go tla gotwe ene jaanong a siane bosigo le motshegare, a bo e re ka nako e e rileng, a bo a *supply*. They need to be given those letters on time, le *payments* tsa bone di nne nako e sale teng. Thank you *Mr Chairperson*.



**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you Honourable Member, your time is up. Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Lobatse.

**DR MATSHEKA:** Ke neetse slot se Rre Rakgare *Mr Chairperson*.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Le di fana fela o kare le fana nama ya Botswana Meat Commission (BMC) Rraagwe Motheo.

**MINISTER OF YOUTH EMPOWERMENT, SPORT AND CULTURE DEVELOPMENT (MR RAKGARE):** *Thank you very much Mr Chairperson.*  
*Let me thank Honourable Matsheka gore a bo a ntlihomogetse pelo, a Modimo a mo segofatse le tshaba ya Lobatse. Mme e bile ba itse gore Honourable Matsheka o teng, dinonofo tsa gagwe ga ke itse gore tota gatwe di ka lekanngwa le tsa ga mang. Re santse re ntse re mo tlhoka, a a boe Mr Chairperson.*

*Mr Chairperson, e re ke leboga jalo, ke simolole fela ka go galaletsa le go leboga Honourable Autlwetse. E re ke mo leboga jaana, ke bo ke supa gore tota rre yo mo go ene, Ministry wa Local Government o bolaile. This ministry o bolaile, re ne re na le Honourable Molale, who is by far the most experienced mo go rona rotlhe jaaka re le fa jaana, mme e bile gape a tlhaloganya Local Government. Mo nakong ya gompieno, re na le Rre Autlwetse yo le ene gape a tlhaloganyang Local Government jaaka a itlhologanya. Re re tota e ne e ka nna ene a ka re thusang mathata a re leng mo go one ka gore Puso ke Local Government. Tsotlhe tse Rre Autlwetse a di re beileng pele, re ne re re re beye mo go Ramasedi, a mo segofatse, a kgone go dira tiro ya gagwe, mme a e dira jalo ka botswapelo ka gore re itse gore seo se tlaa kgonagala.*

*Mr Chairperson, ke tsene fela mo go simololeng ka gore thulaganyo ya decentralisation, e botlhokwa thata, ya gore re kgone go bona jaanong tota metse ka go farologana kana ditirelo di kgona go goroga di nna gaufi thata le tshaba ya lefatshe la Botswana kana batho kwa ba leng teng. Batho ba se ka ba latela ditirelo kwa mafelong a a kgakala. Go botlhokwa thata gore golo mo re go lebelele, mme ke na le tumelo e e tletseng ya gore Honourable Autlwetse, o tsile go kgona tiro yone e gammogo le ba ba mo thusang.*

Re na le kgang Honourable Autlwetse kwa constituency ya rona ya Mogoditshane. Kgaolo ya rona go na le puo e e neng e setse e kile ya simologa, bo Honourable Leuwe le Honourable Motaosane, ba e leng gore ba fano e le

Mapalamente gompieno, e santse e le Makhanselara. E le bangwe ba ba neng ba tsentse letsogo, mme e bile ba bua thata ka lenseswe le le kwa godimo, gore a re bone thulaganyo ya *decentralisation*, e goroga le kwa bo Mogoditshane. Ba itse gore fa o dirile jalo *Mr Chairperson*, o tlaabo o rurifaditse gore mokgweleo ga o nne kalokalo kwa ga Thamaga le Takatokwane ka gore jaanong o tlaabo o kgonne gore *part of the burden* e e teng kwa Molepolole, e tlisiwa ke *inclusion* ya Mogoditshane, o e rotse ba Molepolole. A bo dilo di ka kgona gore di nne botoka, di siamele rona rotlhe jaaka re le fa kana re le kgaolo yone ya Sekwena, e e tsentseng le Bakgatla mo teng.

Kgang ya go fetola Mogoditshane go e dira *township* *Mr Chairperson*, e tswa kgakala e ntse e buiwa, mme re ne re re tota go botlhokwa gore Honourable Autlwetse a atamele bagarona, ba re thuse, kgang e, e ko e wele. Mogoditshane a nne le *Mayor* wa gagwe le *budget* ya gagwe, ditlamelo di kgone go goroga kwa bathong motlhofo. Mma ke go bolelele Honourable Autlwetse gore ka 2011, kgang e ke nna ke e bua mo Palamenteng, ke tlaa boa ke e gatelela. Re ne ra nna le *population census*, e ka yone e ne e re kaela gore mme gone batho mo lefatsheng la Botswana ka bophara, ba ntse ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Jaanong fa o lebelela palo ya batho Honourable Autlwetse, 2011 *Population Census* e ne e supa gore motse o o rweleng bokele jwa batho ke Molepolole ka 66 465, motse wa bobedi o o tshotseng batho ba le bantsi ke Mogoditshane ka 58 085. Fa o lebelela *distribution* ya *households*, Mogoditshane e tshotse 19 365 *households*, Molepolole 14 522 *households*. This is according to the Population Census ya 2011. Jaanong mo go raya gore go na le mathata.

*I can assure you, palo ya batho e e tlang, e e simolotseng mo nakong ya gompieno, e tsile gore fa o neelwa pego Honourable Autlwetse, o bo o fitlhela e le gore Mogoditshane ke ene jaanong a tshotseng palo ya batho go gaisa motse mongwe le mongwe mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Jaanong se se re raya se re, batho ba garona ba Mogoditshane, ba tshwanelwa ke gore re ba atametse ditirelo ka bonako, mme e bile gape ditirelo tsone tse di tle jalo e le gore *council* ya rona kana Mogoditshane, a bo a setse a fetotswe e le *township*, re kgone go itirela dilo.*

O ko o bone fela dilo tse di botlhoko Honourable Autlwetse, le mabitla fela a mabitla a Mogoditshane go dingalo gore o ka bona *just a grader* e e ka gopang go tswa fela fa terateng ya Botswana Defence Force (BDF) go tsena fela ka fa mabitleng. Go a pala Honourable



Autlwetse, go pala go pala, ke makotlopo. Re tsamaya re rwele mebele ya batho ba rona ba re neng re ba rata re ya go ba baya kwa matlong a bone a bofelo, mme ba tsamaya mo makotlopeng. Golo mo ga se golo mo go re bayang sentle *Honourable Autlwetse*. Kgang tota ke kopa gore o e atamele mogolole, ke itse ka fa o itlolang ka teng, ke itse gore o tlao e dira. Ke sengwe sa dilo tse e leng gore ...(*Interruptions*)... di setse di diragetse.

**MR MOTAOSANE:** *Elucidation. Thank you Honourable Rakgare. Kgang e o neng o wela ka yone e mongwame, ke go tlatsi mo go yone ke supe gore kana fa o lebelela Mogoditshane gone jaana, we are denying Mogoditshane gore e kgone go itirela madi. Fa o ka lebelela dikago tse di mo Mogoditshane, matlo le eng, you are not even charging rates but le toropo. Rates tse Mogoditshane e ka bonang madi a tsone, e ka kgona go itirela over P300 million ka ngwaga, go tsaya rates fela. So they should make it a township, e tle e kgone gore sub-district bo Thamaga ba kgone gore ba dire dilo ka koo ba sa pitlaganngwe ke Mogoditshane yo motona. Ke a leboga sir.*

**MR RAKGARE:** Ke a leboga *Honourable Taosi*, ke leboga fela thata. Tota jaaka ke buile, dikgang tse ke tse o di simolotseng wena o *Honourable Leuwe* le santse le le Makhanselara, le bua thata ka Kgaolo ya Mogoditshane le dikgaolo tsa lona.

*Mr Chairperson, kgang e nngwe e ke kopang gore Honourable Minister Autlwetse a e lebelele, ke ne ka bua Honourable Autlwetse ka 2020 ke ntsha matshwenyego ka ablution block ya kwa Nkoyaphiri Primary School. Re santse re le fa Honourable Autlwetse, batho ba Mogoditshane ba batla report ya gore gatwe go diragetse eng. We need to know gore go diragetse eng Honourable Autlwetse, batho ba rona ba tshwanelwa ke gore ba itse boammaaruri. Procurement ya dithoto ka nako ya COVID, fa go na le golo gongwe kwa o tshwanetseng gore o simolole teng go tlhodumela gore a mme dilo di tsamaile sentle, theko ya tse re neng re di tlhoka mo dikoleng gammogo le mafelo a a rileng, gore a tseo tsotlhe di tsamaile sentle, re tshwanetse re tlhodumele kwa kgaolong ya rona gore go tsamaile ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Ke na le tshepho mo go wena Honourable Autlwetse, gore seo o tlao se dira gore kwa bofelong re kgone gore le batho ba Mogoditshane re bone gore gatwe go ne ga tsamaya ka tsela e e ntseng jang.*

Dilo tse di re utlwisa botlhoko *Honourable Autlwetse*, ka gore fa o ya kwa kgaolong ya rona nako le nako ba *Ministry of Basic Education* ba mekamekana le dipalo

tse di seng kana ka sepe tsa batsadi ba ba batlang go tlisa bana mo dikoleng tsa rona. *Primary schools tsa rona di four, ga di kgone go tsaya batho bothle ba ba a bong ba ile go ikopela. Batsadi gompieno jaaka re bua jaana, ba ne ba ipoela fela ga ba itse gore ba ka isa bana ba bone kae, ka gore dikole tsa rona tsa Mogoditshane di tletse; di tletse di rile thi! Ga gona gope kwa bana ba ka felelang ba isiwa teng.*

Le tsa *juniors* di tletse, di a penologa; Mogoditshane le Ledumadumane Junior Secondary Schools. Golo moo go bakwa ke seemo sa dipalo tsa batho tse dintsi tse re nang le tsone. Ke sone se o bonang *Honourable Autlwetse* le borukuthi bo le kanakana kwa Mogoditshane. Re tshotse batho ba se kana ka sepe ba ba nnang mo kgaolong ya rona. Jaanong re kopa gore tota fela dikgang tse *Honourable Minister*; o di atamele, o di lebelele, o re tswe thuso, re kgone gore le rona re tshwane le bana ba malwapa a mangwe.

Ke batla go digela jaana ke re, e ya seemo se se diragalang kwa *sub-council* ya rona, ke batla o e tshware sentle *Honourable Autlwetse*. Ke itse gore Rre Modukanele o ne a setse a kile a ya go boa kwa, o tlao go neela *report* e tletseng ya gore dilo tse di diragalang kwa mo gongwe ke mathabisaditlhong. Ke ene a itseng botoka, *he will share with you* gore go diragala eng. Dilo tse fa re ka se ke re di baakanye, re tlide go iphitlhela re le mo mathateng a a seng kana ka sepe a gore, ledi le Puso e senang lone le le kalokalo re ne re ka bona gore re tsutlaganya jang, re kgone go aga *classrooms*. Ga re kgone ka gore jaanong go na le ba ba itlhophetseng gore ba ya go dira *small deals* ka fa tlhoko le disinyi, e bo kwa bofelong madi a felela a re tswa ka diphathla tsa menwana re le kgaolo kana re le Puso. Madi a sa ye kwa ditirong tse di itebagantseng le gore Batswana ba tle ba ba thusuge.

Ka mafoko a a ntseng jalo ke a leboga, ke leboge thata go menagane *Honourable Matsheka* gore a bo a kgonne ...(*Interruption*)... Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** *Your time is up. Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Thamaga-Kumakwane, go na le two minutes fela ke kopa gore ke go mo neele.*

**MR MOTAOSANE (THAMAGA-KUMAKWANE):** *Thank you Mr Chairperson. Mr Chairperson, ke a bo ke kgobega marapo jaanong fa e le gore nna ke fiwa two minutes. Ke ne ke eletsa go kopa Tona gore, ka tsheetswe a ye go bona dikole tsa Ramaphatl, Nkoane, Kubung, Thamaga Western, Mahalatladi, Monare, Gakgatla le Rungwana Primary Schools, a ye go lebelela seemo sa maintenance kwa mafelong a.*



Mo godimo ga foo ke kope *Minister*, ke raya ka gore jaanong ke itlhoboge ga ke na nako, ke kope *Minister* gore, *when you go to Kumakwane we have a big problem ya storm water drainage. I thought we were going to address issue e ya storm water drainage ya Kumakwane when the main road e dirwa, but it does not look like e tlaa diragala mo bogaufing.* Ke kopa gore o re thuse ka *storm water drainage* mo Kumakwane.

Kwa Thamaga *if you go to Thamaga South especially, go supa gore storm water drainage sa kwa Thamaga ga se ise se ko se dirwe fela jaaka fa re ne re dira the village infrastructure. If you go to Thamaga South, Dikgotla tse di tshwanang Rungwana le Gasau ke matlhabisaditlhong, ke matlhotlhapelo jaaka re bua jaana.* Jaaka dipula di na jaana, ke gore ke setse ke ba tshaba ka gore ba ya go mpotsa potso gore Mopalamente re tlolela jang kwa sekoleng sa Letlolo Junior Secondary School, Rungwana le kwa re reng re ye go tsenylediwa *culverts* teng. Jaanong dilo tse Tona tse ke utlwa botlhoko.

*The procurement system; mo go wena ke lemogile gore o buile sengwe ka yone, mme a e tlhalosege gotwe locals, e se ka ya nna gore the nearest localities.* Gompieno fa o bua ka *projects* tse di tshwanetseng go dirwa ke dikonteraka tsa OC, o fitlhela go beilwe *conditions* fela tse di fetang OC *level* gore e ka kgona...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Your time is up, sorry sir. Honourable Minister, please reply to the debate.

**MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (MR AUTLWETSE):** Ke a leboga Modulasetilo Rra Nkamo. Modulasetilo, mma e re la ntlha ke leboge Batlotlegi Mapalamente bothle ba ba neng ba akgela mo pegong e ka sa tswang go ba e baya pele, go nne bottle fa ke ne ke re ba reeditse ka ditsebe tsa me, ga gona ope yo o buileng lepe le le supang fa a ganana le kopo e ya madi. Seo ke a se lebogela batlotlegi.

Fa ke tla go tsena mo dikakgelong tsa lona batlotlegi, ke rata ke le kope le mphe sebaka sa gore dingwe tsa tsone, ke di soboke ke se ka ka di tsaya ka bongwe ka bongwe, ka gore di ne di tshwana; mo lenaneong la tsone di a tshwana, mathata a tsone a a tshwana, le tharabololo ya tsone e a tshwana. Dikgang tse o ke tse di tshwanang le *maintenance* ya dikole, matlo a borobalo a barutabana le matlo a boitiketso a bana kwa dikoleng. Seemo se se a tshwana *countrywide*. Dikole tsa rona ga ke ka ke ka ganetsa, bontsi jwa tsone di makgasa. Dikole dingwe jaaka fa batlotlegi ba bua, dipalo tsa matlo a borobalo jwa barutabana di kwa tlase fela thata.

Ke lemotshe batlotlegi gore ke dumalana le bone go ntse jalo, mme bothata jo bo tonatona ke jwa gore jaaka le gompieno fa le ka leba mo kopong ya madi, a go supegang fa lefatshe la Botswana le a neetse *Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development, it is only P2 billion.*

Ke letse ke lebogetse *Honourable Majaga* gore selo se o se tlhalositse gore matsananyana a, ga se a a ka re fitlhisang gope. Ka jalo, ke go nna o ketlolaketlola, bao ba o iseng o fitlhe kwa go bone, le nna ke itse botlhoko jo ba leng mo go jone. Maikaelelo ke gore ba supe mathata a batlhophi ba bone. Dikeletso tsa bone ke go bona batlhophi ba bone, Puso e ba kgotsofatsa. Kgetsana ya Puso mo nakong ya gompieno ga e kgone go diragatsa dikeletso tsa rona rotlhe. Batlotlegi, e ya dikole, mma ke e arabe fela jalo gore mathata a teng a a tshwana. Tharabololo ya teng e a tshwana, ke gore go nne le madi a a ka kgonang go dira tse tsotlhe. Mo nakong ya gompieno le nna ke seemo se se sa njeseng diwelang go bona ke eteletse lephata le e tlaareng golo gongwe, ke bo ke tsaya e kete le a nnyatsa, mme e se gore le a nnyatsa. Ke bo ke tsaya e kete le a ntlhobosa mme e se gore le a ntlhobosa, e le gore mathata ke gore ditlamelo ga di fitlhe kwa dikeletso tsa me le tsa lona di lebileng teng.

Maabane *Honourable Molao supported decentralisation, ke lebogela seo thata.* Batlotlegi ba le bantsi lotlhe le buile jalo, ga go na yo o kileng ya re a emeleta a re, *decentralisation* ga e support. Mmang ke le lemotshe batsadi gore e ne e le keletso ya me, le ya *Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development* gore policy ya *decentralisation* e ka bo e setse e gorogile kwa Palamenteng. Re ne ra dira *consultation* jaaka batlotlegi le bua mo dikgaolong tsa lona. Bangwe le ne le le teng mme la nna la supa kemonokeng e le letsatsi leno le santseng le e supa. *Policy* e, sebe sa phiri ke gore, mo nakong ya gompieno, jaaka ke ne ke le rerisa, kwa bofelong e tshwanetse go tsena kwa *Cabinet*. After *Cabinet* e bo e tla mo go lona, le bo le dumalana le yone jaaka ke setse ke bone gore le tlide go dumalana le yone. E bo e le gone e simololang e tsena mo tirisong. E saletswe ke legato le le lengwefela, ga e ise e kgone go tsena kwa *Cabinet*. Tumelo ya me ke gore mo bogautshwaneng, e tlaa goroga koo. Jaanong e bo e fetela mo batlotleging fano, e bo e le gone go simologang kgang ya *implementation*, e bontsi bo lelang ka yone. Le yone fela jaaka e ntse, jaaka ke supile mo pegong e, we recommend gore ka tlhaelo ya madi, e dirwe in phases. Re bua ka *sub-districts* tse 29, tse



keletso e leng gore *they can be upgraded to districts.* Re bua ka *service centres* tse 19, tse keletso e leng gore madi fa a ne a letla, le tsone di ka tsholetswa ya nna *sub-districts.* Maikaelelo ke gore *at the end of the day,* le tsone di felele e le *districts.* Kgang e se sepe gape, e le go leka go atametsa ditlamelo kwa Batswaneng. Kgang e, lotlhe le lela ka yone. Bangwe *illustrated* gore go botlhoko go bona motho a dirisa *petrol* e ntsi a latela ditlamelo tse e leng gore fa gongwe *fee* ya teng is P10. O bo o tshwanelwa ke gore o tswe kwa Makalamabedi o ye Tutume, e re o tsena go bo gotwe “re feditse, o ka fetela kwa Serowe,” mme go ntse go raya dipata tsa gago. Kgang e, ke dumalana le yone.

Honourable Molao o buile le ka...

**MR MOTAOSANE:** *Clarification. Thank you Honourable Minister.* Ke go botse gore, gakere mo go yone ya *decentralisation* le tlaa leka go leba pele *sub-districts which were long approved*, di ise di diragadiwe pele ga le ka tshwara *any sub-district* e e tshelang le e dira *a fully-fledged district?* Le tlaa leba pele *sub-districts* tse di sa bolong go dumalanwa jaaka Thamaga e le *priority number one over* tse di setseng di le teng ka gore ditlamelo ka nako eo di a bo di goroga sentle kwa bathong. E le go batla go di fa *status* se se di tshwanetseng sa *districts.* Thank you sir.

**MR AUTLWETSE:** *Thank you Mr Chairperson.* Mmang ke se ka ka nama ke gorogile koo ka gore fa e sena go tswa mo go lona kwa Palamenteng, go raya gore go ya go sekasekwa *criteria* e e tshwanelwang ke go dirisiwa. Le yone ga e a tshwanela go tswa mo go nna ke le nosi gore go tlaa simololwa fa, ga go na go simololwa fa. Go tlaa lejwa semangmang pele, mangmang a bo a tla kwa morago. Mma eo re tle re e tlhakanele ka nako ya yone fa e goroga gore mme re simolola fa kae. Mo nakong ya gompieno, re setse re lemogile gore *sub-districts* ga di re gorose gope. Dingwe tsa tsone di sale di dirwa ka nako e dipalo tsa lefatshe la Botswana di ne di lekana le dipalo tse di mo *districts* tsa rona. Ka nako eo, Palamente ya Ntlha ya lefatshe la Botswana, e ne ya kgaoganya lefatshe le ka *districts* di le *nine* ka dipalo tse di neng di le teng gone foo. Jaanong fa e le gore dipalo tseo gompieno di mo Kweneng, Central, South East, di kwa boketekete mme re bo re santse re nna le tsholofelo ya gore re ka *operate* ka khansele e le nngwefela, nnyaa foo re tlaabo re leka boroko ka go budulala. Maikaelelo ke gore e tle re e fa re sena go dumalana, re bo re itse gore di kgaogangwa jang.

Honourable Molao le Honourable Moswaane ba ne ba tlhakanelo kgang ya Self Help Housing Agency (SHHA) gore go na le *backlog.* Ke kgang nngwe ya gore se se ka

bong se tsala mathata a, ke eng. Bothata jo bo leng teng ke gore re le *Local Government*, re na le *waiting list* e ba buang ka yone. Tharabololo ya yone e bo e nna madi a e leng gore kwa lephateng la ga *Honourable Molale*, ke one a re tlileng go a bona koo. Re bo re thusa baikopedi ba ba kwa dikgaolong tsa rona. Ga re ka ke ra thusa dipalo tse di fetang lemme le re setseng re le amogetse. Ga se gore ba gana ka madi, ke gore jaaka madi a ne a kgaogangwa jaana, ke lemme le ba le neetsweng gore le ka thusa *Local Government* ka bokana, *Local Government* e thusa dikhanskele ka bokana. Ga ba ka ke ba re neela sepe se se fetang se se mo mabogong a bone.

*Honourable Majaga*, ke go lebogile morwa rre. O supile jalo gore tota madi a a kwa tlase. O supile gore a Ipelegeng e ntsha fela jaaka bakaulengwe ba buileng kwa morago ga gago, e tlhwaafalelw, e dirwe ka manontlhotlho. E re jaaka re e simolotse kwa South East kwa Ramotswa, mo mafelong a mararo, ka bofeso go bo go ka itlhaganelelw gore e ye kwa mafelong a mangwe. Ke setse ke supile gore e simolotse kwa South East mme maikaelelo ke gore *this coming financial year*, e bo e le gore *we roll it to other districts.* Ke se e leng keletso fa go ka se ka ga nna le sepe se se ka tlogang sa re kgoreletsa.

*Honourable Moswaane* o buile ka *Desitute Policy* gore ka fa tshekatshekong ya gagwe, e ne e kete e ka lejalejwa le yone ka gore e kgologolo, ke dumalana le ene. Ke kgakololo e ntle e e senkang gore e lebiwe thata.

A bo a bua ka gore a madi VDCs le *Ward Committees allowance* a tsholediwe le dioura tsa bone di tsholediwe. Boammaaruri jo bo leng teng ke gore mathata a a leng teng fa ke one a madi ka gore dipalo tsa batho ba ba dirang kwa VDC ba 813, ba e leng maVDC. *Budget* ya bone mo nakong ya gompieno ga re na sepe se e leng gore mo go one madi a re letseng re a neelwa maabane a *Recurrent Budget* re ka oketsa ka one. Tiro e e dirwang ke ba VDC rotlhe re le Mapalamente re a e bona gape re bo bona botlhokwa jwa bone. Ke batho ba botlhokwatlhokwatlhokwa. Tiro e ba e dirang ya re ba ka bo ba duelwa ba amogela ba le mo *scale* sengwe se se rileng. Mo nakong ya gompieno go santse bothata e le lone ledi la Pula gore ga le re fitlhise foo.

*Honourable Moswaane* o ne a bua jalo gore le *threshold* ya SHHA e kwa tlase. Ke dumalana le ene. Ntlo e e neng e agiwa ka P90, 000.00 jaaka a sa tswa go baya sekai, ga e sa tlhole e le teng gope fela.



Kgang ya bofelo e ke neng ka e rata e a neng a e bua ke e a reng a Batswana ba duele *service levy*. Ke nngwe tsela e e leng gore dikhansele jaaka fa re bua ka *decentralisation*, di tshwanelwa ke gore di ye go itirela madi a tsone, a a tlala tlang a oketsa *revenue support grant* e e tlang kwa go bone kana e re fa e tla e bo e oketsa a ba setseng ba ikgobokanyeditse jaaka mongwe a ne a baya sekai ka Mogoditshane, *Honourable Rakgare*. Go ntse jalo kwa Palapye le Gaborone. *Malls* dingwe gongwe mo Gaborone di tshwanelwa ke gore go batlwe madi mo go bone. Fa ke ka adima teme ya ga Ramogapi e a e ratang thata ya gore “bahumi,” fa e le gore beng ba *malls* tse ke bahumi, go tshwanetse go batliwe madi mo go bone a a ka tlang a thusa gore re tlhabolole bagarona ba ba dikobo dikhutshwane gore dikhansele tse di kgone go nna le madi a a tsopana. Ke boammaaruri madi a teng mo bo Mogoditshane mme fa e le gore mogopol o o ka atlega jaaka lona le setse le o atile kwa dikgaolong tsa lona, ke dumela gore re ka tla ra dira go le go golwane.

O buile jalo gore a Ipelegeng e ntšha e e se ka ya nna kgang ya dipuonama fela, e tswele kwa ntle. O buile kgang e nngwe ya gore a madi a Parents Teachers Association (PTA) le one fela jaaka madi otlhe a Puso e nne e re fa ngwaga o fela a direlwa *audit*. Ke boammaaruri ga go na madi ape a e tshwanetseng gore e re e le a Puso e re golo gongwe a ye go tswa Batswana ka diphatlha tsa menwana, a tsenye ka gareitse.

*Honourable Dikoloti* o buile ka *maintenance* wa dikole le ene. O kaile bo Digawana le metse e mmalwa mme e mengwe ya yone e setse e rulaganyeditse gore ka yone *this financial year 2022-2023, maintenance* e bo o le gone koo.

*Tribal Administration Offices* le tsone jaaka dikole, ke tshwanetse ke amoge, ke selo se ke se bonyeng ka gore lefatshe le ke a le tsamaya, le tsone ga di a nna sentle jaaka mo metseng mengwe e metona jaaka bo Mochudi. Ke sone se mo nakong ya gompieno re yang go aga diofisi tsa Dikgotla tse ditona di le nne.

**MR LUCAS:** *Clarification Mr Chairperson.* Tona, kana o bua ka *maintenance* wa dikole. Ke re a ga o bone gore dikole dingwe di tshwanetse di itlhaganelelw go gaisa tse dingwe ka gore go na le tse o fitlhelang *classrooms* tse dingwe di sa dirisiwe ka gore di na le bo mmamanthwane, ba setse ba di ntshitse boago jwa bone? A ga o bone gore tseo gongwe tsa bo mmamanthwane bogolo tsone di itlhaganelelw re se ka ra di tsenya mo *line ya maintenance plan* o le nang le one?

**MR AUTLWETSE:** Ke dumalana le motlotlegi. *Maintenance* wa dikole, ke sone se e ya reng bodiredi jwa rona fa bo santse bo lebile ntlha e nngwe e le gore ke gone kwa ba bonang gore lethoko le le golo teng, ba ba ba mo ntlheng e nngwe ba sa dire phoso ba bo ba tsaya e kete bone ba lebetswe. Fa go nang le bo mmamanthwane teng kana jaaka mo kgaolong ya ga Mokaulengwe Dikoloti a ne a bua gore *classroom* nngwe e tserwe ke phefo, e e leng gore ka molato wa bonnyennyane go bonwe gore *insurance* ga se a e ka a duelwang, tseo ke tse di senkang gore di fefogelwe. Ke dumela gore *the technical team* ba letse ba utlwile. Ke selo se ba se itseng, se ke solo felang gore se tlaa tsibogelwa ka bonako.

Kgang ya *internal roads*, kana re bua ka *maintenance* le *construction* ya tsone. Le tsone fela jalo batsadi, kana di laolwa ke madi a a bong a le teng mo nakong e re buang ka yone jaaka gompieno.

*Honourable Dikoloti* o letse a buile ka Sandulela gore e na le tiego e ntsi ya go tla go duela. Re tlaa leka go tlhotlhomisa gore mathata a bone ke eng. Gammogo le Smart Switch. Ke utlwa fa e le gore mo metseng mengwe ga ba tle ka nako e e leng gore go dumalanwe ka yone. Re tlaa leka go lebisisa gore seo se ka bo se tsalwa ke eng.

O buile ka *proper training* ya VDCs gore batho ba ba tshwanetse gore ba rutuntshiwe. Ke tshwanelo ka gore ga re ka ke ra re fa re rutuntsha ba Ipelegeng ba ba okametsweng ke VDC bone ba sala kwa ntle. Ba tshwanelwa ke gore le bone ba sugiwe, ba se ka ba nnela ruri mo go berekeng Ipelegeng, ba bereke tiro ya ditlhabololo, e ya Ipelegeng e ba nne e dirwe ke ba bangwe. Ya go ba hira ba nna *permanent and pensionable*, ke dumela gore ke fetile ka yone.

Kgang ya ga *Honourable Mmusi*, ke dumela gore ke e sobokile le tse dingwe tsele ka gore segolobogolo o ne a bua ka dikgang tsa *maintenance*. O ne a bua ka *maintenance, internal roads* jalo jalo fela. Ke re tseo motlotlegi re solo fetsa jalo gore re tlaa nna re bona, re tlaa nna re thusana. Fa go ka kgonagalang teng go tlaa lekwa, fa go padileng teng, go tlaa pala.

*Honourable Lesedi* le *Honourable Mathoothe*, ke lebogetse dikakgelo tsa lona betsho. Le lona fela jalo le ne le ntse le gatelela mo go sone se e leng gore se mo pampiring e ke letseng ke le e neetse maabane le mo letsatsing leno re buisang yone. Ke maikaelelo a gore tseo tse le buang ka tsone di diragale. *Honourable Mathoothe* o ne a bua ka sekole sengwe se e leng gore le nna yo ke leng fano ka namana ke kile ka tsena mo go sone.



Honourable Lelatisitswe o ne a bua ka mosuke o e leng gore kwa Letlhakane dikole dingwe di a penologa. Seo ke se le nna ke neng ka se bona ka nako e re neng re tswetse dikole gore re ye go bona gore a dikole tse di ka bulwa. Ke tswa go bona kwa sekoleng sa Tsienyane kwa sekoleng sa Rethatoleng gore bana ba ne ba feta palo e go letlesegang gore e ka nna mo sekoleng seo. Jaaka ke bua jaana gompieno, *construction* ya sekole se sesha e tshwanetse go bo gongwe e bo e setse e abilwe motlotlegi a santse a le kwano jaana. O tlaa re fa o tsena kwa o tlaa fitlhela e le gore sekole se foo se a agiwa.

O ne a bua ka madi a *fuel levy* gore a kwa Letlhakane go thusiwe, madi a a se ka a felela mo mafelong a mangwe, le kwa go bone a fitlhe teng. Ga se maikaelelo Honourable Minister gore madi a a felele go sele mme lona ka tsela nngwe a le tlhaela. Gore meepo e bo e le gaufi le lona, ga go reye gore se se fiwang dikgaolo tse dingwe lona le se timiwe. Keletso ke gore rotlhe ba re leng fano jaaka *constituencies* di le 57 di tsewe fela tsotlhe ka tekatekano ka gore Batswana ba ba kwa go tsone ba a lekalekana. Ga go na Motswana yo Botswana jwa gagwe bo fetang jwa yo mongwe. Ga go na Motswana yo o tshwanetseng go nna le tumelo ya gore o gaufi le Modimo mo e ka nnang ya re letsatsi lengwe mo mosong a bo a etela kwa Modimong ya re maitseboa a bo a buile a na le rona fano ka gore ke yo o kwa godimo ga ba bangwe.

A ntse jalo Honourable Letsholathebe, a kgaolo ya Tati Siding gore e nne e kete le yone e ka tla ya re fa go sekasekelwa tse dingwe ya se ka ya tlodisiwa matlho, ya lebiwa. Ke dumalana le wena rra gore a go se nne epe e e tlodisiwang matlho, a di tle di lejwe fela tsotlhe ka tekatekano. Gongwe re bo re dumalaneng gore, a mme fa re lebile lefatshe la Botswana go ka kgonagala gore di dirwe tsotlhe. Fa re ketlola, tse di tlang pele ke dife?

Ke boammaaruri, thulaganyo e e leng teng, jaaka re na le *the local artisans*, le ba bangwe ba re reng re batla gore ba rutuntshiwe ka bo Ipelegeng jalojalo, ke gone go leka ka bojotlhe gore jaanong a beng gae e nne bone ba ba dirang ditiro tsa motse wa bone. Re a itse gore fa ba santse ba simolola diphoso dingwe ba tlaa a di dira, jaaka e rile maloba kwa Mahalapye *bus rank*, phoso nngwe ya nna teng, mme Motswana a re, “morogo wa ngwana ga o ditlhoka.” A e se ka ya re fa ba dirileng diphoso teng, jaaka fa sebui sengwe se letse se bua gore. ntlo e nngwe e a re go ise go tsenwe mo go yone e bo e setse e kgagogile kana e ranyegile. Mathata ke gore fa gongwe e a bo e le *poor workmanship*, e e tsalwang

ke gore fa gongwe re ne re dirisa *the local artisans* ba e leng gore thutuntsho ya bone ga e a ka ya tsenelela. Maikaelelo ke gore go tshaba bodiphatsa joo, a ba rutuntshiwe, e tle e re fa re ba neela ditiro tse re bo re na le tsholofelo ya gore tiro e ba tlaa e dirang ke yone.

Motlotlegi Modulasetilo, mma e re morago ga dithhaloso tse ke sa tswang go di dira tse, ka ke dumela e kete di ne di tshwana jaaka fa ke tlhalositse kwa tshimologong, jaanong ke tle mo bokhutlong jwa *presentation* e, mme ke bue jalo ke re, *I therefore move that the 2022/2023 Recurrent Budget in the sum of Seven Billion, One Hundred and Fifty-Two Million, Seven Hundred and Ninety Thousand, One Hundred and Eighty Pula (P7, 152, 790, 180) be approved and stand part of the Schedule of the Appropriation (2022/23) Bill, 2022 for Organisation 0800 and that the Development Budget in the sum of Two Billion, Thirteen Million, Three Hundred and Fifty-Nine Thousand, Two Hundred and Ninety-Eight Pula (P2, 013, 359,298) be approved and stand part of those Estimates. I so move Mr Chairperson. Thank you.*

Question put and agreed to.

### **ORGANISATION 1000- MINISTRY OF MINERAL RESOURCES, GREEN TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY SECURITY**

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Honourable Members, please note that two hours 50 minutes have been allocated to this Organisation, and I shall call upon the Honourable Minister to reply to the debate at 16:40 today, and the question will be put at 17:10 today. Honourable Minister, please talk to your Bill. Honourable Minister Moagi

**MINISTER OF MINERAL RESOURCES, GREEN TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY SECURITY (MR MOAGI):** Ke a leboga Mr Chairperson. Mma ke go leboge, ke bo ke leboge sebaka seno ke go dumedise mo tshokolong ya gompieno le Batlotlegi Mapalamente. Mme ke tseye sebaka se gape ke lebe kwa go bommaarona, bo mmaetsho, bomme thari ya setshaba, le basetsanyana jalo jaaka ba gola, re ba rutele ruri gone fa ka gore, “lore le ojwa le sale metsi” ke re re a le lebogisa bomme *on this International Women’s Day*. Re tlaa nna re tswelela re ntse re le tshotse jalo re le borre, re le tlamela. Re le sireletsa mo go sengwe le sengwe, gore le tswelele le dire, le bo le direle lefatshe le, ka gore fa o rutile mme, o a bo o rutile setshaba. Mr Chairperson, mma ke tsene mo go tsa me jaanong.



I am here today to present to this Honourable House Mr Chairperson the Ministry of Mineral Resources, Green Technology and Energy Security's Budget bids for the 2022/23 financial year as well as to give an account of what happened to the P1, 2 Billion that was allocated to our ministry for the Recurrent and Development Budgets in the year 2021/2022. Before I do that, I would like to give an overview of the progress of policy and legislative issues of the two sectors of energy and minerals in the ministry.

### **Energy**

In terms of energy, the Energy Policy was adopted by Parliament in April 2021 and since then consultations have been done to key stakeholders including 12 full council sessions around the country in the form of virtual presentations between August and September 2021. The Objective of the consultations was to facilitate why public dissemination of the policy and solicit institutional and key stakeholders support from the Non-Central Government and Public Stakeholders at large. Following the approval of the Energy Policy, a number of new programmes were launched such as the solar rooftop, Integrated Energy Resource Plan (IRP) for electricity generation and the National Electricity Standard Cost (NESC). The levy under NESC has been increased from 5 thebe to 10 thebe per kilowatt hour in order to sustain the fund and for zero to low household incomes, the standard connection has been made reduced from P5 000, to P2, 500. In addition for those whose household have not been wired, a ready box is being provided. Currently the electricity access stands at 67.9 per cent and the goal is to reach 100 per cent before 2030.

Mr Chairperson, a number of policy implementation strategies have been made and now available to guide the processes. However, there is need to review some of the sectorial policy implementation strategies such as in the oil and gas sectors to address emerging challenges. Further, there is also a wooing of the Public Private Partnership (PPP) as a viable option in the financing or investment option for these sectors that are emerging. We are also putting up programmes to supporting a sizeable carbon footprint reduction in all the projects that we are making.

Mr Chairperson, my ministry thorough Effective Regulatory Oversight ensure some of others attraction and retention of private sector investment for increased accessibility and reliability of supply of energy products

and services through the Botswana Energy Regulatory Authority (BERA). Protection of consumers at all levels based on a fair competition and citizen participation within the sector are also key in this regard. BERA is undertaking a project through a grant from African Development Bank to develop regulatory tools, instruments and technical studies to support renewal energy, IPP facilitation and rollout programmes.

Mr Chairperson, my ministry strives to heighten its efforts in facilitating private sector investment in the local power generation. To date, five IPPs and expert to license and a national 10 IPPs of development of medium size solar photovoltaic (PV) projects, and two other sizeable solar PV in the order of 50 megawatts. Guidelines for Power Purchase Agreements and Net Metering Rules were also completed, while the models of Wheeling Agreements and Guidelines for Coal Supply Agreements; Licensing and Enforcements Guidelines are also in progress.

Mr Chairperson, BERA revealed the Botswana Power Corporation (BPC) electricity tariffs and a 22 per cent tariffs increment was awarded in the corporation. In 2021/2022, the corporation was awarded a tariff increase of 3 per cent. However, BPC tariffs still are not yet cost reflective, hence necessitating reviews on annual basis.

Mr Chairperson, effective management of fuel prices and margins are a critical factor for the sustainability of the petroleum sub-sector. My ministry through BERA will review the current pricing methodology to attract further investments in the petroleum supply and storage infrastructure, as well as full utilisation of alternative sources and routes for petroleum products supplies.

### **Mineral Sector**

Mr Chairperson, my ministry drafted a Minerals Policy to provide guiding principles for the development and growth of the mineral sector, taking into current and imaging issues. The policy was tabled before Parliament in August 2021, but due to time constraints, it has not yet been debated and we hope to find the sitting in this Parliament to debate it.

The Diamond Cutting Act Amendment Bill and the Precious and Semi-Precious Stones Protection Amendment Bill were passed before Parliament in August 2021. Further, the Precious and Semi-Precious Stones Act was amended to align it to Financial Action Task Force (FATF) recommendations through the Emergency Sitting of Parliament in January, 2022.



I will skip through the projects that are there, they are in the paper that I have put before Parliament Mr Chairperson, and I will go to other emerging projects that are coming through.

### **Biofuel Production Project**

My ministry continues to undertake the Biofuel Production Research Project to stimulate development of local biofuel industry. The study is still set to be accomplished by May 2022. Currently, the main feedstock for the production of the biodiesel is beef tallow and used cooking oil collected across the country.

### **Biogas Project**

In terms of Biogas, the project continues 181 biogenerators have already been delivered to individual customers and there is a high uptake which we are encouraging as a ministry.

### **Coal Bed Methane (CBM)**

In terms of CBM, two IPPs are already in place. A 10MW Power Purchase Agreement has been signed and we are looking forward to more being signed for this emerging project in the industry.

### **Transmission and Distribution Infrastructure**

Botswana Power Corporation (BPC) continues to transmit, distribute, generate and supply electricity in the country. My ministry is supporting BPC to implement projects aimed at increasing grid access and addressing network reliability in areas where network performance is below the desired standards.

The North West Transmission Grid Connection (Phase 1) has been completed to the exception of the Legotlhwane to Ghanzi, connection at 83 per cent complete and this will power the mining projects in the Ghanzi area. Government is finalising plans for the development of the Phase 2 of the North West Transmission Grid Extension of the 400kV grid from Phokoje to Pandamatenga to provide power for anticipated agricultural and water supply projects in the Chobe District. Construction of this line in addition will reduce reliance on cross of border power supplies for the Pandamatenga and Kasane areas, which are currently supplied from Zimbabwe and Zambia respectively.

The Southern Transmission System Reinforcement project meant to address the current power challenges in Ramotswa, Mochudi and Tlokwang is progressing well. Ramotswa Sub-Station is complete and

started undergoing commissioning in March 2021. The Mochudi and Tlokwang works commenced in August and October 2020 for 18 and 15 months duration respectively. Progress is at 84 and 57 per cent respectively, and these will be commissioned in the first quarter of 2022.

In terms of Rural Electrification Programme, it remains critical in improving the quality of lives of Batswana. The 118 villages Rural Electrification Project was completed in December 2021 and entailed electrification of the 44 new villages and network extension of 72 villages. To date, the electrification of gazetted villages stands at 79 per cent with 447 out of the total of 565 gazetted villages electrified. During the current financial year, 14 villages are being electrified and these will be funded through the National Electrification Fund with the tune of P50 million.

### **Security of Petroleum Supply**

We are developing additional storage capacity at three locations being Tshele Hills, Francistown and Ghanzi and these are earmarked for Public Private Partnership investments. Already, an Expression of Interest (EoI) has been floated for the Tshele Hills project and it is envisaged that all the procurement will be done in 2022. The exploration of Coal to Liquid facility is still undergoing and the Bankable Feasibility Study will be completed in the fourth quarter of 2023.

Mr Chairperson, continuing into the performance of the mineral sector, due to improved market conditions, there has been good response in terms of rough diamond sales compared to 2020. The Okavango Diamond Company also realised significant increase in sales, close to a billion US Dollars' worth of rough diamonds in 2021, compared to only USD 207 million in 2020. The same goes for Lucara, sales improved in 2021 versus 2020.

During 2021, 23 companies operating cutting and polishing factories in the country were there and they were supplied with USD 735 million worth of rough diamonds, compared to USD 398 million in 2020. This also translated to over 2,200 people employed, 81 per cent of whom are citizens as compared to 1,927 in 2020.

### **Ministry's Recurrent and Development Budgets**

For the 2021/2022 approved budget Estimates, there was a total of P1.2 billion. To date, of the P351 million of the Recurrent Expenditure, over 80 per cent has been spent. For the P888 million of the Development Budget, over 60 per cent also has been spent and there is expenditure



that is expected still to be coming through before the end of the financial year to push those numbers up. It mainly deals with the Government's support to BPC in the Transmission Backbone Infrastructure Reinforcement Projects.

### **Revenue Collection**

We had anticipated P17.6 billion but due to COVID-19, it was revised to P14.1 billion. However, we are gratified that we achieved over 95 per cent of that at P13.5 billion.

### **Recurrent Expenditure Budget Estimates**

We are looking at P350 million, representing a decrease of only a million Pula or 0.5 per cent of the year's allocation.

This is mainly attributed to Ministry Headquarters and supporting three parastatals; Geoscience Institute, Mineral Development Company Botswana (MDCB) and Botswana Energy Regulatory Authority, and the remaining between the two departments of mines and the Department of Energy.

### **2022/2023 Development Budget Estimates**

Mr Chairperson, I request a sum of Eight Hundred and Ninety-Three Million, Seven Hundred and Seventy-Six Thousand and Eighty Pula (893, 776,080) for this Development Budget. The largest share will be Six Hundred Million (P600,000,000.00) or 67 per cent of the budget for the Botswana Power Corporation (BPC) Support Project. This provision is to cushion BPC against non-cost reflective tariffs.

The National Oil Security projects gets the second share of One Hundred and Fifty Million (P150,000,000.00) for the Bulk Petroleum Depots at Francistown and Gantsi, as well as the Cross Border Multi Petroleum Supply Pipe Line and Tshele Hills Oil Storage projects.

Mr Chairperson, Rural Electrification and Network extension programme is at Forty-Four Million Pula (P44,000,000.00) for the 79 villages under this programme being: connection of 29 new villages and 50 network extensions.

Power Generation and Distribution is Thirty-Six Million (P36,000,000.00) or 4 per cent. The continuation of the Backbone Power Transmission projects.

The remaining Sixty-Two Million (P62,000,000.00) is for projects Mineral Resources Exploration and Green Technology. Provision of continuation of BioFuels

project; Waste to Energy; Transactional Advisory services, Renewable Grid Tied and Hybrid Power Projects; Interpretation of Aeromagnetic Data study; enhancement of the National Integrated Geoscience Information System (NIGIS) project as well as rehabilitation works and studies at Moshana and Selebi Phikwe region.

### **CONCLUSION**

As I now draw to a conclusion Mr Chairperson, my presentation of the 2022/2023 Recurrent and Development Budgets concludes here. I now request to move that the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty Million, Thirty-Three Thousand, Five Hundred and Ten Pula (P350,033,510) in the Consolidated Fund be approved and stand as part of the Schedule of the Appropriation (2022/2023) Bill 2022; and that the sum of Eight Hundred and Ninety-Three Million, Seven Hundred and Seventy-Six Thousand and Eighty Pula (P893,776,080) in the Development Fund Estimates be approved and stand as part of those Estimates in accordance with the amendments made to the Estimate Book. I thank you Mr Chairperson.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Honourable Members, the matter is open for debate, and the slot goes to Honourable Dithapelo Lefoko Keorapetse.

**MR KEORAPETSE (SELEBI PHIKWE WEST):** Thank you Mr Chairperson. As the Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC), we have been calling for Minerals Policy with a strong component of beneficiation.

At page 37 of the UDC manifesto, we pledged to move up the value chain across sectors and integrating into global value chains an act to arrest the export of jobs through unprocessed commodities. We even particular promised, I beg to quote, "develop beneficiation strategies for the mineral sector especially diamonds, coal, soda ash and nickel or copper, and facilitate investment to domesticate jobs, technology and related intellectual property."

Mr Chairperson, we believe, we are of the firm belief that beneficiation will diversify the economy and create jobs if taken as a priority. As is the discovery of minerals in recoverable quantities, beneficiation was never a priority for this Government. It was never considered until recently albeit in a somewhat half-hearted manner. Our view as we have said before, is for the Minister to atleast target 50 per cent of beneficiation of our minerals.



For nickel and credits, including copper that were mined in Selebi Phikwe and Francistown area before the liquidation of the BCL Group, BCL investment and Tati Nickel, the country was exporting blister copper after conversion. We only exported matte. Other stages like alloy casting, electro-refining and manufacturing, were done elsewhere. In other words, jobs were exported in that alloy casting, electro-refining, and manufacturing which were done in other countries. In other words, many Batswana who would have been employed in nickel and copper plant in Selebi Phikwe and Francistown, and these value chains would have been employed. The Government saw nothing with exporting jobs by allowing these processes to be carried elsewhere.

Mr Chairperson, the requirements for acquiring a prospecting licence are stringent, and thus most locals, especially Batswana Ba Sekei, often do not meet the criteria. For instance, Honourable Minister, Batswana are required to produce a balance sheet in the region of millions just to get a licence for exploration. In our view, an entity has to show technical ability to be granted a licence, which will then be used to look for investors. This situation results in licences being held for aliens or foreigners because of these stringent measures. Batswana do not have money to start the process of owning a mine, and Government should facilitate acquisition of loans in local, regional and international financial institutions and provide guarantees to those loans if at all we want Batswana to be involved in mining. Citizen Entrepreneurial Development Agency (CEDA), the National Development Bank (NDB), the Savings Banks, should also help finance exploration and mining related activities.

There is a trend Mr Chairperson, in terms of how minerals or mining rights are awarded. Where a relatively small foreign entity in terms of experience and capital are awarded rights, and then they go to speculate in foreign markets to raise capital for exploration activities and in some cases sell on the rights to bigger and more established corporations after exploration, thereby cashing on betting on our resources without having done much. I think the example is the obvious one of Premium Nickel Resources (PNR) at BCL and ReconAfrica. They are relatively small companies, they are leveraging on the rights granted to them to speculate, and will raise money in foreign markets. Our view is that Mineral Development Company Botswana (MDCB) should assist Batswana to do this less complex process instead of living it to foreign entities. What is so

difficult about awarding a licence to Honourable Tshere, and then he goes to speculate in the international market and raise capital to come and invest and open a mine?

Since the 1970s Botswana has produced a lot of mining professionals; engineers, geologists, mineral processors, metallurgists. I was happy today to meet one of the few women in the mining engineering field, working for Debswana, who spoke at the International Day on Women today ceremony which we held at the Parliament gardens. We need to tilt Government policy on minerals to deliberately empower indigenous Batswana companies, they need to be awarded these rights and have them also getting capital from Job Stock Exchange, New York Stock Exchange, London Stock Exchange etcetera. Even better yet perhaps, the BEA Pension Funds can also invest with these Batswana and stop building first world countries with our minerals. That is what we have done over these years, we have been building first world countries with our resources. If the argument is lack of skilled personnel, the Citizen Owned Companies can recruit skilled foreigners to come and assist us. We should seek to develop indigenous mining entities because some of these foreign companies owning exploration rights are just first timers gambling in the stock markets with our resources. Why can we not empower Batswana to dream past being just a General Manager *wa PNR kana wa Debswana* or of a foreign owned mine. When are we going to move past this?

Another issue is that a certain percentage should be reserved for Government in all mining houses to safeguard the interest of both Government and employees. Currently, a company comes and mines, maximise profits and leaves the country. We should also capacitate the ministry that issues mining licences. These people, Honourable Minister, they lack capacity.

For instance, Boseto Mine and Lerala Mine pits were poorly designed and the Department of Mines, because of lack of capacity, could not pick this up. This was done deliberately to maximise profits by mining the high grade portion of the mineralised zones.

Before a licence is issued to start mining, the designs should be heavily subjected to technical scrutiny to check for fatal flaws. Boseto and Lerala situations would have been avoided. Government should also come up with the industry technical people that look at these designs before licences are issued. A board can do. In a mining geo-science space, there is what we call competent persons. I know Honourable Moagi knows this very



well. These are people who have worked for a long time in a particular commodity which exhibits distinctive mineralisation style. These people can face their peers to defend their positions, in respect of that commodity. We do not have such people in your ministry Honourable Minister. We need to capacitate the ministry by bringing people with relevant experience and technical skills to be able to sell our mineral potential to the world. These will enable even listing in a stock market because our resources and reserves will be compliant and that is meeting the criteria for stock market listing.

The last *Indaba* held in Capetown... what is my time Mr Chairperson?

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** The time is 1 o'clock. There is one minute 49 seconds left for you, which you shall make good use of, after the gluttonous gourmand you shall do during lunch. Honourable Members, as it is now 1 o'clock, we shall temporarily suspend our deliberations with a view to getting some refreshments and we shall be back here at 2 o'clock. On behalf of the Honourable Speaker, myself and our able management team, we apologise to our prominent non-attendance of the women's activity this afternoon. Bon appétit.

#### PROCEEDINGS SUSPENDED AT 1:00 P.M. FOR APPROXIMATELY 1 HOUR

#### PROCEEDINGS RESUMED AT 2:00 P.M.

#### “EXCHANGE OF SPEAKERSHIP”

#### QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

#### MOTOR VEHICLE INDUSTRY IN BOTSWANA

**MR T. LETSHOLO (KANYE NORTH):** asked the Minister of Investment, Trade and Industry to apprise this Honourable House on the competitive (or non-competitive) nature of the motor vehicle industry in Botswana in so far as vehicle dealerships, vehicle service plans and vehicle maintenance plans is concerned, more particularly:

- (i) why some dealerships embed and bundle the cost of vehicle service or maintenance in the overall price of a new vehicle;
- (ii) is this not tantamount to unilaterally pre-charging consumers for the service and maintenance of the vehicle without giving the consumer the option for an alternative supplier with a possible price advantage;

- (iii) why do the manufacturers and dealerships prohibit vehicle owners from repairing or servicing their new vehicles at independent service providers and voiding warranties if they so do;
- (iv) whether this practice is not anti-competitive in so far as it compels the vehicle owner to use an approved dealership for subsequent service or maintenance of the vehicle, without the option of using independent mechanics and service providers;
- (v) why has this uncompetitive practice (of compulsory bundling of purchase price, service and maintenance costs without full disclosure and consumer choice) that treats customers unfairly not attracted the attention of the Competition and Consumer Authority (CCA);
- (vi) if this practice does not constrict the possible growth and development of local businesses and entrepreneurship in so far as it prohibits independent mechanics from servicing these thousands of vehicles;
- (vii) what would stop Government from passing a law that compels vehicle dealerships to separate the cost of the vehicle from that of service and maintenance so that consumers can choose their own service providers for service and maintenance;
- (viii) what benefits would accrue to the country in terms of employment creation, to local mechanics and associated service providers, and to consumers, if Government implemented the foregoing.

**MINISTER OF INVESTMENT, TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MR KGAFELA):** Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke le dumedise mo tshokologong e. Ke leboge le ene Mopalamente ka gore potso e e mpaketse gore ke ye go phuruphutsha, mme phuruphutsho e ne ya mpula leithlo.

E rile fa re romile ba Competition and Consumer Authority (CCA) gore ba ye go re direla dipatlisiso, ra bo re fitlhela e le gore go boammaaruri, fa koloi e rekiwa e le ntšha, o fithele mo tlhwathlweng ya yone, go tsentswe ditshenyegelo tsa *maintenance le service*, di tsentswe mo teng e le bonthla bongwe jwa tlhwatlhwa ya koloi e. Selo se bontsi jwa nako, se dirwa ke *manufacturers* tsa dikoloi. Ba a bo ba laela kgotsa ba gwetlha *the retailers* gore ba diragatse sone selo seo ka gore *the retailers* ba operate ka *franchises, franchises* tse di laolwa ke *these*



*manufacturers. So franchises* Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, sa bone fela ke go diragatsa se ba se laetsweng. Jaanong se se diragalang mo Botswana ka se sebaka, ke sone se motlotlegi a buang kgotsa a botsang ka sone. Tlhwatlhwa ya koloi, *service le ya maintenance* di tsentswe mo teng.

Jaanong selo se ke amogela gore se ka baya moreki ka fa tlase ga mosi kgotsa mo mosing wa gore a bo a patelesega gore a bo a iphitlhela a duelela dilo dingwe tse ene a neng a sena maikaelelo kgotsa e se bontlha bongwe jwa ditumalano tsa gagwe tsa gore a di duelelele kwa pele. Fa a tshwanetse gore a reke koloi, a bo e le gore jaanong o duelela *service le maintenance* wa yone kwa pele. Jaaka ke tlhalositse gore dilo tse di tla ka *franchises, the manufacturers themselves*, dingangisano tse di leng teng ke gore ba re, “nnyaa, rona re sireletsa *quality* le *standards*, jaanong ke sone o fitlhelang re *insist* gore a bo e le gore koloi fa e rekiwa, e ya go baakanngwa ke rona. Fa o ka e isa go sele, o tlaa latlhegelwa ke *motor plan* wa yone, o tlaa latlhegelwa ke di le dintsi.”

Ke tshwanetse ka leboga Motlotlegi Rre Letsholo gore, phuruphutsho e e ne ya re supegetsa gore selo se se a fetoga se, se fetogile kwa Aferika Borwa. *Equivalent* ya CCA kwa lefatsheng leo, ba tsere tshwetso ya gore badiri ba dikoloi kgotsa baagi ba dijanaga, ga ba kitla ba dira jalo kgotsa ba letlelelwra gore ba dire jalo. Ba tlaa tshwanelwa ke gore ba farologanye, ba ntshe tlhwatlhwa ya paakanyo le *maintenance*. Ba di ntshe mo tlhwatlhweng ya theko, di nnele kwa thoko, mme e bile moreki a se ka a tlamega gore a tlise koloi ya bone for *maintenance* gone kwa a e rekileng teng. A itlhophelle kwa a yang teng, kwa ene a eletsang go ya go baakanya teng, mme e re fa a dirile jalo, a se ka a ba a latlhegelwa ke *warranties* kgotsa *motor plans* tse o mo fileng tsone. Ka gone gore *parts* fa di rekiwa, bontsi jwa nako di a tshwana, di tswa from the same manufacturers, di farologana fela ka *brand*, mme e le *part* e le nngwe. Obviously fa go dirwa jalo, ke selo se melawana ya consumer protection e tlaa tshwanelwang ke gore e bo e ntse e lebilwe. Mme fela ke selo se e leng gore morago ga potso e, ke na le keletso ya gore jaaka motlotlegi a botsa, gore re le lefatshe la Botswana, ka re itse gore bontsi jwa dikoloi di tswa kwa Aferika Borwa, re gogeleng kwa tsamaisong e maAferika Borwa ba e amogetseng, ya gore bareki ba gololwe, ba kgone gore ba reke dikoloi ka tlhwatlhwa e e kwa tlase, e e sa tsenyang *maintenance* mo teng, e bile ba sa patikiwe gore ba busetse koloi gore ba ye go e baakanyetsa kwa e rekilweng teng.

Ke ne ke re karabo ya me e khutshwane go le kalo kgotsa e telele go le kalo. Ke tsaya gore ke arabile Motlotlegi Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke eme.

**MR LETSHOLO:** *Supplementary.* Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo, ke leboga go menagane, ke itumeletse ka fa Tona a arabileng potso e ka teng. Ke ne ke re fela kwa bofelelong, ke mo kope gore, a a ka se ke a re tlanyatlanyetsa gore gone jaaka nna le ene re eletsa gore re tseye tshwetso e e tserweng ke mafatshe a mangwe, a a akaretsang le lone la Aferika Borwa jalo, le a mangwe fela a kwa Europe, ba ba dirang dikoloi, gongwe a re tlhalosetse gore mme tshwetso eo e ka sologela Batswana molemo jang?

O setse a buile ka ditlhwatlhwa tsa dikoloi, go raya gore tsone di tlaa ya kwa tlase. Mme gongwe a tlhalose gore fa go iwa kwa go bone ba ba baakanyang dikoloi, kana ba ka itirela di *garage-nyana*, mme ba setse ba rutilwe ke tsone *dealers* le *manufacturers*, bone ba ka sologelwa molemo jang gongwe e bile go ka ama phokotsegoo ya letlhoko la ditiro jang? Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

**MR KGAFELA:** Go ka fokotsa letlhoko la ditiro ka gore, bagwebi ba le bantsi ba ba ikemetseng ka nosi, le bone ba provide service ya paakanyo e. Mo go rayang gore jaanong Batswana ba tlaabo ba kgona gore ba phuthologe, ba ikele kwa go bone, le fa ba tswa ba sa reka dikoloi mo go bone, e nne bone ba ba ba baakanyetsang.

Go ka re tlhamela mebereko, e bile go lebega e le gore *it could be described as unfair competition*, go bo go bolaya *this unfairness. It is an issue which I will engage* ba Consumer Competition Authority ba rona, gore re tseye dikgato tse di tshwanang le tse ma Aferika Borwa ba neng ba di tsaya. Obviously re tlaa atlaatla melao ya rona re bona gore a o a tshwana, le gore a o tlaa re letla gore re dire jalo. Ke dilo tse fa Mapalamente ba re di lebisa, re a di phuruphutsha. Ke lebogele go re gwetlha mo ga bone, ka gore go re thusa go tokafatsa matshelo a rona. Ke boammaaruri, *it will drop the costs of purchase of vehicles, it will create employment and there will be value chain development* e ntsi. Ke eme Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

#### ELECTRIC FENCE ALONG PLOUGHING FIELDS

**DR N. TSHABANG (NKANGE):** asked the Minister of Environment, Natural Resources Conservation and Tourism:



- (i) if she intends to erect an electric fence along ploughing fields/farming drift fences to control elephants crossing into the fields where they destroy crops and people's boreholes;
- (ii) to give an estimate of the number of elephants roaming the area and whether she finds this a healthy situation in a farming area;
- (iii) if there is any place for relocating the elephants from the area; and
- (iv) if the Nkange Constituency is covered as an elephants hunting area.

**MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT, NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND TOURISM (MS KERENG):** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Honourable Tshabang ke go leboge ka potso e. Ke leboge ke bo ke akgole bomme mo letsatsing la bone la Bomme la Mafatshefatshe.

*Mr Speaker*; ga gona maikaelelo a lephata le nang le one a go ka tlhoma kana go aga terata ya motlakase e e agelelang masimo go tsamaya e sireletska kana e thibela masimo mo metsamaong ya ditlou kwa Kgaolong ya Nkange.

*Mr Speaker*, re na le mothala o re ntseng re o tsamaile le kgaolo le Mopalamente le baagi ba Kgaolo ya Nkange, mabapi le bothata jo ba bo lebaganyeng jwa metsamao le tshenyo ya ditlou e e kalokalo mo masimong segolo jang. Le fa go sena maikaelelo a gore Puso e tlaa tla e aga terata, ka mokgwa o ke dumelang gore motlotlegi o raya re tla go tlhoma terata fela gongwe e le tiro nngwe e e mo lenaneong, ke supe gore dipuisanyo tse re ntseng re nnile le tsone le bagarona kwa gae kwa Nkange ka 2020 le 2021, e le patlo maikutlo, dithuto-puisanyo le go nna le neelano gore tota go ka fenngwa jang ditlou jaaka di tshwenya jaana. Mo dipuisanyong tseo *Mr Speaker*, go ne ga dumalanwa gore kana fa re ntsha letsomo la ditlou, bogolo jang mo *special quota* e e ntshiwang mo mafelong a tshwana le kwa Nkange, madi ao a tsena mo letloleng le gotweng Conservation Trust Fund (CTF). *Trust fund* e ke yone e re e dirisang go thusa benggae ba ba tshwentsweng ke ditlou bogolo jang, gore ba kgone go dira mananeo a mangwe a itshetso. Go ne ga nna mo dipuisanyong tseo gore, balemi-barui ba itsisiwe ka lenaneo le la dithuso tsa madi. Ba bo ba rotloediwa gore ba tsenye kopo kwa CTF. Ba ka bona madi kwa letloleng leo a go ka tsenngwang terata ya motlakase jaaka motlotlegi a kopa. Baagi ba ne ba supa gore ba

tlaa ithulaganya ba dira *trust* ya Nkange-Maitengwe, e e tlaabong e ka diragatsa dithuso tse di ntseng jalo, e le *inclusive development* e re batlang gore re tsenye letsogo mmogo re thusane re tshwaraganele dilo tse. Re emetse gore jaaka ba ithulagantse ba tle ba tsenye kopo teng kwa CTF, re tle re ba thuse ka terata eo e re dumelang gore e tlaa nna le seabe go fokotsa bokete le manokonoko a ditlou di a dirang ka kwa kgaolong. Mo maitekong ao *Mr Speaker*, re ne ra tsaya maloko a *trust* eo ra ba isa kwa Matopi, ba ya go bona terata e ba Matopi ba sa tswang go e direlwaa ka letlolle la CTF. Jaanong ke dumela gore ba mo seemong sa gore ba ka kgona go bona ditsompelo tse, ba ithusa re thusana le bone gore terata e e nne teng.

*Mr Speaker*, dipalopalo tsa ditlou mo Kgaolong ya Nkange ga ke ka ke ka kgona go di ntsha go bua gore ditlou di kae mo Kgaolong ya Nkange. Lebaka ke gore *aerial surveys* tse re di dirang, ya bofelo e dirilwe ka 2018, ga se tse di kgonang go supa gore re kgaoganye dipalo ka kgaolo kana kgaowlwana. Di tsaya lefelo le le bophara, e bile ka nako ya teng fa go dirwa *aerial survey* go ne go ise go nne le ditlou tse dintsintsi ka kwa Nkange. Ke supe ke bo ke soloftse gore, Lenaneo la Elephant Management Plan le supa gore *surveys* tse di tlaabo di dirwa *every two years*, mme ka August ngwaga ono wa 2022, *aerial survey* e tsile go dirwa. Ka gore jaanong re lemogile gore ditlou di oketsegile, re tle re kgone go kgaoganya gore fa go kgonegang teng re supa gore Kgaolo ya Nkange, North East, Central re ka akanyetsa gore ditlou di ka tswa di le fa kae kana di le kae ka palo. Ke supe gore kana di a tsamaya, di a bo di tswa ka kwa Wange di ya Chobe di boa jaana, ga go bonolo gore ka nako e e rileng o bo o ka re di ne di le kana; kamoso di tsoga di le supa kamoso di tsoga di le 100 di bo di boa gape.

Ya boraro *Mr Speaker*, o kopile gore a go na le kwa re ka di isang eng, re di fokotsa kana re di fudusa. Ga re ka ke ra kgona go fudusa ditlou jaaka mokaulengwe Mopalamente a kopa. Kana jaaka ke sa tswa go bua, ditlou tse di a bo di le mo mosepeleng wa tsone o o tlwaelesegileng o o phuthologileng di tswa ka kwa Zimbabwe di tsamaela mo Botswana. Ga go maleba kana ga se tharabololo e e ka kgonegang gore, re bo re re re ka di rwala ra di fudusa ra di ntsha ka koo. Re lemoga gore gongwe go fokotsa go tsamaya ditlou tse di ralala masimo le magae di tsamaya di senya jalo, gongwe *land use planning* fa re ka e lebelela e ka re thusa gore re kgone go supa methala kana ditsela tse ditlou di tsamayang teng. Go bo go kgaoganngwa, gore e se ka



ya re fa go feta ka metlhala eo di bo di ya go ralala kwa magaeng kana kwa masimong. *Land use planning* e e bo re thusa gore re kgone go bona gore magae, masimo le meraka di alwe jang le ditsela tsa ditlou di ntse di le mo teng, ka gore fa gongwe ka gore metse e di ntse di sa tsamaye thata, mealo ga e kgone go re thusa ka fa e ntseng ka teng mo nakong ya gompieno.

Ya bofelo *Mr Speaker*, Nkange Constituency e na le *control hunting area* e bidiwa CT 18. E sale e nna e ntse e le teng ka bo 2006, e e leng *citizen hunting quotas* tse di saleng di ntse di neelwa Batswana gore ba tsome. E ne e sena ditlou mo teng, re tsentse ditlou morago ga go buseletsa letsomo ka 2019, re bona gore jaanong ditlou di setse di aname le Kgaolo ya Nkange ka bophara. Re setse re ntse re simolodisitse, go simolola ka 2019 le ngogola gore re bo re ba abela ditlou gore di kgone go tsomiwa. *Mr Speaker*, ke a leboga.

**DR TSHABANG:** *Supplementary. Thank you Mr Speaker.* Le wena Minister ke go leboge gore o kgonne go leka. Kgang ya gore ga le a bala ditlou e re utlwisa bothhoko, ka gore *the impact* ya teng e kwa godimo thata, *and* ke a belaela, o tlaa araba gore *the reason why* le sa tle ka dipalo tse ke gore di dintsinga, le lona le le ba lephata di ka le tlhabisa ditlhong gore di bo di nna le batho mo lefelong leo.

Kgang ya *relocation of elephants*, ke eng le sa kgone go dirisa *method wa culling*, ka gore tota di dintsinga di supa gore di setse di tletse? *Why not consider method wa culling*, ka la re di a feta di a tsamaya? Rona re a di bona gore tse dingwe di teng, le gompieno jaana fa o ka tsena o re ke batla le mpontshe ditlou, kwa Matolongwane kana kwa Ngomana ba ya *straight* ba re ke tse di *five*, tsele di 10. *Why you not cull them*, ka gore tse dingwe di setse di le teng gone fale?

Ga ke itse gore ke eng le batla *to worry us* ka *issue ya land use*, ka gore *in that area land use* e tlhamaletse. Go na le *area ya mafudiso*, e go nnang batho le e go ruetsweng teng. Ga gona e e kileng ya akanyediwa gore ke ya diphologolo. Jaanong ke eng le batla *to tamper* ka kgang e, ka gore tota re itse gore *that is a non-wildlife area, a none-conservation area*? Ke eng le batla *to worry us* ka yone, a le batla go busetsa kwa morago gore le tle le ngathe *area ya rona* le e neele *wildlife*?

Sa bofelo ke go lebogele gore wa re ditlou di tsentswe mo letsomong. Re ntse re itse gore go na le monahune wa gore di tsentswe mo letsomong, mme a ko o ye kwa ba bathong ba Nkange o ba tlhalosetse sentle gore le ka

tsoma jaana, di kae tse le di tsayang ka ngwaga, di kae tse le ka di tsayang mo dingwageng tse di tlang, gore re tle re di fokotse. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

**MS KERENG:** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker. Honourable*, o a nkutlwia mme o etla o sa batle go nkutlwia. Kgang ya *land use planning*, ke ne ke supa gore kgaolo ya lona ya Nkange e fa gare ga Chobe National Park le Wange National Park. Go gola ga ditlou go a supa gore di setse di tsenelela ka fa kgaolong. Re bua ka ditharabololo tse di mmalwa tse re ka di dirang. Ke ne ke supa gore ditlou di setse di le teng, e bile o amogela gore fa di ka tsomiwa, ke selo se se botoka. Gape o etla o re re di ntshe, o a bona gore ga re akanye mmogo mme re ntse re le mmogo. O supa gore *land use planning* e ne e tlhamaletse fela e sa tsenye ditlou, ka di ne di seyo mo teng. Ra re ka gore di teng, e ka nna tshekatsheko ya gore a re ka se ke re di bulele ditsela gore di tle di fete di sa kgoreletse *Mr Speaker*.

Kgang ya ditlou gore di a tsomiwa; ka 2019 le 2021, CT16 le CT18 di ne di filwe ditlou 10, 10 nngwe le nngwe go tsomiwa. Letsomo le, le ntse le le teng. Fa o le ka kwa, o ye go utlwisa gore le tsamaya ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Re tlaa nna re ntse re oketsa ka fa re rutang Batswana ka teng gore *citizen hunting quota* e tsamaisiwa jang, re tokafatse koo.

Kgang ya gore ga re batle go bala dipalo; ga re tlhabisiwe ditlhong rra, e bile ga re iphithe ka monwana. Ga re iphithe fa re re ditlou di dintsinga. Re mmogo, re dumalana le wena ka letshwenyego la ditlou tse di golang ka dipalo tse dintsinga. Re a itse *estimates* tsa tsone gore di kae, palo yotlhe ka kakaretso. Ga re kgone mo gotweng *extrapolate*, o tsene sekole o *doctor*. Mo gotweng re ntsha bonnyennyane jo bo leng teng mo kgaolong kana re re mo go tse 100, 000, di le kana di tswa mo kgaolong e e rileng. Re ya go simolola go tokafatza ka fa dipalo tsa rona di tswang ka teng. Re tle re supe kgaolo le kgaolo e le *estimates* ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Rra, ga re tlhabisiwe ditlhong ke letshwenyego la ditlou le dipalo tsa tsone. E bile re a itumela gore ditlou tse di bo di le teng. Re tokafatza ka fa re ntshang dikatso tsa tsone ka teng gore Batswana ba tshele ka tsone.

*Culling*; rra, fa o bua ka *relocation*, gape o etla o re *culling*, tota ga ke batle go tsena mo go yone. *Sustainable management* ya ditlou re batla go ntsha meputso e e ka tokafatsang matshelo a batho ka ditlou tse. Ga re batle gore re bo re tabogela kwa go reng re di nyeletse mme re ntse re na le mananeo a *Elephant Management Plan*, a re ka a tsamaisang botoka. A re dumalane mokaulengwe



Mopalamente gore kgang e re e buileng, *trust* di tlaa tla di tsenya kopo gore re tswalele masimo gore ba se ka ba tshwenyega ka kwa. Ke solo fela gore ke yone tharabololo e e ka nnang le maduo le meputso e e gaufi gore re sireletse temo ya rona le magae a rona. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

**MR KEKGONEGILE:** *Supplementary.* Tanki *Mr Speaker*. Mma re dumedise batlotlegi le setshaba. Tona, re utlwa karabo. Mo karabong ya gago o rile kwa Nkange ga go na thulaganyo epe ya go tsenya terata ya motlakase. Motswana fa a go reeditse a le kgakala, o ka tseela gore kwa Nkange ga go dirwe, go dirwa golo gongwe. Potso e nna gore, a go na le kwa go dirwang teng mo Botswana, thulaganyo ya motlakase mo masimong le mo merakeng ka fa tlase ga lephata la gago? Potso ya bobedi, mme gone tota go teratelela masimo le meraka go sa kgathalesege gore ke motlakase kana ke eng, ke *mandate* wa ga mang? A ke *mandate* wa gago kana wa *Ministry of Agriculture*? A wena le *Ministry of Agriculture* le na le thulaganyo nngwe, bokopano bongwe jwa go rarabolola mathata a, go lebilwe gore ditlou ke tsa gago, lefatshe ke la temothuo la *Agriculture*? CTF; Tona, a ga o bone go le botoka gore gona le gore o nne le lenaneo la fale le fale, madi a gago a CTF o ka a tsaya wa a tsenya kwa *Agriculture* kwa Livestock Management and Infrastructure Development (LIMID) go thusa setshaba ka kakaretso mo masimong le mo merakeng gore ba tsenye motlakase? LIMID e ntsha re ne re bolelwga gore e tlaa tla e na le diterata tsa *cluster fencing and electric fencing* kwa masimo. A ga o bone go le botlhokwa gore le kopane o tseye madi o a ise kwa gore go tswelele?

Ya bofelo *Mr Speaker* ke ya *land use planning*, dikgaolo tsa Nkange, Bobirwa, North West, di na le dingwaga di feta 15 ba ntse ba lela ka ditlou tse di senyang mo masimong, *human-wildlife conflict*. Gompieno o bua gore se se botoka ke *land use planning*, lephata la gago le bokgakala bo kae to *influence land use planning* mo lefatsheng la Botswana go Iwantsha kgang e e ntseng jaana? Megopoloo ya gago mo *land use planning* ke efe gore kgang e e fele? Tanki *Minister*:

**MS KERENG:** Kgang e e fele; ga ke itse gore a e tlaa fela *Honourable Kekgonegile*. Re santse remekamekana le gore re e laole jang gore e se ka ya re tsenya manokonoko a mantsi. Kgang ya *land use planning* ke boammaaruri gore ke ya kwa *Lands*, mme re bua ka Puso e e tshwaraganeng. Fa re bua ka lefatshe, le setse le ama maphata a mangwe, re a tshwaragana re a buisana. Fa kgang e tla e ntse jaana, *land use planning*

e lebega e le sengwe se re ka se sekasekang, re tlaabo re inaakanya le ba lefatshe go bona gore e ka dirwa ka tsela e e ntseng jang, re ka tokafatsa jang. Go gontsi mo re go tshwaraganetseng le ba Lephata la Ditsha. Le thusa gore re tokafatse ditirelo tsa rona. A ke ditsha kwa matamong kana ke go abela Batswana ditsha tsa bojanala ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Re tlaabo re ntse re tsweletse re bua gore fa re tsena kwa go laoleng diphologolo, re ka dira ka tsela e e ntseng jang, ga se sepe se se thata. Gore mogopolo wa me ke eng; re ka aba lefatshe jang ra kabakanya ditiriso re lebeletse gore diphologolo di amana le lefatshe. Fa re dirile jalo, ba ba maleba ba tlaa bona gore mealo e ka dirwa ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

CTF; le diretswe go fodisa le go nona pelo ba ba amilweng ke tshenyo ya ditlou. Re tseye madi a re ka bong re a dirisa gore re ba tokafaletse matshelo le gore *projects* tse di ka ba thusang ke eng. Ga ke dumalane le wena gore gatwe re ise madi kwa LIMID. LIMID e lebeletse tsa yone gore ruang dipodi, dikoko kana le dire ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Fa re bua ka terata e, ga re bua fela ka ya temothuo e go tlaabong gotwe *cluster fencing*. Re bua ka terata e e ka kganelang ditlou. Ga re ka ke ra tsamaya re re re ise madi ka kwa. Re batla gore balembarui ba nne le letseno kwa mading a CTF. Re tlaabo re tsenya thulaganyo fa re ka re re ye go tsaya madi re a ise kwa LIMID, gongwe re ya go dira dilo tse dingwe tsa LIMID tse di sa tsamaelaneng le se re se dirang. *Fencing* e re e buang, e na le ka fa e tsamaisiwang ka teng.

*Mr Speaker*, a re ga go na thulaganyo kwa Nkange; jaaka ke setse ke supile, ga ke reye gore ga go na se re ka se dirang gore CTF e ka dirisiwa go tsenya terata ya motlakase. Ee, go na le diterata tse re di tsentseng kwa Makgadikgadi le Mathathane ka kwa. Re a bo re ntse re kgorelediwa ke dikgang tsa *budget* gore ga re ka ke ra tsamaya lefatshe lotlhe re dira. Mo go leng teng mo go ka thusang, re a go diragatsa jaaka CTF gore e re thusre go tsenya diterata fa go senang *budget* mo sepatsheng sa Puso. Ke tsaya gore ke arabile *Mr Speaker*. Ke a leboga.

#### NGETHU BRIGADE EMPLOYEES

**MR K. C. HIKUAMA (NGAMI):** asked the Minister of Employment, Labour Productivity and Skills Development to explain to this Honourable House the state of Ngethu Brigades employees (both teaching and non-teaching) in Gumare and to further state:

- (i) the staff establishment register and their scheme of service;
- (ii) progression level of staff in brigades; and



- (iii) if all employees have the required qualifications; and if not, what is the plan (both short and long term).

**MINISTER OF EMPLOYMENT, LABOUR PRODUCTIVITY AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT (MR SHAMUKUNI):** *Ke a leboga Mr Speaker. Ke a dumedisa mo tshokologong eno. Ke a go dumedisa Kainangura Hikuama.*

- (i) Mr Speaker, Ngethu Brigades is an establishment of 36 officers composed of six teaching staff and 30 support staff. These officers are employed using various Schemes of Services as follows;
- Lecturers are employed in line with the Scheme of Service for second and third level education, lecturing cadre as per Directorate of Public Service Management (DPSM) Directive No. 21 of 1993.
- Technical officers are employed in line with the Scheme of Service for the Department of Technical Education, DPSM Directive No. 37 of 1994.
- Support staff composed of administration officers, accounts officers, procurement officers *le bakgweetsi*, are employed in accordance with Generic Schemes of Service applicable to all public officers.

Mr Speaker, the progression of officers is made in accordance with the conditions of employment as set out in the various schemes of service as I have already indicated. This conditions include; qualification, experience and of course performance. Depending on the above, all officers can progress to the highest level within their various cadres.

Furthermore, the schemes of service have ceilings for various cadres depending on the qualifications one possesses. For instance, officers in possession of Certificate can progress up to C2 salary scale. Those with Diploma level qualifications can progress up to D3 salary scale. Those with Degree can progress up to F salary scales.

Mr Speaker, of the six lecturers, two have National Craft Certificate (NCC) as their highest qualification while two have Diplomas and the other two *ba na le* Degree. The six lecturers have the relevant qualifications to teach the various levels in the institutions. In an effort to upskill all lecturers across institutions, the ministry continues to send in-service lecturers for training in various fields. The ultimate aim of the ministry is for all the lecturers to have a minimum qualification of Diploma. I thank you Mr Speaker.

**MR HIKUAMA:** *Supplementary. Ke a leboga Honourable Speaker. Ke a leboga Tona. Tona, ke go botse jaana gore a gone mme o a lemoga gore despite schemes of service tse di leng teng, progression ya barutabana mo brigades ka kakaretso, go bonya mo e leng gore go felela fa gongwe ba fetsa bo dingwaga tse 10, more than expected, ba sa ye gope ba le mo scale se le sengwe?*

Potso ya me ya bofelo ke gore *since these brigades provide practical scheme of education*, a ga le bone gore nako e tsile ya gore di ka busetswa kwa lephateng le le maleba le e leng la *training* le tshwana le *Tertiary Education* gore ba tle ba akanyetswe sentle, mananeo a *training* a logiwe sentle ke *ministry* o o lebaneng, e seng o o dirang le tiro? *Here we are talking about training and educating people.* Gongwe go a kgaoganya jalojalo, ga le bone go kgoreletsa tsamaiso e e siameng ya go ruta batho mo lefatsheng la Botswana? Ke a leboga.

**MR SHAMUKUNI:** *Ke a leboga Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, ke a itse, ke a lemoga gore go tla go tsaya lebaka dinako tse dingwe go leka go tlhatlosa *lecturers* mo dithutong tsa bone fela jalo. Tota re na le keletso ya gore re fefose *process* e, mathata fela ke madi. Fela re itlamile gore jaaka re tlhabolola *programmes* tsa go leka go ba tlhatlosa mo *qualifications*, re tle re leke go fefosa mo ngwageng wa madi o re tlaabong re tsena mo go one.*

Ya bobedi *Mr Speaker*, ke tseela gore e tlaabo e se ya me ya gore a re lemoga gore dilo tse tsa *skills* gongwe di ka tswa di le *misplaced* mo *ministry* o re leng mo go one. Ke tseela gore *there is a rationalisation exercise that is in process and* ke tseela gore *it will realign* ka mo go tlaabong go sekasekilwe e bile go lebilwe gore makalana afe a ka isiwa kae. Ke tseela gore eo e tlaabo e se ya *ministry* wa me. Rona re fiwa tiro go bo gotwe berekang. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Supplementary.

**MR SPEAKER (MR SKELEMANI):** Last supplementary.

**MR HIKUAMA:** Ga ke utlwe Tona gore a reng. Kana se ke se botsang ke gore a bone e le *ministry* ba bona go ba siametse fela e bile go le motlhoho mo go bone *to deal with that training programme?* Bone ba bona jang? Fa a re ga se ya gagwe, e le *ministry* ga ba bone sepe kana o raya jang? *I am failing to understand and get what he is saying.*



**MR SHAMUKUNI:** Tanki *Mr Speaker*. Ke tseela gore Honourable Member le ene a leke fela gore a tlhaloganye. Ke raya gore mo go rona re tsaya gore *it is okay because we deal with issues tsa labour and skills development*. Ke tseela gore ke dilo tse re tshwanetseng gore re di lomaganye ka dinako tsotlhe *and it is not really a problem* mo go rona gore re bo re ka okamela lekalana la *skills development*. *I thank you Mr Speaker.*

#### GOVERNMENT SCHEMES/PROGRAMMES

**MR L. LESEDI (SEROWE SOUTH):** asked the Minister for Presidential Affairs, Governance and Public Administration to state:

- (i) the number of people who have benefitted from the following Government schemes/programmes since April 2020;
- (a) Presidential Housing Appeal;
- (b) Poverty Eradication Programme;
- (ii) which scheme/programme has been suspended, when it was suspended and for how long; and
- (iii) if any of the schemes/programmes have been upgraded and rolled out to cushion the poor and unemployed against the impact of COVID-19.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR PRESIDENTIAL AFFAIRS, GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MR MTHIMKHULU):** Thank you Mr Speaker.

- (i) Mr Speaker, since April 2020, a total of ten houses were built and handed over to needy families from the Presidential Housing Appeal and 902 people were assisted under the Poverty Eradication Programme.

The low uptake of the programmes, especially the Poverty Eradication, is due to the fact that the programme hinges upon critical steps that require intense human interaction, being mobilisation, assessments, training and packaging. Movement restrictions as well as social distancing requirements during the period of COVID-19 meant all these activities could not meaningfully be undertaken.

- (ii) Mr Speaker, I am not aware of any scheme / programme being suspended, if anything, implementation would have slowed down because of the reasons advanced above.

- (iii) None of the two schemes/programmes have been upgraded therefore they continue to run as they have always done.

However, in regard to the Poverty Eradication Programme, an assessment has recently been concluded on the impact of COVID-19 on the programme. The findings will definitely provide an understanding on the type and extent of the impacts, thereby informing appropriate interventions. I thank you Mr Speaker.

**MR LESEDI:** *Supplementary.* Mma ke go leboge Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke re Tona le fa a araba ka tsela e a arabang ka yone e, gongwe motho a tlhaloganye gore *since a supa gore gotsweng ka April 2020 ba agile matlo a le 10, a mme pace e o dumela gore e tlaa sireletsa ba ba tlhokileng lesego?*

Gongwe e le ya bobedi, ke supe gore a mme jaaka a supa gore ga go na epe *programme kana scheme that has been suspended*, a o netefaletsa Batswana gore di santse di le teng? Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

**MR MTHIMKHULU:** *Thank you Mr Speaker.* *Mr Speaker*, ke dumela gore Honourable Lesedi o a itse gore *the most part of 2020 tota go ne go na le lockdowns*, go ne go sena dilo dipe tse di ka dirwang. Le gone *last year* gape re ne re le mo seemong se e leng gore se ne se kgoreletsa babereki go bereka ka fa go tlwaelesigileng ka teng. Ke gone mo re go tlhalosang fa. Ke sone se o bonang ntswa go ne go na le COVID go itekilwe go agilwe matlo a le 20. Ke palo e ntsi thata o lemoga *these restrictions* tse di neng di le teng le tlhoko madi e e neng e dirwa ke go nna ga COVID. Fela ke ka go netefaletsa gore ka gore COVID o kare ke e re tlaa e fenyga go ya kwa pele, e tlaa fokotsega, tse di tlaabong di dirwa gongwe le tsone di tlaa oketsega ka gore jaanong *economy* e boetse kwa mannong a yone. *It is normalising*, ba rialo.

Jaanong e ya gore mananeo a teng, a teng. Maloba ke ne ke le ka kwa ga Serowe kwa ke ile *to package 65 beneficiaries* ba ba neng ba fiwa Lenaneo lone le la Nyeletso Lehuma. Ke dumela gore o bone kwa kgaolong ya ga Mopalamente wa kwa Serowe yo mongwe wa mmata wa gago, Honourable Mathoothe. Ke ne ke le kwa kgaolong ya gagwe *packaging 65*. Mme re ntse re ya go tsamaya gape lefatshe lotlhe *packaging for people*. *I thank you Mr Speaker.*

**MR LESEDI:** *Mr Speaker*, ke kopa *clarification* ka sengwe, *Minister a re 20 kana 10 fa re bua ka housing appeal?*

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Minister.

**MR MTHIMKHULU:** Sorry *ke* 10 houses.

**MR SPEAKER:** Minister of Employment, Labour Productivity and Skills Development do you have a paper to table?

**MINISTER OF EMPLOYMENT, LABOUR PRODUCTIVITY AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT (MR SHAMUKUNI):** I do Mr Speaker.

**MR SPEAKER:** Please go ahead.

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(Minister of Employment, Labour Productivity and Skills Development)

**MR SPEAKER:** Order! Order! Honourable Members, the Chairperson of the Parliamentary Caucus on Women wishes to make a statement.

### STATEMENT

#### INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

**CHAIRPERSON OF THE PARLIAMENTARY CAUCUS ON WOMEN (DR DOW):** Thank you Mr Speaker for giving me this opportunity to present the 2022 International Women's Day Speech on behalf of the Parliamentary Caucus on Women whose Members are Mr Speaker, Honourable Makwina, Honourable Monnagotla, Honourable Mokgethi, Honourable Motsamai, Honourable Kereng, Honourable Serame and Honourable Manake. I made the speech on their behalf Mr Speaker.

Mr Speaker, the first International Women's Day was held in the 1900s as a labour movement for equal rights for women. Since then every year thousands of events occur worldwide to celebrate and to commemorate the economic, political and social achievements of women. Governments, Civil society organisations, educational institutions, women's groups, corporations and the media come together to commemorate this day. The theme for this year Mr Speaker is "Breaking the bias". This theme calls upon us to imagine a gender equal world, a gender equal future.

Breaking the bias is about eliminating gender stereotypes, it is about imagining a world free of exclusion and discrimination. An inclusive and equitable world where differences are valued and celebrated. The theme focuses on forging towards a world in which women are seen as equals to their male counterparts. Bias is an obstacle to women's progress, progress at home, progress at work, progress in the world in general. Women encounter bias every day in their lives, constantly being treated differently because they are women. Biases exist in the work place, in sport and society where more often than not women are remunerated below their male counterparts. This creates a perception that women are of less value than men. Gender bias is framed in societal beliefs that exists in homes, in communities, schools and workplaces. Consequently, this is restrictive and affects everyone especially women and girls as decisions based on sex have historically favoured men and given them more influence than women. It is not enough to just acknowledge the existence of gender bias. It is important for all of us to take actions against that. Progress can be measured by policies, laws and programmes and structures that seek to level the playing field between men and women. It can also be measured by the percentage of women that we see in leadership. In Botswana, after 55 years, we celebrated having the nation's Budget Speech delivered by a woman, Honourable Peggy Serame. We saw the appointment of the first woman Permanent Secretary to the President *Mme* Emma Peloetletse. We saw the appointment of Judge Tau as President of the Court of Appeal; the first ever female President of the Court of Appeal. Furthermore, Botswana has increasingly seen men and women breaking the bias and taking on careers that were traditionally meant for the opposite gender. This was seen when the Botswana Defence Force (BDF) recruited its first female recruits in 2007. Today Mr Speaker, we recognised and celebrated those women who have broken that bias for other women to follow, with an event on the National Assembly grounds which brought together women from careers which were traditionally seen as those of men and vice versa. These people; women/men delivered inspirational stories of courage and integrity. It is a fact Mr Speaker, that while women are given equal opportunities with men we are all better off.

Having women in leadership position should become the norm, not an exception. Slowly but steadily, I believe Botswana is changing, still more needs to be done. The puzzle stories and this theme is important



to our daughters and granddaughters. It tells them that they have the ability to reach the top and they will be judged on their ideas, commitment and talent instead of their chromosomes. A gender equal Botswana is a better Botswana for everyone, not just for women.

Even as we celebrate Mr Speaker, we must acknowledge some problems. I believe that it will be remiss of me if I did not comment on the issue of Gender Based Violence. Physical and sexual assault cases continue to rise at an alarming rate in our country and often the victims are women and girls, of course boys and men sometimes are victims, but overall is women and girls who are actually are victims of these crimes. At the political level also it will be remiss of me if I did not point out that political leadership positions in Botswana are still predominantly male dominated. Only seven seats out of 64 seats in our Parliament is occupied by women.

Mr Speaker, today under this theme we celebrate incredible women who have done their part in the realisation of gender equality and women's empowerment, contributing to the achievement of the (SDGs) and the entire 2030 agenda for Sustainable Development and peace and security. We acknowledge them, but we also acknowledge all the men who supported them at home, in work places, and on the streets and wherever they interact. So nobody succeeds on their own, all these women we are celebrating today succeed also because they are in an environment that supports them or that they work hard despite the environment that was around them. Today is the day to remember that breaking the bias has to be a collective effort. It is essential for every individual to play their role as we move towards a gender equal world.

Finally Mr Speaker, Happy International Women's Day to all people, men and women who believe in an actually practiced justice and equality for all. Thank you Mr Speaker.

**MR SPEAKER:** Thank you very much Honourable Dr Dow. Honourable Members, normally we allow short questions for the purposes of elucidation, something that you may not have comprehended from what Honourable Dr Dow has said. Honourable Saleshando.

**MR SALESHANDO:** Ke a go leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke akgole Mma Dow le komiti ya gagwe ka tiro e ba tlhotseng ba e dirile motshegare ono go lemoga bokgoni jwa bomme. Gammogo le go akgola bomme botlhe mo lefatsheng la

Botswana ba ba tshwereng maemo a boikarabelo. Se ke batlang go itebaganya le sone Mma Dow, gore gongwe ke ka bo ke eleditse o se buile *in your speech*, ke go lebelela maemo a sepolotiki mo lefatsheng la Botswana, o ka bo o buile ka bophara. Fa o lebelela mafatshe a a dirisang tsamaiso e re e dirisang, e re e tsereng kwa ga Mmamosadinyana, mafatshe otlhe, go simologa kwa ga Mmamosadinyana, Dipalamente tsa teng di tletse banna. Kwa ga Mmamosadinyana bomme ke 34 *per cent*, borre ba tsamaya kwa godimo thata. Kwa Canada 31 *per cent* ke bomme, bontsi ke borre. Fa o tsena mo Africa kwa bo Angola, bomme ke 30 *per cent* fela, borre 70 *per cent*, ba dirisa thulaganyo ya rona ya ga Mmamosadinyana. Kwa Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) ke 12 *per cent* bomme, ba dirisa thulaganyo ya rona ka kwano. Rona fa o tsaya palo ya bomme ba ba tlhopilweng pele fa re tsenya bo *specially elected*, re mo go 5 *per cent*. Re kwa moragorago! Se se ntshwenyang Mma Dow ke gore le le bomme ba Mapalamente le itse gore bothata bo fa kae, o kare le didimetse, borre ba ba tshwereng maemo a sepolotiki ke bone ba tabogang fa morago ga *Commission ya Constitutional Review* ba ya go kopa Batswana gore e ya dithlopho le e lese fela jaaka e ntse, re tswelele ka dipalo tse re nang le tsone tsa borre. Le didimetse ga le bolelele Batswana gore, kana mafatshe a mangwe... Namibia fela e e neng e tlaa maabane jaana e setse e na le 46 *per cent* ya bomme, rona re le kwa go 5 *per cent*; South Africa 45 *per cent*, re le kwa go 5 *per cent*. Le tlaa rwala leng dithlako go bua le Batswana gore, tota mathata a fa kae re ngwae kwa go babang teng?

**DR DOW:** Thank you Honourable Saleshando. I will not suggest that you are trying to blame the victim. I think you are raising important issues; you are saying that unless and until we look at our election system, then very little is going to change. There is absolutely no doubt that the world men dominate the political level because of the traditional way that we actually elect leaders. There is no doubt about that. Countries like Rwanda and South Africa that you talked about, they have changed their system to come up with a more inclusive system of elections that have actually seen more women in leadership. One hopes that, that particular voice that you are raising will be amplified and that when we look at that Constitution, these are some of the things we are going to be looking at. As you are aware, that particular debate has not come to Parliament yet and so the women who are not saying anything, are the ones who are not going to the Kgotsas which are traditionally men's sphere anyway. I take your point and I acknowledge it. I thank you for your contribution sir.



**MR LUCAS:** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke ne ke re fa o lebile bothata jo jwa kgokgontsho ya bomme *Honourable Dow*, go lebega e kete bo a oketseg a mme motho gongwe a bo a akanya gore re le borre ga re sugiwe sentle kwa moding; kwa re simololang teng re gola re bidiwa borre. Ga ke itse, a o kgotsofalela dithulaganyo tse di leng teng mo lefatsheng la Botswana...

**MR SPEAKER:** I cannot hear you Honourable Lucas.

**MR LUCAS:** Mr Speaker!

**MR SPEAKER:** I say I cannot hear you; I hope Honourable Dow can hear you.

**DR DOW:** I can hear him.

**MR SPEAKER:** Okay.

**MR LUCAS:** *Thank you very much.* A mme *Honourable Dow* o kgotsofalela dithulaganyo tse di lekang go suga borre kwa moding kana bana ba basimane ba sants e ba le kwa tlase gore ba kgone go amogela gore bomme le borre ba a lekalekana, e bile bothle ba bopilwe mo setshwanong sa Modimo? *In particular*, a mme ka sekole ke sone se o fitlhelang re godisa bana kwa go sone, o kgotsofalela *school based programmes* tse di lekang *to promote gender equality?* E le potso ya ntlha

Sa bobedi ke kgang ya borre fela mo bogompienong. Fa o re o a lebelela, o bona gore bomme gompieno ba na le kutlwisiso ya ditshwanelo tsa bone, mme jaanong go lebega e kete ba salela kwa morago. A mme dithulaganyo tse di lekang go thusa borre go tshedisanya le bomme *who are empowered in the Republic of Botswana*, a o bona di le teng e bile e kete di a kgotsofatsa? *Are they well-resourced* gore di thuse borre gore ba kgone go tshela le bomme ba ba rutilweng ditshwanelo tsa bone? Ke a leboga.

**DR DOW:** *Tanki. Potso ya gago e bophara. Selo sa ntlha a re dumalane gore* children are raised both in homes, schools and of course in the streets. Therefore, nothing is going to change until each one of us changes our home culture in terms of what you expect from your girls and boys.

I think the other things we must appreciate is that again because of gender stereotypes, man expect to be the ones who are supporting families. *Fa ba ratana ke bone ba ba betšhang jalojalo.* So when you have a recession, when the economy is down, there is a lot of pressure on men because they are unable to deliver in terms of what the expectations are. When there is no place for

them to deal with their emotional issues, often then families become violent because you are going to hit at the person closest to you. I think you will also see internationally for the last two years, Gender-Based Violence (GBV) has actually skyrocketed because of COVID-19 and of families when they cannot cope, then they lash out at the person who is closest to you. I think that point must be made.

The other things I agree with you that schools need to do more but it is more than just at schools, it is the churches and the community at large. As long as you see a woman as a potential sexual partner first, before you see them as an intelligent person, who can contribute to debates. As long as those small little biases continue to be there, there will always be this faction between men and women and also there will also be undermining of women when it comes to what they can or cannot do and progress at work.

I do believe and agree with you that we need to look at our school syllabus; it is not just in Botswana. I think there was an item on the news yesterday about that GBV in Germany for example, it is the highest in Europe. There is absolutely no doubt that the whole world culture is actually gender unbalance or gender unequal. So it is not just about job or a problem of Botswana, but it is of the world.

I think the other thing I am sorry Mr Speaker, let me just make this point that often we think that you go and get rights and then you go home and sit down. No, this debate, fight or conversation should be continuous to say why did you think that Mr James was better than Jay? Was it because of the suits that he was wearing? It is a constant debate at personal and community level but I acknowledge the comments that you made and I am sure the relevant ... (Inaudible)... are also listening to what you said sir. Thank you.

**HIS HONOUR THE VICE PRESIDENT (MR TSOGWANE):** *Thank you Mr Speaker.* A e re pele gongwe ke kopa tshedimosetso mo go Motlotlegi Mme Mma Dow, yo e leng ene a okametseng Lekoko la Bomme ba Palamente, ke amogele thata ka boitumelo letsatsi le la bone le gore ba bo ba le ketekile, e le bomme ba Palamente ya Botswana mo boemong jwa bomme.

Ke bo ke tla ke re kana o ntse o bua ka boloko jwa komiti mme ke utlwile o bitsa leina lengwe le ke neng ke ithaya ke re ke la ga rre, la ga *Honourable Motsamai*. Gongwe o re sedimasetse gore ke ka go rata ga gagwe



fela kana ke ka thulaganyo nngwe e re ka e itseng gore a bo a le mo *Caucus* e ya Bomme? A mongwe le mongwe mo Palamente gore re tle re nne le dipalo tse di utlwalang, o ka dira jalo? Gongwe *half ya borre can join you* gore *Caucus* ya Bomme e bonale, e utlwale le kwa mafatsheng a mangwe gore re na le *caucus* ya bontsi jo bo kalo ya bomme mo Palamenteng ya Botswana. Ke batla tshedimosetso eo.

Mme Mma Dow, tiro e le e dirang e molemo thata mme ke botse gore kana fa re bua ka *systems* jaaka re bua ka tse di farologaneng tsa bo Goromente, tse dingwe di kgona go dira motlhofo gore bomme ba tsene mo Palamenteng, tse dingwe di nne boketenyana gore bomme ba tsene ka tsone mo Palamenteng. Ke batla go itse mo go wena Mme Mma Dow gore ka fa go ntseng ka teng ka *system* e re e dirisang e, ka re a tle re bua ka dilo gotwe bo *inner party democracy*, a mme *system* e le yone ga se e e ka bonang gore diphathi le tsone di nna le tsamaiso e ka tsone di ka lereng bomme kwa Palamenteng, le fa re ise re bo re nne le tsamaiso e re gopolang gore ke yone e e ka rotloetsang thata? A diphathi tsone go na le tse di idiwang ka nngwe tsela, kana *systems* dingwe ba ka di dirisa e le diphathi fela e se Goromente, tse di ka dirang gore bomme ba goroge kwa Palamenteng? Fa e le gore go na le phathi ka boyone e batlang gore e dire *the quota system, practising that part* jaaka e ka diragatsa *inner party democracy*, a go na le se se ka kgoreletsang gone foo? Ke bua jaana ke bona gore diphathi dingwe le fa go ntse go na le *system* yone eo, di ntse di tsenya bomme, bangwe ba ntse ba a tsena mo Palamenteng ka diphathi tse di farologaneng.

Ka go rialo *Mr Speaker*, tlaa ke leboge thata, ke bo ke lebogise bomme ba ba kwa gae. Ba se ka ba tsaya gore golo mo ke ga Gaborone fela, lefatshe fa le ntse jaana, re ka itumela fa go keteka bomme kwa Seronga, kwa kae, ba lemoga letsatsi le. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*:

**DR DOW:** *Thank you Mr Speaker:* Potso ya ntsha e ne e le gore, ka gore lekgotla le ke la bomme, ga tla jang gore Motlotlegi Rre Motsamai a bo a na le rona. Dikomiti tsa Palamente tota ka tshwanelo, di lere megopolo ya diphathi tse di mo Palamenteng ka nako eo. Jaanong *our rules are very clear*; lekgotla le ke la bomme fela, mme e rile re lemoga gore phathi ya UDC ga e na bomme go bo go...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ga go utlwale *Mr Speaker*; o sale a kgaogile fela a re o simolola go bua.

**DR DOW:** Ehe, nte ke ntshe *video* gongwe go tlaa nna botoka. Ga ke itse gore a o a nkutlwala gompieno. Ke a utlwala gompieno?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O ntse o utlwala.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O a utlwala jaanong.

**DR DOW:** Ee rra.

Go ne ga dumalanwa gone foo gore lone lekgotla le e leng lone le tlhomang (*appoint*) dikomiti, le bo le re mme go a tlhokafala gore lefoko la UDC kante la *Opposition* le lone le tsene mo lekgotleng le, ka ba sena mme, a ba tlise rre. Re bo re mo amogela e le leloko la rona. Ke dumela gone gore *an inclusive society means gore all views must be heard. So ke sone se o bonang Motlotlegi Rre Motsamai e le a member of this lekgotla, it was an exception to include the UDC.*

Fa re bua ka gore a mme gone go ne go ka se ka ga simolola kwa diphathing, se ke se dumelang *Honourable VP* ke gore, gore re fetole kwa godimo re tshwanetse re fetole le kwa diphathing, ka gore go tlaa tla nako ya gore le fa o ka re *30 per cent* kana *50 per cent at the national level*, fa e le gore molao o gape ga o tlame diphathi, ba tlaa tla jang *to the national elections* fa ba sa tsena *at the primaries. So there is absolutely no doubt* gore ga o ka ke wa bona bomme kwa godimo fa o sa ba bona *at the primary level*.

Kwa mafatsheng a mangwe melao e *very clear in regulating even Primary Elections to make sure that they are democratic* jalojalo, gore *there is no one picked* gore wena tsena, wena o se ka wa tsena. *So there is no doubt for us to change electoral system.*

Gape fa gongwe re bua kgang e e kete e motlhofo, ke gore o tshwanetse gore fa e le gore o tlife go fetola tsela e re tsamayang ka yone go tlhophya baemedi ba Palamente, ga o ka ke wa baakanya go le go nyennyane fela. Go na le batho ba ba a tleng ba re re batla *direct election of President*, ke gore ga o ka ke wa dira go le gongwe, o tshwanetse o lebelele *the whole system*, o bo o re fa o e baakanya, o e baakanya jang gore phathi yone e e fentseng eo e kgone gore e tsamaise lefatshe. Dikgang di di ntsi, ke tsaya gore kgang yone e ya gore re fetola jang, e bile re fetola jang *even at primary*, VP o e tshwere sentle, ke kgang e go tshwanetseng gore tota fela e lebelwelwe ka botlalo. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

**MR SPEAKER:** Order! Order! Honourable Members, you have eaten into the Committee of Supply, we should stop here.



**ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE**

**(CHAIRPERSON in the Chair)**

**APPROPRIATION (2022/2023) BILL,  
2022 (NO. 2 OF 2022)**

**ORGANISATION 1000 – MINISTRY  
OF MINERAL RESOURCES, GREEN  
TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY  
SECURITY**

**(Resumed Debate)**

**MR CHAIRPERSON (MR SKELEMANI):** Order! Order! Honourable Members, the debate on this Organisation 1000 is resuming. When the House adjourned earlier, Honourable Keorapetse was on the floor debating, he was left with one minute 49 seconds.

**MR KEORAPETSE (SELEBI PHIKWE WEST):** Mr Chairperson, I was saying the last Mining Indaba held in Cape Town when countries presented mineral resources and reserves the Botswana delegation presented geological maps on manila papers. Our neighbouring countries presented 3D models for all bodies while our Botswana team presented outcrop map, that is not a good sight for a country with over 40 years of mining which its economic mainstay is minerals. Is it not because there is no competent person to have presented resources and reserves at world stage? We need to capacitate the Ministry of Minerals and Botswana Geoscience Institute (BGI) to attract highly technical ... (interruption)... who would be able to sell the country well. We are living in a digital world and manila presentations have no place in 21<sup>st</sup> century investors' forums.

The VP talks about knowledge based economy and Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) and the big question is, are we aligned. The world is looking at synthetic diamonds, how ready are we as a country to go into this space. We need an update on how is that going to affect our diamond sales, our economy is heavily hitched around diamonds, and if people prefer synthetic diamonds which are said to be environmental friendly; the question is where does that leave us. We need to align our mineral policy with the direction the world is going.

We have argued in the past that on ReconAfrica oil exploration, it is important that Minerals Development Company Botswana (MDCB) should partner for

exploration going all the way to production and refining so that we avoid a situation similar to Lucara where *re ne ra thanya le le tsebeng*, where we let go of our 15 per cent that we indirectly hold.

So with that Mr Chairperson, I thank you, and implore the Minister to work with Premium Nickel Resources (PNR) to make sure that former BCL employees are paid from the proceeds of the sales. I thank you Mr Chairperson.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND FOOD SECURITY (MR MOLEBATSI):** Ke a go leboga *Mr Chairperson*. *Mr Chairperson* ke a go dumedisa, ke dumedisa bakaulengwe. Nte ke simolole ka gore le nna ke re ke eleletsa bomme botlhe lefatshe ka bophara segolo bogolo ba ba mo Botswana, le bomme kwa kgaolong ya me ya botlhophi ya Mmadinare, le bomme ba ke berekang le bone gone mo lephateng lone le, ke ba eleletsa letsatsi la bomme la mafatshefatshe. *Happy International Women's Day* bomme!

*Mr Chairperson*, fa ke lebile se ke tlaa se akgelang mo puisanyong ya ga Tona, ke na le dintlha di le lesome tse ke batlang gore ke itebaganye le tsone, ke tsone *my ten commandments*. Ke simolole ke re, kana gore Tona a kgone se a se romilweng ke Puso gore a se fitlhelele sa ntlha Tona o tlhoka gore a nne le melawana, *policies* tse di tlhamaletseng tse di utlwalang mo lefatsheng gore o kgone go tswelela gentle, segolobogolo mo lephateng o tshwana one o, o e leng gore go tsenngwa madi a mantsi. Babeeletsi ba tsenya madi a mantsi gore ba kgone gore ba dire ditirelo, go tlhokafala mo ka Sekgoa go tweng *policy certainty, policy certainty* e raya gore a go na le melawana e e leng gore fa motho a re o a emeleta o ka ya Botswana a ya go dira *power station, storage facilities*, a go na le melawana e e leng gore e mo sireditse. E teng, ke leboge Tona gore kwa lephateng la gagwe e papametse, e a supafala gore in *policies* o tsamaya kwa pele thata. *The Energy Policy* ya 2021 e e nang le *the solar ... (inaudible) ... Integrated Energy Reserve Plan* di supa gore Tona go tlhoafetswe kwa lephateng la gago. Rra re go leboge thata gore o tlaa re thusa, ke sone se se tlaa tlisang babeeletsi. Di di ntsi ga ke ka ke ka di bua tsotlhe gompieno.

Go tshwanetse gore gape go netefatswe gore melawana e a dirisiwa, *implementation of policies*. A go nne le *policy implementation strategies* tse re di bonang. Phathi e e busang ya Domkrag e rile fa e simolola e ne e rile *they will make sure that policy programmes*



are designed and evidence based, di tsamaelana le se Batswana ba se batlang. Melawana a e tsamaelane le se re se bonang mo lefatsheng. Fa lefatshe le tsamaelana gore Goromente o boela kwa morago jaanong o neela private sector gore e dire ditirelo ka Public Private Partnership (PPP), a re bone go nna jaana mo lefatsheng la rona. Goromente a tswe mo go direng ditirelo dingwe, a dire PPP, *build, operate and transfer models*. A re tliseng babeletsi ba tle go dira ditiro mo lefatsheng la rona ka gore Goromente tota ene ga a na madi. Jaanong ke le fa jaana ke re, melao ya rona, *the policies must be consistent*, e tshwane, e re fa re re private sector led economy, let us see go diragala jalo. Jaanong Tona ke fatlhiwa ke go bona fa gongwe o supa gore wa re Botswana Oil Limited e aga storage facility kwa Gantsi, ke eng o sa se tlogelele private sector gore e nne yone e agang? Ke tsone policies tse di tshwanetseng gore di se ka tsa gotlhagotlhana. Fa ba Trade ba bua gore we are a private sector led economy, mme gongwe wena re bo re bona o tsenya madi a Puso gantsi kwa ditirelong dingwe, gongwe ga go tsamaelane. Gone moo o tle o go lebelele Tona wa me yo ke mo ratang thata.

Re batla go bona storage facilities, pipelines, transmission lines, power stations di dirwa ka madi a private equity, madi a babeletsi a a tswang kwa ntle, re dire ka madi a a tswang kwa Botswana Public Officers Pension Fund (BPOPF). Madi one a teng kwa ntle, mme a batla fela gore o ba fe sone sebaka sa gore ba dire jalo.

Mo electricity sector; ke go leboge Tona, o supa gore tota o semeletse, o tsena metse ka bontsi, o gokela motlakase. Ke kopa gore o goroge le kwa kgaolong ya botlhophi ya Mmadinare, metse e a gola. Motse wa Mogapi o godile, go ne go kile ga sololetswa gore re tlaa tsenyediwa *transformers*, mme ke bona o kare le ne la boela kwa morago, mo list ga re sa thole re le teng, le bo Tamasane le Mogapinyana. Ke bona gape o fokoditse madi a go gokela motlakase kwa matlong, *low income households from P5000 to P2500*. Ke go akgole rra, re ntse re tshaba gore re oketsa fela makgetho, re a reng, mme wena o supa gore fa go kgonegang gore re fokotsa. Ke a go kopa Tona gore leba metse ya rona, o ne o re o filwe *P50 million for 2022/2023 Development Budget*, ao! leba kwa go rona, metse e a gola, ga go na motlakase, ba saletse kwa morago.

Fuel supply sector; Tona jaaka ke ne ke bua, ke gatelele gore a ditirelo di dirwe ka madi a babeletsi, re se ka ra bona o eteletse pele go tsenya madi. Re tlhoka madi a gago kwa dipateleng le kwa dikoleng, mme tse di ka busang madi motlhofo, a re di neele batho bao. Ke

gatelele e nngwe Tona gone kwa fuel sector gore o ne o re the pricing methodology, kana ka fa o charge fuel ka teng, o rotloetsa Botswana Energy Regulatory Authority (BERA) gore e baakanye. Ke batla go gatelela gore ke tswa kgakala ke le sebete se molangwana gore the pricing methodology ya lefatshe la rona is outdated, ga e bereke sentle, go na le fa e jang Batswana ntsoma teng. Motswana yo o tshelang fuel, o a itse fela gore go na le madi a a duelang a gotweng storage and handling, a a duelang fela mme it is not stored, fuel e tsewa fela kwa ...*(Inaudible)*... e tlhamalela kwa filling stations. Jaanong ga ke itse gore madi a re tlife go dira jang ka one ka gore re ntse re charge Batswana, mme e le gore tota ga ba bantsi ba e leng gore ba a store.

Mogopolo wa me, e ne e ka nna gore madi a, re dire gore gompieno o simolole lenaneo la gore o tswe mo direct bridging, o khansele (cancel) jaaka le rona re khansetse gore horticulture products di tsene mo Botswana, take a bold decision, o bo o cancel direct bridging. Direct bridging go tewa fa fuel e tswa kwa ...*(Inaudible)*... e tlhamalela kwa filling station. Golo moo fa re ka go khansela, fuel ya bewa (stored) mo Botswana, go ka dira gore go nne le more transporters le batho ba ba nnang le storage facilities. O ka bona filling stations di runya rra di le dintsi, ka gore fuel e tlaabo e le mo Botswana, re e tsaya, e tswa kwa, e bo e bewa golo gongwe, fa Palapye kana Mahalapye, a bo e kgona gore e phatlaladiwe (distributed) gone foo. Re ka tlhama ditiro tse dintsi. Ke kopa gore o simolole go sekaseka gore direct ...*(Inaudible)*... ga e a siamela lefatshe. Ga e support le gore lefatshe le nne le fuel mo lefatsheng.

Ba diamond cutting and polishing, ke kopa gore o set fund, re batle tsela ya to set fund ya gore Batswana ba tsene mo diamond...*(Inaudible)*... re dire cutting and polishing hub, re rute bana ba rona ba Batswana. Kana teemane ke yone boswa jwa rona jo re bo filweng ke Modimo, re tshwanetse go gweba ka yone. Mo the mining sector gape re dire le fund ya mineral exploration. Ga go na nako, mme ke ne ke ka go bolelela methlale e re ka e dirang ka yone, gore proceeds tsa yone, Batswana ba kgone gore ba tsene, ba dire quarries, ba tle go tsaya madi gone koo, ba itirele junior mining, mining fela e e leng gore ga e batle madi a a kalokalo, e le gore fund e a thusa.

Value chain development; ke leboge ba Debswana Citizen Economic Empowerment Programme, ke tiro e ntle thata e ba e dirileng gore ba re ba tlaa ntsha 20 billion ba reka mo Batwaneng mo dingwageng tse pedi fela kana tse tharo, go tswa mo ngwageng o go ya go



tsena ka 2024. Re ba leboge thata gore a bo ba dirile tiro e e ntseng jalo. Ba United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) *supply development programme*, ba ba thusang Batswana gore ba rekise dilo tsa bone kwa meepong, ba dira tiro e ntle thata. Ke kile ka tsamaya le bone kwa meepong e e farologaneng, ba thusa batho gore ba kgone go fitlhelela gore ba tsene kwa mmarakeng.

Ke gatelele gore kana go na le molao o o reng, *all the agencies must be dikomponne tse di mo Botswana*, mme go santse go na le bangwe ba ba kgonang gore kompone e le kwa South Africa, e rekisa dithaere tse di tonatona tsa dikatakata, tse di dirwang kwa Belarus, e le gore motho wa teng o kwa South Africa... Golo mo mme gongwe go batla re go lebelela, re tlhalosetse Batswana. Ke *P100 million or hundreds of millions of Pulas industry* e le ka e dirang gore e boele mo Botswana. Fa le ka dira gore *all the agencies*, a bo e le bana ba rona mo Botswana. Le fa o rekisa sepanere fela kwa Debswana, a bo e le gore, yo mongwe fa a se dira kwa America... kana ba ba dirang, ga se gantsi ba batla go rekisa, *the manufacturers do not want to sell. They do not want to get into that*. Ba batla gore mongwe a bo a le teng, a ba rekisetsa dilo tsa bone kwa mmaketeng. Fa le ka dira gore e nne bana ba rona mo Botswana, re dire molao one o ke o buang gompieno, o o saleng o ntshitswe ke Palamente e e fetileng, o ka re tswela mosola, o ka bona re dira ditiro, re humisa bana ba rona ba Batswana.

Gongwe ke gatelele ya PNR; re lebogela gore e tla ya kwa Phikwe, e a bula jaaka e bua. Se re se gatelelang ke gore ba se ka ba re tlogela jaaka BCL rona dikgaolo tsa bo Mmadinare, Sefhophe le Tobane, e le gore ga go na *Corporate Social Responsibility* epe e re e bonang. Mme go ka fa molaong jaanong wa Economic Inclusion Act of 2021 gore ba tshwanetse ba tseye karolo mo go tlhabololeng dikgaolo tse ba epang moepo mo go tsone. Ka a le kalo, ke a go leboga. Ke a go *support Honourable Minister*.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS (MR LELATISITSWE):** *Thank you so much Mr Chairperson.* Santlha ke leboge ene mong wa setlhogo, Rre Lefoko Moagi, ka puo e a e re beileng pele. Gape ke mo leboge jalo gore ke motho yo o berekileng thata meepo, kgang e ke kgang e a e itseng, e bile kgaolo e ke e emetseng ya Boteti East, mabolela a gagwe a setse a le teng kwa go yone.

*Mr Chairperson, Honourable Moagi o supile fela sentle gore Palamente e e fetisitse melawana, mo gotweng policies tse di ka re thusang go tlhabolola...*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ke kopa tlhaloso ya lebolela.

**MR LELATISITSWE:** ...lebolela la gagwe le kwa Khwee... tse di ka tlhabololang ka fa go tsamaisiwang ka teng tsa meepo. Ke leboge thata ka *the Energy Policy* e e neng ya fetisiwa ke Palamente, gore e rile e sena go fetisiwa, ga le a nna fa fatshe Rre Moagi, seo ke se go leboge thata, le ne la tla ka ditsamaiso tse di tshwanang le bo *rooftop*. Ke *programme* e ke dumelang gore e tlhokafala thata gore Batswana ba e tlhaloganye, e bile e ka thusa thata go somarela motlakase mo lefatsheng le ka gore, lefatshe la Batswana le na le letsatsi le le ntsi thata. Ke a itse gore ke dingwe tse di neng tsa tsalwa ke *Energy Policy* e e neng e fetisiwa ke Palamente, mme le wena o supile jalo mo go yone. Go fokotsa ditlhwathwa mo go neng ga dirwa, ga tsalwa jalo ke yone *policy* e, ga fokotsegia jalo gore re nne le *this national electricity standard cost reduced to P2500*. Ke go supegetse gore Batswana ba e itumeletse kgang e thata. Mme jaaka ke buile maloba, *policy* e e ntle thata.

Mo lefatsheng le la Batswana ka gore re lefatshe le le fatlhoggang, go botlhokwa thata gore le ba dikgwebo, re tsenye leitlo mo go bone. Batho ba dikgwebo, ke bone ba ba hirileng batho ba bantsi. *Costs* tsa motlakase for motho yo o hirileng batho ba bantsi, go tshwanetse gore Goromente a thuse ka gore ka go hira batho ba bantsi, o thusa Goromente mokgweleo wa go dira ditiro. Jaaka re leka go rotloetsa batho gore ba tsene mo *agriculture*, batho ba re ise motlakase kwa *farms* tsa bone, go botlhokwa thata gore go nne le *a way* e re ka thusang Batswana gore ba kgone go tlhabologa le bone ba itirele dijo. Kana fa o bona *farmers* tse ditona di tswa kwa mafatsheng a di tswang teng, di tla mo lefatsheng le, kana bo radikgwebo, ba a bo ba tla ba nonofile, ba dirisitswe mo gotweng tonto-tshipidi ke mafatshe a bone. Fa ba tsena mo lefatsheng la rona, ba a re gatelela ka gore bone ba tla e le *mature business people*.

Jaaka re fokoleditse Batswana gore ba duele P2 500, a re se ka ra lebala boradikgwebo ka gore le bone go ka re thusa go ya kwa pele.

Gongwe e bile go botlhokwa thata gore kgang e ya *solar* e, re e lebelele thata re bone gore *under your ministry* o ka thusa jang gore Batswana ba le bantsi ba ka dirisa *solar* rraetsho.

*Mr Chairperson, Rre Moagi gape o buile ka the National Electrification Fund e e teng e ba ntseng ba leka go tlhabolola go isa motlakase kwa dikgaolong*



ka yone, e e tsamaelanang thata le ya go isa motlakase kwa metseng e e kwa teng ya Rural Electrification Programme. Madinyana a a ntseng a lefesiwa Batswana, fa a kgobokana a a thusa gore re kgone go isa motlakase kwa dikgaolong. Mo Kgaolong ya Boteti East e ke e emetseng, re na le motse o bidiwa Khwee. Ke motse o o bapileng le kwa dipolaseng, o ke dumelang gore fa o ka tsaya motlakase wa o isa teng mo metseng e 40 e o e akanyeditseng gore o batla go e gokela ka *this fund*, o tlaabo o dirile golo mo go tona thata. O tlaabo o sa lebelela *community* ya Khwee fela ka gore le *farmers* tsa rona tse di tletseng moo, *there is a cluster* e e dirlweng ke Goromente e le a Special Economic Zone (SEZ) ya *farming*. Farmers ba ba kwa bale ba a sokola, ba sokola jaana ka gore to access motlakase go thata rraetsho. Fa o ka isa motlakase kwa motseng kwa Khwee o ya go bona ba bangwe ba simolola ba ikgobokanya, ba o tsaya segautshwanyane mo motseng wa Khwee ba o tsenya mo dipolaseng, ka gore go tswa mo motseng wa Khwee go ya fa dipolaseng fela tsa ntsha *is less than 12 kilometres (km)*. Fa o ka dira jalo rra o tlaabo o o atameditse, gongwe e tlaa re re bua le ba *agriculture* ba thuse ka go tsaya motlakase ba o isa kwa *the farmers* tse di bonwang mo kgaolong eo.

Gape o supile gore go na le additional P50 million yo o tlaa tsenang mo *extension* ya motlakase mo dikgaolong. Re na le metse e tshwana Mosu, Mmatshumo le Mokubilo e e golang. Rraetsho a e re mo mading a re a go neelang, a tlhe o bone o le mongwefela o o latlhelele o leke to expand motlakase gore o ye teng.

Ke ratile thata gore le simolotse leeto le le tona le le lekang gore batho ba ba ikemetseng ka nosi (*independent power suppliers*), ba nne teng mo lefatsheng le la Batswana. A re ipaakanyetseng go ntsha Botswana Power Corporation (BPC) mo go reng e tsene ntsha tsotlhe, e nne *referee* gape e nne *player*. Nako e gorogile ya gore fela jaaka re ne re simolotse ka Botswana Telecommunications Corporation (BTC) *running alone*, ya re go tsena Mascom, Orange ra bona jaanong gore *there is competition*. Kana gompieno fa motlakase o timile re itshwara tlhogo, re itse gore ke BPC e le nosi fela. A re lekeng go nonotsha *private sector* ya rona, gore e re kamoso o le Rre Moagi jaana le wena o bo o tsamaisa *your own power station* e e tlaabong e ikemetse rraetsho. Ke itse bokgoni jwa gago, ke dilo tse o di ithutetseng, ga di ka ke tsa go tsenya dingalo. Ke dumela gore nako ya gore BPC e bo e ntse e phadisana le Batswana, a re re ka bonya ka bonya re tabole mo go yone rra, re e fokoletse powers.

Kgang e nngwe e tona e ke batlang re bua ka yone Mr Chairperson ke gore, lefatshe le Botswana le fa o tsamaya mo go lone o fitlhela *poles* di tsamaya di bapile, go na le ya *telephones* le ya BPC. Ke dumela gore nako e gorogile Rre Moagi gore, gongwe re leke to empower Batswana gore ba dire *concrete poles, because they are long lasting*. Di kgona gore di tsenngwe mo lefatsheng le. E seng mo e leng gore fela fa pula e riana kana go nna diphefo, kwa dikgaolong tse di tshwanang tsa Boteti o fitlhela *poles* tse di robega tsa ma bloukom (*Eucalyptus tree*). Ke dingwe tsa dikgang tse re tshwanetseng gore di... (Inaudible)...

Ke supe gape gore mo kgaolong ya rona, re na le metse e e gokelwang from Phokoje, kana Phokoje go tewa kwa kgaolong ya ga Rre Molebatsi. Metse e tshwana wa Mmatshumo, Mosu Mokubilo, Mmea, Makgaba jalojalo, golo moo go tshwenya. Jaanong ka gore *power station* e ntse e agiwa between Orapa and Lethlakane fa Mmatshumo Junction, ka e tsamaela bowelong, metse e go botoka gore o e gokele mo *line* e, ka gore fa motlakase o kgaogile ka koo ba tlaabo ba leletsa BPC e e mo Lethlakane e e ka se keng ya ba thusa ka sepe. Go tlaabo gore ba leletse kwa Francistown, Francistown e leletsa kwa Phokoje Power Station which is very far. Ke dumela gore *transmission* fa e le botelele jo bo kalo, e a tshwenya rraetsho. Kgaogo ya motlakase ka koo e ntsi thata, fa gongwe e tsaya lebaka le le leeble batho ba senyegelwa ke dilo, barutabana le batho ba motse ba a senyegelwa thata mo dinakong tse di thata tse.

Ka bokhutshwane jo bo kalo rra ke re, ke go eme nokeng. Akanyetsa motse o tshwana wa Makgaba o *lines* tsa motlakase di fetang fa gare ga motse, le motse o tshwane wa Khwee o o mogologolo, o fa gare ga dipolase go o tsenyetsa motlakase o tlaabo o thusitse le *farmers*. Ka one mafoko a rraetsho, ke supe gore ke go eme nokeng. Ke a leboga.

**MR SALESHANDO (MAUN WEST):** Ke a go leboga Modulasetilo. Ke goletse kwa toropong e e neng e ikaegile ka *mine* ya Selebi Phikwe. Fa ke dira Standard 3, e ne la ntsha ke tsena kwa tlase ga lefatshe mo *mine*, re bontshiwa ka fa o tsamayang ka teng. Ke bolelwa gore letsatsi lengwe, Selebi Phikwe o tlide go nna le mathata fa *mine* o tswalwa.

Puso e ne e itse fa rona bana ba Standard 3 re ne re bolelwa ka nako eo. Se setona se se neng se le teng mo go Goromente ke gore, a itshupe gore o kgona go lebela kwa pele ga a lebela fa dinaong tsa gagwe. Gompieno Phikwe, yo re neng rona re fudugela kwa go ene e le



toropo ya mmamoratwa ya nako eo, fa o mo lebelela ka Sekgoa e bidiwa *either a ghost town or on the verge of becoming a ghost town*. Botshelo jo bo neng bo le teng pele mo Phikwe ga bo yo, batho ba le bantsi ba fudugile. Fa *mine* o ka se ka wa kgona go rekwa ke ba ba ka o rekang, ke toropo e e fa gare ga naka tsa nare.

Ke bua se ka gore boeteledipele, Goromente wa Botswana o ne a nna fela a ntse a itse a kile a iponela gore go na le ditoropo tse di tshwanang le Kimberly tse di tsamaileng tsela e, tse di kileng tsa bo di ratiwa. Goromente a itebatsa gore letsatsi lengwe teemane e e tsile go rekwa, ke tshwanetse ke simolole go aga gone jaana, e seng kamoso gore fa go fela ke dira jang. Fa ke lebile Goromente wa Domkrag gompieno, kwa bo Khoemacau kwa kgaolong ya rona kwa Ngami, ke bona re tsamaya mosepele o le mongwefela, ga gona sepe se se buiwang gore tota mme re aga *industry*, madirelo a mofuta mang a e leng gore fa kopore e epiwang fa e fela, ke one a re tlaabong re ikaegile ka one. Re tlhama ditiro dife, diteraka di rwala Kopore kwa Ngamiland, di a ralala di isa go sele, ditiro di a tsamaya. Ke sone se o utlwang gompieno Mopalamente wa Mmadinare a go raya a re, *corporate social responsibility*, kana a re o kopa lase, o kopa go akanyediwa mafofora. Fa a ne a le mo Pusong e e lebelang kwa pele, re ka bo re bua jaana go na le *big refinery companies* kwa Selebi Phikwe. Dikopore tse di tswang kwa Zambia le mafatshe a mangwe le tsone tse di tswang kwa Ngami, di ka bo di ya kwa Phikwe. Jaanong ka re eteletswe pele ke Mapalamente ba ba dumelang gore, fa go epilwe fela re feletse gone foo.

Kopore ke selo se le mo Baebeleng se leng teng. *Ancient Egyptian communities* ba ne ba dira dibetsa ka kopore, ka nako tsa ga Jesu. Lona gompieno Puso ya ga Domkrag go bo le dumela gore kopore sa rona fela ke go epa, re dikata mesima re a epa, go bo go ya go dirwa ditiro kwa mafatsheng a sele. Tona o saletse kwa morago, ga o farologane le bo Tona ba ba nnileng teng pele ga gago ke bala *Standard 3*, o akanya jaaka bo Tona ba fa ke bala *Standard 3*, gore rona sa rona ke go epa le go isa kwa mafatsheng a sele.

Yo o neng a tswa pele ga me ke Mopalamente wa kwa Boteti. Re ne re le kwa Boteti nako nngwe re le komiti ya Palamente, re botsa gore kante go pala eng gore le bue le dikompone tse ditona tse le berekang le tsone, le fa gotwe o na le motlhala, lebolela la gagwe le gone kwa, fela jaaka Mopalamente Lelatisitswe a ntse a bua, ba re araba ka gore, “re tlaa bitsa efe kompone e tona e tla go tlhomia fa, motlakase wa rona o kgaoga motlhofo.”

Gakere o a utlwa gore Rre Lelatisitswe a re kwa go ene motlakase fa phefo e foka o a kgaoga, ke sone seemo se re leng mo go sone mo nakong ya gompieno. Dikompone tse di tona tse re neng re ka di batla tsa *mining companies*, ga di ka ke tsa tla kwa Boteti, kgaolo e e emetsweng ke Mothusa Tautona le Mothusa Tona. Go a pala gore go nne le thulaganyo ya gore re fetola jang seemo se, ditiro tse di tswang mo lefatsheng la rona di boele mo gae. Go tlaa goroga leng gore Puso ya ga Domkrag e nne le *a beneficiation strategy*, e itse gore sengwe le sengwe se se tswang mo mebung ya rona, re batla go bona gore ke ditiro dife tse re ka di fang Batswana. Rona ba bo Ngamiland ke ne ke soloftse gore gompieno re ka bo re bua gore dikompone tse di tlhotlheng *copper to produce products* ke dife. Ka fa ke bonang ka teng, re gata mo tseleng ya Selebi Phikwe. 30 years from now fa e le gore Domkrag ga e tswe ka bonako, go raya gore go tlaabo go na le Mopalamente mongwe a bua jaaka Rre Molebatsi Molebatsi gore re kopa Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR). A re nneng re akanyediwa fa le setse ka sengwe le re latlhelele *donation*. Ga ke mo kakanyong ya gore a ke tsela e e siameng go tsamaisa ka yone.

Kgang e nngwe e ke a tleng ke e ntshe fa re bua ka lephata la gago, ke ya go buisana le kompone ya De Beers. Le sephiri, o santse o gakologelwa o ise o nne Tona, o sa itse gore o tlaa nna Mopalamente, go na le dipuisanyo tsa bo Tautona kwa Botswana Television (BTV). Tautona Masisi a bua gore tsa De Beers ke sephiri, ga re batle le itse. O ne wa utlwa, le ka fa maDomkrag ba neng ba tsenya ditlhogo ka teng ba ipotsa gore, diteemane tsa rona gatwe ke sephiri, ga re ka ke ra bolelelwa. O na le dingwaga tse pedi o se kotame setilo, le gompieno ga o re bolelele gore go tsamaya fa kae. Bothata go raya gore bo teng. Ga re ka ke ra nna dingwaga tse di kana go ntse gotwe re a buisanya. Re bolelele gore bothata bo fa kae? Re bolelele gape gore tota lona le le Domkraga le bona *role* ya Palamente e le eng? *What is the oversight role in such negotiations?* Kana ke sephiri sa lona le ba le buisanang le bone? Maabane ke ne ke reeditse Tautona Masisi a kopane le Mokwaledi wa Southern African Development Community (SADC) a bua gore o batla go botswa *difficult questions on governance* le mo dilong tse di tshwanang le tsa *natural resources*. Le batla go ya go botswa kwa SADC, fa re go botsa gore o tsamaya fa kae, re solofolele gore o tlaabo o feditse leng, o a gana. Ke eng le re go ye go botswa kwa SADC, mo Botswana le sa batle go araba ka ditsompelo tsa rona re le Batswana?

Ke tshela ke bua ka kgang ya *synthetic diamonds*; diteemane tsa maitirelo, di a oketsegabatho ba simolola go di kgatlhegela. Tsa rona re a itse gore di a fela, le



ba re tshwaraganeng le bone ba De Beers ba tseneletse kgwebo e, rona re emetse kwa morago. Legale gompieno ke itumelela gore mo puisanyong ya komiti ya rona le ba lephata la gago, ba supile gore Botswana o na le seabe mo komponeng e gotweng Light Box, e e kwa America. E re ke amogela seo, go go nnye. Gatwe 9 *per cent* ke gone fa re boneng go re lekane teng. Re bo re bona gore re ka dumalana go nna le seabe mo komponeng gore e ye go dirwa kwa America. Madi a rona a ye go bulela baagi ba America ditiro. Ke matlhabisa ditlhong gore le palelwa ke go akanya gore kompone ya mofuta o e ka nna teng mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Le bona go siame gore a re yeng go tshela madi a rona kwa America. Re ye go direla bana ba kwa America ditiro ka madi a Batswana, kwano re bo re nna re ntse re rapela re re oketsa madi a Ipelegeng. MaAmerica bone ba amogela madi a a bonalang ka kompone ya lefatshe la Botswana.

Mo dikgannyeng tsa *coal; last year* re ne re ile le Honourable Majaga kwa phuthegong ya go bua ka go kgotlela loapi. Go buiwa gore mafatshe a dumalane gore a re se ka ra simolola *mines* tse di sha tsa magala. A bogolo re bone gore re ka thusana jang gore re dirise marang a letsatsi. E re ntswa le rona kwano re simolotse, mme re tsaya dikgato tse di nnyennyane, *we are not bold*. Gompieno Tona, go na le kgang ya gore re batla go aga *a new coal power electricity station* re ntse re itse gore World Bank, kwa re adimang madi teng, ba re ga ba ka ke ba tlhola ba adima lefatshe lepe ka gore ga ba dumalane le kgang eo. Re itse gore lefatshe le le agang *power stations* tsa mofuta o, la China, le setse le tsere maikano gore ga le ka ke ka tlhola le agela lefatshe lepe *a new power station*. Tota ra re re ikantse eng re le lefatshe la Botswana? Ke a tle ke utlwae o bua e kete o tsamaela kwa go reng, nnyaa mafatshe ao a kgotletse tikologo, ke nako ya rona go kgotlela tikologo. Le fa e le gore ra re ke nako ya go kgotlela tikologo, re a ipolaya, *this is to our own detriment as a nation*.

...Silence...

**MR SALESHANDO:** ...thatathata gongwe le lephata la gago, ka fa re ntseng re rwala madi a Selebi Phikwe, gompieno go bo gotwe lefatshe le tshonne. Re gonya lefatshe kwa Jwaneng e bile go tsamaela go fela, mme gotwe lefatshe le tshonne. Ke batla go gatelela kgang e e builweng ke Honourable Taolo Lucas. E a tle e buiwe ke Honourable Letsholo mme ke a mo utlwa le ene gore fa a botswa gore o tlaa dira jang ka yone, o a siasia, ya *the Sovereign Wealth Fund*. Ke nako ya gore mo go akoleng dikhumo tse di tswang ka fa tlase ga lefatsheng, tse di sa suping botlhale jwa go akanya ka gore ke go epa le go

ntsha, a bogolo bontlha bongwe jwa teng bo simolole go beelwa fa thoko gore dikokomane tse di tlaa tlang kwa morago ga rona, ba fitlhele go setse sengwe. Ka gore ka fa go ntseng ka teng gompieno, Puso ya lona, ke lantlha re bona le gone mo gotweng Government Investment Account (GIA), le tlhotlhora ka lebelo le le kana. Ga se lantlha re nna le petso. Ga se lantlha itsholelo ya rona e nna le mathata. Re kile ra feta mo *severe droughts* le *credit crunch* mme ga re ise re ko re nne le boeteledipele jo bo neng jwa tlhotlhora sepatšhe sa Puso jaaka lona. Re kopane le dikgeleke tsa go itse go ja madi. Jaanong gongwe go tlaare re itlhaganele re le Palamente go ise go fele gotlhe, gore a go nne le letlolle le e leng gore e re le ntse le letsatse leino jalo, sengwe se salele ba ba tlaa tlang kwa morago ga rona ka gore le bone diteemane tse ke tsa bone. Ke a go leboga Modulasetilo.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (MR PULE):** Thank you Mr Chairperson. Good afternoon Modulasetilo. Ke dumedise le batlotlegi mo Ntlong e e tlottlegang e. Ke leboge Tona Lefoko Moagi Tshutiso e a re e beileng pele, a kopa madi gore re mo thus a kgone go tsamaisa tiro ya gagwe motlhofo. Pele fa ke tlhalosa ka fa ke emang nokeng Tona Lefoko Modulasetilo, nttelelele ke leboge gore mo letsatsing la gompieno, e bo e le letsatsi la bomme. Letsatsi le re eleletsang bommaaronal gore Ramasedi a bo a ba somaretse, gape gore ba kgone go ipelela letsatsi la gompieno. Ke kope gore re le borre, a re ba emeng nokeng re ikgalemeleng, re somarele matshelo a bommaaronal le bana ba basetsana ka fa re ka kgonang ka teng. Thatathata Modulasetilo ke akgola Mma Setshaba wa rona wa Botswana, *First Lady* Mme Neo Masisi yo gompieno re bonang a eme ka dinao a eteletse pele lekgotla la bomme ba ba tlottlegang ba Palamente le ba bangwe gore go bo go ipelela letsatsi la bomme. Re a go akgola *First Lady*. Ke kope Ntlo e fano gore re khubame ba rotlhe re rapedise *First Lady* wa rona gore Modimo a mo thus a nne le rona go fitlhelela gongwe term ya ga Tautona e wela ka 20...(interruption)...

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

**MR PULE:** Ee rra, a nne teng. E re ka 2029 re bo re santse re na le ene. A tswelele a nne a re etelele pele bagaetsho. Re a itse gore ga re a bolo go nyorelwa ke go nna le *First Lady*.

Modulasetilo, ke batla go akgola Tona gore a bo a simolotse go diragatsa *the Energy Policy* e re sa tswang go e fetisa mo Palamenteng e re neng re tswa mo go



yone ngwagatlola. Re a leboga thata ka ke foo o setse a simolotse *projects tsa solar roof top*, le fa ba bangwe e kete ba a mo nyatsa, ke bona e le maiteko a a kwa godimo tota. Gompieno o tsentse lenaneo le le bidiwang gotwe *Integrated Energy Resource Plan he reviewed*. A felela a diragatsa dingwe tsa dilo tse nna ke di isang kwa pele ka gore tota fela go bua nneta, go tshwanetse go nna motlhofo for Batswana go tsenya metlakase mo matlong a bone. Ke na le tumelo e e tletseng gore *electricity is a basic amenity in life, so, o ka se ka wa claim right to life mme o sena motlakase kana o sa kgone go tshuba*. Motho ga a yo, yo o ka nnang mo lefifing o kare ke phologolo. Gongwe dinoga le ditau di ka nna mo lefifing mme motho a ka se ke. *When you subject motho mo lefifing Modulasetilo, o a bo o ntse o mo deny right to life ya gagwe*. Tota fela ke tsaya gore *Constitutional review ya rona e re leng mo go yone, a right to social utilities should be actually put forward, especially metsi le motlakase le tse dingwe*. Fa go ntse go ya, re tlaabo re tshwenya Rre Segokgo gore re nne le *a right to roads, clear roads tse e leng gore tse e leng gore ga di ka ke tsa bay a matshelo a rona mo dikotsing*.

Fa ke sianela kwa kgaolong ya me Modulasetilo, ke kope Tona gore a re tlhokomelele dikgaolo. Ke batla go mo akgola ka gore tota o a iteka. Fa ke lebeletse dikgaolo tsa me, kgaolo e e tshwanang le ya Boseja jwa Mochudi, re bo re nna le kgaolo e e tshwanang le ya Bokaa, Matebeleng, Oodi, Modipane, Mokatse le *all the river villages*, o a itse Tona, ke kile ka mo tsaya ka mo isa koo, ke dikgaolo tse di lelang ka go kgaoga ga motlakase *so much that batho ba bantsi, bogolo jang banana ba ba batlang go simolola businesses gone koo tse dinnyennyane tse di tlhokanang le motlakase, ba a palelwa*. Fa ba dira *feasibility study* o fitlhela e le gore motlakase ke nngwe tsa dilo tse di ba emang fa pele gore fa a simolotse *project* ya go nna jalo gongwe o batla go rua dikoko mme a di bay a mo *deep freezer*; motlakase o bo o tima, di felela di na le mathata. Ke re tota ke kope Tona gore a re tlhokomelele kgaolo.

Se sengwe se ke se lebogelang Kgomo ke gore mo go se sebaka ke a itse gore *he is working very hard* gore a *age sub-station* e e kwa Mochudi. O ntse a tlhalosa mo pegong ya gagwe gore e tsamaya mo go *56.9 per cent completion*, mme e bile *he is hoping* gore e tlaa re mo sebakeng sa ntlha sa ngwaga wa madi, *that is between April and June, it will be commissioned*. Re lebogela seo rraetsho ka gore *sub-station jaaka o ne wa tshepisa batho ba Mmathubudukwane o le kwa Kgatleng gore once it is finished*, re tlaabo re gokelelwa mo *grid* ya

teng. Re ka leboga fela thata rraetsho. Re kopa gore o tsholetse dinao. E se ka ya re fa *June a goroga o bo o re raya o re it will be commissioned* kgwedi e e latelang kana *quarter* e e latelang. O tsholetse dinao ka gore tota go bua nneta motlakase kwa kgaolong ya rona o a re tshwenya e bile motlakase ga o a re ema nokeng ka dilo tse dintsi. Mo go rayang gore tota re tshwanetse gore kgang e re e ele thoko, re netefatse gore *the project is completed on time*.

Tona, *through you Modulasetilo, ke tshwentswe ke fuel prices*. Tota ke tshogile fela ka gore ditlhwathlwa tsa leokwane di ile kwa godimo fela thata mo di kgoreletsang mo dilong tse dintsi tsa temo jaaka mo kgalong ya me re le batho ba ba lemang go bapa le noka. Fa re lebelela *price* e *diesel* e leng mo go yone *right now*, go paledisa bannabagolo le basadibagolo ba ba mo motseng gongwe ba sa bereke ba beile mo go tsone ditshukudu tsa temo tsa bone gore fa a a ka e tshela leokwane a lemela semangmang o ka itshtesa.

Jaanong kana letshogo la me le letona Tona thata ke gore Russia kana e tlhasetse lefatshe la Ukraine le le balelwang mo mafatsheng mangwe a re beileng mo go one mo leokwaneng, *gas* le diteemane. Go raya gore tota fa e le gore jaanong le eme ka fa le emeng ka teng... e bile ke ne ke utlwa mongwe wa baitseanape a bua gore fa ba ka se ka ba itssetsepela ba ka nna ba felela ba latlhegetswe ke ntwa ya Ukraine. Kana fa e le gore o ya go latlhegelwa ke ntwa e bile o itse gore *you are a superpower, you want to use everything that you have gore o win*. Mo go rayang gore fa ba latlhegelwa, go tlaabo go raya gore jaanong itsholelo ya bone e ile kwa tlase fela thata.

Ke ne ke re ke tlide go go kopa Tona gore gongwe o ka bay a Palamente eno mo dinakong tsa gore re le lefatshe la Botswana *risk* ya rona e tona e fa kae le gore *what do we intend to do to cushion this thing?* Gongwe setshaba sa Botswana se kgone gore se nne ka go nametsegia gore nnyaa mme gongwe rona ga re na go utlwa manokonoko ao fela thata.

Sa bofelo se ke neng ke batla go bua ka sone Tona ke gore ke batla go lebogela lephata la gago la Botswana Energy Regulatory Authority (BERA). Ke belaela gore BERA e tshwanetse e bo e nkutlwile nako ya fa ke ntse ke lela ke re mo kgaolong ya rona ya Kgatleng ga re na *filling stations*. Fa ke bua le wena jaana, BERA e setse e ntshitse *licences tsa filling stations* di ka nna botlhano. E le nngwe e kwa Boseja jwa Mochudi, e agilwe e bile e a bereka. Tse pedi di kwa Oodi, di agilwe e bile di



a bereka. E nngwe e kwa Modipane mme le yone e simolotse go bereka beke e e fetileng. Go na le e nngwe e e agiwang kwa Sikwane e e leng gore ke solo fela gore nako e e seng kgakala e tlaabo e simolotse go bereka.

Ke re mme ga re batle ba ema gone fela foo, ka gore o ne o ntse o bua kgantele ka *reserve* ya leukwane. Tota re tshwanetse gore re nne le *filling stations* tsa dipalo tse di kwa godimo gore e re nako ya re ka nna mo mathateng a a tshwanang a re neng re le mo go one ka nako ya COVID re bo re itse gore re ka goga malatsinyana a sekae re santse re na le *fuel* fa re tshelang teng. Re kile ra nna le mathata kwa kgaolong ya rona ya Mochudi East e le gore *filling station* ya rona e nngwefela kwa Sikwane. Mo go rayang gore *diesel* kana *petrol* e fedile ga go na kwa re yang teng.

Ke re Tona ke go rapedise ka ke go itse o le motho yo o nonofileng e bile tota o a dira. Leka gore o bue le lephata la Power gore dilo tsotlhе tse di diragalang jaaka gompieno re tshwere bothata ka dilo tsa motlakase, ba nne ba baya Batswana mo dinakong fa motlakase o kgaoga go nna le *power outage*. Ba beye Batswana mo dinakong nako le nako ka gore Batswana ba na le go lela gore ga ba nke ba bolelelwa gore go na le *power outage*. Fa ba ka tokafatsa *their customer service in terms of that*, ba dira mo gotweng *managing the agreements*. Kana *once a service has been provided, that is an agreement* e e leng gore fa *service* e nna *compromised, then you must manage it*.

Ke re ka mafoko a a kalo Modulasetilo, ke eme Tona nokeng ka Tshutiso e a e beileng. Ke a leboga.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you Minister. Honourable Shamukuni followed by Honourable Mmolotsi.

**MINISTER OF EMPLOYMENT, LABOUR PRODUCTIVITY AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT (MR SHAMUKUNI):** Ke a go leboga Modulasetilo. Le nna ke eletsa gore ke akgelo mo kopong e re e beilweng pele ke Tona. Ke supe le nna gore ke mo ema nokeng gore re tle re mo fe madi a a tlhokang re le Palamente.

Le nna ke tseye sebaka se ke leboge bomme ba Botswana, ke ba eleletse letsatsi le le molemo. E bile ke ba itsise gore bomme ba Botswana le bantle lotlhе, re a le rata, keletso ya rona borre ke go nna re nna re le tlhokometse ka dinako tsotlhе, re tlhokomelelana ka dinako tsotlhе. Ke re fa e nne letsatsi le le molemo bomme ba Botswana.

*Mr Chairperson*, ke ema nokeng kopo ya ga Tona jaaka ke ne ke kaile kgantele, jaaka ke sa tswa go supa. Tona, re tlaabo re emetse *the Mineral Policy*. Ke a gakologelwa gore, yes, you tabled it mo Palamenteng mme ga re a kgona gore re e buisanye. Ke na le tumelo ya gore mo Palamenteng ya Mariga e re tlaabong re tsena mo go yone o tlaabo o e present. Ke go solo fetsese gore ke mongwe wa Mapalamente ba ba yang go go ema nokeng thata mo *policy* eo ka gore tumelo ya me ke gore e ya go re fa bokaedi jwa gore ditswammung jaaka re tlaabo re di epa jaana, re tle re di dirise jang go leka go tlhabolola matshelo a Batswana. Go buiwa Sekgoa sa bo *value chain, value addition*. Tumelo ya me ke gore *this policy* e tlaa tla e di buisa go re fa jone bokaedi jwa gore re tle re tlhabolole jang.

Bakaulengwe ba buile gangwe le gape le nna ke ne ka e bua ke gakologelwa gore peeletso e e tshwanang le ya ditswammung *Mr Chairperson*, kgorogo ya yone mo lefelong lepe fela gare e itshupe gore go gorogile peeletso ya tlhwatlhwа ka go bona *local economy around that area* e tsoga, bagwebi mo *area* eo ba kgona gore le bone ba gwebe jaaka peeletso or *operation* di goroga. Re tshwanetse re tlhabolole *those linkages across the whole value chain, investment* eo e tswele Batswana molemo.

Jaaka re dira *policies* *Mr Chairperson*, I think se se botlhokwa ke enforcement gore mme how do we develop capacity ya rona re le ministry kana lefatshe for us to enforce policies jaaka re dira. Ke na le tumelo e ntsi ya gore Tona, ke dingwe tse o ntseng o di beile leithlo gore once policies tse di tsena mo tirisong o bo o ka nna le capacity ya to enforce them.

Ntlha e nngwe e ke tlaa eletsang gore ke e ame Modulasetilo ke ya go rotloetsa Tona gore e re babeleetsi ba goroga, segolobogolo jang bone ba mehama ya meepo, ba ba epang, ke gore ba itse, ba tlhaloganye gore bontsi jwa dikitsa tsa *mining* di teng mo lefatsheng la rona la Botswana.

Ke tsaya gore we have really matured as a mining country and the skills tse bontsi jwa tsone re na le tsone. E bile bana ba bangwe ba skills tse di kwa godimo, re ne re ba isitse kwa mafatsheng a bone babeleetsi ba ba tswang teng, ba tswa to train gone koo. So kgorogo ya bone ka kwano batle ka plan fela ya gore ba ya go tla ba dirisa dikitsa tsa rona ka mo go siameng. Ke gore kwa re direlang teng mo Lephanteng la Employment, le Motlotlegi Balopi o ka supa, o fitlhela go le appeals di le dintsi Minister tsa work permits. Mme tse dingwe e



le *appeals* tse o lemogang fela gore dikitso tse di teng mo Botswana. Di teng mo Botswana, mme bangwe o fitlhela ba itlhokomolosa kgang e ya gore re na le boikarabelo jwa go tlhamela Batswana ditiro. Peeletso eo e tshwanetse gore e tswele Batswana mosola. Mme bangwe ba rate go tlaa fela ka *employees* ba ba tswang go sele, mme ba ntse ba itse fela gore *the skills* tse ba di tlhokang di teng mo Botswana. Ke re fela re tle re e thusanye le bone *Honourable Minister*, gore *appeals* bontsi jwa tsone tse di yang go fitlhela Batswana ba na le *skills* mo go tsone re tlaa nna bonya thata go dira gore di atlege *appeals* tsa go nna jalo.

Tona, ke go leboge the North West Transmission grid project phase no.1, ke leboge gore *phase* ya ntlha o supa gore nnyaa e tsamaya sentle, e tsamaile sentle, e bile re tloga re bo re e wetsa. Ke na le tumelo ya gore *phase* ya ntlha re ithutile dilo di le mmalwa mo go yone, particularly around empowering Batswana, gore e re *project* ya mofuta oo, ya bokete jo bo kalo e dirwa mo Botswana go nne le a lot of sub-contractors tsa Batswana that will benefit from konteraka ya go nna jalo. Tumelo ya me ke gore, le yone *phase* 2 e e tlaabong e tswa kwa Phokoje, e tla to land mo Pandamatenga, ke gore bontsi jwa metse e e tlaabong *project* e e ralala, e feta ka yone, up to motse wa Pandamatenga o o mo kgaolong ya me. We will benefit go le gontsi thata in this project, go na le dikompone tse di tshwanetseng go ikgolaganya le *project* eo, gore ba kgone go oba sengwe in that project Modulasetilo. Re le Kgaolo ya Chobe re itumelela thata *project* e, ka gore jaaka ke kile ka supa, mo kgaolong ya rona ke rona fela re sa gokaganngwang le motlakase o o tswang mo Botswana. Kwa Pandamatenga o tswa kwa Zimbabwe, o a o itse Tona gore e eta e nna selelo, o kgaoga nako nngwe le nngwe. Banni ba Pandamatenga ba tseye dibeke tse pedi ba sena motlakase, and two weeks without motlakase o ka lemoga gore go nna jang, botshelo jwa teng bo nna thata. Le kwa Chobe Enclave re tsaya motlakase kwa ntle ga Botswana, mme le gone e nna e le bothata fela kgaogo ya teng, fa gongwe o fitlhela bothata bo le kwa lefatsheng le sele. Fa bothata bo le kwa lefatsheng le sele fa gongwe go a nnyafala Modulasetilo gore re bone motlakase. Re itumelela thata *project* e jaaka o e kaya *Honourable Minister* gore, re le Goromentre re e simolodisa *project* e. Re e amogela ka tsoo pedi kwa Kgaolong ya Chobe.

*The Rural Village Electrification Programme*; ga re ke go leboge le gone. Ke go leboga jaana ka gore at least mo Kgaolong ya me ya botlhophi ya Chobe, ke gore ga gona motse o o sa gokelwang motlakase. Metse yotlhé,

go simolola ka Pandamatenga up to Parakararungu o goketse motlakase, settlement e e tswelelang kwa ya bo Chituzamatako re ne ra e rekela transformer ka madi a rona a maP10 Million, mme wa re thusa ka bana ba gago ba Botswana Power Corporation (BPC) ba atolosa, ba isa motlakase teng. Re leka le gone go reka transformers gone go atolosa the network ya metse, gore re kgone go atolosa batho ba nne le connections. Le mo mading a re a go a neelang, re a kopa gore o tswelele o re thuse particularly ka extension ya network mo metseng. Metse ya kgaolong ya me e gola ka rate e e kwa godimo, fa o tsaya motse wa Kachikau, kwa Chobe West, o lebelela kgolo ya one, kana kgolo mo metseng ya rona e golela mo sekgweng sa diphologolo. We have made a decision, we will allocate le re ise re ise services, kana services re raya ditsela, metsi, gongwe le motlakase. Fa re abile koo, batho o fitlhela ba le mo sekgweng se sengwe se se tshosang. Issues tsa security le tsone di nna compromised, metse ya bo Kachikau, Kavimba, Mabele le Kazungula and where it was extended to network o fitlhela e santse e tlhaela kana gotwe it is not covered by the network. Go tlhokana le madi a mantsi thata Minister gore ba gokele. Ke ne ke re o re thuse re gokelele batho ba, re ba sireletse, ka gore ke lefelo la diphologolo, o a itse gore go ka nna jang, go dinare, ditaui le magodu fela generally. E bile bo nna bontsi thata fa o ka lebelela le trend ya teng bogodu jwa teng, bo golela thata mo mafelong a a santseng a le mantsho fela, ga gona motlakase, ka gore with motlakase you can work around security ya gago, o kgona to fence, o dira eng, o kgona go tsenya terata ya motlakase fela jalo.

E ke tlaa eletsang gore ke tle gongwe ke wetse ka yone Mr Chairperson, ke e e amilweng ke *Honourable Mabuse Pule* ya fuel prices. Re a itse, re a tlhaloganya seemo sa fuel, mme o tle o leke ka bojotlhé jaaka o ne o tlhola o dira gore e re seemo se ka letla gore o fokotse prices tsa fuel jaaka re tlhola re dira, ke kopa gore o tle o dire jalo. E bile o ngathe ka bokete ka gore they have reduced margins in farming areas, jaanong it compromises le our food security. Fa o ya kwa kgaolong ya me ya botlhophi kwa bo Pandamatenga, ba go bolelela gore, heela! jaanong re tsamaya ka margins tse di kwa tlase, mo ba bangwe e bileng ba re it is no longer profitable to farm. Fa a re it is no longer profitable to farm go raya gore jaanong ke mathata fela, dijo ga re ye go di bona in the coming seasons. Mr Chairperson, ke ne ke re ka a kalo ke supe fa ke ema Minister nokeng mo kopong ya gagwe. Ke a leboga.



**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you Minister. Honourable Mmolotsi.

**MR MMOLOTSI (FRANCISTOWN SOUTH):** Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*. Le nna ke ne ke re ke tseye nako gore ke e akgele mo Lephateng le la ditswammung le tse dingwe. Ke batla gore ke supe *Mr Chairperson* ka go simolola fela ke re, tota fela maloba ke ne ke ile kwa lefatsheng le le bidiwang gotwe Costa Rica kwa Central America. Lefatshe le ba ntsha motlakase wa *renewable 100 per cent*, ba dira motlakase ka bo *hydroelectric*, marang a letsatsi le ka phefo. Fela ka tsela e ntseng jalo ga ba dirise sepe fela se se kgotlelang tikologo, mme e re re tlhaloganya gore lefatshe la rona le sants le le kwa tlase, le leka go simolola ditlhabololo, tota fela go a tlhokafala gore le rona re simolole go itshupa re le lefatshe gore, re na le maikaelelo a a tseneletseng *to transit from the use of coal go ya kwa tirisong ya motlakase o o renewable*. Ba Costa Rica Modimo o ba neetse metsi a a seng kanaka sepe, ba dirisa metsi a go fetlha motlakase. Re le Botswana, Modimo o re neetse marang a letsatsi a a fetang marang a letsatsi a mafatshe ka bontsi. Marang o ne a a letsatsi a ka re kgontsha gore re ntshe motlakase o o seng kanaka sepe fa e le gore Goromente wa lefatshe le o ka tsaya ditshwetso fela tse di tsepameng, tsa gore re batla go itebabanya le go fetlha motlakase ka go dirisa marang a letsatsi. Ke a bona gore o kare Goromente *is halfhearted*, o kare re a lekelets. Mme tota re ntse re itse gore mafatshe a mangwe *have done this so successfully and have done this so well*. So ka tsela e ntseng jalo ke ne ke re, ke gakolole ba lephata le gore a re itekeng go bona gore go sala thulaganyo e ya *solar, wind energy* e nne sengwe se e leng *priority* ya ga Goromente, ka gore ke dilo tse di sa feleng. Fa re ka kgona go tshwara *technology* ya teng, re ka kgona gore Batswana ba nne le motlakase o e leng gore ga o ture. Gompieno motlakase wa rona Tona o tura mo go gakgamatsang. O tura mo e leng gore Batswana ga ba o kgone.

Ke a bona gore le na le maikaelelo le le Goromente a gore mafelo ka go farologana otthe mo lefatsheng la Botswana a nne le motlakase. Go nna le motlakase *is one thing*, le go kgona go ka o dirisa *is the other*, ka gore ga go thus sepe go tsenya motlakase kwa dikgaolong, kwa bathong ba eleng gore *they do not afford*. Nako le nako fa ke buisa phuthego kwa kgaolwaneng ya me ya *extension*, go na le rara, rre, motsadi mongwe ga a nke a lofa, o bidiwa gotwe Mr Direkileng, ga a nke a lofa go mpotsa potso ya gore, “naare Mopalamente, re boleleng gore la re re le Batswana re sa bereke re sokola mo go kana, fa le oketsa motlakase letsatsi le letsatsi, la re re tlaa o kgona ka tsela e ntseng jang?”

Potso e e setse e mpabaletse Tona mme ke na le tumelo ya gore *if we can switch to renewable energy*, re ka kgona go nna mo seemong se gongwe Batswana ba ka bonang motlakase botoka.

Go a tshwenya *Mr Chairperson*, re a itse gore Morupule B Power Station e na le dingwagangwaga jaanong e ntse e dirwa, e nole madi a Batswana fela otthe. Le mo nakong ya gompieno Morupule B Power Station which was supposed to generate 600 megawatts (MW) wa *energy*, ga re ise gotlhelele ka nako epe re fitlhelele gone koo. Le mo nakong ya gompieno re sants re baakanya power station e, e ntse e na le *more than 10 years* e gwetlhiwa. Tona, kana gone mo go supa gore re le lephata gongwe fa re tsaya ditshwetso tsa gore we engage batho, ga re tsenelele kwa tengteng go bona gore batho who we engage ke ba mofuta mang. Jaaka re simolola bo Independent Power Producers (IPPs), kgang e o ntseng o e bua gore re tle go tswelela ka go dira power station e nngwe ya magala, tota a re lebeng gore batho whom we engage go dira ditiro tse, ke ba ba nang le track record e mongwe le mongwe o ka e bontshiwang. E seng ba gompieno ba re tsentseng dingalo kwa Morupule B, ba e bileng ka fa go neng go buiwa ka teng, track record ya bone e ne e sa itsiwe. Jaanong kana fa go ntse jalo o ka ipolelela fela gore mabaka a gore ba bo ba ne ba neetswe go dira power station e, ke mangwe a a tsamaelanang le tshenyetso-setshaba.

Jaanong Tona, ke lebogela mafoko a gago a gore le bo le re le tlaa thusa kana le tlaa fokoletsba e leng gore ga ba kgone, ba amogela madi a a kwa tlase ga P2,400 if I remember properly, gore ba tlaa duela standard electricity connection ya P2,500. Ke batla go go bolelela gape Tona gore le ene P2,500, o ka nna dingalo mo Batswaneng bangwe gore ba kgone go mmona ba gokele motlakase. Fa le ne le ka letla gore batho ba gokele motlakase mahala, e bo e le gore le a go dira madi jaaka le ntse le tsweletse le rekisa motlakase, golo mo go ne go ka dira gore mo dingwageng tse tlhano kana lesome tse di tlhang, lelwapa lengwe le lengwe le bo le na le motlakase. Kana jaaka motlakase o tura jaana, go botoka gore Batswana ba nne le one, e re fa ba ntse ba reka, e bo e le gore costs tsa lona di a le boela. Otherwise you put up infrastructure ya madi a a seng kana ka sepe, e bo e le gore batho ba le bantsi ga ba kgone go dirisa motlakase, le tlaa boelwa ka bonya. Ke sone se ke kopang Tona gore gongwe re ele tlhoko gore a mme re ka se ke re dire gore connection e nne free, e bo le tla le dira madi jaaka ba ntse ba reka motlakase nako le nako.



Mo gongwe Tona ke gone gore kgang e ya meepo e e leng gore tota rona kwa Francistown ke jone botshelo jwa rona, re tshwanelwa ke gore re e emele ka dinao. Ke a itse gore o ne o tlhalosa maloba gore Selkirk ke *mine* mongwe o gongwe re tla o bulang mo nakong e e sa fediseng pelo. Tota re ne re kopa Tona gore e re jaaka re ntse re eme ka dinao kwa Phikwe, go se ka ga itshupa o kare re eme ka dinao teng fela mme kwa Francistown re tsentse *breaks*. Kopo ya me e ne e le gore a ko re leke ka bojotlhe gore Francistown, *mine* o wa Selkirk o emelwe ka dinao o bulwe. E bile tota go ne go sena mathata ape a a kalo kalo, go tswalwa ga one fela ke gone gore e ne e le *mine* o o neng o le ka fa tlase ga BCL. *Otherwise, in terms of production*, o ne o dira fela sentle e bile o na le maduo a a seng kana ka sepe, bati ya one fela ke gore o bo o nna ka fa tlase ga BCL e e neng e na le mathata. Jaanong ka tsela e e ntseng Tona, *mine* o tota a re o emeleng ka dinao.

Ke gatelele mafoko a bangwe a gore re le lefatshe la Botswana re ne re ikitshitse baitaamonyo mo thulaganyong ya diteemane Tona. Re jesitse mo go gakgamatsang gore e re re le batho ba re tumileng ka teemane, re bo re tlogela batho ba bangwe ba ya go simolola diteemane tsa maitirelo, re re re batla go *market* teemane tota, e seng tsa maitirelo. Mo nakong ya gompieno re tlie go babalelwka gore *synthetic diamond* e tlaa tsaya *market* e re tlogela ka teemane ya boammaaruri *because at the end of the day, it is not very different from teemane e re e dirang*. Re setse re bona gore bareki ba teemane ba e reka ka bokete jo bo kae. So kompone e re dirang le yone e Tona, ga ke itse boammaaruri jwa yone mo go rona gore e re re tswa kgakala re dira kgwebo le bone, ba rekisa teemane ya bone le rona, e bo e le gore fa ba tsamaela kwa *synthetic diamonds*, ba a re tlogela mme ba re dirisitse mo go kana. Tota fela dilo tse ke tsone tse Botswana jaanong ba tshwenyegang gore sephiri se se kanakana se se dikologileng konteraka ya rona le Debswana, ke sone se se dirang gore kwa bofelong jwa letsatsi re iphitlhele re le mo seemong se re sa itseng gore *agreements* tse di re letlelela eng e bile ga di re letlelela eng. Ke a dumela Tona gore a re lekeng gore *in as much as we want to promote* teemane e re e epang, a re lekeng go tsena mo space sa *artificial diamonds* ka gore re a itse gore teemane *at some point* e tlaa fela mme fa e fela, rona ba re tumileng ka yone re tshwanelwa ke go rekisa sengwe.

Gape Tona, a re se keng ra itsapa, a re lekeng go ema ka dinao *to explore the diamond value chain* go bona gore teemane ya rona e dira ditiro mo lefatsheng la

Botswana. A re boneng gore ga re na dilo tse dintsintsi tse di tswang mo lefatsheng la rona, re ntse re ikitse gore ke rona ba re itseng teemane go gaisa mongwe le mongwe. A re lekeng *to cut and polish*, re dire *finished goods* ka teemane ya rona, re kgone go rekisa *goods* tse di fedileng kwa mafatsheng.

La bofelo Tona, ke bue ka leokwane le le setseng le babalela Batswana. Kana re kile ra bo re itse gore letlolle la rona la National Petroleum Fund (NPF), le ne le leka tota *to cushion* seemo se sa kgolo ya ditlhwatlhwa tsa teemane. A re lekeng go bona gore letlolle le Tona re a le aga. Ke setse ke kile ka gakolola gore *it is important* gore re tle re nne le sone seemo se se kgotsofatsang sa leokwane, re leke go dira *refineries* mo lefatsheng le. Re akanye thata ka go dira *refineries* ka go bona gore re goga leokwane go tswa kwa mafatsheng a a le dirang ka *pipes*, re fokotse *dependence* mo go tseyeng ka dikoloi le tse dingwe go tswa kwa mafatsheng a mangwe. Re setse re lemogile gore fa go setse go nna le diphatsa, go nna maswe, fa re rumotse batho re le lefatshe la Botswana, ba ka re tswala ra felela re sena leokwane. *That is why* ke re let us consider go goga ka *pipes* go tswa kwa mafatsheng. *Let us consider refineries so that we can refine* mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Ke a leboga Modulasetilo.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you honourable. Honourable Regoeng.

**MR REGOENG (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH):** Tanki Modulasetilo wa phuthego e gore o mphe sebaka le nna ke latlhele a le mabedi mo pegong e re sa tswang go e bewa pele ke Tona wa Ditswammung. Ke mo akgole, ke itumelela pego ya gagwe, e tlhapile e a utlwala, le fa fale le fale go na le tse di santseng di salets kwa morago. Rra, tshwara thata fela ka tsela e e ntseng jalo ka gore o a itse gore lephata le la gago, ke lone le le tshwereng dilo tsa rona tse di botlhokwa go gaisa. *It is the custodian of our treasure, so o tshwanetse gore e re fa o le tshwere, o bo o le tshwere ka matsetseleko gore lefatshe le e re jaaka le tlhabologa jaana, re bo re ntse re lebile kwa go wena.*

Gongwe ke simolole ka e ya *the electrification* Tona, maiteko re a a bona o a dira rraetsho. Kgang e ya *Rural Village Electrification Programme* e botlhokwa fela thata ka gore e leka gore metse yotlhe le e e ka kwa ntle, le yone e felele e na le motlakase. E bile segolosegolo gongwe se re tshwanetseng gore re se amoge, ke kgang e ya *standard cost ya connection*. O bo o bone go le botlhokwa gore ba itsholelo e e kwa tlase o ba fokoletse



madi a ba tshwanetseng go gokela ka *one from P5,000 to P2,500*. Ke maiteko tota go ka dira jalo. Ke tsaya gore jaanong ba tlaa kgona gore le bone ba bo ba ka tsenya motlakase. O ne wa dira sentle gore ba ba kgonang, a ba tswelele ba duela P5,000 fela jaaka fa e ne e ntse jalo. Golo mo *is a welcome decision*, ke tsaya fela gore Batswana ba bantsi ba tla itumelela kgang eo.

O supile jalo gape mo *report* ya gago gore mo nakong ya gompieno, re tsamaya mo go *67.9 per cent* ya ba ba setseng ba tliseditswe motlakase. Keletso ya lephata la gago ke gore e re mo dingwageng tse di robang bobedi tse di tlang, e bo lefatshe lotlhe kana ntlo nngwe le nngwe e na le motlakase, e goketswe. Rraetsho, kana re ka taboga re dira jalo mme fa gongwe re lebelele *the quality of motlakase o re o ntshang ka gore re a lemoga gore mo dikgaolong tse di tshwanang le tsa rona tse di kwa Molepolole*, fela fa maru a bo a ka kgobokana jaana, lerothodi la ntlha fela le kgaola motlakase. Jaanong e re fa o phatlalatsa motlakase, dilo tse o lebelele gore mme ke motlakase o o ka ikemelang mo diemong tse di tshwanang le tsone tse di ntseng jaana. Batho ba Molepolole ba a lela rraetsho, le bone borakgwebo tota ka lebaka la gore motlakase wa bone o ba baya ka kwa mosing ka nako le nako o a kgaoga. Ba batla pula e na mme gape fa e na ba e hutsetsa gore motlakase kana o a bo o tlie go kgaoga.

Selo seo a ko e re mo o setseng o goketse metlakase teng, o ye go bona gore bothata jwa dilo tse bo fa kae, o bo baakanye. Go o phatlalatsa fela jaaka o bua gore o a o phatlalatsa mme e bo e le gore ga o berekele batho jaaka o tshwanetse o ba berekele, go bo go le botoka e bile ba sena motlakase oo. Dilo tse di a tshwenya rraetsho, a ko o bone gore o ka di baakanya ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Thulaganyo e nngwe gape e o nang nayo ya *electrification of 40 villages*, le yone ke santse ke rialo ke re re a e amogela. Kana fa o e dira ka tsela e e ntseng jalo, ke gone go phatlalatsa motlakase, mme e bile o e beile gore e tlaa re mo ngwageng one o, e bo e le selo se o ka kgonang gore o bo o ka se dira. Gompieno jaaka fa ke bua le wena jaana, mme ke tlhola ke bua le wena ka kgang e, mo kgaolong e ke tswang kwa go yone ya Molepolole Bokone, re na le dikgaolwana tse di ka ko ntle, e e tshwanang le ya Suping le Phiring, motlakase o ba tlola fela kwa godimo. Kgang e ke e buile le wena mme ke sa ntse ke e bua le wena. E rile fa o tsaya motlakase o o fetisetsa kwa Mogonono, wa feta ka Suping le Phiring, mme ga ba bone motlakase. Re re

golo fa a ko o go bone gore o go baakanya ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Batho ba ba nnang mo dikgaolong tse ke di buang tse, ya Suping le ya Phiring, ba dirisa dilo tsotlhela fela tse di tlhokang motlakase, mme ga go nne sentle gore e re ba tshwanetse gore le bone ba dirise motlakase oo, e bo e le gore bone ba santse ba le mo segologolong sele fela sa go nna ba reka diparafini ba bo ba reka tse dingwe tse di sa tshwanelang. Re re nnyaa Tona, a ko o bone gore dikgang tse o di baakanya ka tsela e e ntseng jang.

Kgang e nngwe e le nna e ntseng e ntshwentse jaaka bakaulengwe ba ntse ba tshwenya rraetsho, ke ne ke rile gongwe e tlaa re o ntse o tshweletse ka tiro e ntle e o e dirang e, o bone gore BPC e nosi, *it is the only supplier, but we cannot measure the efficiency* ya BPC fa e le nosi. *There has to be competition* gore re tle re bone gore a mme e dira ka bottlalo. Fa e le nosi jaaka fa e ntse jaana, re tlaabo re nna re re e dira tiro e ntle, go a reng, go a reng, nnyaa, ga re itse, fa e ne e bapisitswe le e nngwe, gongwe e ka bo e dira botoka gona le gone foo. Ke ne ke re a e re mo nakong e khutshwane, o ke o bone, o sekaseke gore a ga go na kompone epe e e ka emang le BPC fela tsa bapisanya, ra tla ra bona gore fa e le gore BPC ga e dire tiro ya yone sentle, Batswana re tle re itse gore ba ka siela kwa komponeng e nngwe. Ke tsaya gore go bothokwa fela thata, gona le gore re e lese e le nosi fela e ntse jalo, e le gore e akgmaoto fela. Le fa motlakase o timile, ga go re sepe fela mme re tlaa ba emela, nnyaa ga se selo se se siameng.

Fa re wela mo go ya ditswammung, *mineral sector*, ee re a utlwa rra mo *report* ya gago gore go na le *Mineral Policy* e o ka bong o ne o e tlisitse mo Palamenteng, mme ya se ka ya feta, mme o sololetsa gore e tlaa tla. Ke kopa gore o e potlakele rraetsho.

...Silence...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Honourable Regoeng?

**MR REGOENG:** Are we together?

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Now we are.

**MR REGOENG:** Now we are?

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Yes Sir.

**MR REGOENG:** Ke ne ke re jaanong fa ke wela mo go e nngwe ya *mineral beneficiation*, bakaulengwe ba e buile. Re a lemoga rra gore e rile fa o sena go tsena mo lephateng leo la gago, dikompone tse di ntsi di ne tsa tlala le lefatshe le ba ikopela *licences* tsa go epa



ditswammung tse re nang natso. Se se tshwenyang bogolosegolo, ke gore dikompone tse fa di sena go nna di epa dilo tse re nang natso, di a di tsaya di di isa kwa mafatsheng a sele. Tona, a ga o ka ke wa tsaya *a bold decision*, ke dumela gore Palamente e ya bo 12 e ka go ema nokeng, gore ditswammung tsotlhe tse re di tsayang, *why can we not process them mo gae?* Kana fa o bona South Afrika re bapile le yone ka tsela e e ntseng jaana, e rile fa e ya go lemoga e na le gouta le bommankanise le eng, ba bo ba di epa ba bo ba di dira mo gae, gompieno re bapile le yone e le *a super power*, e le *an advanced economy* ka gore *mineral resources* tsa bone *they released them mo gae*. *Why can we not do the same?* Ya re fela jaaka re ba fa *licence*, re bo re re re a itse gore le a go rekisa kwa dikomponeng ka gore bone ba a itse gore ba rekisa kae, re bo re ba kopa gore dikompone tse le yang go rekisa kwa go tsone tseo, di tle go tlhoma mo gae, e nne *one of the conditions*. Le fa di ka se ke di tle tsotlhe, mme tse dingwe di ka tla, *so that* e re fa ba epa dilo tse, ba bo ba di *process* di le mo gae, Batswana ba rona ba tle ba bone ditiro, le rona re tle re bone itsholelo ya rona e atologa.

Fa re ka tswelela fela e le gore nako le nako fa re bona moepo gongwe re a o epa, re a tsaya re isa kwa ntle. Gompieno re na le diteemane, *they are all over*, re na le *copper, ore and iron* e e leng gore e epiwa kwa Shoshong, e a feta kwa South Africa, diteraka tsa teng tse dingwe e bile le *plate numbers* o go fitlhela e le gore di *registered from outside Botswana*.

Re na le *coal* e e seng kanaka sepe, *soda and salt*, tsotlhe ke tse di yang ka kwa ntle. Labofelo jaanong ka e ka re re rata go rekisa, le dikgomu re simolotse go di rekisa ka ko ntle jaanong, ao, re a go sala ka eng? Ke ne ke re Tona mo go tse tsa *minerals*, a ko o tseye *a bold decision* fela gore o re tse di tlaa tllang kwa morago, di ko di dirwe mo gae Batswana ba tle ba bone ditiro. Gompieno fa dilo tse re ne re di dira, Molepolole o ka bo a sa nna jaaka fa a ntse jaana, re ka bo re na le madirelo a a farologaneng ka mefuta e yotlhe fela. Jaanong ga go kgonagale ka lebaka la gore re tlwaetse thata go rekisa re bo re isa dilo ka kwa ntle.

Ke ya kwa bofelong Tona, kana *mines* tse di ntsi tse re nang natso tse, o ya go fitlhela e le tsa batswakwa. Ke ne ke eletsa gore fa o fetola rraetsho, o ko o re tlhomamisetse gore tse o ntseng o di fa *exploration licence* tse, tsa Batswana di kae mo teng, tsa Batswana le batswakwa ba kopane di kae mo teng. Ke na le tumelo e e tletseng, *for the last 40 years or more* Batswana ba rutwa gore jaanong *mines* di ka dirwa ka tsela e e ntseng

jang, re ka bo re setse re le mo seemong se e leng gore re a di itirela, di dirwa ke Batswana, gongwe se se salang, re bo re lwa le ba re lwang nabo ka kwa ntle ka *market* mme Batswana ba le mo teng. Jaanong Batswana ba moo fela e le babereki e se beng ba dilo tseo. Nnyaa, re ne re re gore lefatshes le la rona le tlhabologe rraetsho, a ko re neeleng Batswana fela ba dire jaana.

Le tsone tsa *polishing and cutting of diamonds*, fa o ya go di lebelela tse di dirwang mo lefatsheng la rona, Batswana mo teng ke babereki fela. Ga go ope Motswana yo ke dumelang gore o na le e e leng ya gagwe fela, *polishing and cutting* diteemane tse a bo a ya go di rekisa re bo re itse gore ke ya Motswana, gongwe fa a le mo teng, o ya go fitlhela e le bone bontsi jo bo leng teng. *I take it is not late*, o ka tsaya tshwetso eo fela gore o ya pele, a ditswammung tsa rona tsotlhe di nne mo diatleng tsa Batswana re tle re bone lefatshes la rona le tlhabologa, bana ba ba tletseng mo mekgwatheng mo ba bona ditiro tse di ba lebanyeng, le bone ba bona gore ba tsaya maungo a lefatshes la Botswana ba a dirisa, e bile a ba isa kwa pele. A ko dikgang tse rraetsho gongwe o di tsibogele re bone gore tota a di ka se ke di dire diphetogo dipe. Re a itse kwa re tswang teng, *maybe it is time to change*, gongwe jaanong *this game* re e tshameke differently, gongwe re ka isa lefatshes le la rona kwa pele.

Ke ema nokeng pego ya gago, fa o ne o ka nkarabela tseo fela, o tlaabo o nthusitse Mokwena. Ke a leboga.

**HIS HONOUR THE VICE PRESIDENT (MR TSOGWANE):** Ke a utlwala *Mr Chairperson*?

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Yes Sir.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Ke simolole fela le nna ka go akgola bomme jaaka ke ne ke setse ke ba akgotse, ke bo ke akgola le motsadi wa rona e bong *First Lady* go bo a ne a ntse a itshwaragantse le bomme ba Botswana ba Iwantsha mathata a a ba amang, bo Gender Based Violence (GBV).

*Mr Chairperson*, ka bofeso fela ka nako ga e yo, ke supe jaana gore kana re le lefatshes la Botswana re na le ditsamaiso tse e leng gore re leka go tlhabolola lefatshes ka tsone. Re na le *policies* tse di farologanyeng tse di tllang ka Matona ka go farologana. Ke simolole ka tse dingwe tse motho a ka fetang ka tsone tse di ka lekang go timetsa Batswana, tsa bo gore gongwe e bo e le gore ka dinako tsotlhe go matsorotsoro ka dikgang tsa gore go ka bo go dirwa jaana, go ka bo go dirwa jaana. *Mr Chairperson*, go busa ga go motlhofo, e bile go bua o le kwa ntle ga Puso o le moganetsi, go motlhofo thata.



Di dintsi tse o ka di buang, o ka sololetsa dinaledi go sa re sepe fela. Mme fa o le mo Pusong, o itse boikarabelo jo o nang le jone jwa go dira dilo, jo e tlaa reng kamoso Batswana ba bo ba go botsa gore mme jaanong fa go padile jaana, ke mabapi le eng.

Ke gakologelwa sentle gore mo nakong e e fetileng, re ntse re na le bagarona ba ganetsa, ba ne ba ntse ba ganetsa fela jaaka ba ntse ba ganetsa le gompieno mo dilong di le dintsi. Selo sa nthla ke madi a a kwa mafatshefatsheng, a e neng e le gore ka dinako tsotlhe, go buiwa gore le beile madi kwa mafatsheng ga a dire sepe, jaanong...

...Silence...

**MR TSOGWANE:** ...ba e tseye ka tlhamalalo, ba itse fela gore fa o dira o busa, ga go tshwane le fa o ganetsa. Ke dilo tse pedi tse di sa tshwaneng.

Ka go rialo *Mr Chairperson*, ke batla go akgola Tona gore a bo a eteleditse pele gore le fa go na le dikgwetlho tsa madi, tse di kalokalo mo *projects* tse a batlang go di dira tsa go tsenya metlakase, go tlhabolola matshelo a batho, o tlie ka dintlha tse pedi tse a batlang go di gatelela, tse di ka re thusang mo dikgwetlhong tse re nang le tsone tsa *funding*. Ntlha e ya Public Private Partnership (PPP), e a e gatelelang thata a e bua fa, ke ntlha e e botlhokwa, e ke mo akgolang gore a tswelele fela ka yone, e ka thusa e bile ke yone e fa re ntse re bua ka go tsenya dikgwebo mo diatleng tsa Batswana, re bua ka yone PPP.

Ntlha e nngwe e ke e mo akgolelang ke ya Independent Power Producers (IPPs), e a buang ka yone mo *page* ya bone. Le yone ke ntlha e e botlhokwa thata, e a tshwanetseng go bona maano otlhe jaaka a tla ka *Energy Policy*, e le yone e tlaabong e ka akaretsha dilo di le mmalwa. Fa a ka ema ka dinao, a bona gore ga re a itebaganya fela le motlakase o o tswang mo Morupule, re leka thata ka motlakase wa letsatsi le metlakase e mengwe ya ba itsholelo e e kwa tlase jaaka a ntse a ruta batho ka go dira metlakase ka ditsela tse di farologaneng. Ke dintlha tse Tona a tshwaraganeng le tsone, le mananeo a a tsweletseng, a a yang go a tsweledisa, mme ke mo leboge ka go rialo.

Ke bo ke mo kgoghatse gape gore a tsholetse dinao, ka gore gompieno o bua gore re mo go 67.97 per cent, mme maikaelelo a rona ke gore ka 2030, mongwe le mongwe a bo a fitlhelela motlakase. Re bua ka dingwaga tse eight fela tse di setseng. Fa a ka ema fela ka dinao, a leka ditsela tse tsotlhe, tsa bo PPP, tsa gore ba ba ikemetseng

ba kgone go dira, ba bo ba rekisetsa Goromente jalo. Le bone ba IPPs, a ba emele ka dinao, a ba kgoghatse, a ba ngoke, ba dire jalo.

Ke batla go lemoga boleng le bokgoni jwa go tsenya motlakase kwa dikgaolong. Ke selo se se molemo, ke sone se se neng sa re fitlhelela fa re leng teng gompieno. Batlotlegi ba ntse ba bua, yo o emang a re nna kgaolo ya me e tsentswe motlakase yotlhe, ke fale le fale batho ba buang gore metse e mengwe ya bone ga e a tsenngwa motlakase. Le nna ke tle ke rurifatse fa, gore kwa Boteti West, metse yotlhe e tsentswe motlakase. Jaanong ke ka lenaneo lone la *Rural Village Electrification*.

Ke bo ke supe jaana gore ga se go tsenngwa ga motlakase fela, ke legato le fa re ne re bua ka Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR), re ne re raya gone fa gore *this is the step* se se re isang kwa *the 4IR. It is a revolution* e e itsiweng gore *it is a 3IR*. Gone go tsenya metlakase, ditlhaletsanyo jalo, e itsege ka gore ke yone *the 3IR*. E rile maloba fa re tswa kwa ditlhophong re bua ka 4IR, bangwe ba tlolela kwa godimo ba re botsa gore e le gore le tlodile 3IR fa kae? E le go supa go sa tlhalogany. Motlakase ke one konokono, o tsenya boranyane jwa *computers* kana jwa eng, go tshwanetse ga bo go na le motlakase. Go tsenya wa magae motlakase, ke selo se se tona Tona. O tshwanetse gore o tswelele o dire jalo, o bone gore metse ya rona yotlhe e nna le motlakase.

Gape ke sengwe sa botlhokwa fa o bua ka *rural development*, ka gore kwa dikgaolong tsa rona re batla go tlhabolola. Re batla gore batho ba dikgwebo tse di potlana, *informal sector* e gole, mme e ka gola fela fa o leka ka fa o lekang ka teng, ka go tsenya motlakase. Re batla gore ba ba kwa mafelo a a ntshang dijо, dipolase jalo, go bonwe gore le metlakase e tsamaela ka koo. Batho ba kgone gore le bone ba ntshe tse ba di ntshang ka gore re bua ka *value chains*. Fa o bua ka *value chains*, o bua ka gore go bo go na le se se dirang gore o kgone gore *value chains* tseo o ntshe dijо, o fetlhe, o sile, o dire dithoto, go tlhokana le motlakase Tona.

Fa ke sena go nna ke rialo, ke go leboga fela jalo, ke bo ke go lebogele gore o bo o tsweletse ka meepo. Re a itse gore go a kgalwa gore meepo go isiwa dithoto di ntse jalo, mme kana o a bo o lebile seemo sa itsholelo fa re tsamayang teng. Ga o ka ke fela wa simolola o re nnyaa, ke gana ka ditswammung tsa me tsotlhe ke di baya fela gone fa, mme yone itsholelo e sa gole, e se mo selekanyong sa gore o ka dira ka nako eo. Jaanong ke go leboge gore meepo a bo e ntse e oketsega ka fa e ntseng e oketsega ka teng. Re bo re leboge e mengwe meepo e



e thusang mo mafelong a e mo go one. Meepo e tshwana le bo Lucara, e tlisa *citizen empowerment*, e godisa itsholelo ya magae, *the local economic development*. E a e dira ka gore ba thusa batho ka digongwana, ga ba thuse batho ka bongwe. Fa o bua kwa kgaolong e e tshwanang le ya ga Rre Lelatisitswe, ba dirile *gardens*. Kwa kgaolong ya me, ba dirile dikoporase. Mogopoloo montle wa dikoporase o ba o tsosolosang, ba *fund projects* ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Dilo tse di ntseng jalo Tona, di a re thusa, gore kamoso a bo e le gore batho ba rona le bone ba gatetse kwa pele mo matshelong ka ntateng ya meepo e.

*Mr Chairperson*, fa o ka lemoga gore nako ya rona e jewa thata ke gore re bo re ntse re sa utlwale fa re bua, ke tsaya ke re seemo se le se ele tlhoko ka gore maranyane a rona fa e sale re simolola, ga a bereke sentle. Jaanong fa o tla o re o ya go leba nako e le gone o simololang go bua, o fitlhela e tsamaya mo go *five minutes*. Jaanong ke ne ke re golo moo, a re boneng gore re baakanya jang gore re tle re kgone go bua dikgang tsa rona ka bottlalo.

*Mr Chairperson*, ke leboge Tona gore a bo a tlie ka *policies* tse a buang ka tsone gore o tlaa tla ka tsone mo nakong e e tlang. *Policies* tse di tlaa re thusa. Ke bo ke mo soloftse gore kwa kgaolong ya rona ya Boteti, lefatshe la rona le *flat*, letsatsi la kwa Boteti ga le kana ka sepe. Fa o ntse o bua ka *solar fields*, o bua ka fa go tlaa alwang dipapetlana tseo tsa go tlisa motlakase wa letsatsi, o nne o akanya Kgaolo ya Boteti, because ka fa e ntseng ka teng, e bopegileng ka teng, e ka atlega thata, e bile e ka ntsha motlakase wa letsatsi go feta mafelo mangwe. Letsatsi la teng le tsaya dioura tse dintsi go phirima, e bile lefatshe la teng le *flat*. Jaanong ke tsone dilo tse o tshwanetseng gore o nne o di sekaseke, o re thuse le rona kwa kgaolong eo, re tle re kgone gore re tlhabolole matshelo a batho.

Ke leboge thata gore o bo o fokotsa *connection* ya motlakase mo magaeng. *Mr Chairperson* jaaka ke boletse, e setse e jelwe nako ka gore ke ne ke sa utlwale, mme fela ke tsaya ke re ke buile, re tlaa nna re di bua. Ke a go leboga *Mr Chairperson*.

**MR HIKUAMA (NGAMI):** Ke a leboga *Honourable Chairperson*. Ke re mma le nna ke akgele mo karolong ya ga Tona Moagi. Ke simolole ka go bua ka se a se buileng mo *page 14*, sa gore nngwe ya konokono kana ya dintlha tse ba di batlang e le lephata, ke go atolosa motlakase go o isa kwa bathong gore o tle o *support* batho mo mehameng e farologanyeng ya itsholelo.

Ke selo se le nna ke se lebogelang gore, ke maikaelelo a a siameng. Ka maswabi kwa kgaolong ya rona ga re itumele jaaka *Honourable Vice President (VP)*, gore metse ya bone e goketswe yotlhe. Metse ya rona e tshwana le Habu, Xangwa, Xaxa le Somelo ga gona motlakase. Re ne re eletsa gore le rona re tshwane le ba dikgaolo tse dingwe, re tle re kgone go ipoka sentle, re itumele jaaka le bone ba itumetse. A metse ya rona le yone e akanyetswe, le e gokele. Fa e le gore gona le sengwe se re tshwanetseng go se dira gore o tle o re akanyetse, re tle re tshwane le bana ba malwapa a mangwe, o tle o re tlhalosetse gore ke eng, re tle se re dire gore re tle le rona re akole meamuso ya lefatshe la Botswana.

Ke boammaaruri *Mr Chairperson* gore motlakase malatsi a *is no longer a luxury, it is a necessity*. Ga e sa tlhole e le selo sa bokwete, ke selo se se tlhokiwang ke lelwapa lengwe le lengwe gore ba tle ba tokafatse matshelo a bone. Le tse re di dirang fela kwa mafelong a temo, mo gotweng *production centres such as* meraka, masimo, dipolase, metlakase e tshwanetse gore e bonale e goroga koo, gore batho ba ba kgonang go itsenyetsa ba itsenyetse gore ba e dirise ba tle ba tokafatse seemo sa bone sa temo le leruo. Ke dilo tse di bottlhokwa tse re tshwanetseng gore re leke re atolosetse motlakase koo.

Kgang e *Mr Chairperson*, Tona o tshwanetse gore a e lebelele. Ga ke itse gore nako tse dingwe ba dira jang, ba atle ba bue gore ga gona madi, madi ga a dirisiwe sentle. O bo o fitlhela motse o le *connected to the grid*, ba bo ba isa *project* gape ya go dira mafaratlhathla a letsatsi. Ga o itse gore go a bo go direlwa eng jalo. O fitlhela motlakase o le teng, ka fa go hirilwe *company* nngwe e tsenya *solar panels*, ke go senya madi a Puso golo moo. Ga go a tshwanela gore go diragale, ke dikgang tse o tshwanetseng go di ela tlhoko.

Se sengwe se ke batlang gore ke se gatelele Tona ke ditumalano tse le di dirang le bagwebi ba dikompone tsa *mines*. Ga ke itse gore le dira ditumalano tse di ntseng jang, mo o fitlhelang e le gore le dikompone tse di apayang fela, di tswa kwa ntle ga lefatshe la Botswana. Go na le batho ba ba ka apayang *and serve* mo lefatsheng le. Ga ke itse gore seemo se re tlaa se tokafatsa ka tsela e e ntseng jang Tona. Ke dingwe tsa dilo tse le tshwanetseng go di ela tlhoko le di tsenye leitlho gore, fa le dira ditumalano le dikompone le netefatse gore ditiro tse dingwe tse re ka di kgonang re le Batswana, bana ba Batswana ba ka dira itshetso ka tsone, ba *provide services* mo dikgwebong tse tsa meepo, a ba dire jalo.



Le ditumalano tse le di dirang, di tlame dikompone tse gore di hire Batswana le dikompone tsa bone. Ke gone fela re ka netefatsang gore Batswana ba tsaya karolo mo meepong le ditswammung tsa rona. E seng jalo re ya go lebelela fela batho ba tla ba epa, *servicing themselves*, ba hira dikompone tsa bomme le borre ba bone, mme e le batswakwa. Re bo re felela re sa akole sepe mo itsholelong ya lefatshe la rona.

Re na le ditsholofelo re le *locals*, bogolo jang fa dikompone tsa mekoti di tla di epa mo mafelong a rona. Tsholofelo e tona ke gore re bone ditiro, ya bobedi ke gore re dire dikgwebo le ba ba tlang ba epa mo garona. Ke dilo tse le tshwanetseng go di ela tlhoko, le netefatse gore batho ba rona ga ba jewe ntsoma kana ga ba latlhegelwe ke *opportunities* tse ba ka di dirisang.

Se sengwe se ke eletsang go se bua Tona, ke *security* ya ditiro mo dikomponeng tse di tlang di hira momekoting. Le mekgwa ele ya *slavery* e re neng re e utlwa re sa itse re e bala mo *history*, ga e tshwane le e e diragalang mo mekoting. Mo e leng gore fa motho a re nnyaa gompieno ke a lwala letsogo la me ga le kgone go tsholetsa, kamoso o a kobiwa. Dilo tse we should ensure gore dikompone tse di epang di hira batho ba rona, di sireletsa Batswana le ditiro tsa bone.

Kwa kgaolong e ke tswang kwa go yone ya Ngami go na le mokoti wa Khoemacau, go na le batho ba ba hirwang letsatsi le letsatsi, le ba ba kobiwang letsatsi le letsatsi. Ba bangwe o bona dikonteraka tsa bone di sa shafadiwe, o sa itse gore bothata jwa bone tota ke eng. Mo gongwe e le gore gongwe ba santse ba ithuta tiro kana ba sa itse tiro, mme ga gona ka fa ba neng ba ka itse tiro go sena mekoti kwa go bone. *It is the opportune time for them to learn and train tiro ya teng, ga ba a tshwanela go felela dipelo, mo e reng motho a santse a ithuta kamoso o kobilwe go batliwa kwa go neng go na le mekoti teng ba setse ba tlhabolotse skills. When are we going to develop skills tsa bone, fa re ba felela dipelo re batla go tsaya fela ba ba kileng ba hirwa mo mekoting e e phutlhambeng kwa mafelong a sele.* E tshwanetse e nne boikarabelo jwa rona le dikompone tse di epang gore, *it is also their responsibility to train and develop skills* mo bathong ba ba ba hirang. Le rona re tle re bone gore re kile ra akola, ra anywa sengwe fa batho ba ba le fa. Se re tshwanetse ra se baya leitlho.

*Another issue that I want to raise* ke ya *fuel prices*, tse di yang kwa godimo kgapetsakgapetsa. Re na le bothata kwa dikgaolong tsa rona di tshwana le tsa North West le Ngami. Re na le bothata jo bobedi; sa ntla

ditlhwalhwa tsa dikgomo tse re itsretsang ka tsone di kwa tlase, mme *fuels* tse re nosang ka tsone dikgomo, *we service dikoloi and almost everything that we use in this production* di kwa godimo thata. Ke seemo se le tshwanetseng gore le bone gore, *how are you going to cushion prices* tse di pagamang kgapetsakgapetsa tse. Ke kgang e Mr Minister, le tshwanetseng la e lebelela gore a ga se nako ya gore National Petroleum Fund (NPF) e ka sireletsa batho mo manokonokong a *prices* tse di yang kwa godimo. Fa e ka bo e se gore gongwe e sentswe ke ba ba e sentseng, ba re setseng re ba utlwa ba buiwa mo, bangwe e le bangwe ba lona ba le tsamayang le ba bapatsa gore ke batho ba ba siameng, ba gopetse NPF mo e palelwang ke *to cushion us*, le gompieno *prices* di golela pele letsatsi le letsatsi.

Fa le ka letlelela *corruption* ya tswelela le ntse le lebeletse makalana a, re ya go felela re palelwa ke go tsamaisa lefatshe le botshelo bo re imela mo lefatsheng la rona. *You have to be vigilant Honourable Minister, to ensure that* dilo tse di kwa tlase a gago ga di gopelwe e kete go gopelwa kgomo e e thudilweng ke koloi mo tseleng, di tsewa fela ke ba ba nang le thata. Ke dilo tse o tshwanetseng gore o bule matlho, o ele tlhoko gore ga di diragale gape jaaka di ne di diragetse. Le itseela fa le ya kwa ipapatsong ya Botswana Democratic Party (BDP) kwa bo Tonota, tse bangwe gompieno gotweng ba duele dikoloto tse ba di dirileng ka madi a NPF.

**MINISTER FOR PRESIDENTIAL AFFAIRS, GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (MR MORWAENG): Order:** Mr Chairperson, ga se gone gore Motlotlegi Hikuama a re ba BDP ba gopetse sengwe e seng ka tsamaiso go iwa kwa ditlhophong. Kopa motlotlegi mokaulengwe a bue fela a sa ragele phathi *remarks*, bogolo jang tse di maswe tse di re amanyang le go senya. *It is not right, honestly.*

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** I agree with Honourable Minister. Honourable Hikuama, gangwe le gape ke a le kopa gore tswang mo dikgannyeng tse di tshesane.

**MR HIKUAMA:** Ee rra, ke a utlwa Mr Chairperson, mme ga di di tshesane ka gore di a kwalwa, mme ga ba nke ba supa gore ga se nnete. Di a kwalwa, go buiwa ka tsone gore ba gopetse dilo tse, mme ke a utlwa mma ke tswe mo go tsone mme ke tsone dilo tse di re busetsang kwa morago.

Tota selo se setona se ke neng ke batla go se gatelela ka ntlha eo ke gore, *corruption, if we allow it* gore e tseye manno e bo e itshetlela mo lefatsheng, re ya go felela re le mo seemong se se re paledisang go tsamaisa lefatshe.



Ke sone se ke neng ke batla go se gatelela fela Honourable Minister Rre Morwaeng. Selo se sa go senya, ga se a siama, le tshwanetse go tsamaela kgakala le tshenyo, le tswe mo go yone. Dikakanyo tsa lona di lebe kgakala le tshenyo, le se ka la ikatumetsa teng. Ga go na ope yo o ka buang ka yone fa go sena yo o e dirang. Ka mafoko a a kalo *Mr Chairperson*, mma ke boeile morago. Ke amogela kopo ya ga Tona Moagi.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Order! Order! Honourable Members, it is time now to call upon the Honourable Minister of Mineral Resources, Green Technology and Energy Security to reply to the debates.

**MINISTER OF MINERAL RESOURCES, GREEN TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY SECURITY (MR MOAGI):** *Thank you Mr Chairperson.* Ke lebogeole sebaka se gore ke lebelele dikakgelo tsa batlotlegi bakaulengwe mo Ntlong e e tlotlegang e. Ke supe gore ke amogela bontsi jwa dikgakololo. Re tlaa baakanya tse di neng di bua mme di sa tsepama sentle ka gore di ka tloga tsa re timetsa re le Batswana. Sengwe le sengwe se simolola ka tshipidi. Go na le fa re simololang teng, mme e re ntse re gola, re itemogelete gore golo fa re tshwanetse ra dira dilo tse dingwe ka pharologanyo ya kwa re simolotseng teng. Ke tsibogela dikakgelo tsa batlotlegi ka *beneficiation*. *There is no doubt*, re itemogetse gore dilo ka bontsi di tswa mo teng ga ditswammung tse re di epang mo ga rona. Re tle re tlhame ditiro tse dintsi le ditirelo tse di ka re thusang mo itsholelong ya rona. Ke amogela seo thata. Ke sengwe sa dilo tse re tsweletseng re di dira, bogolo jang thata kwa diteemaneng. Re tsweletse re buisana le dikompone tse dingwe tsa rona tse di tshwanang le Okavango Diamond Company (ODC), le tsone re a di dira jalo ka *strategies* tse ba di re beileng pele. Ba Soda Asha ba re supegeditse gore ba batla go tlisa eng le eng. Re ba rotloetsa gore ditswammung tse ke tsa rona ka jalo, ba na le thata ka gore dikompone tsotlhe tse re buang ka tsone, re na le sephatlo sa diabe mo go tsone. Re na le thata e e lekanang le ba bangwe ba re nang le bone mo dikomponeng tseo. Ga re ka ke ra palelwa ke sepe gore re tsepame, re tsenye letsogo la rona go dira ditiro tse di ntseng jalo.

Ke supe gore *Minerals Policy* e re tlaa tleng ka yone, e tlaabo e re fetelelsa kwa go reng re baakanye *the Mines and Minerals Act*. Ke tsone dintlhla tse e tlaareng fa re tla ka tsone mo Palamenteng, re bo re di isitse kwa godimo. Di tle di re thusre le Batlotlegi Mapalamente, re bo re tsenya dilo tse re netefatsang gore di tlaa dirwa sentle. Gape re ntse re di dira jaana re sa batle go ronkgela go

ngoka ba ba ka itirelang, a ke Batswana kana baikemedi ka nosi gore ba se ka ba tloga ba siela kwa morago.

Ke supe gore le mo gotweng Prospecting Licence (PL); re ne ra sekaseka, ra lebelela gore tsotlhе tse e neng e kete di imela Batswana, di se ka tsa tlhola di ba imela. Mo go neng gotwe o bo o na le thoto ya madi mo *account*, nnyaa, ga go sa tlhole go ntse jalo. Se re se tlhokang fela ke gore o bo o tla o iponetse tsala ya gago yo o go thusang a tla ka madi a gagwe. A bo a supa gore, ke tlie go thusa kompone e ya Motswana *to develop* se a batlang go se *develop*. Seo re a se amogela, *it is a signed agreement* e e tlaabong e supa *financials* tsa motho yo o tleng ka ene le dumalane le bo le tswelela ka thulaganyo ya lona. Ke se re se dirang mo malatsing a gompieno. Ga go sa tlhole go na le dipe tse di tona tse di tlhokafalang gore di nne teng. Re dira jalo ka gore re itemogetse gore Batswana ba na le kgatlhego e ntsi ya go batla go tsena mo thulaganyong ya *mines*. E bile re tlie go tswelela re ntse re ba thusa jalo gore ba tsene mo go yone, ba itirele e le Batswana mo Botswana. Fa gongwe ke kgalema gore tlogelang go tsaya dilo motlhofo le le Batswana, le bo le di fetisetsa mo batswakweng, e ntse e le lona le le Batswana. O fitlhela motho a tsere PL a ya go e rekisa P2 million, a sa re nngatheleng 5 per cent kana 2 per cent. A e rekisa fela jalo, fa a sena go bona thotonyana eo ya madi a a felang ka *weekend*, go bo go raya gore ga a na sepe se se setseng. Ke rotloetsa gore kopang gore le nna le seabe bogolo gore e tle e re fa ba ntse ba tsweletse, le wena o bo o na le *the perpetual income* e e leng o ka itlhabolola matshelo ka yone le ba ga eno. Ke dumela gore ke nako ya gore Botswana Public Officers Pension Fund (BPOPF) jaaka go bolelwa, le bone ba thusre Batswana ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Re buile le dibanka tse dingwe tse le tsone di emeng ka dinao di supa gore, re emetse Batswana fa ba batla go tla go dira, re tlaa ba neela madi.

Rre Keorapetse, ke supe gore nnyaa rra, boammaaruri jo o nang le jone ga se jo re bo tshotseng. Tsa *manila paper* ga re ise re ko re tshware foo kwa *the last finding* Indaba. Re na le a *national integrated geoscience information system* e e tshotseng *all the geological data, which is accessed* o le kae kana kae. E bile re tsweletse re batla go tlhabolola le tse dingwe. *There were electronic presentations at Indaba in Cape Town 2020*, ya boa ya tsamaya gape kwa mafatsheng a mangwe le kwa Dubai tota. Tota se sotle lefatshe la ga lona mme o re *you are part of the development*. A re se ka ra bua ka tsela e e ntseng jalo.



Re bo re itse gape gore go tsena mo teng ga kompone e simolola go tsamaya le ditlamorago ga yone. *You participate both in the profits and also in the liability to start accrue.* Go a bo go sekasekilwe go bona gore ga e ise e nne nako ya gore re ka goroga, *because that option you can always exercise fa ba setse ba dira the mining licence.* Re itse gore *we are not losing out in the sense of royalties, taxes and things like that.* Fa o simolola *to participate o le shareholder mo gongwe o sa tlhaloganya risks pele,* itse gore le fa gotwe *capital investment,* o mo teng. Go bo go raya gore go fokotsa madi a o ka bong o a tsaya, *that accrues to you.* Ke supe gore re tlaa tswelela ka *policies* tse di lekang go re bontsha tsela e re ka tsamaisang ka yone, e bile le *to implement* se se dumalanweng.

*Storage facility;* jaaka Rre Molebatsi a ne a bua, kwa Ghanzi re boile gape, re itshekatshekile gore a dilo tse di dirwe ke ba ba ikemetseng ka nosi. Madi a a abetsweng *project* eo ke a e neng e le gore a dira *transactional advisory services.* Mo go re bontshang gore, re batla go dira jaana le jaana, le ya go duela jang yo o tlaabong a ikemetse ka nosi. Ke sone se re neng re se dira ka madi ao, *otherwise we want to fund independent people just like that.*

Ke tsaya kgakololo ya gago ya *fuel pricing methodology, our Botswana Energy Regulatory Authority (BERA) is looking at that.* Re kopane le maphata a a tshwanang le Botswana Unified Revenue Service (BURS) re bone gore *collection is more efficient,* e bile re e dira *at the border* gore re bo re e tseela ruri koo. Re bo re itse gore rotlhe re mmogo mo go dueleng se se tshwanetseng gore se duelwe Goromente, a ke *petrol,* a ke sepe fela se se tsenang ka lefatshe la Botswana. Re leboga jalo gore re tlaa tswelela re rotloetsa dikompone jaaka go na le...*(inaudible)...le Debswana gore Batswana ba neelwe ditiro tseo.* Bangwe ba ne ba re dikompone tsa Batswana di kae, di tsweletse di simolotse gompieno, e bile re a rotloetsa le *mines* tse di batlang go rekisa diabe gore simololang pele ka bana ba lona ba le ba hirileng. Re a bona kwa Mupane jalo gore ba setse ba simolotse go neela *management staff* gore ba ithekele *mines* tse e leng gore *there is a whole lot of exploration activity* e e setseng e dirilwe, sa bone ke go tlhabolola ba tsweledisa mo teng ga *mines* tse di ntseng jalo. Re bone jalo gone kwa Mupane Gold Mine. E rile fa Cut 9 e fela, go bo gotwe a Batswana ba tleng. *Most of* dikompone tsa *these mines,* a o kwa Debswana, Lucara, Kopano, kana kae, o fitlhela e le gore *these are citizen companies* tse go rayang gore mme ba ya golo gongwe jaanong. E tlaare

fa re setse re tlhabolola melawana ya rona le ditirelo, *then we insist* gore re bone gore *Clause* e ya gore le bo le na le Batswana, e teng mo teng.

*Honourable Lelatisitswe,* ee rra, re tlaa lebelela gore diphokoletso tse di yang kwa motlakaseng a di ame le *businesses* gape. E nngwe e re santseng re e buisanya ke gore fa bangwe ba batla go dira *business* ba batla go gokelelw a motlakase, a ba gokelelw ka gore fa a setse a gokeletswe ka matsananyana a mannye ao mme e bile jaanong *business* ya gagwe e tsweletse e dira, ke gone a tlaa bonang madi a gore a bo a simolola a duela BPC. Ke tsone dilo tse di tsweletseng rra, re tlaa di dira. Le yone *network extensions* kwa bo Mokubilo le Mosu, re tlaabo re ntse re lebile ka tsela e e ntseng jalo.

Ke dumalana le wena e bile ke dipuisanyo tse di mo tafoleng tsa gore *let us pull resources* re le dikompone tse di ikemetseng, a ke tsa megala kana metlakase, go tsenngwe *concrete poles.* *Concrete pole* di setse di simolotse kwa BPC rra. Jaanong ke gone gore ba kopane le ba megala, *pole* e bo e nna nngwefela, di tlogele go tlalatlala, ba bo ba di dirisa bottlhe, ba tlaa kgaogana *resources* ka tsela e e ntseng jalo.

Fela jaaka go na le motlakase wa *prepaid* go dirisiwa *smart meters,* re eletsa gore le metsi le one e nne *prepaid* ba dirisa *smart meters* ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Golo moo go ka thusa gape gore batho ba kgone gore ba dirise metsi sentle fela jaaka motlakase o dirisiwa sentle o itse fela gore fa o sena *units* ga o bone motlakase, fa o sena *units* ga o bone metsi. Ka tsela e e ntseng jalo, re a dumela.

Ke go netefalelse gore Boteti rra o *feed from the Orapa Substation,* e seng kwa Phokoje jaaka o bolela. Re tlaa tswelela re ntse re atumetsa motlakase gore o kgone gore o itshetlele ka tsela e e ntseng jalo jaaka re ne ra tlhabolola *the Lethlakane Substation, 400 by 220 kilovolts* ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. O tlaa lemoga gore motlakase o ne o tswa kwa Morupule o feta ka Lethlakane o tswela kwa North West koo. Ke dumela e le ditlhabololo tse re eletsang gore di nne teng, motlakase o tle o itshetlele, o se ka wa fokwa ke phefo ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Motlakase o o tingwa ke phefo le maru ka ntlha ya gore bagaetsho *for the longest of times, maintenance* o ne o saletse kwa morago. Ka lemmenyan a le letsutla le re nang le lone, re simolotse gore motlakase o itshetlele, re tsenye dipale tse di tlaa ikemelang ka nosi, re baakanye *transformers,* re tsenye tse dišha gore re tle re kgone go ya kwa pele, motlakase o itshetlele.



Ke dumela thata bagaetsho gore go tlie nako ya gore jaanong re bone gore *the value chain activities* di tlaa tswa fa kae. Re ntse re buisanya le bone gore nnyaa mme jaanong kana *the huge capital investment* fa e sena go nna e busiwa ka go simolola moepo mme re bo re ba ikatumetsa gore *what is next in terms of development*. Ke tsone *value chain activities* tseo.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification.

**MR MOAGI:** Ee rra. Ke tlaa tla ke go neela, iketle pele. Le gore ba buisanye le dikompone tse dingwe tse di ikemetseng ka nosi. Kana ga se gore fa e le gore *mine* ke one o o epileng koporo e nne one gape o o ka simololang wa bona gore o ka dira eng ka kopore eo. Gongwe ba ka buisana le dikompone tse dingwe gape le rona re ntse re le Goromentre re buisanya le bone gore mme tlayang le tle go tlhabolola fale. Jaaka ba ba epang kana ba dupa bo *manganese*, re solo fela gore... e bile re buile le bone gore fa ba simolola *mine, condition* nngwe ya bone gore ba simolole *mine* ke gore *battery factory* e bo e le mo Botswana, re bo re *develop* le *electric vehicle component* ya teng. Ke itumela thata gape ka gore e bile jaanong ba setse ba simolotse go reka dikoloi tse di tsamaisiwang ka motlakase fela e le *part of their value system* ya gore ba tle ba direjang.

Ke supa gore motlakase o tlaa tswelela o ntse o baakanngwa jaaka re o isa kwa North West, Phase I le Phase II go leka go tima kgang e e ntseng jalo.

Betsho, *negotiations* tsotlhe kana ditumalano tsotlhe are *commercial agreements*. Jaanong go gakgamatsa thata ka gore batlotlegi le rata go bua ka ya De Beers fela mme *there are many other mines* tse di nang le *agreements* tse re se keng re bua ka tsone tse e leng gore we have got equal shareholding, mo gongwe even 100 per cent shareholding re le Goromentre. A ke ya *coal* kwa bo Morupule kana Soda Ash ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Ga re gane dingwe le batla go di itse mo teng, mme kana dilo tse fa go sena go nna go buisanngwa, di bolelelwa setshaba. That has always happened. Gompieno dikgang tse di tshwanang le bo *live box*, bo element 6 that develop bo lab grown, ke tsone tse e leng gore they are part of these negotiations tse re buang ka tsone. Mongala wa teng ke gore ra re nnyaa, ga re ka ke ra dumalana le bonnyennyane jo bo beilweng mo tafoleng. Ke sone se mo gongwe o fitlhelang re tsaya lobaka gore re dire dilo tse, re dira dilo tse in the interest of Botswana and Botswana. Ke sone se o bonang re sa boele kwa morago. Ke le gakolole gape gore refer to this as synthetics because fa le di tlolomatsa le di

bitsa gore ke *synthetics diamonds* le di raya le re ke diteemane. Ga se diteemane dilo tse, *they are synthetics. They are lab experiments*. Di ka tshwana le teemane but they will never be to the value of a natural diamond. So, re tshwanetse go nna le botswapelo jwa go babalela diteemane tsa rona le gore re se ka ra bitsa sengwe le sengwe fela le fa e le galase re e bitsa teemane. Leave it as synthetics and that is it. O se ka wa tsenya mogatlana wa teemane ka kwa teng. Ke sone se re tlaabong re le Batswana re babalela diteemane tsa rona ka tsela e e ntseng jalo.

Le yone *coal* jaaka re bua ka yone, mafatshe a mangwe jaaka go builwe ka bo Costa Rica, ba na le *alternative source for their baseload generation*. Rona ga re na *hydro*, ga re na eng, re santse re le *endowed* ka yone *coal*, e re e lebileng gape gore re e dire dilo tse dintsi tse di ka tswang mo teng ga yone, e seng fela go fetlha motlakase. Le tlaa dumela gore re tlie go e fetlha jalo ka tsela e e leng gore ga e kgotlela tikologo. Le lebelele Morupule A e e sa tswang to be refurbished, e e bileng e siame sentle jaanong e re neela motlakase o o tshwanetseng as a 150 megawatts power station gore ga re sa tlhole re bona mesimesi e e kalo e e neng e le teng. Ke sone se se supang gore *technology* tsa bo desulphurisation tse re di dirisang gone foo, ke tsone tse di re thusang gore re se ka ra kgotlela tikologo ka tsela e e ntseng jaana.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification.

**MR MOAGI:** Ke tlaa le neela batsadi ba me. Gompieno jaaka go na le *crisis* e e kwa Russia le Ukraine, dikepe tsa Russia di sa tlhole di tsamaya, you will see all the European countries now rushing back to South Africa ka dikepe tsa bone ba tla go rwala *coal*. Therefore, le se ka la forwa ke batho ba le raya ba re emisang *coal* ya lona bone ba tla go e rafa ka fa ba ya go tswelela le dithulaganyo tsa bone. You must be very aware of that gore ke se se diragalang mo lefatsheng.

*The Sovereign Wealth Fund*, ke dingwe tsa dikgang tse re di beileng mo tafoleng, tse di santseng di sekwasewa, ba ba gakololang ba tlaa re gakolola ka tsela e e ntseng jalo.

*Cross border electricity*, kana fa o bona go ntse jaana, “lerotse la lekotswa ga le na kgodu.” Jaanong we are at the mercy of people ba ba fetlheng motlakase kwa kgaolong ele. Ke sone se o bonang re tabogile re batla go dira le bo North West Transmission Grid Phase II, re tabogile le sub-stations tsa bo Mochudi, Tlokwang,



Sekhutlane le kae jalo gore re ntshe bontsi jwa metse ya rona kwa go sielweng motlakase ke mafatshe a re bapileng le one. Ke sone fela se se ka re thusang gore re dire jalo. Re tlaa tswelela ka dikgang tsotlhе tsa bo letsatsi, phefo le *coalbed methane* gore re fetlhе motlakase ka tsela e e ntseng jalo.

Re tlaa lemoga gore gompieno jaana re tabogile ka 200 *megawatts* ya *concentrated solar* e e nang le *storage* gore re tle re kgone gore jaanong re supe tota gore re ikaeletse gore re dirise letsatsi le re nang le lone. Fa re santse re dira jalo, re tsamaya re di bapsitse jaana le tse re nang le tsone gore re se ka ra kgaogelwa ke motlakase re tle re kgone gore re le siele motlakase ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Seo ke tiro e e tsweletseng e e tlaa thusang metse ya rona e e sielwang kwa mafatsheng a sele.

Betsho, *fuel* ke kgang fela e le itseng gore e amana le mafatshe a sele. Re tlaa tswelela re ntse re *monitor* gore re ka dira jang. National Petroleum Fund (NPF) e a re thusa, re tlaa dirisa NPF gore e re thuse. Ga go na jaaka re ka ikgatholosa se se diragalang mo lefatsheng. Re setse re tsamaya kwa go bo US\$100 plus per barrel. Jaanong e ntse e a gomagometsa gore e ka boa ya fetela kwa pele. Baitseanape ba ne ba supa gore e ka nna ya re pele ga *March* a wela e bo e setse e tsamaetse kwa pele kwa go bo US\$300 per barrel. Re lebile diemo tse di ntseng jalo le gore re ka di hema ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Le lona le itse gore fa diemo di tla ka tsela e e ntseng jalo re fokotsa dingwe tse re di dirang gore re tle re kgone gore re tswelele re fetlhа dijo re tshela ka tsela e e ntseng jalo.

Le ne le bua gape ka *appeals* tsa *work permits*. Go bothhokwa gore re di ele tlhoko thata tota re bone gore nnyaa *have we exhausted* Batswana ba ba teng bothhe. Fa e le sengwe fa e le gore tota go pala gore ra reng mme re *insist*, ke se re se bolelelang *mines*, *insisting* gore a Motswana a bewe kwa tlase ga mothо yo gotweng o batla *permit* gore e re fela morago ga nakonyana e e rileng a bo Motswana a setse a *qualify* gore o ka tsena mo go yone *position* e e ntseng jalo. Ke sone se e leng gore re a se dira. Re tlaa tswelela re dira ka tsela e e ntseng jalo.

Ke supe gore, yes fa NPF e tlaabong e re thusitse teng, re tlaa dira jalo, *refineries* jaaka re ne re bua mo puong ya rona, go na le tse bangwe ba supang fa batla go di dira, re a ba lettelela jalo through Independent Power Producers (IPP), PPP. Ke dilo tse re batlang go tswelela kwa go tsone, le *the fuel pipeline* tota re dira jalo. Se re se dirang ka kwano mo lephateng ke go batla baitseanape ba ba ka

re gakololang gore mme re dira ka tsela e ntseng jang, gore re tle re kgone go ba duela fa ba setse ba dirile thulaganyo e e ntseng jalo.

Ke tlaa le neela bakaulengwe, ke batla go feta ka e nngwe ya bofelo ke re, re leboga thata ka gore le ene Motlotlegi rraetsho Mothusa Tautona o ne a supa gore gore o itumelela bo IPPs le PPPs. Ke yone tsela e re boneng gore e ka nna bobebe thata gore re tle re tlise ditirelo tse dintsi mo Batswaneng, ka gore batho ba bangwe ba tshotse thoto ya madi, se ba se batlang fela ke gore re ba lettelele, re ba reye re re tsamayang le ye go dira, ba bo ba dira ka tsela e e ntseng jalo.

Golo mo re a bo re batla gore Fourth Industrial Revolution e e buang ka bo *digitilisation, informal sector, food security, especially at the farms*, dilo tse tsotlhе di bo di tsena ka ntlha ya metlakase. Betsho fa re bua ka 67.9 per cent re bua ka malwapa a a fitlheletseng go gokela motlakase mo paleng. Metlakase e setse e feta 82 per cent e e setseng e gorogile kwa metseng, jaanong ra re, re tlaa tswelela with *monitoring*, fa madinyana a nna botoka, re bo re itse gore eventually gongwe re ka kgona gore jaaka bangwe ba ne ba kopa gore *connection* e nne free, re lebelele dikgang tse di ntseng jalo, gore bogolo fa e sanne free, mme tota e bo e nna affordable, gore batho ba kgone go e tsenya ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. Re ntse re lebile mafelo mangwe gore re ka tlhoma kae this 200 *megawatts solar*, so re lebile jaaka Mothusa Tautona a supa fa ba na le lefatshe, re tlaabo re ntse re sekasekile dikopo tse di ntseng jalo. O ne o bua... (inaudible)... Honourable Hikuama...

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

**MR MOAGI:** ke tlaa tla ke le neela... tsa *mining investors*, mme ke re bagaetsho mo gongwe le rona re itshela moko wa talane. Re a neelwa re le Batswana at 51 per cent, ke rona jaanong re bo re simolola re gateleta Batswana ba bangwe, re sa supe sentle gore go diragala eng. *There are examples* kwa meepong tse di ntseng jalo, Batswana ba neetswe, e bo e nna bone jaanong ba tlhomang lengole mo molaleng wa Batswana. A dilo tse re di supe, re bua le bone gore re tle re kgone gore Batswana ba dire ka tsela e e ntseng jalo, ka re batla gore Batswana ba nne koo, tiro ya bone e bo e le guaranteed, ba sa tshosiwe ke gore a kamoso ke tlaabo ke bereka ka tsela e e ntseng jalo. E bile gape ba rutuntshiwa, ba neelwa dikitso tse di ntseng jalo. Let me pause here just to allow ba ba neng ba kopa bo clarification, bo Honourable Mathoothe.



**MR MATHOOTHE:** *Point of clarification. Thank you, through you Mr Chairperson. Mma ke botse potso fela e le nngwe fela. Tona ke batla go tlhaloganya gore private companies tse le di neelang to connect motlakase mo malwapeng, le tlhomamisa jang gore the material e ba e dirisang ke yone e e tlhokafalang, kana it is of a good quality? Gongwe gore le tle le tlhaloganye gore a ba tsentse poles tsa masaka kana ba tsentse tse di tshwanetseng, seemo seo le se tlhomamisa jang? Thank you sir.*

**MR MOAGI:** Tanki rra. E re wa bobedi a santse a ipaakanya... bontsi jwa *material* o o a bong o rekiwa o a bo o tlthatlhobilwe ke BPC e bile gape bontsi jwa nako *material* o a bo o tswa kwa BPC *itself*. *Specification* se a bo se ntshitswe ke BPC sa gore pale e bo e ntse jang, ya boleng jo bo kae, ya *dimensions* tse di ntse jang. Se se e tleng se diragale se re se boneng maloba e bile re ne ra se baakanya ke gore, go epiwa ka *machine* o wa...*(inaudible)*...bangwe ba o bitsa JCB; *that is a trade name*, mme jaanong fa o epa jaana o bo o dira kgatlhoru ya lefuti fela jaana, e bo ba katela. E bo ba busetsa jaana go sa tamporwa, go sa tsenngwa *cement*, go sa tweng. Go bo raya gore jaanong o tshabelelwa ke go sekama kana o sokama thata fela fa go nna le phefonyana kana go nna le sengwe se se ka kgoreletsang. So ra re ba epe boteng fela jaana jo bo tsenyang pale fela, e bo e papaitela sentle, e bo e ka kgona go itshetlela. Ke dingwe tsa dilo tse di neng di ntse di lemogiwa maloba gore ba di baakanye bone ba ba dirang dipale tse di ntse jalo. Fa go sena ope yo mongwe re ka tswelela...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ke ne ke kopile Minister.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Honourable Minister.

**MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (MR SEGOKGO):** *Point of clarification. Ke a leboga Mr Chairperson. Ke kopa Tona gore gongwe a tlhatswe ntlha e ke neng ke utlwa e akgelwa thata ke bangwe batlotlegi. Ke itse gore o na le your integrated resource plan ya motlakase e e supang gore re tlaabo re dirisa about 30 per cent e le solar. Jaanong ke ne ke utlwa bangwe ba bua gore, o kare ga o gate o tlhoafetse kana ka lebelo foo. Jaanong ke batla gore gongwe o papamale Batswana ba tle ba tlhaloganye. A tota mme gone o ka kgona go fetlha motlakase o lebile kgolo ya motlakase o o batlang go o dirisa, e Batswana ba tlaabong ba e dirisa ka nako e o e supileng in the plan, o dirisa motlakase wa solar? O arabu jang gore o kgone gore bogolo jang fa go le bosigo*

o bo o kgona gore o bo o ntse motlakase o o le teng o dirisiwa ke Batswana, ka gore tota ke dilo tse...

**MR MOAGI:** Ee rra, ke go utlwile, mma ke taboge ke tle ke kope madi, a tloga a tswalelw a kwa ntle.

**MR SEGOKGO:** Tanki.

**MR MOAGI:** Ee rra, kana motlakase go na le motlakase go na le *solar photovoltaic* o o senang le fa e le *storage*, o e leng gore fa go tsena maitseboa ke pau! Go bo go nna le gore go nne le *storage*, a ke sa *batteries*, kana sa sepe fela se se ka nnang *storage, molten source and other things*. Jaanong se sa PV se se senang le fa ele *storage*, ke sone sa tlhwatlwanyana e o tlaa fithelang gantsi batho ba bua ka yone gore, o *cheap*. Fa o simolola o tsenya *storage*, kana o ya go tsenya *batteries* tse, tse di tshwanetseng gore di beye motlakase o *beyond sunset*, gore o bo o ntse o na le motlakase go ya go fithelela letsatsi le tlhaba gape kamoso. E bile gape fa go na le *cloud cover* e bo e ntse e le gore o tshegeditse ka gone. Jaanong dilo tse di tlisa gore go nne le boturu ...*(inaudible)*...PV le o bua ka e nang le *storage*. Ke sone se o bonang e le gore re tshwanetse ra tsamaya re baakanya dilo re lebile dithlwatlwya tsa rona tsotlhe, gore ka fa re fetlha ka *alternative means* jaaka go na le bo *coal*, re fetlha ka bo *coal bed methane*. Re fetlha ka tse dingwe tse re tlaabong re na le tsone, gore mme re se ka ra re re le lefatshe ra timelwa ke motlakase *at any one time*. E tlaare re ntse re tsweletse jaanong re sena to *accomplish* tsone tse go na le bo *wind* le *solar*, when we aggregate costs tsa teng, re bo re ka kgona gore re busetse motlakase...*(inaudible)*...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification Minister.

**MR MOAGI:** ...ka gore motlakase o mongwe o o re turelang ke o e leng gore e ya bo e le wa lekotswa, re o reka kwa ntle, fa re sena o o lekaneng. Tse tsotlhe fa re setse re itshetletse jaaka re baakanya bo Morupule B le Morupule A, go tlaa siama. Gompieno jaana of the 600 megawatts, re tsaya 380 megawatts gompieno, jaaka re ntse re baakanya unit 4 ya Morupule B. Dilo tse tsotlhe tse di tlaa wela ka nako, ke gore fela fa o santse o le mo tseleng ya paakanyo o tlaa fitlhela e kete ga o dire sepe, mme e tlaare kwa maduo a tlang go tswa teng batho ba bona gore nnyaa tiro e ntse e tsweletse e dirwa, ke sone se ke se buang. *Clarification* la bofelo ke tle ke kope madi jaanong Mma Monnagotla, through you Mr Speaker.



**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (MS MONNAKGOTLA):** *Point of clarification.* Ke a leboga Minister. Mma ke go botse fela jaana ka gore ke utlwa o bua bontle, e bile le batlotlegi ba ntse ba bua bontle, ka gore gompieno ke a bona gore o tsenya at the settlements motlakase, e bile e le tiro e ntle. Ke botse gore a mme...

...Silence...

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Go ile fela jalo.

**MR MOAGI:** O nyeletse jaanong, o kwa *settlement*?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Nnyaa o kwa mafatsheng, ga re itse gore o itshwenyetsa eng ka o kgakala.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Kopa madi e tshaile.

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

**MS MONNAKGOTLA:** ...(*Inaudible*)...Minister, a golo mo ga o ka ke wa go lebelela fela thata?

**MR MOAGI:** Ke gone o bilogang motlotlegi, ga re a go utlwa.

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

**MR MOAGI:** Nnyaa mme Mr Chairperson, mma ke kope mo go wena ke tswelele ke kopa le nako foo le e mpeele foo.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Two minutes.

**MR MOAGI:** *Ke supe gone gore tse tsotlhe tse batlotlegi ba di buileng, re di tsere sentle, e bile re tlaa ya go di lebelela fa re ntse re tsweletse ka lenaneo la rona. Ke re ke re ke le kope jaana through you Mr Chairperson gore my presentation of the 2022/2023 Recurrent and Development Budgets concludes here, I now request to move that the sum of P350 Million in the consolidated fund be approved and stand part of the Schedule of the Appropriation (2022/23) Bill 2022 and that the sum of P893, 007 Million in the Development Fund Estimate be approved and stand as part of those Estimates in accordance with the amendments made to the Estimate Book. I thank you Mr Chairperson.*

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you Honourable Minister. Order! Order! Honourable Members, the question is that the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty Million and Thirty-Three Thousand, Five Hundred and

Ten Pula (P350, 033,510) for Organisation No. 1000 in the Schedule stands part of the Schedule, and the Revised Total Estimated cost for the Sub-Organisations in Organisation No. 1000 in the Development Fund Estimates stands part of those Estimates.

Question put and **agreed to.**

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you very much Honourable Moagi. We are done with your Head. Honourable Members, we now moving to Organisation 1100; Health and Wellness.

## **ORGANISATION 1100 – MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS**

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Note Honourable Members that two hours 50 minutes have been allocated for this Organisation and will call upon the Minister to reply to the debate at 1615 hours tomorrow, and the question will be put at 1645 hours. Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness, you may present.

**MINISTER OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS (DR DIKOLOTI):** *Tla ke go leboge Modulasetilo.* Mr Chairperson, it is my pleasure and honour to present my ministry's budget Estimates for the 2022/2023 financial year for consideration by this Honourable Committee. Mr Chairperson, allow me to give a brief performance review of what my ministry planned for implementation during the 2021/2022 financial year.

## **LEGISLATION, POLICY REVIEW AND STRATEGIES**

### **Tobacco Control Act**

The Tobacco Control Act was approved by Parliament in Winter Session and assented on the 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2021. This Act has been published. Furthermore, the process of developing Regulations has commenced and these are expected to be completed during 2022/2023 financial year.

### **Review of the Food Control Act of 1993**

Mr Chairperson, the review of the Food Control Act of 1993 is ongoing. The Food Safety Bill seeks to among others integrate food safety into policies on health, agriculture, trade, environment and development, which is an integral part of health. It further provides for a framework that will promote and drive continuous improvement of food safety and quality services around the food chain.



The ministry is incorporating comments from Attorney General and the intention is to present the Bill to Parliament by end of 2022/2023 financial year.

### **Health Quality Bill**

Mr Chairperson, in aligning with the Reset Agenda, my ministry has developed the Health Quality Bill of 2021 which has gone through extensive consultations. The Bill seeks to regulate the quality of care in both private and public health facilities. These facilities will be licensed and inspected against set standards which will allow streamlined, consistent and traceable enforcement of quality of services across the health system. The intention is to conclude and present the Bill in July 2022 Parliamentary Sitting.

### **Review of National Health Policy**

Mr Chairperson, the ministry has started the review of the National Health Policy of 2011 and it is expected to be completed during the first quarter of 2023/2024 financial year. This process will also give us an opportunity to reflect on and integrate other important commitments such as the universal health coverage, Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and our own National Vision 2036 aspiration for health.

### **Health Financing Strategy**

Mr Chairperson, in order to achieve universal coverage, my ministry has started developing a Health Financing Strategy. The Health Financing Strategy is intended to be completed in the financial year 2023/2024. The focus of the strategy is to improve the efficiency of the current health financing mechanisms to ensure that all people living in Botswana have access to a wide range of cost effective health services. It also seeks to explore other health financing mechanisms that will provide financial protection and equity in finance, thereby reducing the burden of out of pocket payments.

### **Human Resources for Health**

Mr Chairperson, the country has committed to implement the resolutions of the World Health Assembly (WHA69.19) in 2016. The member states are to implement policy options towards consolidating a core set of human resources for health data and provide annual report thereto to the Global Health Observatory Platform.

My ministry is developing a National Health Workforce Accounts (NHWA) where consultations have already started and it is intended to be concluded in the 2022/2023 financial year. The NHWA is intended to support national policy and planning and the Global Strategies Monitoring and Accountability Framework.

### **Collaboration and Partnerships**

Mr Chairperson, in recognising the value chain with respect to provision of health, goods and services, my ministry intends to strengthen collaboration and cooperation with development partners, private sector and the civil society. To that end, we will develop health partners' framework during the 2022/2023 financial year. The framework will improve governance and management of strategic partnerships in different areas of the health sector.

In 2021 Mr Chairperson, my ministry revived the Botswana Health Partners Forum. This forum serves as a platform for engagement on pertinent health sector issues which will benefit the country at large and better the health outcomes.

### **Research and Innovation**

Mr Chairperson, the Health Research Agenda for 2010 will be reviewed during the 2022/2023 financial year in order to align it to the current emerging issues. The intention is to make sure that the limited resources are directed towards addressing key and critical research questions, minimise negligence on some important research areas, as well as avoid unnecessary duplication of research work.

Mr Chairperson, let me hasten to thank the Government for committing to set up the Botswana Public Health Institute as a State-Owned Enterprise (SOE) despite the moratorium that has been set. The consideration found my ministry in the process of implementing an accelerated establishment of the institute. The institute will provide national leadership and expertise in driving the public health function nationwide while linking the country to the global health community, the prevention and control of the diseases and epidemics. This August House should note that a surveillance warehouse was donated and this will be used to facilitate Integrated Disease Surveillance of any public health threat.



## **COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND THE RESPONSE MECHANISMS**

Mr Chairperson, in line with His Excellency the President's Reset Agenda, particularly the pillar that focuses on "Saving Botswana from COVID-19 through implementation of life-saving programmes", my ministry developed and implemented the National Deployment and Vaccination Plan (NDVP) in March 2021.

The implementation of the vaccination programme started using an age-based approach. This initially categorised the population into three phases. The first phase targeted those above 55 years of age, Phase 2 included those between 30 to 54 years of age while Phase 3 comprised of those from 18 to 29 years of age. The 4<sup>th</sup> phase which commenced in January 2022 targeted children from the age of 12 to 17 years.

### **COVID-19 Funding and Procurement**

A total of Four Hundred and Twenty-Six Million, Four Hundred and Thirty-One Thousand, Eight Hundred and Fifty-Three Pula (P426, 431,853.00) under the Recurrent Budget was availed to my ministry to cover COVID-19 expenses during the 2021/22 financial year.

Specifically, the funds were allocated to procure Personal protective equipment (PPE), test kits, isolation and quarantine services, vaccines, ventilators, temporary employees, laboratory commodities and operating costs pertaining to University of Botswana (UB) COVID-19 Treatment Centre.

Furthermore, in September 2021, a Supplementary Budget amounting to One Billion, One Hundred and Twenty-Five Million, Seven Hundred and Seventy-Three Thousand, Six Hundred and Two Pula (P1, 125,773,602.00) was allocated to my ministry. A further supplementary provision of Five Hundred and Sixty Million Pula (P560, 000,000.00) was approved in December 2021 for the principal purpose of procuring PPE, booster vaccines and oxygen concentrators to curb the spread of COVID-19 variants.

So far, a total amount of One Billion, One Hundred and Twenty-Two Million, Nine Hundred and Seventy-Three Thousand, Seven Hundred and Forty-Nine Pula (P1,122,973,749) was expended on COVID-19 related expenses.

Mr Chairperson, to consolidate progress made so far in preventing the spread of COVID-19 infections is to further intensify the fight against COVID-19 pandemic,

Government has committed funds amounting to Two Billion, Four Hundred and Twenty-Six Million, Twenty Thousand Pula (P2 426.025,000) for the 2022/23 financial year.

Successful delivery of vaccines was made possible following the decision taken by the Government of Botswana to have joined global efforts that were geared towards accelerating the deployment of the COVID-19 vaccines through the COVAX and AVATT Facilities. Moreover, procurement of some vaccines were done through bilateral agreements with countries and/or manufacturers, while some were donated by Development Partners and some countries through their Embassies.

## **IV. DIGITALISATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF E-HEALTH STRATEGY**

Mr Chairperson, in order to pursue the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) and the Reset Agenda Pillar on digitalisation, my ministry has embarked on a Digitalisation of Health Services programme. Through this programme and implementation of the e-Health Strategy that of 2020 to 2024 my ministry will expedite a digital transformation of health services. The ministry has recently developed an electronic Digitalisation Maturity Assessment and Monitoring Tool (DMA) that provides the ministry with the Dashboards that monitor our digitalisation maturity level. The DMA will assist us to continuously monitor the implementation and uptake of digitalisation.

In addition, the development of the centralised Electronic Medical Record (EMR) commenced in December 2021 and a roll-out of the TB module will start in April 2022. The centralised EMR will replace the current standalone system running at more than 400 clinics and Health Posts by March 2023. My ministry is also upgrading the current centralised EMR running at all hospitals and laboratories into a web-based, patient facing EMR by 2024. Ultimately, access to health information by patients, healthcare professionals and management will improve significantly.

Furthermore, my ministry is working on the development of the Botswana e-Health Enterprise Architecture (BEEA) in order to enable the linkage of Health Systems. Currently, my ministry is working on the interfacing of the Centralised EMRs with Births & Deaths Register System (BDRS) and Omang System to be completed by March 2023.



## V. PROGRAMMES AND STRATEGIES

### Primary Health Care Services

Botswana continues to recognise Primary Health Care as a cornerstone to attaining Universal Health Coverage (UHC) as well as achieving targets set under the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

To this end, the ministry continues to strategically re-engineer its services creating a balance in health care service delivery that is equitable, sustainable, continuum, whole of Government, community oriented and responsive through one life course.

This entails services that are promotive, preventative, curative, rehabilitative and palliative to attain one maximal functional and economic participation.

### Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH)

Mr Chairperson, as reported in my last speech, maternal mortality remains high in Botswana. According to Statistics Botswana (2019), the Botswana Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) is estimated at 166.3 deaths per 100,000 live births. This ratio (MMR) is more than double the average MMR of the SDG 2030 target of less than 70 deaths per 100,000 live births.

Mr Chairperson, the COVID-19 pandemic has worsened the situation; where a total of 134 maternal deaths were recorded in 2021. This figure is 54 per cent higher than the figures recorded in 2019. If the current MMR trend is anything to go by, Botswana will almost certainly fail to meet 2030 SDG target unless drastic measures are taken to reverse the trend.

My ministry recognises that causes of maternal deaths emanate from different sectors, and that the challenges are psycho-social, cultural, religious and economic factors. The development and launch of an Integrated Community Based Strategy has created a platform to conduct multi-sectoral consultative meetings of all stakeholders to address this national concern.

### Specialised Health Care Services and Patient Care

Mr Chairperson, in order to achieve the targets as per the Sustainable Development Goal 3 of ‘Ensuring healthy lives and promoting well-being for all at all stages,’ my ministry will embark on projects that make specialised health care services accessible in a cost effective manner. One of the projects entails outsourcing

specialists’ services to local private specialists. Through this initiative, my ministry will strengthen Public Private Partnerships (PPPs) while at the same time cutting costs of referrals.

Mr Chairperson, my ministry has taken a deliberate decision to outsource nephrology as a pilot project, followed by other prioritised specialities such as orthopaedics. The plan is to engage local specialists to consult non-private patients within a public facility, using all the resources available within that facility rather than for patients to visit private facility searching for specialised healthcare services.

### Alcohol and Substance Abuse

Mr Chairperson, the use of psychoactive substances remains a concern in Botswana especially amongst its youth. The harm associated with the use and abuse of alcohol and other psychoactive substances poses a serious risk to people’s lives and livelihoods. In order to deal with this complex and multifaceted matter, a Strategic Plan for Alcohol and Substance Abuse has been developed to guide on evidence-based interventions concerning prevention, treatment and recovery. This strategy was developed in collaboration with our Partners being Non-Governmental Organisations (NGO)s, World Health Organisation (WHO) and other sister departments in various ministries.

### Rehabilitation and Mental Health

Mr Chairperson, provision of comprehensive mental health services remains one of my ministry’s key priorities. The COVID-19 pandemic has had a devastating effect on the provision of mental health services across the world, with critical mental health services either disrupted or halted in 93 per cent of countries worldwide.

The pandemic has, on the other hand, resulted in an increase in the demand for mental health services due to bereavement, isolation, loss of income and fear, which triggered mental conditions or exacerbated existing ones.

## VI. HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE

Mr Chairperson, Government continues to improve access to quality healthcare services through expansion of health facilities.

As such, in March 2021, construction of Shakawe Primary Hospital, now officially called J. P. Kavindama Primary Hospital, was completed and handed over. Mr



Chairperson, for now, this facility is used as a COVID-19 isolation centre while the process for operationalisation is ongoing.

With respect to upgrading of Letlhakeng Clinic to a Primary Hospital Level 1, Mr Chairperson, the project has been delayed due to deficiencies in the scope which was observed during the initial design review. The project is expected to start by 2022/2023 financial year.

## **VII. OVERALL BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 2022/2023 FINANCIAL YEAR**

Mr Chairperson, the proposed budget estimates for my Ministry, for the 2022/2023 financial year, is Ten Billion, Three Hundred and Forty-One Million, Nine Hundred and Fifty Thousand, One Hundred and Sixty-Two (P10.341.950,162). Out of this amount, Ten Billion, Five Million, Two Hundred and Thirty-Nine Thousand, One Hundred Pula (P10,005,239.100), or 96.74 per cent is for the Recurrent Budget, while Three Hundred and Thirty-Six Million, Seven Hundred and Eleven Thousand, and Sixty-Two Pula (P336.711,062) or 3.26 per cent is for the Development Budget.

### **RECURRENT BUDGET ESTIMATES**

Mr Chairperson, I request this Honourable Committee to approve Ten Billion, Five Million, Two Hundred and Thirty-Nine Thousand, One Hundred Pula (P10,005,239.100), as my ministry's proposed recurrent budget estimates for the 2022/2023 financial year.

Mr Chairperson, the largest share of the budget estimates, amounting to Nine Billion, Eighty-Nine Million, One Hundred and Ninety-Two Thousand, Nine Hundred and Eighty Pula (P9.089.192,980) or 90.84 per cent is proposed to be allocated to the Department of Health Services Management. The major items in these estimates are the procurement of drugs and medical commodities, medical fees for patients' referrals, primary healthcare programmes, COVID-19 relief and infrastructure maintenance.

Regarding revenue collections, my Ministry's total revenue collection for the 2021/2022 financial year stands Forty-Nine Million, Seven Hundred and Fifty-Four Thousand, Four Hundred and Eighty Pula (P49.754,480) only. The bulk of the revenue comes from the COVID-19 fee, sale of drugs and dressings to Institutions as well as private outpatient fees.

### **DEVELOPMENT BUDGET ESTIMATES**

Mr Chairperson, I further request this Honourable committee to approve a total of Three Hundred and Thirty-Six Million, Seven Hundred and Eleven Thousand, and Sixty-Two Pula (P336.711,062) as my ministry's proposed development budget estimates for 2022/2023 financial year.

The largest share of the proposed budget, which is Three Hundred and Sixteen Million, Five Hundred and Twenty Thousand, Three Hundred and Eighty-Five Pula (P316.520,385) or 94 per cent is allocated to the Department of Health Services Management (HSM) to implement infrastructure projects under two programmes: Hospital Services and Primary Health Care Services.

A total of Two Hundred and Eighteen Million, One Hundred and Twenty Thousand, Three Hundred and Eighty-Five Pula (P218,120,385.00) or 64.78 per cent of the proposed HSM budget is allocated for Hospital Services Programme and will among others pay for construction and consultancy services for Moshupa Primary Hospital; the refurbishment of old hospitals as well as designs for Gumare and Tutume primary hospitals; and staff housing units. In addition, procurement of furniture and equipment as well as final account fee for Shakawe Primary Hospital will be settled.

Mr Chairperson, a total of Ninety-Eight Million, Four Hundred Thousand Pula (P98,400,000.00) is allocated to the Primary Health Care Services Programme. Funds are for the construction of clinics and staff houses at Sepopa, Toteng and others. New staff houses will be constructed in Maboane and Makalamabedi to complement the recently completed donor funded clinics.

Funds will also be used for the procurement of equipment, furniture and vehicles for all planned clinics under construction. Furthermore, planning, design work and procurement processes for Botswana Medicines Regulatory Authority (BoMRA) Laboratory will commence.

Mr Chairperson, the remaining Twenty Million, One Hundred and Ninety Thousand, Six Hundred and Seventy-Seven Pula (P20,190,677.00) or 6 per cent of the proposed budget is allocated to the Ministry Headquarters for Health Care Standards, Quality Information Management System (QIMS) and e-Health programme.



## CONCLUSION

Mr Chairperson, I move that the sum of Ten Billion, Five Million, Two Hundred and Thirty-Nine Thousand, One Hundred Pula (P10,005,239,100.00) under the Recurrent Budget for Organisation 1100 be approved and stand as part of the Schedule of Appropriation (2022/2023) Bill, 2022 and that a Development Budget in the sum of Three Hundred and Thirty-Six Million, Seven Hundred and Eleven Thousand, and Sixty-Two Pula (P336,711,062.00) be approved and stand part of the estimates for the financial year 2022/2023. I thank you.

**MR CHAIRPERSON:** Thank you Honourable Minister. Honourable Members, the floor is open.

**MINISTER OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND COOPERATION (DR KWAPE):** Ke a leboga Modulasetilo go bo o mphile sebaka sa go akgela mo kopong ya ga Tona wa Lephata la Botsogo. Ke bue gore le nna ke batla gore ka mowa o o tshwanang, ke eleletse bomme letsatsi le le siameng, ke bo ke ba rotloetse gore ba tswelele ba tshwere ka thata ka gore ke bone thari ya setshaba.

Fa ke tsena mo kopong ya ga Tona, pele ke mo leboge gore lephata le ntse le gogiwa mo seretseng, bogolo jang re sena go welwa ke bolwetse jwa COVID. Ke lebogele gore fa o lebelela dipalo, lefatshe la Botswana ke lengwe le le kwa godimo mo bathong ba ba tlhatlhobilweng, ba kentilwe. Selo seo se supa gore bodiredi jwa rona jo bo tshwereng tiro, bo e tshwere ka manontlhotlho. Jaanong ke ba akgole gore tiro ba e dira ka manontlhotlho. Ke gakolole gore ga re ise re tswe mo seroromong se re neng re le mo go sone sa bolwetse.

Jaanong ke kope Tona gore jaaka a kopa ledi jaana, a lebelele thata kgang ya thuto ya batho, ka gore go santse go na le ba le mokawana ba e leng gore ga ba batle go ikenta. Jaanong thuto e nne ntsi gore batho ba itse gore mekento e e boloka matshelo, dipalo di a ipuelela gore e rile e ise mokento e tle, re ne re fitla letsatsi le letsatsi, mme mo bogompienong go botoka. Gape, se e nne thuto mo goreng dinako tsotlhe, re tshwanetse gore re bo re ipaakanyeditse dibetsa tse, jaaka leroborobo le le re tlhasetseng. Ga se gantsi go diragala, jaaka re itse gore labofelo la go rata go tshwana le le, le diragetse dingwaga tse di lekgolo tse di fetileng, mme re a itse gore fa gare ga maroborobo a matona a, re ne ra tlhaselwa ke malwetse a a tshwanang le bo HIV.

Se sengwe se ke batlang go se bua ke gore, fa re dira tsone dipaakanyo tse kana go ipaakanya mo, re se ka ra lebala gore malwetse a a bolayang batho, ke a a sa tshelanweng, malwetse a pelo le a bo kankere. Re se ka ra a lebala ka gore fa re ka a lebala, e tlaare kwa morago re ithaya re re fentse jo, a bo e le gore jaanong re mekamekane le malwetse ao, a lefatshe lotlhe ka bophara ke one a a re bolayang kana a re lwatsa.

E nngwe e ke batlang gore Tona e re a tsweletse pele, a e lebelele thata ka leitlho le le ntshontsho, ke e a buileng ka yone ya bomme ba ba tlhokafalang mo peleging le bana ba ba tlhokafalang ba belegwa. E a tshwenya ka gore e menagane gabedi le seelo se se beilweng gore fa e le foo, ke sone se se botoka. Jaanong ke re kgang e e botlhokwa kana ke tsone dikokomane tsa rona. Bomme ke bone dithari, ba kamoso ba re oketsa re le batho.

E nngwe Tona e ke eletsang gore o e lebelele ka leitlho le le ntshontsho, jaaka o neetswe madi, e bile a le kwa godimo go na le a maphata a mangwe rra, ke gore le lebelele gore tlhaelo ya dingaka le baoki, e tokafale ka gore fa o lebelela mafatshefatshe, re santse re le kwa tlasenyana mo dipalong tsa baoki le dingaka fa re tshwantshanya le batho ba re tshwanetseng gore re ba tlhokomele. Ke ntlha e e botlhokwa. Jaanong fa go rutwa bana, ba rotloediwe go ya go dira tsone dithuto tse gore re nne mo seemong se se siameng.

E nngwe e ke batlang gore ke tshwaele mo go yone e Tona le ene a e amileng, ke ya melemo e e tlhaelang, bogolo jang mo dikokelong le mo dipateleng. Jaanong, a re nne le thulaganyo e e tsepameng, re dirisa one maranyane a segompieno a gore melemo e rekiwa jang, e phatlaladiwa jang, ka gore go na le kgonagalo ya gore e mengwe e felele e bolela mo mabolokelong kana nako ya gore e dirisiwe e feta e le mo mabolokelong. Re tshwanetse gore re akanye ditsela dingwe tse di botoka.

Se sengwe se se botlhokwa rra, se o se amileng, bogolo jang mo tsamaisong ya merero ya tsa botsogo, ke gore re dirise maranyane. Go ngomola pelo gore batsadi ba rona, motho a tsoge ka nako ya boraro mo mosong, a re o ya go bona ngaka. Fa re ne re ka fefoga ka kgang e o neng o e bua ya maranyane. Fa ke itse gore ke ya go bona ngaka, ke bo ke itse gore ke ya ka 10, ke se ka ka rwala masigo ka tlhogo, ke batla gore ke nne kwa pele ga *line*. Re tlhabologile, fa re lebelela dipatlisiso di supa gore Batswana bontsi jwa rona, re tsamaya kwa lekgolong ba re dirisang megala e e bidiwang gotwe segogelathoko e kana ya letheka, jaanong re tshwanetse go dirisa one maranyane ao gore re tokafatse ka fa re isang ditlamelo



kwa bathong. Le yone melemo, re akanye gore a re ka se ke jaanong re beye tlhwatlha e le nngwefela gore ba ba ikemetseng ka bonosi, ba melemo kana *pharmacies*, re kgone gore e re motho a bonwe ke ngaka kwa sepatela, a bo e le gore re itse gore pilisi e ja bokae gongwe le gongwe mo Botswana, kana Goromento o duela bokae, gore re se ka ra tloga ra jewa ntsoma. Seo se tlaabo se ntsha morwalo mo Lephateng la Botsogo, gore jaanong lemekamekane le go reka yone melemo.

Nako ga e ntsi rra, ke ne ke re e re ke ise ke wele, ke ye kwa go tsa kgaolo e ke e emetseng ya Kanye Borwa. Ke tshwenngwa thata ke seemo sa dikokelo, bogolo jang tse di bulang letsatsi lotlhe kana 24 hours. Mo Kanye yo o borwa, re na le *clinic* e le nngwefela fela ya Kgwatleng, e ke neng ke rile ka re Motlotlegi Tona o tlaa bua ka yone ka gore go kile ga nna le kakanyo ya gore e tlaa twe sengwe, mme ke tsaya gore o tlaa e atolosa. Re ne re re a go okediwe *clinics* tse di bulwang letsatsi lotlhe. Mafelo a tshwana le bo Sebego, a e leng gore le one ga a na *clinic*, ke solo fela gore mo mading a o neng o a bua a *clinic*, o tlaa akanyetsa *clinic* ya Sebego. Ke *health post*, mme palo ya batho ya Sebego e kana ka batho ba Molapowabojang, o tlaa tlhaloganya fa ke e bua jalo Motlotlegi Tona. Jaanong re ne re re fa e ka dirwa 24 hours, mme kana fa e dirwa 24 hours, e tshwanetse gore e atolosiwe, gore e kgone gore e tsamaelane le seemo sa gore ke *clinic* ya 24 hours.

Le fa ke bua ka selelo le khuranyo ya meno ka dilo tse dingwe, ke tshwanetse gore ke leboge gore go na le *clinics* tse disha tse di agilweng mo kgaolong ya me, bo Seherelela, *clinic* e atolositswe. Kwa Tsonyane ba Debswana ba ne ba re thusa go atolosa *clinic*. Ya Sese le yone rra, ke e tlhola letsatsi le letsatsi, ke *clinic* ya marata go lejwa. Jaanong tsholofelo ke gore baoki ba tlaa agelwa matlo gore e se ka jaanong ya kolokotega fela ka mooki a le nosi.

Kgaolo ya Lotlhakane rra, e o itseng gore batho ba gago ba ba tlolang molapo, ba tsaya ditlamelo kwa go yone, le yone ga e na pelegi.

Go raya gore batho ba a sokola gore ba goroge kwa ditlamelong tsa pelegi rra. E re re ntse re lebeletse, re itse gore Lotlhakane o na le batho ba ba fetang dikete di roba bobedi. Go raya gore go a tsholwa kwa Lotlhakane, jaanong ga gona kwa batho ba tsholelang teng, e lebelelwethata.

E nngwe rra e tota e tshwanetseng gore e ka bo e le motlhoho, ke ya batho ba ba tlhokang *wheelchairs*. Go bonya gore batho ba neelwe *wheelchairs*, bogolo jang

bana ba ba santseng ba le babotlana. Ba a sokola, le go ya sekoleng fa gongwe motho a setse a simolotse sekole ga ba na *wheelchairs* tse ka tsone ba ka gorogang kwa sekoleng kana ba ya go tsaya ditlamelo tse dingwe.

Jaanong ke tlogetse ya mangmang rra kwa boflelong ya sepatela sa Kanye. Fa o ntse o bua ke ne ke sa go utlwe o e bua, ke ne ke rile ke tlie go go kopa gore, a ga se gore wena, nna le *Honourable Letsholo*, re tseye ma P10 million a rona bogolo re dire bodilo fela jwa sepatela sa Kanye, ka gore rotlhe fa re lwala o tswa kwa Mmathethe-Molapowabojang, re le mo Kanye, re ya Kanye rotlhe ka gore re itse mathata a re nang le one ka sepatela sa Kanye.

Maloba fa Tona Serame a bua, ke rile re lebelele tsela ya Public Private Partnership (PPP) gore ka yone re ka se ke re leke gore re gefogé go aga sepatela sa Kanye. Fa e le gore re na le kakanyo eo, re akanye gore jaaka dipatela re itse gore di kgaogantswe ka gore di dira eng, sa Kanye nngwe ya dilo tse se tshwanetseng gore di se dire ke diphilo. Batho ba tswa bokgakaleng jwa bo Maokane ba ya go tlhatswa diphilo kwa Gaborone. Jaanong fa e kare re aga sepatela se sa Kanye rra, ra akanyetsa gore bolwetsé jwa diphilo, Kanye e nne sebete sa go alafa diphilo mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Re lebeletse kgang e ke neng ke e bolelela *Honourable Serame* ke re, a re batleng babeletsi ba ba tshwanang le ba Rre Molale a neng a bua ka bone ba ba neng ba aga matlo a Kgale View. Golo mo re ka go dira ka nako e khutshwanyane, ka gore selelo ke sa khuranyo ya meno rra kwa Kanye. O a ne o utlwa ba re tshwaraganeng le bone ba sepatela kamoso ba re ba a fuduga ga ba sa tlhole ba dirisana le Puso, kamoso ba re ba dirisanya le Puso. Letsatsi le lengwe e tlaa re ba fuduga, ba etse modisa yole rra yo o neng a re re tlhasetswe go bo go diragala fela jalo.

Jaanong Tona ke go ema nokeng mo kopong e ya gago, mme selelo sa me ke sone seo Mokwena gore beno ba a lela, bogolo jang ka kgang e ya sepatela rra. Lefelo le teng la sepatela, jaanong re beile fela mo go wena gore o batle ledi kwa o ka le bonang teng o buisana le Tona Serame, re tle go baya sepatela se se tshwanelang tebegó ya motse wa Kanye. Ke a leboga.

**MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS (MR SEGOKGO):** Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*, ke leboge thata gore o bo o mphile sebaka gore ke akgele mo kopong e e dirwang ke Tona. Ke tlaa simolola gore fa ke ka se ka ka garela sentle, a itse gore ke eme kopo ya gagwe nokeng.



Le nna nte ke tseye nako e *Mr Chairperson*, ke lebogise bomme ka letsatsi le la bone. Tota e bile re bua ka kgang e ke itseng gore ke bone ba o fitlhelang ba supa tlhokomelo, go oka le tsotlhe tse di amanang le botsogo jwa rona. Ke bone tota ba o fitlhelang ba re gorosa fa re leng teng, le o bona re le Mapalamente jaana, ke ka bomme. Ke boa ke lebogisa le komiti ya Palamente e e neng e tshwere tiro gompieno, ke akaretsa le rre a le mongwe yo o mo teng, tsala ya me *Honourable Motsamai*.

*Mr Chairperson*, ke batla gore ke simolole ke leboge Tona, gore lephata la gagwe le dirile ka bonatla thata go lwantsha segajaja sa COVID. Segolobogolo ke lemoga gore, ba ne ba dira ka bonatla gore ba bone melemo lemekento, e e fileng Batswana tshireletso mo seemong se re buang ka sone se. Ke bo ke kope fela jaaka ke etle ke kope Batswana gore, bagaetsho mekento e teng, re a kopa tsayang le o wa tlaleletso le tle le sireletsge, bogolo jang ka re tsena mo pakeng e ya mariga e gantsinyana ba ba bokoa le bagodi ba nna le go tshabelelwa ke makoa a akgonang gore pheleletsong a bake dintsho.

*Mr Chairperson*, fa ke tsena mo puong ya ga Tona, ke batla ke simolole ke mo leboge gore o buile thata ka *partnership, collaboration* a ba a bua le ka *outsourcing*. Ke batla ke mo reye ke re, ke lebogela thata pego e a buang ka yone e, a bua gore o batla go tshwaragana le bothle batsayakarolo mo botsogong, bogolo jang le ba ba ikemetseng ka nosi. E bile a bo a supe gore go na le dithuso tsa botsogo tsa boranyane jo bo tseneletseng, tse ba batlang gore Batswana ba kgone go di fitlhelela kwa dipate leng tsa ga Goroment, mme ba tshwaragane le ba ba nang le boitseanape, ba ikemetseng ka nosi, ba batlile lefelo gore ba kgone gore ba bereke ba thuse Batswana jang.

Go na le bothata jo re ntseng re le mo go jone, bogolo jang jwa tlhaelo ya melemo. Ke mo kopa gore a lebelele gore a *pharmacies* kana go abiwa ga melemo go ne go ka se ka ga thusiwa, ga nna botoka re batlile ba ba ikemetseng ka nosi. Ke buisiwa se ke gore, kana fa re bua ka tlhaelo e ya melemo re a bo re bua ka tlhaelo ya melemo mo dipate leng tsa ga Goroment, re sa reye gore melemo e a tlhaela mo lefatsheng la Batswana. Melemo e le teng kwa *pharmacies* tse di ikemetseng ka nosi, le fa ke itse gore nako nngwe go kile ga nna le thulaganyo e e reng balwetse ba ne ba ka ya go di tsaya le kwa *pharmacies*. Ke akanya gore go ne go ka ntsha mokgweleo mongwe mo lephateng, fa tshwaragano e a buang ka yone ba ka e dirisa le kwa *pharmacy* go thusa go tila tlhaelo ya melemo.

Ke e bua jaana ke itse gore ke thulaganyo e batlang gore go nne le ditumalano tse di tseneletseng le gore ba sekaseke ditlhwathlhwa, gore ditlhwathlhwa tsa melemo eo di tlaabo di tsamaya jang ka mo nakong e Batswana ba bona melemo e ba sa dire dituelo.

Tota e bile kgang e, ka ke tlotswe ke tse dints, ke tlotswe fela ke kgang tse ke neng ke eledits Gore ke bua ka tsone kwa *Local Government*. Ke rata go e tshwantshanya le se a se dirang le dikgang tsa *decentralisation* tsa kwa *Local Government*, tse re di emeng nokeng re le kwa Tlokweng.

*Mr Chairperson*, se sengwe se ke neng ke eletsa gore ke nne bofefonyana mo go sone ke gore, ke leboge Tona gore a bo ke utlwile a se umaka ke ka fa ba batlang go dirisa maranyane ka teng mo go tsa botsogo. Ke leboga thata e bile ke itumela, fa a setse a le legatong le le supang gore re tloga jaanong re fitlhelela mo re tlaabong re na le Electronic Medical Record. E rayang gore motho fa a tsene fa sepatela sefe fela a itekodisa ngaka, ngaka o kgona go bona gore botsogo jwa molwetse yo bo ntse bo tsamaya jang. A sa tlhoke gore molwetse a tle a tshotse dipampiri, tse dingwe di latlhiegile, fa gongwe e bile a sa di tshola. Se se thusa ba bongaka gore bafe tlhatlhobo e siameng, e bile a kgone go thusa molwetse sentle. Ke selo se ke se lebogelang thata. O buile a tshoma a bua ka e-health Enterprise Architecture, gore ba ya go aga jang maranyane a. Ke se ke se itumeletseng tota, go bona gore ba a tlhaa ba lebile gore go nne le motheo o o siameng o o lolameng.

Di dints tse ke neng ke ka di bua *Mr Chairperson*, mme kana go botlhokwa gore ke lemotshe Tona ka tsa kgaolo ya me ya Tlokweng. *Mr Chairperson*, gantsi ke atle ke leke gore ke gatelele ntlha ya thuto, ke gatelele ntlha ya gore re ikemele re le nosi. Ka re mo kgannyeng e ya botsogo, le yone ke e gatelela ke re Tlokweng fa a leng teng jaanong, ke solo fela gore *population* ya rona e tlie gore e balwa e bo e supa gore re fa godimo ga 60 000 kana go tlola 65 000. Mo nakong e re na le *clinic* e le *one* e e re thusang 24 hours, e e nang le tlhaelo ya bodiredi. E na le bodiredi jwa bongaka bo ka nna boraro bo bo etang, e bile bo tlhoka bongaka bo ka nna botlhano.

*Nurses* ba tlhoka dipalo tse di fa godimonyana gore ba tle ba thuse morafe o sentle. *Clinic* e nngwe e e e lomang serota le yone e na le tlhaelo ya bodiredi, ka gore ga e bule 24 hours, e tlhoka bongaka bo jo ka nnang boraro. Ke raya ke lekodisiwa ke bone, ke buisana le bone ka dikgwethlo tse ba di bonang tse di foo. Ba ne



ba ntekodisitse gore *these clinics* di bona palo ya batho mo ngwageng e e tlolang 30, 000. Ke tsaya gore Tona e tlaare a leba dipalo tse, a lemoge botlhokwa jwa gore tota lantlha a re thuse ka bodiredi. Selelo se ke nang le sone se se tona ke gore fa o tsaya tse pedi tse, ke tsone tse o kareng di kgona go fa dithuso tsa *outpatient* tse e keteng di atologile. O fitlhela go na le *dental services* mo teng, mme morafe o o kanakana ga o ka ke wa kgonwa fela ke *clinics* tse ka fa seemo se ntseng ka teng. E bile e nngwe e agilwe ka 78, mme ditiro tsa bofelo tsa go di atolosa ke tsa 2008. O kgona go bona gore morafe o ntse o gola go le kana ka eng mme ditlamelo tse di sa kgone go atolosiwa go tsamaelana le go gola ga morafe o.

Kgantele Tona Rakgare o ne a bua ka fa Mogoditshane a golang ka teng. *The growth size* ya Mogoditshane e longwa serota ke ya Tlokweng, *about 5.5 per cent*, bone ba le ba le *5.8 per cent*, somewhere there ka 2018. Ke dira dikopo tse ka go leba seemo se se teng mme gape ke lebile gore se tlaa fetoga se nna jang mo dingwageng tse di khutshwane fa re ka se ka ra gefoga go tsibogela go baakanya seemo seo. Re ntse re bona Tona wa Lefatshe *approving* se se bidiwang gotwe ke *the Tlokweng Development Plan* e e rayang gore mo go yone, re soloftse gore kgolo e e ya go oketseg. E bile re tlaa tlhoka gore re nne le sepatela tota mo Tlokweng se se thusang morafe o o kanakana o ke buang gore o ya go gola ka dipalo tse di kwa godimo, e le ka lebaka la *plan* e, le kabu ya ditsha e re soloftseeng gore e tlaa diragala mo *plan* e. Ke a leboga *Mr Chairperson*. Nako ke yone mmaba yo motona, mme ke tsaya gore a utlwetse.

**MR TSHERE (MAHALAPYE WEST):** Ke a leboga Modulasetilo mo maitseboeng ano. Le nna ke latlhele mo kgannyeng e e buang ka botsogo. Le nna pele ke lebogise bomme ka letsatsi la mafatshafatshe la bomme le le neng le ketekwa le mo Botswana. Ke gakologelwe mme, Gabalape Tshere le *my wife* ka letsatsi le, bomme ba ba gautshwane thata le nna. Ke ne ke re ka gore ke letsatsi la bomme, re itebaganye le kgang e e tshwenyang Modulasetilo. E ntse e buiwa ke Mapalamente a le mabedi, a le mararo ba ba sa tswang go bua fa pele ga me, ya dintsho tsa bomme fa ba belega, dintsho tsa masea fa ba belegwa mo dipate leng tsa rona. Seemo se se a tshwenya, e bile se a supa fela go papametse gore bomme ga ba a sireletsega mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Ga re lebege re tsaya kgang e ka tlhwaafalo, ga se lantlha ke e bua. Ke e buile mo dingwageng tse di fetileng ke ntse ke supa ka fa e leng kwa godimo ka teng.

Gompieno Tona o tla ka *statistics* a re ka United Nations Sustainable Development Goal (UNSDG), go supafala gore *target* ya bomme ba ba ka tlhokafalang ka nako

ya pelegi, fa gotwe go padile go batla gore ba bo ba le 70 mo go ba ba 100, 000 ba ba tlabaabong ba belega. Maloba ke ne ke botsa potso gone fa ka Mahalapye District Hospital mabapi le kgang e. E le gore ke botsa gore go tlhokafala bomme ba le kae kwa Mahalapye fa ba belega? Go ne go supafala gore 181 *women* ba tlhokafetse kwa Mahalapye ba belega mo ngwageng o o fetileng. Fa re lebelela dikgang tse, tse e leng *out of the 100, 000 cases* tsa batho ba belegang ka tsone, 181 e a tlhokafala. Palo e e kwa godimo thata, gompieno ba bua 163, *it is average* ya lefatshe lotlhe, Mahalapye *obviously is higher*. Go supafala gore *this number* ya target ya UNSDG *has almost tripled* kwa Mahalapye. Go supafala gore dintsho tsa bomme ba ba belegang *they have tripled vis-a-vis the United Nations target*. Selo se a tshwenya and Minister o ne a bua gore dilo tse di ka tswa di bakiwa ke gore batho ga ba na access to maternity services mo metseng ya rona ka bontsi, le Mahalapye Sub-District e le mo teng. O tlaa itse jaaka Lesaso a tlhola a bua, kwa Dibete ga go belegisiwe. Poloka le Mokgenene, ga go belegisiwe. Kwa Shoshong go belegisiwa batho ba le babedi ka nako. Go raya gore bontsi jwa batho ba letela kwa Mahalapye mme fa o tsena teng ga go na ngaka e e itebagantseng le bomme (*gynecologist*). Ga go na ngaka e e itebagantseng le bana fa ba tsholwa go leka go ba tlhaloganya gore a ba mo botsogong jo bo siameng and ba dire sengwe fa go ntse jalo.

Dipatela tse, ke fa sekai ka Mahalapye, mme go tshwana fela le kwa Maun, Molepolole le Serowe. Ke dikgang tse di teng. Ga re na bodiredi jwa botsogo mo re latlhegelwang ke matshelo a bomme ka tsela e e gakgamatsang. Ka letsatsi la mafatshafatshe la bomme, re tshwanetse re ikgakolole kgang e gore bomme bo Botswana ga ba a sireletsega. Bomme ba setse ba tshaba le go nna le bana ka gore *it is like a death sentence* mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Selo se se tlhabisa ditlhong, se tshwanetse se tlhabisa *Ministry of Health* ditlhong. E bile ba tshwanetse go tla ka *interventions* tse di tlhamaletseng di tsepame, di itebagantseng le gore re tlise dipalo tsa dintsho tsa bomme le masea ba ba tlhokafalang ka nako ya pelegi.

Ke dumalana le mafoko a a kileng a buiwa ke Moeteledipele wa lekgotla la UDC, Advocate Duma Boko, fa a bua gore kwa dintshong tsa bone batho ba specifically fa baruti ba bua, ba emise go tlhola ba bua ba re, “Modimo o neile, Modimo o tsere, a go bakwe leina la Modimo.” Ba simolole go bua ba re, Modimo o ne o neile, Domkrag e tsere ka bohahalele, ka go lathlelela,



ka go tlhoka kelelelo ga matshelo a Batswana, jalo a go tlhophololwe Domkrag. E tshwanetse e nne one mafoko a re a buang fa re bua ka letsatsi la bomme la mafatshefatshe, fa e leng gore bomme ba ka fa mosing mo go tsone tse. Ke rotloetsa thata gore baruti le bone ba bue puo e gore ga se Modimo a tsereng, nnyaa, Modimo o file, e bile re ka bo re tlhokometse bana bao gore ba gole. Ke Domkrag e tsereng ka go tlhoka kelelelo, jalo a go tlhophololwe Domkrag, ke one mafoko a re a buang.

Fa ke tswelela, a re lebelele *budget* e ya P10 billion e siame, e maleba ka dinako tsa gompieno mo botsogong. Ke ne ke bua maloba gore e supa kgolo. Ke selo se se ntle thata mo botsogong. Fa o lebelela 90.84 per cent ya madi a, over 90 per cent ya ga P10 billion yo re mo fiwang kwa *Ministry of Health and Wellness*, o ya go dirisiwa mo *health services*, meaning dipatela tse ke buang ka tsone. Bophara jwa madi a, over P9 billion a ya kwa dipateleng, mme kana a ya kwa dipateleng jaana go sena *specialists*, melemo, badiri ba ba kgonang go tshwarelela gore ditiro tse di diragale re bone botsogo jo bo lolameng. Ke seemo se se tshwenyang le fa re ntse re isa madi a kwa *Ministry of Health* le *clinical services*. Ga re bone ditlamelo di tokafala Modulasetilo. Ga re bone sepe se se sutang mo botsogong ke le Modulasetilo wa Botsogo.

Se sengwe se ke batlang go se fa e le kgakololo fa ke wela ke gore tsweetswee Honourable Dr Dikoloti, do not seize your responsibility ya go fa Batswana botsogo from the Office of the President (OP), do not do it. Fa o dira jalo, o ya go nna le mathata.

Ke sone se o bonang after two years now the whole *Ministry of Health* has almost collapsed because jaanong le tsaya maikarabelo a lona a botsogo le a isa kwa OP. OP e spend madi koo, e bile ga le na le fa e le a representative ya *Ministry of Health and Wellness* e e nonofileng e e tlaa kgonang go tsaya ditshwetso e lebagane le OP gore ba botsogo re tsaya ditshwetso tse di ntseng jang. Bona gore gompieno re fa kae, you had parallel expenditures last year. Gompieno ga go na melemo mo dipateleng mme re ne re na le batho ba le babedi ba itebagantse le botsogo, OP e reka ka fa, le lona le reka ka fa, spending billions, over P2.4 billion. It is reoccurring jaanong, ngwaga o le ya to spend P2.4 billion gape. Jaanong selo se le se ele tlhoko. Do not cede your services tsa botsogo to OP. Kwa bofelelong re ya go supa wena ka monwana. Task Force has been dissolved jaaka o bona, tsaya boikarabelo jo bo lolameng. Tsaya Public Health Act o itshwarelele ka yone and deliver the quality health services to Batswana.

Sa bobedi, do not cede your responsibility for health services to private sector; never. It has never happened in any country gore o ka tsaya boikarabelo jwa gago jwa botsogo to provide secondary and tertiary healthcare services in the country o bo o e tsaya o e neela private sector. You are not doing it right.

Ke ne ke utlwa *assistant* ya gago maloba are that is the thinking at the ministry, le batla gore le tseye botsogo le bo ise kwa private sector. Let me tell you, botsogo le thuto are universal human rights and you can never ever privatise them. Go tshwana le fa o nthaya o re re tswale dikole tsotlhe, private schools di tlaa tsamaisa our school systems. That is ridiculous and you should never think of that.

Sa bobedi, ga o ka ke wa nna le the hospitals like Sir Ketumile Masire and Princes Marina referring to private hospitals. They are supposed to be a superior healthcare service provider in the country. How can they refer to a private hospital? How do you do that? I think it is ridiculous and wrong. You started on a wrong foot...

**MR SPEAKER (MR SKELEMANI):** Honourable Tshere, you will finish tomorrow. It is now 6 o'clock. May I call upon the Leader of the House His Honour the Vice President to move a Motion of adjournment.

#### MOTION

#### ADJOURNMENT

**LEADER OF THE HOUSE (MR TSOGWANE):** Thank you Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, fa o sena go nna o tlhapaolwa jaaka motho a ne a bua a tlhapaola, o ipotsa gore a ke mo tlogele a lale fa kana o phatlalatse. Ka go rialo Mr Speaker, jaaka o kopile, ke tlaa kopa Ntlo e gore e ye bokhutlong.

Question put and agreed to.

The Assembly accordingly adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.



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