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Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2022

THE ASSEMBLY met at 2:00 p.m.

(THE SPEAKER in the Chair)

PRAYERS

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QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

LAND ALLOCATION AT KUMAKWANE

**MR P. K. MOTAOSANE (THAMAGA-KUMAKWANE):** asked the Minister of Land Management, Water and Sanitation Services when last the residents of Kumakwane were allocated land; and provide further details.

**MINISTER OF LAND MANAGEMENT, WATER AND SANITATION SERVICES (MR MZWINILA):**

Thank you Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, the residents of Kumakwane were last allocated land in 2010 when 51 people were allocated residential plots.

**MR SPEAKER (MR SKELEMANI):** Honourable Minister, Honourable Mzwinila, you are not as clear as you usually are. Are you far from your mic?

**MR MZWINILA:** Am I audible now?

**MR SPEAKER:** Ee rra.

**MR MZWINILA:** Can I continue?

**MR SPEAKER:** Continue, please Minister.

**MR MZWINILA:** Mr Speaker, the Kumakwane Village Development Plan has identified areas for village expansion. The expansion areas have been divided into four Phases in line with the duration of the Development Plan. The total amount of land identified measures 591 hectares. The phases have different hectareage of land respectively. Mr Speaker, 60 hectares out of the 201 is at different stages of acquisition and once fully acquired, it is expected to yield 420 plots.

Mr Speaker, as at 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022, 16 hectares were already fully compensated while the remaining 44 hectares is awaiting final determination for compensation which is expected to be completed to be completed by 31<sup>st</sup> of March, 2022.

Mr Speaker, Thamaga Sub-Land Board made an effort of carrying out consultations in 2012 to acquire ploughing fields but failed because the owners of the ploughing

fields were not willing to release the land. It has to be noted that the other phases of the Developmental Plan are also encumbered or stopped by ploughing fields with expensive developments and we have difficulty in meeting these developmental prices which are asked by the owners. Implementation of the Development Plan is also affected by the topography of the village. Kumakwane topography is quite unique from many of the areas found in the district. The terrain is hilly and marshy.

Mr Speaker, it is worth noting that the land identified by Kumakwane Village Development Plan for expansion is one of the most expensive areas for acquisition due to the nature of developments undertaken in *masimo* like boreholes and farm houses. However, my ministry is currently looking into current compensation models, including partnerships in an effort to address delays in land acquisition. I thank you Mr Speaker.

**MR MOTAOSANE:** *Supplementary, Mr Speaker. Thank you sir. Honourable Minister, without trying to put you into a corner, kgang ya Kumakwane ya ntlha fela e e reng beng ba lefatshe ba ne ba gana ka lone, ga e boammaaruri. That one I want you to know gore it is not true at all. Batho ba Kumakwane have always been willing and they have come forward gore batho ba Modimo le re diile.*

Gape jaanong *Mr Minister*, ke go botse jaaka o bua gore from 2012, gompiono re mo go 2022. A mme fa le bona, lebaka lone le le kana, *phases* tse o neng o bua ka tsone tse *four tsa development* ya Kumakwane, re mo go efe; re tsamaya mo go efe gone jaanong jaana? Re dirile eng ka *all the phases* tsa Kumakwane *Development Plan*? Ga re ise re bo re goroge kwa re neng re tshwanetse re ka bo re ile teng. Jaanong ke kopa gore *sometimes* ba nne ba le bolelela boammaaruri ka gore ga go boammaaruri, batho ba Kumakwane ba eme ba letetse gore lefatshe le tsewe mo go bone. Mathata a matona *Mr Speaker and Honourable Minister* ke gore le tla kwa bathong gompiono le bo le ela ruri. Le bo le boa le tla le bo le ela ruri. Gompiono batho ba Kumakwane ba ba setseng ba filwe lefatshe ga ba kgone go lema kana go le dirisa sepe. Le ba e leng gore gompiono jaaka o bua ka *boreholes* tseo le nnenyane, fa e ka bo lefatshe le le tserwe (*acquired*) ka nako e batho ba e leng gore *they are willing to give it*, go ka bo go sa nna jaana. Jaanong tsweetswee Tona, ke a go kopa. Lefatshe le teng kwa Kumakwane e bile batho bale *are willing to give land to*



*land board*. Jaanong go tsala gore batho ba ba tswang kwa ntle ba tle go ba tsietsa ba bo ba turisa lefatshe. Ke kopa gore dira sengwe ngwaga o wa 2022 re kgone go ya go baya batho kwa Kumakwane, ka tswetswee. E ga se boammaaruri, ke kopa gore o ba botse sentle...

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Motaosane, you have argued your case. I hope the Minister can make the supplementary questions from that *gore a o a itse* Honourable Mzwinila *gore batho ba go emetse?*

**MR MOTAOSANE:** Ee rra. Ke tswelele *Mr Speaker?*

**MR SPEAKER:** *O botse dipotso*, do not argue. Ask questions.

**MR MOTAOSANE:** *Okay. Minister, do you know that batho ba Kumakwane ba emetse lefatshe since 2010? Sa bobedi, a o a itse gore batho ba Kumakwane ba sale ba neela land board lefatshe mme ke yone e e sa tleng kwa go bone go tla go dira jalo? Ya bofelo, dipoloto tse o buang ka tsone gore batho have developed lefatshe jaanong le a tura, a o a itse gore ba sale ba ne ba emetse gore land board e tle go tsaya lefatshe ya bo e nna e sa tle go le tsaya, ke sone se o bonang ba setse ba tswelala ka ditlhabololo mo go lone?*

**MR MZWINILA:** Ke a leboga Motlotlegi Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke tseela gore ke utlwile dipotso tsa ga motlotlegi. Tsa gore ba *land board* ga ba bue boammaaruri, ke tseela gore ke tlaa botsolosa gore a mme ba tlhokile go mpolelela boammaaruri kana jang. Ke tseela gore jaaka ke tlhalositse ga re a dumalana kwa go reng re ya go tsaya masimo a teng ka bokae ka tlhwatlhwa ya masimo a teng. Foo ga re a dumalana. Foo motlotlegi, ke ka nna ke a re ga ke dumalane le wena ka gore ka gore ga re ise re dumalane. Ga gona sepe se se supang gore re dumalane gore re ya go tsaya masimo ka bokae mme ka e le bogakolodi, go raya gore ke tle ke ba botsolose gore a mme go na le golo gongwe fa go nang le tumalano e e leng gore e dumalanwe gape gongwe e saennwe fa gare ga bone le beng ba masimo. Ke tseela gore ke ka akgela go le kalo Motlotlegi Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

**MR MOTAOSANE:** Further supplementary, Mr Speaker.

**MR SPEAKER:** The last supplementary Honourable Motaosane.

**MR MOTAOSANE:** *Thank you Mr Speaker. Mr Mzwinila, in all due respect o ne o bua ka some forty something hectares e e leng gore you have already acquired. Yone ke eng e sa bewe? Gape dumalana*

*ditlhwatlhwa tse, gakere Goromente o na le standard prices tse a di duelang batho when acquiring land mo go bone, go pala eng gore le tseye lefatshe ka ditlhwatlhwa tse lona le itseng gore ke tsone tse le dumalanang le tsone at least Phase One of the Development Plan e re ka bong re bua jaana yone e setse e fedile? Go emisitse eng? Consultations di tsaya lebaka le le kae di ntse di dirwa? Thank you sir.*

**MR MZWINILA:** Mo go ya ntlha ke e arabile. Fa motlotlegi gongwe a ne a sa utlwa, ke ne ke bua ke re go na le 44 hectares e e leng gore re emetse *final determination for compensation and* mo go tlaa dirwa ka kgwedi ya March 2022. Go raya gore eo fa re sena re bona *compensation* ya teng gore ke bokae re tlaa aba go tsweng kwa go March 2022. Jaanong o ne a wela gape mo kgannyeng ya gore re dumalane kana ga re a dumalana le beng ba masimo, se ke se buang ke gore ke boleletswe gore ga re a dumalana. Fa e le gore motlotlegi a re re dumalane, ga go molato re ka tla ra kopana. Ga ke na bothata gore re tle re kopane le bone a le teng re tle re utlwe gore a mme go dumalanwe kana ga go a dumalanwa. Ke a leboga Motlotlegi Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente.

#### UPGRADING OF DIKGOTLA OR TRIBAL OFFICES

**DR K. GOBOTSWANG (SEFHARE-RAMOKGONAMI):** asked the Minister of Local Government and Rural Development to update this Honourable House on plans to:

- (i) upgrade Letoreng, Ngwapa, and Seleka Dikgotla or Tribal offices for ease of accessing basic services by the residents;
- (ii) replace the long boarded tribal office vehicles from Chadibe and Machaneng; and
- (iii) fill the vacant position of Kgosi at Mhalapitsa main kgotla.

**Later Date.**

#### PERMANENT WATER SOURCES AT GHANZI SOUTH

**MR M. G. J. MOTSAMAI (GHANZI SOUTH):** asked the Minister of Land Management, Water and Sanitation Services to state:

- (i) if there are any plans to provide permanent water sources to the communities of Ghanzi South specifically the villages of Metsimantsho and New Xade;



- (ii) the cost benefit of bowing water to communities compared to providing permanent water sources like drilling boreholes especially where such bowing exceeds two continuous years; and
- (iii) if he is aware that the Metsimantsho reservoir has not been cleaned for a long time thus compromising the health of the community.

**MINISTER OF LAND MANAGEMENT, WATER AND SANITATION SERVICES (MR MZWINILA):**

Thank you Mr Speaker.

- (i) Mr Speaker, my ministry has plans in place to provide adequate water supply to Ghanzi South.

The operation of the borehole (BH10221) supplying Metsimantsho was halted in 2018 due to damaged borehole parts which could not be rehabilitated, resulting in abandonment of the source. A replacement borehole project has been provided or provisioned under the 2022/2023 Financial Year budget as an immediate intervention. The medium to long-term solution will be to connect Metsimantsho to the Kgalagadi North Water Supply Project, which is currently ongoing. Progress for the various project phases are the: Environmental Impact Assessment component is at 60 per cent, Groundwater evaluation component is at 25 per cent, and Engineering component is at 16 per cent. Construction phase will start at the end of the three components above and it is estimated to commence in September 2022 and take 24 months for completion in August 2024.

For the other village it has two reliable water supply sources located in the Central Kalahari game Reserve (CKGR) being boreholes BH8094 with a yield of 240 cubic meters (m<sup>3</sup>) and BH8171 with a yield of 250m<sup>3</sup> per day, respectively. The current water demand for the village is 210m<sup>3</sup> per day and as such the available supply sources provide adequate water for the village. However, it is worth noting that there has been a rise in the number of elephants in the CKGR damaging the water supply infrastructure at the wellfield resulting in water disruption to the village. Thus most of the time these elephants would have caused damage and that is why there is intermittent supply of water. Water bowing from Ghanzi Township is undertaken during such unplanned incidents.

Mr Speaker, in addition water abuse for livestock watering (as a competing need) is rampant in both villages and this results in accelerated depletion of available water storage makes the situation worse. The water we provide is not for livestock, it is for human consumption.

- (ii) My ministry is aware that bowing is very costly and not sustainable. It is our preference to provide permanent water sources from drilling boreholes compared to water bowing to the communities. However, poor water quality and declining borehole yields in these affected villages as in the case of these two villages result in augmenting the supply by means of water bowing from other villages.

- (iii) Lastly Mr Speaker, my ministry has a mandate to supply good quality and reliable water supply to the consumers on daily basis and in compliance with BOS 32:2012. In addition to this the village water service reservoirs are cleaned at least once every year or sooner if it is determined after inspections that cleaning is required. I thank you Mr Speaker.

**MR MOTSAMAI:** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Tona o buile ka dintlha tse tharo, tlaa ke tsene mo go ya ntlha ya ditlou. Wa re o a itse gore ditlou di a tshwenya thata kwa Xade, di thuba dikupu tse di bayang metsi kana ditamo. Jaanong le tsero tshwetso efe ya go bona gore le nne le lenaneo le le tona la go kganela gore seemo se sa ditlou se tswela kwa pele, batho ba nna mo lenyoreng ka lebaka la gore ditanka di thubilwe ke ditlou, mme e bile le ditlou tseo *are terrorising* batho ba kgaolo le ba ba hirilweng gone foo?

Ya bobedi ke gore, a o kile wa inakanya le Mma Kereng wa Diphologolo, go bona gore ditlou tse di senyang kwa Xade le ka dira jang gore bogolo le nne le letlelela gore batsumi ba ba kwa Xade ba batlang go tsoma ditlou e re ba sena go di tsoma ba kgaogane lemmonyana le ba le bonang, kana le le Goramente le kgaogane thata lemmonyana le le tlaabong le le bona le batho ba Xade gore go kgone go nna le dipaakanyo tse di tona tsa go baakanya ditsompelo tsoo ra Goramente?

E nngwe rraetsho o buile ka gore sediba sale se wela, mme kana ke go beetse dingwaga gore bo *two years*. Le ditanka di na le lebaka leo go tshelwa fela *without cleaning*, mathata a lona ke eng le sa *clean* ditanka tsa metsi? A le a itse gore mo bogologolong le gone gompiano jaana bangwe batho ba ne ba kgethololwa kwa dikgaolong tsa Gantsi le Kweneng, ka lebaka la gore ba ne ba a nwa metsi a a sa siamang, a a neng a felela a fetola meno a bone, ba bonwa ka meno a a *brown*, mme ka go nna jalo ba timiwe ditiro, go lemogiwa gore ba tswa kae, kana ba kgethololwe ka tselo e o ka ba kgethololang ka yone?



E bile gape ya bofelo ke ya gore, a o a itse gore bolwetse jwa diphilo jo bo bolayang batho, jo bo ntshang dikalaka, jo bo fetolang le boleng jwa dipitsa bo tshabelela thata batho ba kgaolo ya Kgalagadi, Kweneng le Gantsi mme e le ka lebaka la metsi a a sa tlhatlhobiwang? Rraetsho mathata a go tlhatlhoba metsi pele ga le a neela batho ke eng? Le sa re metsi a ya go tsena mo ditankeng la re bogolo a fete ka *machine* o o tlhatswang metsi pele ga a isiwa kwa bathong, e seng go tshela fela mo tankeng le go tshololela fa fatshe gore mongwe le mongwe a nwe le dipodi tsa gagwe, gongwe jaaka o bua. Ke a leboga.

**MR MZWINILA:** Ke a leboga Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Ke tseela gore dipotso tse dingwe ga ke tle go kgona go di araba gompiano, motlotlegi o tlaa di tsenya sesha. O tlaa di tsenya fela jaaka tsamaiso e mo letlelela gore a tsenye dipotso tse disha.

Mo go tse o di boditseng ke ne ke ka di araba gompiano ke kgang ya gore re dira eng ka kgang ya ditlou kana tshenyo e e diriwang ke ditlou. Ke tseela gore re bua le Lephata la ga Mma Kereng gore buisane gore ba ka re neela megopolo efe ya gore re dire jang gore re kgone go sireletsa dithoto le madirelo a rona, gore a se ka a senngwa ke ditlou. Ke tseela gore ba tlaa re neela le bogakolodi, re ikopantse le bone, re emetse gore ba re neele bogakolodi gore re e leke jang go sireletsa madirelo a rona.

Gape motlotlegi o ne a re re dira jang, kana ke eng re sa kope lephata la ga Mma Mma Kereng gore bontlha bongwe jwa dituelo tse batsomi ba ditlou ba di neelang Goromente, bontlha bongwe bo tle kwa go rona gore re tle re baakanye madirelo a rona. Ke tsaya gore ke mogopolo kana ke bogakolodi jo ke tlaa bo buang le Mma Mma Kereng, gore tota gone ka tshwanelo go tshwanetse gore go nne jalo, ka gore ditlou tse ke tsone tse di senyang madirelo le mafaratlhatlha a ga Goromente. Go raya gore re tshwanetse go bona gore re ka tla ra bona jang ditshenyegelo tsa teng kwa go ba ba duelang Goromente gore ba di tsome.

O ne a bua ka go phepafatsa madirelo a rona kana *reservoirs*, ke tsaya gore jaaka ke lekile go tlhalosa, re na le *standards* tsa gore metsi a rona a tshwanetse go nna bosekono jo bo ntseng jang, re netefatsa gore a nna bosekono jone joo. Kana metsi a rona re nna fela re a kanoka, *testing*, re bona gore seemo sa boleng jwa teng bo tsamaya fa kae. Ke sone se re tsereng tshwetso ya gore mabelo a a *reservoirs* re a tlhatlwa gangwe fela mo ngwageng. Ga se gore re dira jaana fela kwa Kgalagadi North kana Gantsi South, re dira jalo gongwe le gongwe.

Fa e le gore go a itshupa gore re tlhoka gore re tlhatswe mabeelo a gabedi kana gararo mo ngwageng re tlaa dira jalo. Mme gompiano seelo se re se beileng ke go netefatsa gore re lebelele maduo a ditekeletso kana a go kanoka metsi gore a tlhoka go tlhatswiwa kana mabeelo a tlhatswiwe ga kae mo ngwageng.

Potso ya bolwetse jwa diphilo ga ke ka ke ka e araba gompiano, e bile ga ke itse gore a ke ya lephata la rona. Ke tseela gore motlotlegi o tlaa tsenya potso ya teng, e tlaa arabiwa ka botlalo. Ke a leboga.

**MR MOTSAMAI:** *Supplementary Mr Speaker.* Ke ne ke re Tona Mzwinila ke a utlwa o araba monate thata, mme e bile o araba sentle. A mme dikarabo tse o nkarabang ka tsone tseo a fa ke ka tla kwa ofising ya gago ka re o di neele ke ye go di neela batsadi a ke tlaa di bona?

**MR MZWINILA:** Ke a leboga motlotlegi. Ke tseela gore o ka tla go tseela dikarabo o tle o di neele bagolo ba kwa Gantsi South. Mme kana e tlaabo e se la ntlha o tla kwa ofising ya me, o tlaetse go tla kwa ofising ya me motlotlegi. O ka tla gape. Ke a leboga.

#### LOBATSE ATHLONE HOSPITAL

**DR T. MATSHEKA (LOBATSE):** asked the Minister of Health and Wellness:

- (i) to update this Honourable House on the commencement of the refurbishment of the Lobatse Hospital as this was budgeted for under the Economic Recovery and Transformation Plan (ERTP) and Mid-Term Review of National Development Plan (NDP) 11; and
- (ii) whether the delay is not compromising quality service delivery at the hospital for the people of Lobatse and the region.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS (MR LELATISITSWE):** Thank you so much Mr Speaker, *ke tsaya gore ke a utlwala ka koo.* Mr Speaker,

- (i) Refurbishment of Lobatse Athlone Hospital was not budgeted for in the Economic Recovery and Transformation Plan (ERTP), nor prioritised for implementation during the Mid-Term Review of National Development Plan (NDP) 11 due to budgetary constraints.

However, major maintenance of the hospital is budgeted for during the coming financial year 2022/2023.





(ii) Currently, the hospital is kept in an operational status through minor and reactive maintenance which are done as and when required throughout the year, therefore service delivery is not compromised. I thank you Mr Speaker, thank you Honourable Member.

**DR MATSHEKA:** *Supplementary. Thank you Mr Speaker. Honourable Minister, ke ne ke batla go itse gore ka jaanong ga ke itse gore o etetse sepatela labofelo leng, go kgona go supa gore maintenance o a diriwa. Ke go tlhomamisetse gore state of the hospital ka fa e ntseng ka teng, le maloba kwa Kgotleng re na le bogogi jwa sepatela bo supa gore go beilwe letlhaku at the gates, le gone mo teng ga sepatela tota. Le gompiano go dule dingaka tse four ka fa re utlwang ka teng kwa sepateleng. Ke batla go botsa potso ya gore a mme gone o bona gore seemo sa disrepair ya sepatela, ka nna ke tswa kwa go sone le maabane tota, le go tlhoka bongaka jo bo leng teng, a ga go compromise quality health provision mo lefatsheng la rona? Thank you.*

**MR LELATISITSWE:** *Thank you so much Mr Speaker. Gongwe go araba potso ya gago Honourable Dr Matsheka, ke supe jalo Mr Speaker, gore ga ke ise ke tseye leeto go ya kwa sepateleng se sa Athlone. Mme ka o ntshitse dintlha tse gongwe di supang di ganetsana le se ke se filweng ke ba ba re emetseng ka kwa e le ba District Health Management Team (DHMT), gongwe go tlaa re mo bogaufing ke ye to confirm tsone tse ka gore tota go tlaabo go sa siama gore ke eme fa ke ganetse se a se buang ka gore o nna kwa Lobatse. Jaanong ke ne ke rialo ke re Honourable Member, give me time so that I can go there and see what is really happening on the ground. Ke kopa jalo mongwame.*

**DR MATSHEKA:** Thank you very much.

**MR RAMOGAPI:** *Supplementary. Ke a leboga Mr Speaker. Ke ne ke re gone mo potsong ya ga Dr Matsheka, ke botse Motlotlegi Tona gore mme gone mathata a matona tota a a dirang gore dipatela di se ka tsa baakangwa le fa di le on budget, go dirwa ke eng? Ke botsa jaana ka gore le sa Palapye go ntse fela jalo. Ke botsa jaana ka gore le go tlhokwa ga dingaka le baoki mo Palapye go ntse fela jalo. Le batsadi ba sale ba lala ba nteletsa, le maphakela one a ba re rra, kana re mo mathateng. Seemo se Tona wa re se dirwa ke eng, e bile o tlaa fedisa mathata a leng ka gore Batswana ba a swa ba a nyelela ka mathata a dipatela? Re mo mathateng Tona, ke kopa gore kgang e o e tseye serious.*

**MR LELATISITSWE:** *Thank you so much Honourable Member. Tota ke supe jaana gore kana ba rotlhe re a itse gore ke rona ba re fetisang budget ya Palamente. Se se neng sa diragala mo dingwageng tse pedi tse tharo tse, se ne sa disturb our budget completely, mo e leng gore le dipatela tse re neng re akantse jalo gore di ka bo di dirilwe, gongwe dipaakanyo tse di rileng mo dingwageng tse pedi tse ga di a diragala. Jaanong se kana se ne se supa jalo gore madi a dikgang tsone tse ke mangwe a a neng a tsewa a dirisiwa mo go lwantsheng bolwetse jone jo jwa COVID-19. Se ga se gore gongwe re a bo re e fa e le excuse Honourable Member, ke seemo se re se itseng e bile re a se amogela mme gompiano re leka jalo go tla ka one maano a go bona gore re ka fefosa jang gore re leke go tsenya dipatela tsa rona mo diemong tse di botoka. Ke dikgang tse re di lebeletseng. Le sone sa Palapye, ke tsaya jalo gore rra, ke amogela megala e mentsi thata go tswa kwa go sone. Ke a itse ka sone mme rra re lebeletse kgang eo, re dumela gore e tlaa tokafala jaaka le tlaabo le re neela madi mo kgweding e e latelang.*

#### TAX-TO-GDP RATIO

**MR D. L. KEORAPETSE (SELEBI PHIKWE WEST):** asked the Minister of Finance and Economic Development to state Botswana's tax-to-GDP ratio (and real figures in Pula of the amount of tax collected annually in the past five years) and compare it with average of the 30 African countries in Revenue Statistics in Africa 2020 and South African countries, and she should further explain:

- (i) the rationale for the current tax-to-GDP ratio, including whether or not this is the best she can collect;
- (ii) how she has enhanced the capacity of the Botswana Unified Revenue Service (BURS) to collect taxes effectively and efficiently; and
- (iii) if she has a target of at least 30 per cent tax-to-GDP ratio collection of any higher number than the current one and to give clear timelines.

**MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (MS SERAME):** Thank you Mr Speaker, good afternoon Honourable Members. Mr Speaker, the computation of the tax-to-GDP ratio includes the customs receipts because they comprise of Customs and Excise Duties which are regarded as part of tax revenue in Botswana. However, the methodology for computing tax-to-GDP ratio used by



Revenue Statistics in Africa excludes customs receipts in the calculation of tax-to-GDP ratio. In light of this Mr Speaker, the Revenue Statistics in Africa 2020 reflects Botswana’s tax-to-GDP ratio as 12.6 per cent, compared to an average of 16.6 per cent for 30 African countries, and 18.6 per cent for Southern African Development Community (SADC) countries.

Mr Speaker, the tax-to-GDP ratio for Botswana as we calculated over the last 5 years was as follows:

| Year      | Tax Revenue (P’ billions) | Tax-to-GDP Ratio |
|-----------|---------------------------|------------------|
| 2015/2016 | 35.3                      | 23.8%            |
| 2016/2017 | 35.8                      | 24.1%            |
| 2017/2018 | 40.7                      | 22.2%            |
| 2018/2019 | 38.3                      | 20.0%            |
| 2019/2020 | 38.3                      | 20.8%            |

(i) Mr Speaker, in terms of the BURS capacity and the prevailing economic conditions, the indicated tax-to-GDP ratio corresponds to what BURS can currently achieve in terms of collections.

(ii) Mr Speaker, in order to enhance capacity of BURS, my ministry has facilitated BURS efforts in improving collection of taxes. BURS has a special funding arrangement to fund its operations. As a result of this funding, BURS has seen significant growth in capacity, particularly in areas that matter the most in a tax authority; which include:

**(a) Increase in number of auditors:** Since the beginning of the 2020/2021 financial year, BURS has increased the number of tax auditors from 69 to 97. To enhance the skills and capabilities of these auditors, they are continuously being trained in general auditing techniques and in specialised areas such as international financial reporting standards, auditing the telecommunications, mining, retail and financial sectors, as well as transfer pricing.

The auditors have commenced audits in these specialised sectors and BURS continues to explore the possibility of auditing other areas such as the tourism sector.

**(b) Improved infrastructure:** Mr Speaker, there has been significant growth in the portfolio of infrastructural development across the country to create a conducive working environment and accommodation conditions for BURS staff and

their customers. The most notable and ongoing projects are the One-Stop Border Post facilities at Kazungula and Pioneer Gate, and construction of staff houses at Ramatlabama, Tlokweng, Ramokgwebana and Mamuno Border Gates.

**(c) Development of Information and Communications Technology (ICT) infrastructure:** There has been significant investment in ICT systems to enhance revenue mobilisation and service delivery. Two major ICT systems were procured in the last three years being Customs Management System (CMS) and Lekgetho Live.

The CMS is largely used by taxpayers and traders. Lekgetho Live has also brought about some improvements, but experiences legacy problems resulting from data issues originating from the previous system.

Mr Speaker, BURS will also introduce an electronic billing system for VAT payments that will help to improve compliance and revenue collection. The type of the new system will be determined during the next financial year Mr Speaker, as currently procurement is ongoing.

**(d) Tax Administration Diagnostic Assessment Tool (TADAT):** Mr Speaker, in 2021, we engaged the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to undertake a diagnostic assessment of the operations of BURS and to compare its effectiveness with international best practice. Among the areas of concern are:

- Accurate and reliable tax payer information;
- Knowledge of the potential taxpayer base;
- Mitigation of risks through a compliance improvement plan; and
- Management of operational and human capital risks.

Mr Speaker, BURS is in the process of implementing the recommendations of Tax Administration Diagnostic Assessment Tool (TADAT) and my ministry is monitoring the implementation.

Finally, Mr Speaker, my ministry has presented and facilitated enactment of various pieces of legislation that are intended at improving the efficiency of BURS in carrying out its mandate. These include the enactment of the Customs Act and Excise Duty Act, as well as the amendment of the Income Tax Act to include transfer pricing provisions and Regulations in 2018.



Mr Speaker, setting targets for fiscal revenues, it is important to bear in mind that Government receives revenues from both tax and non-tax sources. What is relevant is total revenues, which can be used to finance recurrent and development spending.

In Botswana's case, non-tax revenues are large, comprising mainly mineral revenues and dividends; and revenues from Bank of Botswana. Taking tax and non-tax revenues into account, Botswana already exceeds the 30 per cent target; with revenues of 32 per cent of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in 2021/2022, and a target of 33 per cent of GDP in 2023/2024.

Mr Speaker, the target for tax revenues alone; excluding mineral royalties and dividends as well as Bank of Botswana revenues, is 24 per cent of GDP for the financial year 2023/2024. I thank you Mr Speaker.

**MR KEORAPETSE:** Supplementary. *Ke a leboga* Mr Speaker. Honourable Minister, I think the first question *ke go botsa gore*, is it a fair assessment *mo* BURS to measure its performance by an extent of tax collection particularly the effectiveness and efficiency? That is the first question.

The second question *ke gore, o ntse o tlhalosa fa gore* the last five years, the average tax collection is around 38 billion. *Santlha ke tlaa batla go itse gore* is this inclusive of customs receipts?

Secondly *ke botse gore, o buile ka* the measure that have been put in place to improve tax collection, including electronic billing system, improvement of infrastructure, personnel and so on and so forth. To what extent has these resulted in significant tax collection? Can you quantify, *gongwe o re sedimosetse gore tsona* these improvements because it would appear *gore* the average *ke* 38 billion, has there been any significant tax collection as a result of these improvements?

Honourable Minister *o bua ka* 30 per cent *wa* revenue, but my interest *ke mo* tax collection. *Ke go botse gore, a se o se bolelelang Palamente ke gone gore* you do not have a target *ya gore fa o ntse o re* you are improving electronic billing system, *fa o ntse o re o* improve infrastructure, *fa o re o hira* required personnel and you engage *makalana a mangwe a a tshwanang bo* International Monetary Fund (IMF) for diagnostic assessment, you do all these without a target of much tax you want to collect. You just want to improve efficiency and effectiveness, but you do not have any quantum or measurement *ya gore o batla go* collect *bokae*. Is that what you are telling Parliament? Thank you.

**MS SERAME:** *Thank you Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker, ke tlaa kopa gore re mo itshwarele ka gore a re maranyane a gagwe ga a bereke, go raya gore ga a nkutlwa, ka gore fa e ne e le gore o nkutwile, o ka bo a utlwile ke bua the targets ke supa tse di tsenyang mo Customs and Excise le tse di sa e tsenyeng. Honourable Keorapetse, jaaka ke tlhola ke dira, I will share with you the answer gore o bone targets tse di mo teng.*

Tlaa ke boele kwa morago ka ya ntlha ya *assessment of BURS*. Nnyaa Honourable Keorapetse, kana le wena mo gongwe o tlaa bo o tsaya dilo o di pataganya. Fa re ne re bua ka *effectiveness* ya BURS, ga re lebelele fela *the tax collection*. Ke ne ke bua ka TADAT; TADAT *is a comprehensive assessment e e lebelelang the operation and the effectiveness of a revenue authority like BURS. It covers nine areas, mme mo teng they look at about 32 indicators tsa gore a mme a revenue authority e mo seemong se se lekaneng. It is a very comprehensive report that I can share with you.* Ka gore potso ya gore e ne e mpoditse fela ka lekgetho, ke ne ka ikganelela kwa lekgethong. Ka bokhutshwane, ke go tlhalosetse gore, mme yone *the assessment e e dirilweng eo ya TADAT, ke ne ka supa tsona tse ke di lereng, the assessment e e neng ya supa gore re bokoa thata mo teng re le lekgotla la BURS. Ke ne ka di tlhalosa, ka di balolola, mme ka bo ka tlhalosa gore re setse re simolotse go bona gore tsona tse re bokoa thata mo go tsona tseo, go ka dirwa eng. Ba setse ba simolotse lenaneo la to address them because fa ba sena go nna ba tla ka yone assessment ba IMF, they also give you recommendations and what can be done including the technical assistance from the IMF.*

Ya 30 billion on average, ke ne ke tlhalositse gape kwa tshimologong Mr Speaker gore, rona kana mo Botswana re na le makgetho a mangwe a e leng gore ke a bo dithoto bone bo *Customs le Excise*. O tlaa lemoga gore mo Africa mafatshe ga a tshwane, kana rona re na e bo Southern African Customs Union (SACU), go raya gore rona *because* re na le bo SACU le *Customs and Excise* ba ba bonalang go na le mafatshe a mangwe. Ke sone se o bonang re tsenya bo *Customs and Excise* mo makgethong a rona ka gore le one ke makgetho a dithoto. Jalo he, dipalo tse ke neng ke di bua, di ne di tsenya makgetho a mo teng.

Se sengwe se ke eletsang go se tlhalosa Honourable Keorapetse ke gone gore, ka gore dingwaga tse pedi tse re tswang mo go tsona ke tse re ka reng ga di *normal*, go thata gore ke ka dirisa dipalo tsa teng. Fa re leng teng, re ne re supa gore ga re itumelele lekgetho le re



le phuthang, re dumela gore re ka phutha makgetho a a fetang a re a phuthang gompiano. *That is why Honourable Keorapetse* ke dumelana le wena gore *all those initiatives* di tshwantse gore di oketse makgetho a re a phuthang gore re nne *more effective*.

E nngwe e ke neng ka e tlhalosa ke mo go didiawang gotwe Lekgetho Live. Ke tlhalositse gore yone, *even though e le one of the new systems* tse di nnileng *in place*, e simologile e na le makoa a yone *because* mathata e ne e le gore ba dirisa *information from the old system* e e leng gore e re fa mathata a mantsi. Ke nngwe ya dikgwetho tse di leng teng ka Lekgetho Live. Ke tse re di lebeletseng, re na le *team of experts* e re ntseng re bereka le yone re le BURS go bona gore mme *with the current challenges that we have with* Lekgetho Live, *what is the way forward* ka yone ka gore ke sengwe tota se se neng se tshwanetse gore se re thuse go ya kwa pele. Kwa bofelong jwa letsatsi *Mr Speaker*, ke dumelana le *Honourable Keorapetse* gore re ka tokafatsa *our tax collection* le gore jaaka ke ne ke tlhalositse ke ne ka supa gore re na le di target tsa gore *for example*, fa re lebelela *the total revenues for 2023/2024* ke 33 *per cent of GDP*. Fa re lebelela *tax alone* re tlogetse bo *mineral* le tse dingwe, ke 24 *per cent of GDP*. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

**MR KEORAPETSE:** *Supplementary*. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke botse *Honourable Minister* gore, *one of the challenges* kana mo *tax collection*, ke *issue* ya *tax evasion and tax avoidance*. *I do not know if you know the extent to which this is a problem in our country*. *Did you have any measurement* ya gore tota kang e e jweleletse go le kae?

*Secondly*, ke gone gore, *I think* ke tlaa kopa *the report* ya IMF *because one of the things* ke dingwe tse re neng re bua ka tsone tsa gore *the focus must be on high taxpayers*. *That is why I think you included taxpayer* ba *average salary* e e rileng gore ke bone fela ba e leng gore ba ka kwadisa lekgetho kwa BURS. *So* ke tlaa kopa yone *report* eo *Honourable Minister*. Ke a leboga.

**MS SERAME:** *Thank you Mr Speaker*. Ya *tax evasion* *I can only answer it in general terms*, ga ke na *any figures or anything* se ke tlang ke se baakantse, mme ke ka tlhalosa gore re a tlhaloganya gore go na le bangwe ba ba tilang go duela lekgetho. Ke sone se o bonang, kwa ntle ga Lekgetho Live ka gore re solofela gore o ka re thusa go bona gore ke mang yo o neng a tshwanetse go duela, leng, go na le ya *electronic billing system* e e leng gore ke *system*; fa o ka ya kwa bo Rwanda, go na le yone

kamano eo gore fa motho a setse a duela koo, go bo go setse go *report* kwa *the Tax Authority* gore motho a se ka a kgona gore a ye go tla lekgetho. O a itse gore go na le *shops* tse re nnang re bua ka tsone tse re senang go di bua ka maina gompiano gore fa o ya kwa go tsone, ga go na *machine*, ga go na eng. Go raya gore go nna motlhofo gore ba kgone gore ba se ka ba duela lekgetho.

Re a itse le ba bangwe ba e seng *shops* ba e leng gore ba na le maretshwa a bone a gore ba tile lekgetho kana ba dire maretshwa mangwe gore ba duele lekgetho le le kwa tlase ga le ba neng ba tshwanetse go le duela. *I can only answer it Mr Speaker in general terms*, mme tse dingwe tse a rileng o kopa *information*, *I will share the information with the Honourable Member*. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

#### ACUTE SHORTAGE OF HYPERTENSION TABLETS

**MR W. B. MMOLOTSI (FRANCISTOWN SOUTH):** asked the Minister of Health and Wellness:

- (i) if he is aware of the acute shortage of hypertension tablets in Francistown as a whole;
- (ii) to state the cause of this shortage, and how patients are assisted in the meantime; and
- (iii) when this situation is likely to improve.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS (MR LELATISITSWE):** Ke a leoga *Mr Speaker*.

- (i) Go boammaaruri, le rona re le lephata re a lemoga ka tlhabelo ya melemo e e tsamaelanang le malwetse a a sa tshelanweng, bo *high blood* le a mangwe a sukiri.
- (ii) Re supe gore tlhabelo e e na le mabaka a mantsi a a e dirileng kana a re iphitlhelang re le mo go one gompiano. Mangwe a mabaka a ke gore mo dingwageng tse pedi tse di fetileng tse, COVID-19 e ne ya re fitlhela *Mr Speaker*. Fa e goroga mo lefatsheng, e fitlhela re le mo bofelong jwa dikonteraka jwa dikompone tse di ntseng di re fa (*supply*) melemo, yotlhe le yone e ya *high blood* e le mo teng. Ke tsaya gore mokaulengwe o ka gakologelwa gore go ne ga nna le *lockdowns* tse dintsi tse di neng di sa letlelele metsamao lefatsho le lotlhe, e seng Botswana fela. Se sa dira gore go nne le tiego mo go shafatseng *contracts*. Gone foo gape ga nna gore jaanong go bona sepe fela



se se ka tswang kwa lefatsheng le lengwe, go tla mo lefatsheng le lengwe, go nna bokete ka gore mesepele e ne e sa tlhola e le teng. E bile gape le balwetse ka gore e ne e le lantlha go nna le seemo sa gore batho ba le bantsi mo mafatsheng ba ne ba lwala mo o fitlhelang e le gore dipatela di a tlala, tiriso ya melemo le yone ya tsholetsega mo lefatsheng. Gape ga nna le *lockdowns* tsa *manufacturing* gone kwa melemo e dirwang teng. Go raya gore mafatshe one a a dirang melemo, a felela jaanong ba lebelela mafatshe a bone pele. Ke sone seemo se re iphitlhelang jalo re le lefatsheng re leng mo manokonokong one a COVID-19, a jaanong a supafalang ka ditsela tse dintsi thata, dingwe tsa tsone e le yone tlhalelo ya melemo *Mr Speaker*.

Ke supe gore melemo ya bo *high blood*, sukiri jalojalo, e mefuta e mentsi e e leng teng mo lefatsheng. Go na le e e leng gore *when patients are stable*, ba bewa mo go yone. Fa o simolola, go a lekelediwa jaana, go fitlhelwa go bonwa gore *you are stable in this particular drug*. O bo o tswela o fiwa yone ka gore e dumalana le mmele wa gago. *Mr Speaker*, fa molemo o o dumalanang le mmele wa gago o seyo, go na le e mengwe e re go e neelang ka gore e mefuta mentsi jalo, gore gongwe bolwetse *either* jwa *high blood* kana sukiri bo se ka jwa go gatelela. Ke sengwe sa dilo tse re di dirang mo dipateleng tsa rona, mo gotweng *we prescribe the alternative* ya se o ntseng o se tsaya.

Go na le lenaneo le re le dumalanang le bone ba ba ikemetseng, *private pharmacies*, gore balwetse ba ba teng mo tikologong ya Francistown, fa ba sa bona melemo, ba bo ba ka ya go e tsaya kwa go ba ba rekisang melemo, ba ba ikemetseng gone mo toropong ya Francistown. Se ga se a bolo go simologa, mme se ntse se tswetse *Mr Speaker*, e le lenaneo le le leng teng mo lephateng la rona.

(iii) Re ne ra dira *waivers*, re kopa *extension of contracts* tsa batho ba ke neng ke bua ka bone kwa tshimologong ya karabo, gore ba kgone go re *supply*. Ba simolotse *to supply Mr Speaker*, ka gore re ne ra ba neela Government Purchase Order (GPO), seemo se ntse se a tokafala. E bile go a supafala gore melemo e ba ntseng ba e emetse, e a goroga ka bonya ka bonya. Ke tsholofelo ya rona gore jaaka re tsamaela gone kwa dikgweding tse di fa pele, *August* go ya kwa pele, seemo se bo se tokafala. Gape re tswetse jalo, re leka go dira *tenders* tse di sha tse re tlaabong re di neela ba ba

sha, kana fa e le gore ke bone bao ba a tswela, gore le bone ba bo ba ka re thusa ka gore seemo sa Corona le sone mo lefatsheng, metsamao e simolotse go bulelwa *Mr Speaker*. Se le sone se tlaare thusa gore gongwe re bone tokafalo mo melemong go ya kwa pele. Ke a leboga.

**MR MMOLOTSI:** *Supplementary.* Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Tona, ke ne ke re gongwe o tle o re lekodise gore a mme e tlaare morago ga seemo sone se, le dire ditshekatsheko tsa go bona gore seemo sone sa go tlhoka dipilisi, le sa go fetolela batho dipilisi ka nako e go neng go se na dipilisi, se amile balwetse ba sukiri le ba *high blood* ka tsela e e ntseng jang?

Sa bobedi Tona ke gore, maloba o ne wa re fa o araba potso ya mofuta o, wa tlhalosa fa e le gore le dirile thulaganyo le Donga Clinic gore batho ba ba sa kgoneng go bona dipilisi kwa dikokelwaneng, ba ka tsamaya ba ya koo, ba ya go direlwa mokwalo wa go ba isa kwa mafelong a a ikemetseng ka nosi a go ntsha dipilisi. E ne ya re morago batho ba setse ba ya gone koo, ba ya go dirisa thulaganyo e o neng o e bua, ba Donga Clinic ba re bone kgang eo ga ba e itse, jalo he, ga ba ka ke ba kgona go thusa setšhaba. Ka tsela e e ntseng jalo Tona, ke ne ke re o tlhalose gore a mme o *sure* sentle ka kgang e o e buang ya gore batho ba ka thusiwa kwa *private pharmacies*? O boe o digele ka go re tlhalosetsa gore, ka gore maloba o rile Donga e ka kgona go isa batho kwa *private pharmacies*, jaanong go diragala eng fa bone ba re ga ba itse?

**MR LELATISITSWE:** *Thank you so much Mr Speaker.* Go ne gotwe a re tlaa dira dipatlisiso go bona gore a go fetolela batho melemo, go ama matshelelo a batho jang, ke supe gore *Mr Speaker*, bongaka jwa kalafi *is a continuous research*. Fa motho a sena go fiwa dipilisi kana a fetolelwa dipilisi, bone ba bongaka ba kgona go mo tsaya madi, ba bona gore seemo sa gagwe se tokafala jang. Golo moo ka bogone, ga go na mo gotweng go emelwa nako nngwe. Go dirwa gone mo dipateleng tsa rona ba dira *chemistry*, ba *analyse everything*, go raya gore *it is a continuous process*, ga re emele nako e nngwe e sele. Ke tsaya gore banna ba tshwana le bo Never Tshabang, dikgang tse ba a di itse. Re mo tsaya madi re bona gore pilisi e a e filweng a mme e a mmerekela, e mo tsaya ka tsela e e ntseng jang, le gore a e ama *organs* tsa gagwe tse di tona tse di tshwanang le *liver; kidneys* jalojalo, ke dilo tse re di dirang. Se e a bo e le gone go lekola gore a mme pilisi e re e neetseng motho, e a mmerekela kana e a mo koafatsa go ya kwa pele. *Side effects* di ka supa gore a mme pilisi e e filweng motho e a mo koafatsa, a e fetolelwe, a fiwe e nngwe e sele.



Ke supe gore e tlaabo e le maswabi thata *Mr Speaker*, gore ke bo ke eme fa jaanong re nganga ka kgang ya Donga le Francistown ka lenaneo la go thusa batho kwa *private pharmacies*. Go tlaare Mopalamente a tsamaele ka kwano, re tle re kopanele kgang e, ke tsenye ba Francistown mo *line*, re buisane le bone, ke na le ene gore e tle e re a boela kwa Francistown, a ye go neela batho pego e e tlhamaletseng. Ga ke motho yo ke ratang gore jaanong re bo re nna o kare re nganga thata mo setšhabeng. Ke dumela gore rotlhe re leka go thusa setšhaba, ka gore rotlhe setšhaba se ke masika e bile ke batho bagarona. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

**MR MOSWAANE:** *Supplementary. Thank you Mr Speaker.* Ke ne ke re ke go utlwe sentle *Honourable Minister*, kana ka 2017/18, ke ne ka biletswa banna ba ba dinamanama mo Palamenteng, mabapi le kgang ya tlhalelo ya melemo e e botlhokwatlhokwa e. Tona, le dira go lekane go le kana ka eng go lomaganya maranyane a lona a Central Medical Stores (CMS) le dipatela di tshwana le Nyangabgwe, ka gore dipilisi di kgona go tlhokega mo Nyangabgwe mme di le teng kwa CMS.

Fa o setse o tsosa modumo o tlaa utlwa gotwe nnyaa mme di tlaa tsoga di tla kamoso, e le gore go a letswa go tlholwa, bangwe ba ne ba lebetse. Le dira jang ka tsa maranyane gore go tokafale? *Thank you.*

**MR LELATISITSWE:** *Thank you so much Mr Speaker.* Ke tsaya gore dikgang tsa maranyane tse di buiwang ke Rre Moswaane, ke tse di tswelletseng segolo jang mo dipateleng tsa rona tse ditona tse gotweng *tertiary hospitals*, di tshwana le Nyangabgwe le Marina. *Department* ya Logistics kwa CMS, ba na le *an updated list* ya gore ke eng se se leng kwa *facilities*, jalojalo ka gore dikgang tse tsa melemo *Mr Speaker*, nako le nako ga re re bo re itse gore se se kwa kae, kana se se fa kae, se se fa kae ka bontsi jo bokae, re tle re kgone go thusa ba bangwe.

E bile le babereki ba rona, ba ba tsamaisang *pharmacies* tsa ga Goromente le bone ba a buisana. Fa se se seyo kwa, se se seyo kwa ba a buisana go bona gore ba ka thusana ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Ke tsaya gore kgang ya maranyane rra re a setse morago, e bile re ntse re a a tokafatsa go ya kwa pele. Ke a leboga.

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

### Second Reading (Resumed Debate)

**MR SPEAKER:** Order! Order! Honourable Members, the debate is resuming. When the House adjourned last Thursday, Honourable Majaga was on the floor debating and he is left with 12 minutes 36 seconds.

**MR MAJAGA (NATA-GWETA):** *Thank you Mr Speaker. Good afternoon to you and Honourable Members. Mr Speaker,* ke ne ke setse ke buile dintlha di le mmalwa *concerning this budget*, gore kana e tshwanetse go nna ya batho, e nne ya ditiro, mme madi kana letseno *we must find ways* tsa gore re dire *some revenues*. Jaaka tse ke neng ke fetile ka tsone tsa *parastatals* tse dingwe tsa *mining* le *agriculture*, gore *they must be strengthened* di fiwe madi gore di leke go tokafatsa dikhiro le letseno, *especially* dijo jaaka re kile ra bona *wage bill* nako ya COVID-19. Kana Lephata la Temothuo le kwa morago, *we need to make it to be one of the departments* tse e tlaa nnang *an employer* to Batswana ka bontsi, ba iphira mo go yone. Go lebega go setse go saletse kwa morago.

*Mr Speaker,* fa ke ntse ke tswelela, re na le ditsela tse di yang go dirwa ka Public Private Partnership (PPP) jaaka ya bo Francistown/Nata, ya bo Maun/Shakawe...

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Majaga. *Try to get close to your microphone.* O tsamaya o sa utlwale sentle mo gongwe.

**MR MAJAGA:** *Okay, thank you Mr Speaker.* Ke ne ke tswelitse ke re re na le ditsela tse di teng mo lefatsheng la Botswana, mme *some of these roads are those that can improve the economy* mo go feteletseng. Jaaka re tsaya ya Francistown/Nata e e sa tlholeng e le mo seemong, Nata/Maun le Maun/Shakawe, go ema kwa bo Gudigwa kwa go dirwang *bridge*. Ditsela tse fa re ka nna re di bua ka bo PPP, mme re sena dikompone *which are in place*, tse re di supileng re le Puso, gongwe re ka tsaya *the Arab* kana *the Japanese* Fund Companies tse mo nakong e re ka bong re di supa gore di ya go kopanela tiro e le Puso, re ya go latlhegelwa ke *a lot of revenue* *Mr Speaker*. Le ba *Finance* bo Mme Serame, *can attest to this.*

Kana letseno la madi kana la ditlhabololo, le dirwa ke ditsela kana *transportation of goods and services*. Ka jalo re tshwanetse gore re lebelele ditsela tseo *Mr Speaker* gore, ga se ditsela fela Batswana ba di batlang, *those are gateway roads and hubs of income generation from our sister countries*. Jaaka o tsaya ya Francistown/Nata to Nata/Maun, re dirile *bridge*. Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, *if you can do a research* o tlaa bona gore a lot



*of billions are in between those roads* tse di yang kwa bo Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). Re tshwanetse gore dilo tse di tshwanang le tseo, re di emele ka dinao re lebeletse gore *our economy is still small and* re tshwanetse gore re e godise... (*Inaudible*)... e e tlaa tlang e re neela *some developments*.

**MR MATHOOTHE:** *Clarification. Through you Mr Speaker,* ke botse potso e khutshwanyane ya gore Mopalamente *Honourable* Majaga, a re tlhalosetse gore mme ene ka tebo ya gagwe ya matlho, fa a bua ka *project* ya tsela ya Francistown/Kasane e e yang go dirwa ka PPP, a o na le tsholofelo ya gore e tlaa dirwa ka one ngwaga o wa madi. A tsholofelo e teng? Fa e le gore ga e yo, mathata e ka nna eng?

**MR MAJAGA:** Ke a go leboga mokaulengwe. Ka tsela e, fa o utlwa ke di bua jaana tsotlhe ke di tlhomaganya, ke lebeletse gore ke tsoone tse di ka dirang madi a re a batlang *in our Recurrent*, a a ka re thusang mo ditlhabololong, fa di ka nna mo sebopegong se se letleletsweng. Ka jalo, *I encourage Ministers of Finance and Economic Development le Transport and Communications* gore *this thing must be sped up*, gore ditsela tseo di nne mo seemong seo. Mo nakong ya gompiano, *we need a lot of things to put that PPP in place*. Ga e ka ke ya dirwa *in this financial year*, ka tebo ya me ya matlho. Fela *we need to accelerate* gore go diragale.

Mafelo a a tshwanang le Kasane le Kazungula re lebeletse *tourism*, gore e ntse e wetse kwa tlase, le kwa Nata le Maun, *we need a big hospital* e e leng gore fa go setse go bulwa go nna *peak season* ya *tourism*, Batswana botlhe ba mo mafatsheng a le *four*, *because it is an interesting area in tourism whereby there are four countries border* ba tlaabo ba le *rest assured* ka dipatela tse di lebanyeng, sengwe le sengwe se le *in place*.

Le merero e mengwe ya dikompone tsa bojanala tse di kgethiswang, e tshwanetse gore e lebeletse, gore batho fa ba tlola ba ya Victoria Falls ba duela mo go letlelesegileng, ka gore ba nna ba ntse ba rialo. *By so doing* re tlaabo re tsholetsa itsholelo ya lefatshe le, ka gore tota *tourism* ke nngwe e re santseng re lebeletse go le gontsi mo go yone, segolo jang ka e ne ya re maloba ya ya kwa tlase ka mabaka a segajaja.

Fa ke ntse ke tsweletse *Mr Speaker, the time has come* jaaka mongwe wa batlotlegi a ne a bua, a dingwe dikompone e nne *parastatals* tse Puso e tlaabong e dira *business*. *There is nothing wrong* gore Puso e dire *businesses* jaaka kwa China. Dikompone tse tsotlhe

tse di tletseng mo Africa tsa China, ke tsa maChina ba kopane le Puso. Bo *Roads* di bolawe, Puso e nne le 50 per cent bangwe ba Batswana ba nne le 50 per cent, *a group*. Go dirwe *those big companies* tse di tlaa nngang di dira ditiro. Fa o tsaya *Roads* le DBES e gotweng *maintains* matlo a Puso, nako e tsile ya gore *we must phase those out, and make it a company* fela jaaka re bona bo De Beers gore di hire batho di bereke, e seng di nna di ikaegile ka madi a Puso. Re tlaabo re itiretse *justice* thata gore Batswana le bone ba tle ba hume. Re batla Batswana ba huma, Batswana tota ba diphuphu tsa borraabone di leng teng mo, le bone ba nne le dikhumo. *Those are the other areas* tse Batswana ba ka tsenang ba tlhabolola lefatshe la bone. Ke dikgang tse re tshwanetseng gore re di lebelele.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification.

**MR MAJAGA:** Jaaka e ne e buiwa Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, *we are waiting* re le dikgaolo tsotlhe fela go tswa Francistown go ema kwa Kazungula gore seporo seo se tle, re lebeletse botlhokwa jwa sone le go ka tsosa itsholelo le ditiro.

*I pray* o kare se ka tla *today, not tomorrow*, ke lebeletse itsholelo ya lefatshe la rona. Fa re bua ka *Budget* e, re tshwanetse re lebelele *all streams* tse e leng gore *can be of income generation*. Re batla gore re tsholetse *our Recurrent and Development Budget*. Mme gore re e tsholetse, re tshwanetse re bo re na le metswedi e e ka re tsenyetsang madi gore re tle re akole ditlhabololo tse re lelang ka tsone.

Fa ke tsena ka toropo e e tshwanang le ya Sowa, ke ne ke rile ke tlaa kopa *Ministry of Finance* gore o kopane le *Ministry of Lands*, go dirwe *a lot of activities there*. Golo fale go batla Puso e tsenya seatla. Go dirwa dingwe *industries* tse e leng gore ga di ka ke tsa wa. *It would be sustainable industries looking at the raw materials* tse di kwa toropong ya Sowa. Batho ba fiwa ditsha *to make that town* gore e gole. Tota ga go na se se nang le bothata gone fale. Ke gore fela *relevant departments must put up things that are needed to make* Sowa *to be an employment hub* e e ka thusang Batswana mo ditirong le go godisa itsholelo. *They can double the capacity* ya *soda*, letswai le *all chemicals* tse di ka dirwang gone fale. Di bo di ka romelwa *in the region* jaaka re itse gore kwa Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) le Southern African Development Community (SADC) ke bone ba ba dirang tiro e ka bontsi.



Fa ke tsena mo dikgannyeng tse dingwe, ke buile thata ka *mining le agriculture as a hub* e e ka re direlang *income generation*. *Mr Speaker*, fa ke tsena mo kgannyeng ya *Local Government*, ke lephata le le tona mo metseng ya rona ya dikgaolo. Nako e tsile ya gore *grants and Development Budget* e o fitlhelang dikhansela di sena yone, re rotloetse, re fetole mananeo a Ipelegeng, re a dire dikoporase. Re a dire ka fa re ka a kgonang ka teng go a tokafatsa, e se ka ya nna Ipelegeng fela ele. Fa go na le *some farms* jaaka kwa Dukwi jaana, go na le dikwarantini le kwa Moseitse jalo, ba ka nna le *a cooperative farm* e e tlaabong e ba hira, e bile e ba duela botoka maP1000 e seng a Ipelegeng. Go tlaa nna *sustainable because* fa re lebeletse *our income as a country, some of the programmes* ga di na go nna *sustainable in the future*. Ka jalo, dikhansela di tshwanetse *to partake*.

*Mr Speaker*, Dikgosi, Baemela Kgosi, fa go ka bo go ya nna, ba ka bo ba ile kwa Office of the President (OP), then Balaodi ba bo ba boela kwa *Local Government so that* le bone ba tseengwe dikole. Ba bangwe ba bone gore tiro ya bone ba dira eng, ga ba dire eng. Golo moo le gone go busetsa ditlhabololo kwa morago le dingwe tse di rileng.

*Mr Speaker*, fa ke tsena mo kgannyeng ya madi a a re latlhegang a ditlhabololo, a *projects* tse di sa felang, jaaka *tenders* tsa madimadi, *Minister of Finance, companies* tse di ntseng jalo tse di dirang *corruption* ka ditiro, *they must step down. Those companies must be blacklisted because* go na le tse e leng gore *they are given tenders* tsa madimadi gore di tle di dirise *Development Fund* e e tlhaelang dikgaolo tsa rona. Bone ba bo ba tla ba tsaya *mobilisation*, kamoso ba bo ba tsena ka lenga la seloko. Kamoso gape *they do the same thing. Companies* tse di ntseng jaana a di bonwe, re tseye tshwetso fela.

Ke kopa *Honourable Ministers* gore ba tshwanetse ba itse *their political will*. Ke bone ba ba romilweng ke batho. Go na le bodiredi, Permanent Secretaries (PS) jalojalo. *Some of the issues* tse, ke tse di dirang ditlhabololo le *income generation. They must be bold* ba lebile gore ba tsamaisa Puso *five years*. Jaanong fa ba ka ema ba sa tseye ditshwetso gore re tle re kgone, re ya go nna le mathata e le gore bangwe *are dragging their feet not to fulfil our mandate as a country and as a party* e e busang. Go tshwanetse gore *the political will* e eme ka dinao. *A lot of programmes* ba di tsamaisa *fully in the space of time* e re itseng gore e *warranted for their term of office*. Ke sone se o tlaa bonang dingwe tsa ditiro tse re di kgona.

*Mr Speaker*, nako e tsile gore a re iseng maP10; *cost sharing measures* kwa dipateleng le kwa dikoleng. Mafatshe a otlhe *in the region* ba ntsha sengwenyana kwa dikoleng le dipatela. Ba e leng gore *economy* ya bone e kwa tlase, *is mandatory*, ga o botse. O ya kwa sepatela o itse gore o ntsha sengwenyana *so that* Puso e tsamaisa dingwe tsa ditirelo tse di botlhokwa. Re tshwanetse re...

**MR SPEAKER:** Your time is up Honourable Majaga!

**MR MAJAGA:** Thank you Mr Speaker.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF BASIC EDUCATION (MS MAKWINJA):** Thank you Mr Speaker.

Mma ke tseye sebaka se *Mr Speaker*, go go leboga. Ke dumedise Moeteledipele wa Palamente, Leader of the Opposition (LOO) le batlotlegi. *Mr Speaker*, ke lebogele sebaka se o se mphileng gore ke latlbele la mmoatlana mo pegong ya ga Tona Serame. Ke leboge thata Tautona wa rona Dr Mokgweetsi Eric Keabetswe Masisi yo o boneng go tshwanela gore a gopole bomme, a tsibogele selelo sa bomme. Re mmone fa e sale a tsena mo Pusong e, a rotloetsa bomme thata, a ba tsenya mo ditirong tsa botlhokwatlhokwa. Ba etelela maphata a re ntseng re itse a etelelwa ke borre. Ke leboge thata gore a bo a lemogile bokgoni jwa ga Tona Serame go mmaya mo maemong a matonatona a *Mr Speaker*. O dirile mo a buang ka gone a re, go tshwanetse go nna le se re se bitsang *mindset change*. Tona Serame e tlaabo e nna mongwe wa basadi mo mafatsheng a le mokawana jaaka Canada, Estonia, Nigeria le a e leng gore itsholelo ya one e tiile. Ke gopola gore Tona Serame o tlile go dira fela jaaka basadi bao. Ke na le tshepho thata mo go ene. Le fa go ntse jalo *Mr Speaker*, re mo lebogise fela thata, o dirile bomme motlotlo. Re gopola gore jaaka a le foo, o tlile go thusa thata gore lentswe la bomme bogolo jang la *political representation* le la itsholelo, a le tsotse, re tle re utlwale le rona. Tekatekano re bo re sa e bue fela ka molomo, re e bua re e dirisa gore bomme ba na le natla le bokgoni. Mmaetsho, re a go galaletsa, o re tlotlomaditse. A Modimo a go etelele pele ka sengwe le sengwe se o se dirang se tlhotlheleditswe ke moyo o o boitshepho.

*Mr Speaker*, e re ke ise ke tsene mo pegong ya ga Tona, ke akgele thata mo go tsa *constituency* ya me. Ba ne ba solofetse gore e tlaare mo pegong e, ba utlwe sengwe ka Lentsweletau-Mmopane gore o gopotswe jang. Ke leboge batho ba Lentsweletau-Mmopane ka bopelotelele. Batho ba Modimo o kare gompiano jaana ba setse ba ineetse. Ba a itse gore ke ntse ke ba buelela,





dikeledi ga di kgale mo matlhong a me ke leka go di tsisa fa pele ga Ntlo e. Dilelo tsa kgaolo e ke e bitsang lesiela la Kweneng ka gore dilo tse di diragalang mo dikgaolong tse dingwe, o kare rona re kgakalanyana thata le tsone. Dikeledi tsa boHonourable Kablay le Motaosane ke gopola gore tota di sobokile gotlhe mo e leng gore re bona mathata a ditlhabololo mo mafelong a rona ka go farologana.

*Mr Speaker*, ke a ba leboga ka gore ba tlhaloganya gore ke eng tota seemo se se ntse jaana mme re na le tsholofelo e tona Tona Serame gore re lesego ka gore NDP 12 e tlaabo e simolola ka 2023/2024. Re solofela thata gore sengwe se tlaa diragala *for the first time in 15 years* fa e sale re ... (*inaudible*)... tsela ya Metsimotlhabe go ya Lentsweletau. Ke akanya gore sengwe se tlaa diragala jaaka re tlaabo re tsena mo Lenaneong le lešha la Ditlhabololo le le tlaa re gogang *five years* go tswa yone nako eo.

Dilo tse re lelang ka tsone *Mr Speaker* ke ditsela, go atolosiwa ga *clinics* le *education* mo kgaolong. O kare ke nna fela ke senang le fa e le *a unified or senior secondary school*. Bana ba rona ke bone ba tsosang dikgoberego kwa bo Good Hope *Mr Speaker*. Ga gona sepe se e leng gore tota ke ka ipela ka sone. Sub-District ya Lentsweletau-Mmopane e sale e bewa mme ke selelo fela sa khuranyo ya meno ka gore le tsone ditsela ga di yo ka gore fa di ka bo di le teng, gongwe selelo se se ka bo se se setona jaana.

Le fa go ntse jalo *Mr Speaker*, mma ke lebogethata Tona Mzwinila, Tona Segokgo, Tona Kereng, Tona Gare, Tona Dikoloti le Mothusi wa gagwe Rre Lelatisitswe go bo e rile fa ke ntse ke goa jaana ba bona sebaka sa go tla mo kgaolong go lekola le go bona tsone tse ke buang ka tsone. Ke dilelo tse ba di itseng. Ke akanya gore jaaka re ipaakanyetsa NDP 12 jaana, tota re tlaa bona phetogo *Mr Speaker*.

Ke lebogethata *clinic* ya Mmopane e e agilweng mme gape ke lebogethata tsela ya Gaphatshwa, go mo *evaluation of tenders*, e tlaa tloga e dirwa, lemekonyana le le tlaa thusang selelo sa batho ba kgaolo e.

Gape ke lemoge Rre Senai le lephata la gagwe la Water Utilities Corporation (WUC). Re na le mathata a mantsi a metsi mme ke re batho ba ba Modimo ba bereka bosigo le motshegare. E bile ga ke sa tlhole ke utlwa dilelo bosigo ke robetse ke tsoiwa gotwe kana ga gona se re apayang ka sone le se re tlhatswetsang bana ba ya sekoleng kamoso. Ke lengwe la maphata a ke batlang gore tota ke a lemoge e bile ke le itsise gore bana ba ba dira tiro ka bokgabane fela jo bo kwa godimo.

Fa ke tsena mo go tsa pego ya ga Tona Serame *Mr Speaker*, ke lemoga sentle gore ditlhabololo di tlaa tla mme e bile re na le tsholofelo e tona thata ka gore e itebagantse le tsone tse di neng tsa buiwa ke Tautona; *priorities* tse re ntseng re bua ka tsone. Motho o ne a ka botsa ka gore kana nna kgaolo ya me ke motse-selegae. Fa o bona bo Mmopane bo Metsimotlhabe go ya kwa, ke batho ba ba iteilweng letsogo. Ba a bala mme le teng kwa dikgaolong ba teng ba a bala. Ba botsa gore, “Mme Mma Makwinja, kana Economic Recovery and Transformation Plan (ERTP) re ne re solofetse go le go ntsi mo go yone, re ne re solofetse gore e kare Tona fa a re lekodisa a tse *projects* tse re neng re beile mo go tsone gore di tlaa tsosolosa itsholelo go eme jang ka tsone?” Ba re ba bone go tswa dithuso fale le fale. Fa re di kanoka, di ka ne di nnile le *impact* kana le mosola go tsosa itsholelo. Ke dilo tse e leng gore gongwe go ya pele jaaka re baya mananeo fa pele re nne re lekodisa Batswana kwa gae gore nnyaa, re ne re ikaeletse se mme re eme fa kana go padile fa mme re tsweletse fa. Ke yone *feedback* e e tswang mo kgaolong ya me gore re nne re bua tse re di kgonngeng le tse re sa di kgonang ka gore o kare letsatsi le letsatsi re bua dilo tse dišha mme re sa ba itsise gore tota re fa kae.

Fa ke tsena mo lenaneong la ga Tautona le a neng a re le baya pele, ke akgole Tona go bo *budget* e e ne e itebagantse le one matlhoko a gore a ka re ntsha fa re leng teng *Mr Speaker* a re isa golo gongwe re le lefatshe.

*Mr Speaker*, re ne ra kgalwa thata fa re bua ka COVID-19. Ke akanya gore Motswana mongwe le mongwe o ne a utlwa kgang ya teng mme le gompiano go dirilwe tiro e ntlentle thata e e leng gore lefatshe le la rona le ke lengwe la mafatshe a a kwa godimo go fa batho mekento le go thiba dintsho tse di neng di le kanakana. Re ntse re kgojwa fela gore fa re ka bo re sa dira se re dirile se, re ka bo re sa nna le dintsho tse di kanakana. Betsho, rotlhe re tlhokafaletswe ke masika le ba re ba ratang. Ga gona yo o sa amiwang ke COVID-19 mme Botswana o dirile go tlaa ka diatla. A e re re ntse re kgalwa Batswana ba itse kwa gae gore re dirile mo re ka go kgonang mme e bile lefatshe la rona le kwa mankalengkaleng. Re lekile ka bojotlhe gore dintsho tse di kanakana le botshelo jwa Batswana bo nne e kete bo boela mo seemong le fa re ntse re na le seemo se se maswe se se sa rebeng sa COVID-19.

*Mr Speaker*, ke tswelela ke re go tsamaisa lefatshe ka maikaelelo a go somarela Motswana le lefatshe re ntse re a a dira. Re ne re itse gore go ne go buiwa thata ka *corruption* e e leng gore gompiano re ntse re a e bua



mme le ene Tona a e buile mo pegong ya gagwe gore 'the elephant in the room'. Selo se re tshwanetse re bolelele Batswana kwa gae gore go na le makalana a a lebaganeng le *corruption* le one mapodise tota. Fa o belaela gore go na le *corruption*, ka tsweetswee Motswana ya *to report* ka gore fa re bua ka COVID-19 go ne gotwe Motlotlegi Tautona le ba lesika la gagwe ba tlile go ikhumisa. Jaanong re re nnyaa, go tshwanetse go begwa. Fa e le go re o bone *corruption* a go begwe fa e le gore ba a e dira ba tle ba tshwarwe.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification.

**MS MAKWINJA:** Re ntse re utlwa ka kgang...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification Honourable Minister.

**MS MAKWINJA:** Re ntse re utlwa... intshwarele kgaisadiaka, ke tlaa go neela. Re ntse re utlwa ka kgang ya P58 million ya Ghanzi *Mr Speaker*. Ke re betsho, lefatshe le le rekilweng kwa Ghanzi, ke akanya gore jaaka tsone fela tse tsa *corruption*, a re nneng re botsa gore lefatshe le le rekilwe jang, le ne le rekelwa eng ka gore fa le ka ya le rona mapolotiki, kana rona re a ithekisa. Re batla go leswafatsa phathi e e mo Pusong gore kamoso le rona re tsene. Ke le kopa gore a re nne re tlhotlhomisa re botsa gore kante go tlile jang mme le tlaa fiwa dikarabo gore kana Ghanzi jaaka re itse, o dikologilwe ke *farms*. Ga gona kwa a katologelang teng mme e bile *farm* e jaaka re ntse re itse gore e tlile go thusa mo go tsa temothuo le gore motho mo Ghanzi a kgone kwa a ka nnang teng.

Ke dilo tse di tlhamaletseng. Jaanong ke re a re nne re botsa. Rona mapolotiki re tlile go tla kwa go lona ka dikgang tse di farologaneng, gore re a.... madi a reka *farms*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification!

**MS MAKWINJA:** Two minutes sir.

**MR MATHOOTHE:** Clarification *Mr Speaker*. Ka gore Tona o ne o bua ka kgang ya polase e e rekilweng kwa Gantsi, ke re ke go botse Tona gore jaanong dipolase tse dingwe tse e leng tsa ga Goramente tse di bapileng le Gantsi ke eng go ne go sa akanngwe gore go iwe kwa go tsone?

Sa bobedi ke botse gore, jaanong diphologolo tse di neng di le mo polaseng di ile kae, gore re tle *to account* le Goramente?

**MS MAKWINJA:** Ehee! tanki *Honourable Mathoothe*. Ke gopola gore *Honourable Morwaeng* o ka re fa kgang e e tlhamaletseng, ka gore o kare e ka nna *question time* gore a tle a e tlhalose. Ga ke na nako ya gore ke di tlhalose ka gore di dintsi. Mme a re e tsenye e le *question* e tle e tsene.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Jaanong o ne o ikgolegela eng o sena dikarabo?

**MS MAKWINJA:** Betsho ga ke ka ke ka araba mo *response* ntate.

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

**MR SPEAKER:** A ngwana a tshele!

**MS MAKWINJA:** Mme ke re betsho fa *corruption* e e ntse e buiwa jaana re le Batswana kwa gae re leke go utlwa boammaaruri. Le se ka la tsaya mo go rona mapolotiki ka gore re tlile go le latlha, le bo le itatlhela Goramente o e leng ...(inaudible)... Re le mapolotiki re tlile go tlhobosa ba bangwe bosigo le motshegare. Jaanong Batswana kwa gae ipatleleng boammaaruri le bo bone.

Mme ke tsena mo go ya *Development Budget Mr Speaker*, ke tlhatswegile pelo ka kabo ya madi, bogolo jang a ditlhabololo. Ke itumetse fela thata ka gore P3 *Billion* o is a good start. Ke eng ke rialo, madi a fa a ka dirisiwa jaaka Tona a abile a ka thusa thata mo tsosolosong ya itsholelo, ya sennelaruri. Go oketsa mo gompiano mo re go okeditseng e nne ga kgapetsakgapetsa, ga ngwaga le ngwaga. Ka go dira jalo *private sector* le Goramente di ka kgona *to plan* sentle, *private sector* e tlaa nna le tshepho ka mo itsholelo e tsamaisiwang ka teng. Ka sejatlhapi ke gore, *it will lead to sustained and incremental growth of the economy and in the process create sustained jobs leading to sustained income*. Ke re Tona Serame loeto le o le simolotseng le a le tswelole ngwaga le ngwaga, re nne korotokoroto ka gore go tlaa dira ditiro, ditiro tsa sennelaruri tse di ka re thusang gore itsholelo ya rona e gole re tle re kgone go tsena mo *high income status economy* e re buang ka yone. Ke tswelolela ka gore bogolo jang *the private sector* e tlaa nna le *confidence*, le tshono ya go itse gore itsholelo e ya kae, ba bo ba kgona *to plan better* ka sejatlhapi. Ke phetogo e tona thata re se ka ra e tsaya ka lefe fela, e bile e tswelole, *it is a very good start*.

*Emphasis on Public Private Partnership (PPP)*, go bua ka di *triple P* jaanong re bua e le gore di a go diragatswa. *Mr Speaker*, ga re sa tlhole re ka tshaba, re le Goramente



re tshwanetse go fokotsa letsogo mme re ithole morwalo mo ditlhabololong, ka gore tota itsholelo ya rona ga e sa tlhole e tshwana le ya bogologolo, mo re neng re na le madi a diteemane a tswa ka fa le ka fa *in the 1970s and 80s*. Ga re na madi a go dira ditlhabololo tse. Ke sone se e leng gore re tseye malebela fela mo lefatsheng le le ka fa borwa le la rona, o tlaa fitlhela e le gore ditsela tse di tona tse bo Gautrain ba, di dirwa ka *concessions*, ke sone se o bonang fa ditiro di dirwa, di dirwa di fela ka manontlhotlho a a kwa godimo, ka gore *private sector* le Goromente ba a bo ba le mo *concessions* go bonwa gore ditsela tse di a dirwa. Jaanong fa re bua ka *triple P* mo ditseleng tsa rona, re utlwa se Makgoa ba ka reng *backlash* ya gore ke eng Goromente a sa age. Betsho, ga re sa tlhole re na le madi ke boammaaruri. Madi a diteemane ga a sa tlhole a tla ka bokete jo a neng a tla ka jone. Jaanong ke re ke rotloetse Tona gore e o se ka wa e boela kwa morago, ke a itse gore ga re bolo go bua ka di *triple P* bogologolo, mme go a pala. Go a pala ka gore ke itse gore fa *private sector* e tla ga ke ka ke ka ja sengwenyana mo teng. Fa *private sector* e tsena fela ga go na sengwenyana se ke ka se jang, ke sone se e padisang gore re bo re ntse re bua ka *triple P* e sa diragale go fitlhelela jaana. Jaanong ke re re lebe *concessions*, re lebe mafatshe a a bapileng le rona gore bone ba dira jang, ba kgona jang, ke *concessions*. Goromente ga a na madi, a ya kwa dikoleng, a ya kwa...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ke kopa tlhaloso *my sister*.

**MS MAKWINJA:** *Honourable* Hikuama, mma ke taboge ntate, ke tlaa go neela kwa bofelong. Ke a leboga. Jaanong ke re a *triple P* e diragale, ga re sa tlhole re bua ka *triple P*, re tshwanetse go o diragatsa Tona Serame.

*Rationalisation of parastatal*, le yone ke itumetse thata ka gore re ntse re bua ka yone dingwaga le dingwaga, mme go a bonala gore tota o ikaeletse. O ikaeletse gore e diragale. Mme ke re, e tlaa thusa gape ka gore re le Goromente jaanong kana *levies* go okediwa kgwedi le kgwedi ka fa, kamoso ke sele, kamoso ke sele, dilo tse di diragala ka gore *parastatals* tse le one makgotla ba a bo ba leka go thiba bo *inefficiency* kana go sa dire tiro ka nako. Kana fa o sa dire tiro mo go tshwanetseng ka nako kgantele *costs* di feta *profit*-nyana e o neng o ka e dira. Ke kgang e le yone tota e tshwanetseng go dirwa ka lepotlapotla. Re tshwanetse go bona gore *inefficiencies* tse di kanakana tse di ka kgaolwa jang. Di ka kgaolwa fela fa e le gore *parastatals* tse ka bonna tota tsoitlhe *they should be privatised*, gore go tle go kgone gore *efficiency* e ye kwa godimo, re bone *profits*

tse di tlaa tsenang kwa *social services* di kgona go thusa Motswana kwa gae. Ka gore *privatisation* e mosola thata mo mafatsheng a ba nang le one. Ga go pale, re bone ka Botswana Telecommunication Corporation (BTC) le *private companies*, *efficiency* tsa bone di kwa godimo ba dira *margins* tse di rileng. Jaanong ke re go botlhokwa thata gore kgang e ya *parastatals* Tona e tswelele.

Jaanong ke re Tona Serame, re a itse gore ke tiro e e tlaabong e simololwa fela, kana go bona gore dilo tse *can be privatised* jang, go raya gore gongwe ditiro dingwe di a go amega. Go raya gore go na le *skills* tse e leng gore...kana *when you work for a private company* ga go tshwane le fa o berekela Goromente. Go na le *skills* tse o tshwanetseng go nna le tsone, mme e bile *at the end of the day you account for that day*, gore o ne o dira eng. Jaanong ke dilo tse re tshwanetseng go di leba ga bonwa *structures*, ga bonwa eng, *to make sure* gore dilo tse le tsone gape ga di tsamae lefela. Fa re re *we are privatising* kana *we are merging them, and be merged in the private space as opposed to continuing this merry-go-round problem* ya *parastatals*.

Ke leboge gape mo pegong ya ga Tona, mananeo a a tsweletseng. Mangwe a one a tsweletse jaaka metsi mo magaeng go a isa kwa mafelong a e ntseng e le sekaka. Ditlhabololo tse *Mr Speaker*, di tshwanetse go dirwa *with a future in mind* ka Sekgoa. Ke gore jaaka re itse gore bo Molepolole jaana ba tlele go nna le kgopo ya metsi a a leswe, a e re fa go dirwa *project* e go itsiwe gore metsana e mengwe e e gautshwane, le yone e a gola mme e re kamoso go bo go gokelelwa. Ke gore go dirwa *in such a way* ya gore go bo go gokelelwa fela fa e le gore o batla go tsenya Gakuto le Mmanoko mo teng fale, o gokelela fela. Ga go batla a *parallel line* gore e ise leswe koo. A *planners* tsa rona *when they plan big projects* tse, di tshwanetse go leba kwa pele, ba se ka ba *plan* fa fela.

*Mr Speaker*, ke lebogetse thata *decentralisation*. Nna le *Honourable* Motaosane, Lentsweletau-Mmopane le Kumakwane-Thamaga go sale gotwe re di *sub* mme nako kgolo ke eno. Ke gopola ke kopa Rre Autlwetse gore a re lebe ka koo ka gore golo mo ka gore e bile nna ke kwa sekakeng, go ka nthusa fela thata ka gore le tsone ditsela ga di yo.

*Mr Speaker*, ka bofefo ntle ke tsene mo go ya meepo. Ke leboge Tona Moagi fela thata mo tironng e a e dirang, bogolo jang mo go atoloseng motlakase. *Mineral policy* wa rona o a bereka *Mr Speaker*. Go tsena mo tirisong le ba DeBeers, ke ne ke eletsa *Mr Speaker*;



gore e nne sone seelo sa gore re tsamaisa itsholelo jang ka ditswammung ka gore fa o ka bona, go a pala tota mo mafatsheng a mangwe mme rona tomagano ya lona le DeBeers e re bereketse. Mo bosheng o tlaa fitlhela e le gore jaanong kana o kare re a rekisa, jaaka gompiano jaana re itshwara matlhaa e le gore meepo e mengwe ya rona e gontswe. Kana re a gonya fela re ya go tsaya kwa teemane e leng teng, kgantele fa e fela re itshwara ditlhaa.

*Department of Mines* e tshwanetse e bone gore tota fa batho ba ba ntse ba gonya jaana, kwa diteemaneng re go bitsa *blending*. Go gonya ka fa mo go nang le teemane e tona thata ya *high value*, o gonya fa go senang ya *high value* gore o *blend*, kgantele o *mine* sentle gore e re le kwa phelelong, o bone gore tota o *mine* ka mo go rileng. Ga ke *sure Mr Speaker*, ka *mines* tse dingwe tse gore o kare go tlaa gonngwa fela. Ke kopa Lephata la *Mines Mr Speaker*, gore tota le ele tlhoko.

Ke bua gape ka tse di rekwang di tswa kwa ntle ka gore o tlaa fitlhela e le gore *mines* tse ka bontsi ga di tsamaisiwe ke Batswana, go bo go raya gore kana sengwe le sengwe jaanong re se reka kwa. Tona Serame, *externalisation of funds, management fees*, di eng, ke dilo tse e leng gore madi a tswa mo lefatsheng. Le fa gongwe Bank of Botswana e ka se ke e rate ke bua ka *externalisation of funds, policy* e betsho re tshwanetse go e sekaseka ka gore fa re sa e sekaseke fela re re o *externalise profits*, o a *invest*, hei! ga ba *invest*. Ga gona *investment* e e kalokalo e e leng gore *these private companies* tse di gonyang meepo ya rona e, ba *invest*. Ba *invest* mo go eng? Ke mo Pusong e bile ke thusa Rre Molao mo Lephatheng la Thuto mme a re boneng gore meamusu ya rona betsho e felela mo lefatsheng. A re dire tiro ka gore melao e teng mme o kare *supervision* mo bathong ba, le yone *this externalisation of profits*, tota e re baya mo mosing re le lefatsho. Re tshwanetse go e sekaseka *Mr Speaker*. Ke re ka a le kalo *Mr Speaker*, mo go ya meepo ga se yone fela, go santse go na le mathata le mo khirong, mo e leng gore bo BCL le Tati ba tswetse mme o tlaa fitlhela e le gore re nna re re Batswana ga ba na *skills*. *Mr Speaker*, Batswana ba na le *skills*, ke a kopa ka tsweetswee Rre Shamukuni gore fa le re *localisation plan*, le nne le *skills audit*. Batswana ba teng ba ba nang le *skills*. Re lekeng go pateletsa, ke a itse gore *with internalisation*, o ka nna le *finance* mme *Human Resource* (HR) o tshwanetse go nna wa Motswana. *Headquarters* tsa *mines* tse betsho, *it is high time* di nna mo Botswana, e seng di nna go sele. Kana ba bula ofisi...

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Minister, your time is up.

**MS MAKWINJA:** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

**DR TSHABANG (NKANGE):** *Thank you Mr Speaker.* Ntle ke leboegele nako e o e mphileng le nna gore ke akgele mo *Budget Speech* ya ga *Honourable Minister Peggy Serame*. Ke mo akgole gore e bo e le mme wa ntlha mo Botswana gore a se kotame sa *Minister of Finance and Economic Development*. Ke tsaya gore ke mme yo o tseneng sekole, o na le dithuto fela tse di nonofileng gore o ka tsamaisa mme re mo gakolole gore nnyaa mmaetsho, re a tlhaloganya gore gatwe mosadi o tshwara thipa ka fa bogaleng. Jaanong se se leng teng re solofetse mo go wena go le gontsi. Ke wena fela re go utluleng ka mafoko a gago o bua gore mosadi fa o bona a fiwa maemo, o a bo a le bokete gararo go gaisa banna. Re tsaya gore gone moo o tlaa go diragatsa e bile o tlaa re supegetsa gore o ne o tlhwaafetse. Ke tsaya gore ngwaga o o tlang fa re tla gone fa mo *Budget* ya gago ya bobedi, re tlaabo re go tsaya ka motlhala wa dilo tse dintsi tse o neng o re di solofetsa mo *Budget* yone e. Re tlaabo re go gakolola gore o simolotse jaana, o fa re go kala. O re letlelele gore e tle e re nako e e tlang re go kale, le wena o kalege, e re re go baya mo sekaleng o bo o kalgile.

Ka jalo ntle gape ke *congratulate* Joshua Bondo yo e leng gore ke *referee* ya Africa Cup of Nations (AFCON), *an international referee* yo o tswang kwa kgaolong ya rona mo motseng wa Senete. O ne a re tshwere sentle, a beile lefatsho la Botswana mo mmepeng kwa AFCON, e e neng e ntse e feta ka *February* fela jaana. Rre Bondo, o tshware fela jalo.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Elucidation.

**DR TSHABANG:** Ema pele Mma Monnakgotla. Ke bo ke akgola Atsile Masakoreng *from* Denjambuya Junior Secondary School in Tutume, yo o tsereng *Merit*. *She did very well*, a bo a re baya mo mmepeng le rona re le Nkange Constituency, le bomme. Re bo re akgola Madawu Junior Secondary School, gore le yone e bo e dirile e le mo *top 10* mo Junior Certificate (JC) *results*. Go supa gore le rona ba re tshwere fela sentle re le kwa kgaolong.

Ke tle ke simolole *Mr Speaker*, kana Mma Serame fa a baya *Budget Speech* ya gagwe, *one of the things she highlighted* ke *project implementation*. Re supe gore re dumalana le wena *Honourable* Serame gore *project implementation* tsa ga Goromente ga go itumedise. Re bo re bue gore o re beile mabaka gore o tlaa lebelela



dikgang tsone tseo, o tlaa di tlhoma leitlho, e tlaa re ngwaga o o tlang fa re go kala, re kgone go bona gore mme go na le *improvement* mo *project implementation* ya ga Goromente ka re setse re lemogile gore yone *lack of implementation* ya *projects*, e dira gore go nne le *project delays*.

Le madi a a neng a abetswe *projects* tsone tse, ga a dirisiwe. *Then projects* di felela di nna le *cost overruns and interests* tse di kwa godimo, di felela e le gore *projects* ga di fele, di felela mo tseleng kana fa di ya go fela di setse di kokonetse sepatshe sa ga Goromente. Re lebogela gore o bo o lemogile gone moo.

Kwa kgaolong ya rona re na le *projects* tse e leng gore re sale re di emetse, *they are not implemented*. Tse dingwe *were implemented*, tsa felela mo tseleng. Fa ke e fa sekai, re na le Tutume Hospital *that has been planned for*. E na le dingwaga e ntse e abetswe madi, P520 million, mme *project* ga e emelele. Fa re re re a botsa, gatwe kana *Ministry of Health and Wellness, the specifications* tse a neng a di dirile *for the project* di feta P520 million. Go raya gore ke go nna go iwa *between Ministry of Health and Wellness* le *Ministry of Infrastructure and Housing Development*. Golo moo go tlile go felela *costing* gore sepatela se fa se diega, *will cost more*, se bo se boa e le gore ga se kgone go akaretsa batho jaaka se ne se tshwanetse gore se ka bo se simolotse *to cover* nako e leng teng. Se ya go nna *very delayed*. So, re supa gore gone foo ga go re tseye sentle *Minister*; le wena o tle o tsholetse dinao.

Kgang e nngwe e e supang gore tota *project implementation* kana *implementation* ya *issues* tsa ga Goromente e kwa tlase, *last year Minister of Local Government and Rural Development* were going around consulting batho ka *Decentralisation Policy* gore re tle re kgone go bona dikgaolo tse di tshwanang tsa rona tsa bo Tutume Sub District di fetoga, di gola e nna *full-fledged districts*. Le gompieno *that consultation process* ga e ise e tsene mo Palamenteng mo gore re kgone go dumelana. *So, these kind of delays* di supa gore tota mme *we are not implementing* se re se ikaletseng re le Goromente ka nako.

Ke ne ke solofetse gore e tlaa re fa re le fa, re kgone go bona madi a *budget for decentralisation* gore *districts* tse dintlha tse di yang go agiwa kana tse di yang go dirwa, di ya *to be budgeted* jang. So ka maswabi ga re kgone go bona seo ka gore tota Goromente wa rona ke yo o nngang a diegile fela.

*Last year there was Presidential Commission of Enquiry in Cattle Rustling*. Kwa dikgaolong tsa rona re ne re solofetse gore *this Presidential Commission of Enquiry in Cattle Rustling* e tlaabo e fedile, e bile re bone *the recommendation being implemented* kwa dikgaolong tsa rona. Re solofela gore le mo *budget* yone e, go tlaa nna le madi *that will cater for that cattle rustling* mo dikgaolong tse di tshwanang tsa rona tse e leng gore re na le bothata le dikgang tsone tseo. Le go diega ga *recommendations* gone moo, ke gone mo go dirang gore dikgaolo tsa rona di salele kwa morago. Le madi a a neng a tshwanetse gore a ka bo a lebagana le mathata one a, ga a kgone *to be budgeted in time*.

Go builwe ka *Meat Regulator* le kgang ya gore Botswana Meat Commission (BMC) e tlaa nna le tharabololo. O setse o supile gore go na le mathata, mme ga le re bontshe gore tota *what were the terms of reference* gore le rona re tle re kale, re bone gore *Meat Regulator* o diilwe ke eng, *BMC transformation* ya yone e diilwe ke eng. Ke dipuo fela gore nnyaa go diegile, go diegile, ga go a diragala, *but* a ko le nne le re bontsha *plan* ya gore fa re re *Meat Regulator* o diegile, re raya re ne re simolotse jaana re eme fa, go porakile fa. Fa e le gore lefoko go poraka ke Setswana se se siameng. Sesana se e leng gore se re tshwere ke se.

Re na le lebaka re bua ka Leather Park, eo e tswa kgakala e sa diragadiwe, le gompieno ga re itse gore e tsene fa kae. *So* go supa fela gore Goromente wa rona o a diega *to implement projects*, and golo moo *costs* itsholelo. Jaanong *my question to you Minister* Serame ke gore, *next year all these things* tse e leng gore *they are a problem*, re batla go go kala ka tsone. Re batla gore Leather Park e bo e na le motlhala o o re bontshang gore *we have moved from here to point A from point A to point B*. Re batla gore o bo o re bolelela gore ga e padile, mathata e ne e le eng. E seng go tlogelwa mo legoeleleng fela o re nnyaa e padile. *So* re batla gore re go kale, o rile o tlaa tsaya *bold decisions accompanied by serious consequences for non-implementation of Government Programmes and Policies*. Jaanong *my question is what if we find ourselves in the same position next year because we are dealing with the same Government? Are you going to step down; are you going to show us direction* fa dilo di sa tokafale? *I am challenging you* gore *if project implementation is still a problem under your ministry, under your Government, I think something must happen. It is either you step down or* o re bolelele sengwe se se utlwalang. *I am challenging you to that effect* gore re tshwantse gore re bone motlhala. *Within*



*the next 12 months* fa o tla, o tlaa re neela *budget* re bo re go kala, re go neela dielo gore o dirile se o paletswa ke se. Re go neela *good, very good, or very poor*. Fa o bona re go neela *very poor next year*, o ithole marapo.

Kgang e nngwe e ke batlang go bua ka yone Motlotlegi Serame ke ya *funding of the current budget*. *The current financial year* re ne ra se ka ra kgona go bona madi *that can finance budget* ya gompiano. O ne wa tla mo Palamenteng go kopa teseletso ya go adima madi kwa African Development Bank ya P1.6 billion. Jaanong ke batla go itse gore mo *budget* yone e re tsenang mo go yone e, ke eng se se pharologanyo se o tlaa sekeng wa tla gape fa go kopa go ya go adima madi. *Are you ready* gore gompiano o tlaa se ke o adime madi? Fa e le gore e tlaa re re ntse re dirile *budget like we did last year*, jaaka ka bona go se na pharologanyo jaaka *last year* le *this year*, go supa fela gore golo gongwe go ya go nna le *deficit*, go ya go nna le tlhalelo ya madi. Jaanong ke batla go thaloganya gore, mo *budget* ya gompiano, o ya *to finance budget* jang ka gore dite mane di ntse ga di ise di bone madi ka bokete jo bo tlhokafalang. *Companies were affected* ke COVID-19, *so* ga di a kgona go tsholetsa mosepele mo go dueling *tax*. Le *tourism*, ga e ise e kgone go tsholetsa mosepele go tsenya letseno la madi mo go Goramente. Gape le yone *agri-tourism or smart agriculture* e o buang ka yone, ga e ise e tsholetse *pace* ya go tsenya madi. *So*, go santse go supa gore re santse re ya go kopana le mathata a *to finance budget* ya gompiano. Jaanong gongwe o tle o re tlhalosetse gore o dira eng se se pharologanyo *which is not business as usual*. Ka gore wena jaanong o tla o le pharologanyo o le mme, o na le bokete jwa bo tlhataganyeng gararo, o tlaa kgona go re supegetsa gore nnyaa re tlaa *turn around* jang. Ga ke solofele gore re bo re ya go adima gape Motlotlegi Serame, ka gore lefatshe fa le ka itlwaetsa go nna le adima le adima, re felela re tshwana le mafatshe a mangwe a re a bonang mo *continent* ya Africa, ba setse ba palelwa ke go *service loans*. *So, my caution* ke gore re se ka ra boela go ya go adima madi gape, *tighten our budget expenditure* o bo o fokotsa *this 37 per cent inefficiency or bleeding of the economy*.

*We are expecting you* gore nnyaa, *as the new Minister*, o tlaa nna *tight* mo *expenditure* ya rona. Gape o tlaa kgona go lwantsha le *expenditure* o e fitlhelang e le gore *is sporadic, its is not budgeted for*. *All of a sudden*, o bona Goramente wa rona a re o reka *lodge* ya P58 million, re ipotsa gore *Minister of Finance* lentswe la gagwe le kae gone foo. Kana tota fa re re *we tighten* sepatšhe, *we mean* gore le tsone *such expenditures* tsa bo P58 million

go rekwa bo Tautona Lodge, di tshwanetse gore di eme ka gore re mo mathateng, batho ga ba na ditiro batho, *projects* ga di na madi. Goramente o kgona go emelela fela a re re ya go reka *lodge* ya P58 million, re reka lefatshe le tla le na le *lodge*. Jaanong re ipotsa gore *voice* ya *Minister of Finance* e fa kae gone foo. Re go kope *Minister* gore o tle o ntshe lentswe mo dikgannyeng tse di ntseng jaana.

Re bona bo Mogae ba ntsha lentswe ka National Development Bank (NDB), re bone bo Gaolathe ba ntsha lentswe, bo Matambo ba ntsha lentswe ka madi a Masama.

Le wena re kopa gore o ntshe lentswe, o nne le nnyaa mo ganong, o nne mme yo o tshwarang thipa ka fa bogaleng. Gompiano jaana fa e le gore madi a ya go tshelwa, go reka *lodge* e e nang le diphologolo, mongwe o ntse a botsa gore diphologolo di kae tse di neng di le mo *lodge* eo. Ga re ka ke ra dumela *such kind of erratic expenditures*, re tlaa felela re belaela gore diphologolo tsone tseo, di isitswe kwa Banyana Farms, ka re utlwa mabarebare ao gotwe diphologolo tsotlhe le dikgomo kana mo go neng go le teng, go isitswe kwa Banyana Farms kwa polaseng ya ga Tautona. Re felela re dumela gone moo ka gore tota ga re a utlwa lentswe la gago le gore *expenditure* e ke ya eng, madi a a kanakana a reka *a piece of land which is normally valued at P23 million*. Re kopa wena o nne le lentswe mo dikgannyeng tse di ntseng jaana.

Kgang e nngwe *Minister*, ke ya *corruption* mo lefatsheng lone le. Re a go utlwa gore wa re o ya go lwantsha *corruption*, mme *you stop short* gore le *Senior Government officials, Ministers*, Mapalamente, Tautona, Directorate of Intelligence and Security (DIS), mongwe le mongwe yo o yang go gonya mo itsholelong ya Botswana, o tshwanetse gore o tseye tshwetso, o ntshe lentswe. Re go batla gone koo Mme Serame. Re utlwa gore Botswana e ole, *five points down, it is now number three* mo *the least corrupt* mo Africa. E ole ka nako yone e Tautona Masisi a se kotameng, go supa gore *corruption* e a gola *in this country, since 2018*. *We are being ranked lower than ever before, so* go supa gore tota *corruption* e tsentse letsogo fela thata ka maatla le gone, *we must fight corruption*. Wa re go tshwanetse go lebelelewe badirelapuso ba ba dirang kgwebo le Goramente kana ba *run* kgwebo ba le mo ditirong. Ga ke dumela gore ke gone fela mo go bakang *corruption* mo Botswana, a ko re lebelele dilo tse dingwe. *In fact*, yone ya badirelapuso ba ba nang le dikgwebo, *Honourable* Majaga o ne a tlisa *Motion*



gone mo Palamenteng ka November; gore badirelapuso ba ba gwebang le Goromente, ba kganelwe go gweba le Goromente, molao oo a o fetolwe. Lona le le *the BDP Government, you shot your own Motion down*. Yo mongwe a bua gore re lwantshe *corruption this year*, ba bangwe ba a ganetsa. Gape *why* e tshwanetse go nna *civil servants alone*? A e se ka ya nna *civil servants* e kare ke bone *the scapegoats tsa corruption in this country*, go na le *corruption* e ntsi. *It is in trade*, le ka nako ya COVID, Auditor General o tlhalositse gore go ne go jewa, go gonyiwa, e bile batho ba itakile. A badirelapuso e se ka ya nna bone *the scapegoats*, tsayang tshwetso, le tseye dikgato ka se se buiwang ke Auditor General gore *there was corruption* ka madi a a neng a ntsheditse COVID. Auditor General has the authority and the authenticity go bua ka *corruption*, ka fa dilo di sa tsamayeng sentle ka teng, ka madi a sa tsamaisiwang sentle ka teng mo lefatsheng lone le *and she must be listened to*. Ke tsaya gore fa le le Goromente, le tshwanetse go mo reetsa le bo le nna *very transparent* ka gore go diragetse eng, ga go a diragala eng. O le Minister wa Finance, *I am challenging you* gore in all these things, dira gore go nne le *transparency*, dilo di direlwe mo pontsheng. Ntsha lentswe, ntsha taolo gore dilo di direlwe mo pontsheng. Le dikgang tsa bo Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime (DCEC), tse di sa sekiweng tsa fela, dikgang tsa bo National Petroleum Fund (NPF) le Capital Management Botswana (CMB), madi a jelwe. Ntsha lentswe, o bo o ntsha le tsamaiso fela e e siameng Minister; you must have a say, *I am challenging you* gore you must have a say o le Minister. O se ka wa fitlhela e le gore o *one of the ordinary Minister* yo fa gotweng go diragetse kwa, *you turn a blind eye. I am challenging you* gore o tseye dikgato tse di maleba.

Kgang e nngwe e e bothokwa thata e o tshwanetseng go e lebelela Honourable Minister of Finance, ke supervision ya projects tsa ga Goromente. Honourable Minister, supervision ya projects by the Government is lacking. Re le komiti ya Palamente ya Information and Communications Technology (ICT), we toured this country, re lebelela project implementation le supervision, supervision was one of the biggest problem. O tsaya kgang e tshwana le ya construction ya Maitengwe Police Station, supervisor wa project o nna mo Gaborone. Gaborone le Maitengwe is 650 kilometres (km), ke eng project e sa lebelelwe ke Architecture and Building Services kwa Tutume? Go tlaabo go tsewa motho wa clerks of works, e nna ene yo o lebelelang projects, but the main supervision, inspection e dirwa from Gaborone. We went kwa bo Maun, re tlhola,

projects are being supervised from Gaborone, why can we not localise supervision ya projects? Maitengwe-Tutume road has failed gompiano because there is no supervision, motlhala wa ga Goromente to supervise the projects ga o bonale. O ipotsa gore fa rakonteraka a nyelela, a tlogela project mo site, Goromente a sena dikarabo, rona ra reng. Government does not supervise, ga a na babereki ba bantsi who can cover these projects. When is the Government going to have enough employees and enough capacitated people ba ba kgonang to supervise these projects? I challenge you on that one also Honourable Minister gore let us build capacity as the Government to supervise these projects local and also monitor them go fitlhelela di fela. O tlaa fitlhela e le gore project e tlhakatlhakane, Minister le Director le fa o ba mmotsa, ga ba ka ke ba go fa dikarabo tse di tshwanang. Go supa gore tota there is disjointed supervision ya projects. Ke kopa gore eo o e emele ka dinao Mme Serame.

Maintenance of infrastructure; lefatshela le infrastructure kabontsi ephuphame. We have dilapidated infrastructure, be it hospitals, dikole, ditsela, re na le almost 10 to 15 years go sa baakangwe this infrastructure. Re kopa gore mo mading a o a ntshang a, a tsamaye a ye go dira maintenance, a ntshiwe ka potlako, re ye to maintain facilities tsa ga Goromente. Ka fa go ntseng ka teng, ga go a nna sentle. If you go to my constituency, fa o re o lebelela Tutume Primary Hospital, o kare o tsena mo butchery. Fa o tsena ga o ka ke wa re ke sepatela se se mo lefatsheng le gotweng le batla go nna a high income country when people's health is compromised to that level. Population ya Tutume Sub-District, re sa tsenye e e tsenngwang ke Gweta Primary Hospital, 42 000 plus 36 000 ya bo Shashe West, mme sepatela se na le 28 beds. Batho ba robala fa fatshe, le gone malao a teng a robegile. Minister, madi a maintenance a a ye go baakanya infrastructure ya ga Goromente. Vice President (VP), o ne o re o na le clarification?

**HIS HONOUR THE VICE PRESIDENT (MR TSOGWANE):** Clarification. Ke a leboga Mr Speaker, tla ke go dumedise. Ke leboge Dr Tshabang le fa ke tlaa mmusetsa kwa morago jaanong kwa kgannyeng e a setseng a e fetile. Nnyaa, ke utlwile thata ka fa o neng o supa o rotloetsa Minister; mme e bile o batla accountability e ntsi mo go ene ka sengwe le sengwe. Ke ne ke re ke go botse mo go ya corruption fela gore kana corruption fa re ka bua, re e baya mo mothong a le mongwefela, re sa rotloetse setšhaba le sone gore corruption ke selo se se kgonwang ke gore re e tshwaraganele. Batho fa ba bona corruption fa e leng teng, a ba e report...



**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ga go na setšhaba sa *corruption, corruption* e dirwa ke batho ba ba kwa godimo jaaka lona jaana, ga go na setšhaba sa *corruption*.

**MR TSOGWANE:** Ga o utlwe gore ka reng, o tsoga mo borokong, ke go reile ka re o nne o leka go tsoga nako e le teng. *Corruption...*

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

**MR TSOGWANE:** Sorry Dr, ke bone ba ba nketshang mo tseleng. Fela se ke neng ke batla go se bua ke gore, ga ke a re *corruption* e dirwa ke setšhaba, ka re *corruption* re re tshwaraganele go lwantsha *corruption*, go e bega kwa e tshwanetseng go begwa teng re le setšhaba ka kakaretso, e seng fela *institution* kana *Minister*.

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

**DR TSHABANG:** Ke a go utlwa Vice President (VP). Kana *burden ya leadership* e mo go Tautona, wena o le VP, *Minister of Finance*, Matona, Mapalamente le *civil servants leadership*. Re ka se ke re e *shift* kwa badirelapusong rona re sa batle boikarabelo gone foo. *That is why* re re re nne le *accountability* re lwantshe *corruption*, ka bokete jo bo tlhokafalang. *Corruption* e bonwa mo go rona ke sešhaba, setšhaba se lela ka rona gore baeteledipele ke bone ba ba *corrupt*. Baeteledipele ke bone ba ba jang meamusu ya lefatshe le.

Le Auditor General Report e ne e gatelela gore, ka fa go neng go abiwa *tenders*, setšhaba ga se abe *tenders*, go aba boeteledipele. Go ne gotwe *the business community* ba ne ba rekisa *masks* ka bo P200.00, *mask* o o tshwanetseng gore o rekisiwe P5 kana P10.00 *at most*. Go supa gore rona *the Government*, ke rona *who are corrupt*. *People were doing business with Government a le complacent. Who is the Government? Government is the BDP leadership. That is where we are.* Ke tsaya gore o nkutlwile sentle *Your Honour the VP* le Mma Serame.

Re a bona gore o abetse *Ministry of Health and Wellness* over P10 *billion thereabout*, go tsholetsa seemo sa botsogo mo Botswana. Ba a itse ba *Health* gore re na le dilelo kwa kgaolong, baoki le dingaka ba a tlhela kwa dipateleng. Re kopa gore ka jaanong re bona gore le na le letsenonyana le le botoka, le re gopole. *Last year* ke tlisitse *question* fa ya Nkange le Maitengwe Clinics gore di godisiwe *at least* di nne 24 *hours*, go bo gotwe mathata ke bodiredi. Jaanong re a bona gore le na le letsenonyana le le botoka, latlhelang baoki *one, one* kana *two, two* mo *areas* tse di nang le botlhoki jo. Le dingaka, tota *coverage* ya dingaka re a dumalana gore

ga e a lekana gore ngaka e ka akaretsa metse e le meraro kana nne, mme a bonwa mo motseng o le mongwe *every fortnight* kana *half a day* mo motseng o mongwe. A ko le oketseng dingaka gore *at least* le rona re kgone go nna le *access to health*.

*Minister of Land Management, Water and Sanitation*, selelo sa rona ke ditsha. *Many a time* fa re go botsa dipotso gore ke eng o sa abele batho ditsha, *well*, go na le kgang ya gore *planning system* e na le *its own problems*, *but* o na le gore ga re a go fa madi a a *enough*. Ke tsaya gore gompiano madi a o a abelwang ke Mma Serame, a *enough*. Mma Serame, abela *Honourable Mzwini* madi, one madi a o mo a neetseng e tlaa re fa re tsena kwa Committee of Supply, re tlaabo re batla go tlhola gore a mme madi o a filwe, ka gore o tlhola a lela a re ga a fiwa madi, o akaretsa dilo tse dintsi tsa *land servicing*. Re batla gore *at least* re simolole go bona gore madi a a rotlhegela kwa *Ministry of Land Management, Water and Sanitation*, batho ba kgone go fiwa ditsha...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Elucidation.

**DR TSHABANG:** *It cannot happen in a country* e e nang le lefatshe le le kana gore batho ba ka tsamaya 12 to 20 *years* ba sa fiwe lefatshe mo lefatsheng la bone. E nna e kete jaanong rona ke rona bafeti ka tsela. Bafeti ka tsela ke bone ba ba ka opelang pina ba re, “lefatshe le ke mpho ya Modimo,” ka gore bone ba na le madi a go le reka. Rona re tlaabo re opela sefela gore, “re bafeti ka tsela.” *Honourable Minister*; re batla ditsha.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Elucidation.

**DR TSHABANG:** Nako ya me ya taboga mokaulengwe, ntle ke...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Tanki *comrade*.

**DR TSHABANG:** *Thank you. Transport and Communications*; re na le nako *network* tsa rona di sa bereke kwa kgaolong. Ke tsaya gore Tona kgang e o a e itse, gore re nnile lebaka. Ga re ka ke ra tlhola re dirisa *bandwidths* tsa bo 1997, re tlhokana le *upgrading*. Re tsaya gore madi *would be availed* gore *network* di nne teng. E bile fa go nna keresemose go nna *worse*, o kare jaanong *we are cut off from this country* mo *communications*. Re sokola go feta mongwe le mongwe. Ke tsaya gore Tona yo o lebaganeng o tlaa kopa madi gore go nne le *expansion*; Mascom, Orange, le beMobile ba kgone go re thusa.





Re kopa gore madi a re neng re bua ka one a sepatela, o a tsenye leitho, re tle re a fiwe. Re na le kgang e nngwe ya *long distances* tsa bana, metse e e tshwanang Dagwi le Changate le fa gotwe *it was not budgeted for*, ga e mo National Development Plan (NDP) 11, ditsela tsa bo 6 kilometres (km) le 9 km *Minister wa Transport*, ke kopa gore o nne o batla madi fela *and at least build these roads*. Ga re ka ke ra nna re itlhoboga fela gotwe nnyaa tota *we did not budget for it, since 1966 it is business as usual*, ga gona madi *because budgeting system...* Jaanong re raya efe *transformation*, re kgona go palelwa ke go batla madi a 6 km? *Every time* re lela ka tsela ya Dagwi le Changate, yo mongwe o lela kafa ka tsela ya Kubung, yo mongwe ya Sorilatholo. *Why can we not find money Minister*, re direlwe ditsela fela sentle. *Minister*; selelo sa ditsela tse...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O ntse o re go se ka ga adimiwa madi.

**DR TSHABANG:** Aa! Wena o paletswe ke go tlhalosa dilo tsa Tautona Lodge le diphologolo ga o itse kwa di leng teng, o didimale. Go adima madi o adimela ruri, o senya lefatshe. Mafatshe a ole, wena o nnetse go adimela madi ruri. Fa o emelela o a adima, lefatshe ga le tsamaisiwe ka bo machonisa. Aa! Wareng tota.

*Minister*; a ko re nne re nna le *contingency plans for projects* tse di amang batho, tse di saletseng kwa morago, tse di utlwisang batho bothoko, re kgone go di dira. Kana *some of these things* ga o ka ke wa tla o re tsela ya 6 km ga e na *economic value*. E na le *economic value for the community* e e tshelang mo go yone. Ga go a tse ditsela tseo di tshwanetse gore di tshwane le tse di yang kwa Johannesburg kana tsa Trans Kalahari. Di na le mosola wa tsone *at that level*. *Thank you Mr Speaker*. Ke lebogela nako e o e mphileng *Mr Speaker*.

#### “EXCHANGE OF SPEAKERSHIP”

**MR SPEAKER (MR MOATLHODI):** ... (Inaudible)...

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

**MR SPEAKER:** Thank you Honourable Member for Nkange. We shall now have Honourable Assistant Minister of Health and Wellness.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS (MR LELATISITSWE):** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*, go bo o mphile sebaka se gore le nna ke latlhele mo pegong e re e beilweng pele ke Tona Serame, e bong Tona wa rona wa Madi. Sa ntlha ke leboege Modimo,

gore letsatsi leno re bo re le fa re bua re le setšhaba, morago ga dingwaga tse pedi tse re neng re gateletswe ke bolwetse jwa Corona. Re leboege le ene Tona Serame, gore mma jaaka bakaulengwe ba ntse ba bua o le mme wa ntlha go gata setilo seo, o wetse mo setilong se se bokete. Se se batlang o tsaya ditshwetso tse ditona, tse di ka itumedisang Batswana botlhe ba lefatshe le; kana o kwa Ngarange, Boteti, Shakawe, Gantsi, Thamaga, Lobatse kana Francistown. E re a reetsa mafoko a gago a utlwe gore o bua le ene. Ke one *Ministry of Finance*, ke wena o lebeletseng ditlhabololo tsa lefatshe le.

Jaaka o supile mmaetsho gore, o tsena mo nakong e go leng thata, e bile madi a a tlhabela, ka gore itsholelo ya rona e ikaegile thata ka diteemane, bojanala le makgetho tse rotlhe re dumelang gore dilo tse tsothle ke dingwe tsa dilo tse di amilweng thata ke Corona.

Ke sone se re felelang re tsamaisa dikgang tsa madi jaana. *In general sense*, madi a, re a bo re sa a tshola mo letsogong. Ke a bona gore re le Batswana, re ye go ema ka dinako go go thusa gore o bone madi a a ka tsamaisang *Budget* ya gago ya ngwaga ono. O buile dintlha tse di mmalwa thata Mma Serame tsa ditlhabololo le tse o akanyang gore di ka dirwa gore itsholelo e ka gola go le kae. Ke latlhele fa ke le Mopalamente wa Boteti Botlhaba gore ke dumalane le dintlha tse o di buileng gore o bona itsholelo go ka dirwa eng ka yone. Lenaneo la *party* e tonatona ya Domkrag, o lebeletse dintlha tse dintsi tse di mo maikaelelong a lone go bona gore Batswana ba ka thusiwa ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Batswana ba nne le seabe se se golo mo itsholelong. Ke yone ntlha e e leng gore letsatsi leno, ke ya go remelela mo go yone fela. Ga ke na go ya kwa le kwa. Ke batla gore Batswana ba nne le seabe se se tona.

Mma Serame, ke motho yo ke tshelang mo lefatsheng la Botswana. Ke bona fa gongwe re fetisa melao re le Palamente, e e lebaganeng thata le Batswana. Fa go tla mo go diragadiweng, go bo go nna thata. Ke tlaa go neela sekai; re fetisitse melao maloba e e neng e leka ka fa re neng re e baya ka teng mo Palamenteng e. Gompieno fa re bua le wena jaana, melao e mo maphateng mo ga e a tsena mo tirisong, mme nako ya theko ya ga Goromente e simologile. Dilo tse re neng re di bolelela Batswana maloba, go raya gore ga di na go diragala. Re ya go fitlhela Batswana ba re neng re akantse go ba sireletsa ka molao, ba felela ba kgaphetswe kwa ntle ke gore melao eo ga e a tsennngwa mo tirisong. *I have subscribed for Government Gazette*, ke lebelela diphatlatlato tsa ditiro tsa ga Goromente. Fa o re o a di bala tsothle, ga di supe fa melao e re neng re e fetisa maloba e le mo teng



gotlhelele. Se ke letshwenyego le le tona gore fa o re o lebelela dikonteraka tse di tlaabong di fiwa batho, o ya go fitlhela di tsaya *three to four years*. Go raya gore *they will lock* gone foo. Re ne re buile mo melaong ya rona ya theko gore re ya go sireletsa bomme, banalebogole le gore batho ba iphitlhela ba le fa kae. *We are going to protect our citizens*, mme fa dikonteraka di setse di dule, e bile di le *float*ed di tletsetletse mo, di sa akaretse molao o re o fetisiseng o, go raya gore *some contracts are going to be four years*. *In these four years*, ga go na sepe se re ka se dirang. Tse dingwe di diragala gone mo lephateng la gago Mma Serame, *tenders are out and have been awarded*.

*In your Ministry of Finance*, re dumela gore ke dikonteraka tse di ka bong di sireleditse Batswana, di lebagane le bone. Ke dingwe tsa dintlha tse di tona tse re tshwanetseng go itse gore *when money is circulating in an economy* a sa tswela kwa ntle, re ya go bona sepatšhe sa gago se tsholetsega *in terms of taxes and spending*. Madi fa a dirisiwa mo gae, a dira ditiro. Fa o a tsaya o a neela motswakwa, o dirisa bonnyennyane fa, jo bongwe o bo isa kwa ga bone. Ke dingwe tsa dintlha tse di tona tse e leng letshwenyego. *Tenders are floating as we speak*, mme bontsi jwa tsone di a tswalwa ka kgwedi ya *March*. Fa o di lebelela tsotlhe, *you can go and call your team* Mma Serame, o ba reye o re, a le bone *tenders*? Molao o o fetisiseng ke Palamente, o ya go tsena fa kae? Ga go na gope fa o ka tsenang teng *for the coming four years*. Se ke letshwenyego le le tona. Ke a bona gore *in these fours* re tlaabo re se mo maikaelelong a ga Domkrag ka go tsisa molao wa *Citizen Inclusion*. Re ya go bona ba felela ba phadisanya.

Dilo tse di tshwanang le *supplies commodity* Mr Speaker, ke dumela gore *no foreigner should be allowed* go tsenelela *tenders* tsa *supplies*. Fa gotwe *supply* dibolo golo gongwe, go bo gotwe *because you are a local company* phadisanya, ga go na Motswana yo o ka tswang fa *and supply* dibolo kwa South Africa, *never!* Go phadisanya Batswana le batho re re ka gore *these are local companies, registered here, that thing* fela ka bo yone, ke dumela gore molao o re neng re o fetisa, *it was to empower* Batswana. Re ya go fitlhela Batswana e le bakopi *in terms of* gore molao o re o fetisiseng, ga o ye go diragadiwa *on tenders* tse di leng teng. Jaanong ka gore *all these tenders are under your ministry*, leka go di lebelela thata. Ga go na ka fa lefatshe le ka tsamayang sentle theko ya dithoto e sa dirwe ke benggae.

Ntlha e nngwe e tona e ke batlang re e lebelele ke ya *manufacturing*. Tautona o buile thata ka go rotloetsa *manufacturing* mo lefatsheng la rona. O ne a bua jaana

a re *manufacturing* o tlhama ditiro, ga go tshwane le ba ke ntseng ke bua ka bone ba *the supplies*, ba ba itlelang ka *brief case*. Fa gotwe *condoms are being supplied* at CMS nnyaa, ba a kgobokana ba ya kwa China ba ya go tsaya *price*, yo mongwe o tsaya ya P0.02, yo mongwe o tsaya ya P0.03. Ka gore yole o rile P0.03 o a fiwa, go tswa foo o tsaya *the whole 95 per cent of our money* o a romela kwa China kana *wherever*. Tautona a bo a tla ka kgang ya gore, *let us support local manufacturers*, nnyaa, e a pala Tona Serame. Dilo tse ke tsone tse di ka go thusang gore kamoso e re fa o bua *in the Budget*, o bo o tshwere madi a a botoka. Jaanong a go diragale ka bonako gore re lotlele *our procurement now*.

Madi a a gololwa ka *April*, *and we are going to see* batho ba e leng gore *they manufacture* mo lefatsheng la rona, ba nna ba ntse ba tlogelwa kwa ntle gotwe *your price is high*. *Yes, your price should be high because* o hirile batho. *You bought raw materials. You are paying electricity. You are paying water. So, you cannot compare a person who is manufacturing* le *the one operating* ka *brief case as an agent*. Motho yoo o hirile Batswana *and is helping this Government*. Jaanong ke dingwe tsa dintlha tse e leng gore Mma Serame, re tshwanetse re di lebelele thata *into empowering our private sector*.

Dikgang tse di tona tse di tshwanang le tsa bodirelapuso jwa rona jo bontsi jo, bo tshwanetse bo kgaolwe. Heela! Ke ne ke reeditse Ramogapi maloba, ke ne ka utlwa bothoko thata ke ipotsa gore ao! o raya gore go na le motho yo o santseng a dumela gompieno gore lefatshe le, le tshwanetse le tsamaisiwe ka bodirelapuso jo bo kana. Ke dumela gore ditiro ditiro ka bontsi *by now*, re tshwanetse Mma Serame o ntshe *targets* tsa lephata la gago gore a re kgaoleng. *Privatisation* re e dire fela *boldly* mo maphateng. *A lot of* dikgang tse re fitlhelang re di bona mo maphateng mo, di dirwa ke gore *we are now competing with the private sector*. Dikgang di dintsi; o ka tsaya fela gore *why does Government has to run* golo mo go tshwanang le *printing of papers*? Re na le ...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification Honourable Member.

**MR LELATISITSWE:** Mma ke tseyetseye dikgang tse ke tlaa go neela fa pele. Fa o rialo, o a bo fokotsa *this Budget*. *Budget* e tona mo lefatsheng e tshwanetse gore e nne a *Developmental Budget* go isa ditlhabololo tse ditona *that facilitate the private sector and not Recurrent*.



Fa re santse re na le *Recurrent Budget* e e kana go a supagala gore Mma Serame, *we have a bigger role to play*. Ke ne ke dumela gore melao e re neng re e fetisa maloba e ne e ka re thusa go ya kwa pele. Ke dingwe tsa dikgang tse re tshwanetseng gore re di lebelele gongwe jaanong gotwe nnyaa, maphata a nne le *targets* gore *at least every year, we privatise five per cent because gompiano we need to bring unions into these things* gore kamoso re nne le *a better budget* e e leng gore *it can facilitate our private sector*. Fa o bona batho ba tshela mo lefatsheng le ba dumela gore Goromente ke ene fela a ka rekang ke gore *our private sector is very weak; very, very weak. If our private sector is very weak, we now have a civil service* e re ka reng e dingalo; e dumela gore ke yone e e laolang (*control*) *private sector but it should not be that way*. Dilo tse ke dingwe tsa dikgang tse e leng gore Mma Serame, *we should start dikgang fela tse di tlhoafetseng mo go yone, re leke to privatise maphata a mantsintsi mo ministries* tsa rona. A re tlogeleng go dira ditiro tse di ka bong di dirwa ke *private sector*. Go gontsi tota mo re ka buang ka gone.

Ke ratile thata fa o buileng ka kgang ya go isa ditlhabololo kwa dikgaolong *that can support the economy*. Ke re fa o tsaya dikgaolo tse di tshwanang le tsa Boteti, re supe jalo gore kana dikgaolo tsele ke tse e leng gore tsone fela ka botsone fa o tlisa ditlhabololo kwa go tsone, ga o direle batho ba Boteti *a favour because already they are Special Economic Zones*. Fa o tsena fela mo motseng jwa Letlhakane, one fela ka boone *being surrounded by five or six mines*, o go supegetsa gore fa motse ole o tsenngwa *a sewage water reticulation*, o tlisa *all the necessary* nnetu tse e leng gore *they facilitate business, it will hire a lot of people*. Then these people kana ba tlaabo ba duela lekgetho le le yang go tsena mo *coffers* tsa ga Goromente, kamoso re bo re phatlalatsa madi ao re a isa kwa dikgaolong tse tsone ka botsone gongwe ga di na se e leng gore di a se dira gompiano se e leng gore gongwe se ka tsenya letseno *in the economy*. Those are Special Economic Zones ka botsone. Ke dumela gore re tshwanetse gore re bone gore dikgang tse di tshwanang le tse, *let us not compete things* fela ka gore nnyaa, fa go ntse jang. Re tshwanetse gore re lebelele.

Fa o tsaya motse o tshwana le wa... go na le tsela e nngwe e ke tle ke bue ka yone thata. Go a supagala gore *the tourism sector* ke nngwe e e ka nnang *one of the biggest employers* mo lefatsheng la rona. Fa o tsaya gore go na le tsela e nngwe e e tswang mo motseng wa Mmatshumo e ya kwa Nata, e nngwe e tswa mo Mmatshumo e ya kwa motseng wa Mosu, ke ditsela fela

tse e leng gore fa o di dira, *you are going to stimulate tourism in that area* go bo go felela e le gore batho ba ya go aga ka koo ba dira *lodges* ka gore tota batho ba batla *service* fela, e seng sepe. Ga ba batle gore Goromente a tle ka madi. Ba batla Goromente a tlisa dilo tse e leng gore *they facilitate economy*. *This will see growth in our economy*.

Jaanong ke ne ke re dintlha tse Mma Serame jaaka re ntse re di akanya jaana, fa o tsaya motse o tshwana le wa Khwee, re na le dipolase, re na le mo gotweng *a beef cluster* around motse oo; 4B, 4A, Kaka and Sandveldt *farmers* ba ke dumelang jalo gore fa re tsaya tsela e e tswang mo Letlhakane re e isa gone kwa motseng wa Khwee, *we would have facilitated those farmers*. Gompiano batho ba Modimo ba a sokola mme *these people* ke batho ba ba tshwereng *the beef industry* mme re a ba sokodisa *for them to grow* gore ba ye kwa godimo. Ke dumela gore *they can be facilitated* ka motlakase le metsi jalo. Gongwe re tle ka *scheme* se e leng gore fa batho ba dirisa *solar*; *there is a way that Government is subsidising them somehow* go bona gore *they develop*.

Ke ratile thata lenaneo la ga Honourable Moagi la maloba go fokoletswa batho gore ba tsenye motlakase mo malwapeng. Ke re go na le *component* nngwe e a e tlogetseng. *The business sector* ke sengwe *that stimulates economy*. *When you drop to an ordinary person, you need to drop* ka kwa *business sector* ka gore ke yone e e hirileng batho ba bantsi. *The same person* yo o kwa lelwapeng yole, *he needs a business* kwa a ka berekang teng. So, fa re thusa *the business sector*; *we are going to create more employment* ka gore jaanong *costs* tse re neng re ntse re di duela kwa motlakaseng fa di wela kwa tlase, go raya gore *you have chance now to hire two or three people or to expand even your production*. Ke dingwe tsa *incentives* tse e leng gore *as a developing economy, we should look at*. Re tshwanetse *to try and consider going forward* re itse gore dilo tse ke dilo tse e leng gore *we need to stimulate* nnetu... ga ke *support* thata khiro ya batho mo *civil service*, no. *I support the growth of the private sector*.

Ke lebogethata *what you alluded to in terms of agriculture*, tshwetso e e neng ya tsewa ke Goromente ka lenaneo la *agriculture* la go tswala *borders*...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Clarification *Rre* Sethomo.

**MR LELATISITSWE:** Ee rra, ke tlaa go neela. E bile *they should increase* le se se leng teng ka gore *there is nothing peculiar* tse e leng gore go ka twe South Africa kana mafatshe a re bapileng le one ba na le sone se re



senang naso. Golo moo e ne e le tshwetso e tona; *that was a decisive intention to support* Batswana ka go tswala *borders* gore jaanong go lengwe. Fa re ka dira *analysis* fela *in these few five months* yo o fetileng, o ka bona gore Batswana ba le bantsi jaanong ba iphirile kwa *farms just* ka a *decision* e e neng ya tsewa jalo ke Tautona le Khuduthamaga ya gagwe. *These are the decisions that we want to grow the sector. Let us facilitate* lenaneo lone leo le e leng gore batho ba ba a thusiwa jaanong gore ba nne bagolo le bone kamoso ba rekisetse kwa ntle (*export*). *These are the areas that we need to look into to try as Ministry of Finance to support* mananeo a a tshwanang le one ao.

*Project implementation* e e neng e buiwa ke Dr Never Tshabang tota e setse e tshwenya. *We release* madi a mantsi a ya kwa maphateng mme fa o lebelela gore *do they have the structure to support that budget*, o fitlhela e le gore *it is the same cohort of people* ba ba neng ba ntse ba le foo *last year* ba ba paletsweng ke go dira sepe *and we still give them the same budget. In a way*, golo mo Mma Serame ke dingwe tsa dikgang tse e leng gore tota re tshwanetse gore jaanong gongwe re tle ka *project implementation teams* tse e leng gore *are under your ministry to try and facilitate* fa madi a tsentsweng teng. Ke ne ke re dikgang tse a re di lebelele thata ka gore fa o sa dirise (*spend*) madi e bo e re *in the next budget* fa go tshwanetseng gore gongwe go tlisiwe madi kwa go wena go bo gotwe madi a gago re a a kgaola ka gore ga o a dirisa a *last year, that is unfair to the department. Rather* gongwe gotwe *what is your problem? Is it because* ga o na *staff* kana ga o na eng *or what is happening?* Fa madi a sa dirisiwe, *that is holding back what you could have doubled*. Ke sone se re buang re re tota le rona mo kgaolong ya rona ya Boteti re sale re emela a *police station*. Ga ke itse gore ngwaga o ke wa bokae go ntse gotwe e mo *tendering* go buiwa dikgang tse di... e ka bo gompiono e agilwe e bile e fedile. Ditori tsa teng ga se tse e leng gore o ka di tlhalosa (*explain*) mme ke re ka gore *this budget is here*, ke dumela jalo gore ke dingwe tsa dikgang tse di tlaa tsibogelwang.

Kgang e nngwe ke kgang ya lefatshe *Minister of Finance* gore tota *to facilitate* Batswana *into getting land, that is how we can empower them* gore ba kgone go tsaya lefatshe, ba nne le lefatshe le ba ka itirelang *either* dikgwebo kana ba nna le fa ba nnang teng ba nna le seriti. *Then* madi *have been released*, ke re a go ye go thusiwa, *Letlhakane has long waiting lists* tse e leng gore tota jaanong batho ba *are so demoralised that* bontsi jwa bone ba iphitlhela ba le mo *squatters*. Ke dikgang dingwe tse di tshwanetseng gore di lebelelwe thata le *project implementation*.

Kgang e nngwe tota e ke e lebogelang thata ke ya gore, le batsadi ba rona le ba latlhelitse sengwe. Lemme ga le swabise *Mr Speaker*, gore le bo le ba latlhelitse sengwe. *Any percentage* e o e latlhelang motho, go nna le pharologanyo mo botshelong jwa gagwe. Gongwe re ka tswa re ntse fa re e lebelela o kare ke madi a manyennyane, mme a tlaa dira pharologanyo mo matshelong a Batswana ba rona, one a bagolo bagaetsho.

**MR BOKO:** *Clarification Honourable Member.* Ee ke a go utlwa Tona, segolo jang fa o bua ka kgang e, tota dikgang di pedi. Mme ke go leboegele gore le wena mme o lela selemo se se lelwang ke batho ba Mahalapye East, ba kwa Mookane gareng ga mafelo a mangwe, gore ba batla go fiwa lefatshe. Ke leboga gore o opela pina e re e opelang. Jaanong fa re tsena mo mading a bagodi a P100, ke utlwa ke go gakgamalela thata. Ke gore Puso *Honourable Hikuama* e kgona go itumelela gore ya re lemme?

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Jaanong o bua le Hikuama?

**MR BOKO:** Puso fela *Honourable Hikuama* e re lemme, ga ke kgone go tlhaloganya gore a mme re tshwanetse go nna re ikgatlha ka lemme re le Puso, re bo re nna re *...(inaudible)...* re fa batho maP100. *Do you not think we could have done more, more so that there was a Motion by the Honourable triple P, the Speaker, gore* bagodi ba okeletswe madi le fa a ne a sa baya seelo? *Do you think P100 makes any difference* mo matshelong a batho ba kwa Mahalapye, *looking at the conditions* tsa gore motlakase o okeditswe...*(inaudible)...* metsi a okeditswe?

**MRLELATISITSWE:** *Thank you so much Honourable Boko for your elucidation.* Ke supe jalo rraetsho gore, fa o tsaya P100 *on top of what* bagodi ba neng ba ntse ba se fiwa *in terms of percentage, I think* le wena sale o bereka *you have never got that percentage.* Jaanong ke ne ke re *it is something that we need to appreciate.* Gape re lebelela le lona, gore le wena o le Boko jaana *you need to take care of your parents*, o se ka wa dumela fela gore *it is responsibility* ya Puso. Jaanong ke ne ke re se re se dirileng seo ke maiteko *in terms of percentage...* *(inaudible)...* a a tlisitsweng ke nnetu. Ke dingwe tsa dikgang tse ke di lebeleleng.

*Honourable Peggy Serame*, kgang e nngwe e tona e re tshwanetseng gore re e lebelele ke kgang ya *to sponsor* bana *to universities*, gongwe nako e gorogile ya gore jaanong Batswana ba nne le seabe. Gongwe motho a tshwana le Boko jaana *their child should not be sponsored* kwa university, *why should it be that way?* Re



lebelele dikgang tse, *these are the discussions that we should start talking about*. O fitlhela e le gore jaanong motho wa teng o itumetse kwa Primi o ja madi a a ka bong a duelela ngwana kwa University of Botswana ka one. Jaanong madi a teng ka a mantsi mo go maswe o fitlhela e le gore o eme ka ...*(inaudible)*... o ya kwa clubs. *This is the money that ... (inaudible)...* o reka Range Rover, o reka eng. Ke gore ke dilo tse jaanong o ka bong o thusa le wena *to grow your child*. Jaanong ke dumela gore Puso *has to start go tsena mo discussion* eo ya gore go se ka ga nna *a blanket thing* fela ya gore ngwana mongwe le mongwe *is sponsored*. Honourable Dr Never Tshabang, o raya gore ga o ka ke wa duelela ngwana wa gago kwa University of Botswana? *You can*. Jaanong ke tsone dikgang tse e leng gore fa gongwe o fitlhela e le gore re kgobokane fela mo dikgannyeng, *where we could be saving* Puso madi ka *to discuss* dikgang tse di ntseng jaana.

Jaanong ke ne ke rialo ke re, tota dikgang tse e leng gore Motlotlegi Mma Serame o re di beile pele, ke supe jalo gore dikgang tsa *leakages* di dintsi thata. Ke ratile thata ka kgang ya gago e o supileng gore *corruption is imbedded* mo *systems* tsa rona. Ke re a go lebelelwe thata. *Let us rotate people, especially the procurement officers* mo maphateng a ga Goromente, ka gore, *I believe they fall under your ministry*. Fa ba nna foo lebaka le le leele, kgantele jaanong ke gone mo e leng gore jaaka ke ne ke bua *they feel there are stronger than the private sector, they dictate* gore *who gets this, who does not get this*. Ke dumela gore dikgang tse ke tse go tlhokagalang gore re le Goromente re di bue. A re nneng le *targets in terms of our privatisation target*. Le kgang ya go fokotsa dikompone, kana mo gotweng *parastatals* tsa ga Goromente, a re direng dikgang tse ka bofefo, re leke go bona jalo gore jaanong Batswana ba le bantsi Goromente ga a latlhelwe ke madi mo go tsone dikgang tse, o ka fitlhela e le gore batho ba foo ba na le *allowances* tse di gakgamatsang, le *trips* tse ba di tsamayang, mme o fitlhela e le gore *these are* dilo tse e leng gore *some responsibilities are duplicated in other parastatals*. Ke leboge gore le wena o lemogile dilo tse, e bile o di beile leitlho mmaetsho go ya kwa pele.

Tota kgang e tonatona e ke neng ke batla go bua ka yone ke e ya gore, *project implementation that is where we lose money*. *We cannot have a Development Budget* e e tsamaelanang kana e bapa le *Recurrent Budget*, golo moo ga go re supe re le lefatshe, re na le *intention* ya *to develop private sector*. Ke kopa gore tota a re emeng ka dinao, re godise *our private sector*, e se ka ya re kamoso

re bo re le Puso e e leng gore ga re na *Development Budget, budget* ya rona yotlhe ke e e duelang babereki fela, ga bo go felela e le gore jaanong re tshwana le mafatshe a mangwe a re tlholang re a bona, go sena le fa e le letlhasedi la tsela le la metsi. Ke rialo ke re rra ...*(inaudible)*... lebogele thata.

Re le batho ba Boteti re supe jalo gore rra, re eletsa jalo gore metsi a a tswang kwa matamong, *only 300 kilometres....* go tswa ka kwa *side* ya Tonota go a go ema kwa Rakops *is only 300 kilometres*, a e leng gore metsi a teng mo matamong. E bile bangwe re utlwa jalo gotwe metsi a gape a sielwa le batho kana ba ba lemanang foo, mme e se yone *responsibility* ya Water Utilities Corporation (WUC). Re a itse gore metsi ao go ne go tilwe ke a *human consumption*. Le rona re le ba Boteti sale re kopa gore a go gogiwe *pipe* e tswe gone kwa e ye go felela kwa Rakops e leke go sireletsa... metse ya rona e tlhamaletse, e mo tseleng fela, *it will branch* e tsena Mokubilo, Mmeya, Makgaba, Mosu, Mmatshumu, Mokobaxane, Xhumu, go a go tsena fela kwa Rakops e ya kwa pele. Ke dingwe tsa dilo tse e leng gore fa re ka dira jalo re tlaabo re atumeditse ditlhabololo kwa bathong, le bone ba tlaa itlhabolola, e re kamoso ba bo ba kgetha. Kana fa ba kgetha go raya gore sepatšhe sa gago o le Mme Mma Serame se a gola.

*Tourism*; ke dumela jalo gore ke builenyana ka yone. Ke dumela gore ke lebogele diphetogo tse di dirilweng kwa *ministry* o, e le tsa mananeo a gore jaanong Batswana ba kgone go rua mo masimong. Se se tlaa godisa itsholelo, le wena o tlaa lemoga *on the budget* e e tlang gore *your contribution from that ministry* kana *from that department* e a go gola ka gore, Batswana tota bone fela ka bobone ke batho ba ba dumelang thata mo bojanaleng. Ke ne ke re a dikgaolo tse meepo e diriwang mo go tsone a di tlhabololweng, re itse jalo gore ka botsone *is a special economic zone*. *I do not have to emphasize on that*, ke dikgang tse o di itseng. Ke dikgang tse di builweng, ke *plans* tse dintsi. Ke a leboga.

**ASSISTANT MINISTER OF AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND FOOD SECURITY (MR MOLEBATSI):** *Thank you*. Ke a go leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke a go dumedisana mo tshokologong eno, ke go lebogela tshono e o e mphileng ya gore le nna jaaka bakaulengwe ke latlhele la mmotlana mo kgannye e ya kabakanyo ya madi.

*Mr Speaker*, sa ntlha ke leboge gore mo ditsong tsa lefatshe la rona la Botswana kabakanyo ya madi ya ngwaga ono e ne e dirwa ke motho wa mme. Motho



wa mme, mme yo o botlhale, yo e leng gore ke ene a tlaa supang gore lefatshe la rona la Botswana re fa bomme tshono gore le bone ba itshupe gore ba ka nna le *contribution* mo lefatsheng la bone.

Mma ke tlhamalale fela ke tsene mo dikgannye, gore kana *budget* e ke e e dirwang gompiano re tswa mo manokonokong kana re santse re le mo manokonokong a COVID-19, a re nang le dingwaga tse pedi go le thata.

Re Puso e e rileng fa re simolola re sena go nna re fiwa thomo ya go busa, ra iphitlhela e le gore re busa go le thata mme ra tshwanelwa ke gore re kabakanye madi, re tshwaraganye fale le fale, le fa bangwe ka rona ba santse ba bua gore ga le a dira go lekane, le tlhela fale le fale. Batswana ke dumela gore ba dumalana le rona gore mo e ne e se mo go tlwaeleseng, go ne go tla e le masaitseweng a re neng re sa a ipaakanyetsa, re direla mo COVID-19.

*Mr Speaker*, gape ke lebohe gore kana thulaganyo e ya *Budget* e jaaka Motlotlegi Mma Serame a ne a e bua, e ne e le e e neng e dirilwe ka therisanyo. O ne a tsamaya, ba bua le batho le batsayakarolo ba e leng gore ...(*Inaudible*)... ba mo *Budget*. Sengwe se re tshwanetseng gore re se lemoge *Mr Speaker*, mo therisanyong yone e fela jaaka Mme Mma Serame a ne a supa, ke botlhokwa jwa gore batsayakarolo ba ne ba bua gore re simolola go nna sebetse se molangwana ka *Budget* e e leng gore bontsi jwa yone ke e e duelang *salaries*, *wages*, *subventions* kana e duela madi a a fiwang *local authorities* le State-Owned Enterprises (SOEs). E bo e le gore tota ga gona sepe se se kalokalo kana ga go supe *Budget* ya rona e dira ditlhabololo.

Kana ditlhabololo fa go tlhabolotswe segolo *infrastructure*, gone fa a reng re foo, o kgona go itirela botshelo ka boene fela thata fa go dirilwe ditsela, marogo, motlakase, jalajalo. Se se ne se supa gore le rona re tshwanetse gore re simolole go bona gore ga re ka ke ra nnela gore jaanong madi a mantsi a duela dituelo, *workshops*, go ya ditiriping mme go sena tlhabololo epe e re e bonang bagaetsho *on the ground*.

O ne a bua gore lephata la gagwe le ne la reetsa fela thata mme la dira gore go nne le *a reasonable balance between the Current and Development Budgets*. Ke gore go se ka ga fetafetana thata. Ke dumela gore a go fokotsweng madi a a duelang dituelo tsone tse ke ntseng ke bua ka tsone. Ke sone se o boneng ke tlaa bua ka gone go ya kwa pele gore gongwe go nne le phokotso, o kopanye SOEs kana makalana a mangwe a mantsintsi, a ditiro tsa one o fitlhelang e le gore di a fapaana kana ba dira selo se le sengwefela.

Mongwe o buile ka phokotso ya bodirelapuso le gone gore re e sekaseke le yone, bo bontsi fela thata. Le gone ke dumela gore badirelapuso go na le ba e leng gore ditiro tsa bone le tsone di a tshwana, bangwe ba dira se ba bangwe ba se dirang. A se se lejwe thata, re bone gore re dira jang ka gone mme ga re ka ke ra re re gomotsa badirelapuso go sena sepe fela se re se dirang re le Puso gore fa re ba fokotsa, fa re ba ntsha mo ditirong, re ba isa kae, ba ya go dira eng, re solofela eng ka bone?

Ke sone se Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, kwa Lephatheng la Peeletso, Papadi le Madirelo, ba ne ba dira *middle class strategy*. *Strategy* seo ke sone konokono, se se supang gore badirelapuso ba fiwe Lesedi, ba ba batlang go tswa mo ditirong gore fa a tswa, a lebe kae, le gone Puso e mo thuse ka tsela e e ntseng jang. Golo moo ke tiro e ntle thata e e dirilweng ke Puso. Ke dumela gore ba Lephata la Peeletso, Papadi le Madirelo ba tlaa tsamaya ba bua le Batswana ka gone.

E re ke leba tsone tsa gore madi a re neng re a kgaoganya re ya go dira eng ka one. Ke simolole fela ka nngwe ya ditirelo tse ke neng ke bua ka tsone gore kana Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, tota selelo sa me se tshwana le sa ga Motlotlegi Motaosane. Ga gona sepe se se kalo se ke ka se buang mo *Budget* e. Ke gone o bonang ke bua kwa morago ga batho jaana ka gore kana kwa kgaolong ya rona, tota ga gona sepe mo ditogamaanong tsa ditlhabololo se se tlang kwa go rona. Ga gona ditlhabololo, motse o tshwana le Mmadinare jaana, o santse o le mosetlhasetha, ga gona ditsela, ga gona sepe. Mongwe o ne a bua gore fa baswi, batsadi ba rona gongwe ke re rraarona, a ke re Sir Seretse Khama rraarona a kile a ya Mmadinare nako e a neng a tshedile, fa nne a ka tsoga, ga a ka ke a timela mo motseng ka gore ga gona sepe se se dirilweng. O tlaa fitlhela Mmadinare ene yo a saleng a mo tlogetse ka 1979.

Jaanong ke sone se re se buang gore ka gore re ya kwa legatong le lengwe la ditlhabololo, a re netefatseng gore re akaretsa mafelo a mangwe a a tshwanang le bo Mmadinare, Tamasane, Mogapi, Mogapinyana, Dilorole Sefhophe, ba tota NDP 11 e ne e sa ba akaretse gope. Ga gona se ke ka se buang ka tseo. Gongwe ke ka itumelela gore ka re simolola legato le lengwe ke le Mopalamente, ke ntse ke eme gone go bona gore a tse re saleng re di kopa mo mafelong one a, go baakanya ditsela tsa Mmadinare le Rural Administration Authority (RAC), *clinic* e e kwa Mogapi e re saleng re e solofetswa, go baakanya *clinic* kwa Maokatumo, tse tsotlhe ke e fa dikai fela, borogo jwa Molabe, re solofela gore di tlaa nna teng mo togamaanong e e tlang.



O ne o bua gone gore re baya P3 billion wa *maintenance; public infrastructure*, re bo re baya P3 billion re beela dikompone tsa Batswana. Le gone go ne gotwe bontsi jwa one a ya kwa dikomponeng tsa Batswana. Ke ne ke re fela jaaka Tona Lelatisitswe a ne a bua, *Budget e is shy*, e ditlhong, sone se re neng re se bua re ntsha melao maloba re re re tlaa thusa Batswana, ditlhong tsa yone ke gore ga e tsamaelane le yone melao ya maloba re e ntsha re re ditiro di ya kwa Batswaneng. P3 billion for Batswana o monnye, P3 billion ke *projects* tsa Khato Civils fela, *company* e le nngwefela. P3 billion o monnye, a re reng dilo tsotlhe kwa ntle ga *maintenance* fela, fa go ne go ya ka nna, ke ne ke re *projects* tse di setseng tsa NDP 11, a re di kgaoganyeng dikompone tsa Batswana fela.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** *Clarification.* Nnyaa mme tota e bile o setse o e amile. O wetse ka yone tota mokaulengwe. Ke ne ke re ke go raya ke re mo go ene P3 billion, fa gotwe go tlaa neelwa *majority companies* tsa Batswana, ke eng re sa papamale fela re re P3 billion otlhe o ya go neelwa *companies* tsa Batswana, e seng bontsi jwa one; madi ao otlhe? Ke a leboga mokaulengwe.

**MR MOLEBATSI:** Ke dumalana le wena mokaulengwe. Le nna kang e ga e ntseye sentle ka gore santlha fela ene P3 billion, Batswana ba sale ba eme. Dikompone sa Batswana di siame, di nonofetse gore di ka dira ditiro tse di saleng di eme, kana dikompone tsa Batswana ba e leng gore *they are non-targeted*, e le gore ke bone fela ba e leng gore gongwe re lebile re le kgakala mme nkabo ...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** *Clarification.*

**MR MOLEBATSI:** ...we are bold, we are taking decisions, let us take decisions now and...

**MR SPEAKER:** *Clarification sought.*

**MR MOLEBATSI:** ...we must take decisions *gore* we must empower our own people. Our people are ready, they are capable.

**MR SPEAKER:** *Clarification sought.*

**MR MOLEBATSI:** Ke tlaa mo neela.

A dikonteraka e seng *maintenance* fela, le yone A1 e le reng e tlaabo e dirwa *dual*, a re reng re e neela Batswana. *They are ready, they are capable. Project from zero to P500 million* re e neele Batswana mme *targeted citizens*. Gongwe P500 million go ya kwa godimo re e neele

Batswana, *targeted citizens and non-targeted* Batswana. Le tlaa tlhaloganyana gore ke raya jang fa ke re *non-targeted*. Go raya gore go na le Batswana ba letso la se-China, se-Arabia, ba ba tletseng gone mo *construction*. Gongwe ke bone ba re ka reng ke *non-targeted*. *Then maybe a billion upwards*, ke gone re bo re re *international bids*, but let us be bold re neele Batswana, re tlogela go nna re le ditlhong ka gore *Budget* e e ditlhong, ga e buiwe jaaka re ne re bua ka melao ya maloba re e fetisa.

Ke ne ke tsamaya ke galaotega Botswana jo jotlhe, ke bua gore go ya go fiwa Batswana, mme ga go buiwe sentle fela mo *budget*, go papametse.

**MINISTER OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (MS SERAME):** *On a point of clarification. Thank you Mr Speaker. Honourable Molebatsi, ka bokhutshwane, gakere o gakologelwa gore fa gotwe bulky jaana, go ne go na le dikgang tsa gore e ya maintenance ya P3 billion; tlaa ke tseye yone e le example. Kwa health for example, o kgona go fitlhela mo gongwe e le machines e e sa tsweng mo Botswana, kana go ne go tewa gotwe go tswenngwe dilo tseo mo teng. Are you aware of that?*

*Number 2; gakere o a itse gore fa gotwe P3 billion bulk ke Batswana, ga go tewe gotwe tse dingwe tse tsotlhe ba ntshediwa kwa ntle? Ga ke reye gore ga ke dumelane le wena, ke ne ke re fela you are also taking those into consideration. Thank you Mr Speaker.*

**MR MOLEBATSI:** Ga ke go utlwe sentle golo fa kgaitadiaka. Ra re go tlaa fiwa Motswana, ke ene a bo a reka kwa ntle. A ga re batle gore madi a tlhamalale, fa go na le sengwe se go ka tweng se ka pelela Motswana, a go fiwe Motswana, e nne ene a ipatlelang ba ba tla mo thusang. *Let us be bold, let us give our people, let us empower our own people, this is the right time.* Re tshwanetse re dire jalo. Re na le melao e e rialong gompieno. Fela gone gore nnyaa, ga go na Motswana, re tlaa neela ba bangwe, kana se se diragalang gompieno bagaetsho, se tlabisa ditlhong. Maloba madi a re neng re a fetisa a *supplementary* kwa *health*, a go tweng go rekwa Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), 90 per cent ya madi ao CMS e rekile kwa ntle, ga e a reka mo Batswaneng ka gore gatwe Batswana ga ba kgone go dira jalo. Ke eng o sa fe Motswana gore e nne ene a batlang dilo tseo kwa ntle? Kana ke tsone dilo tse di diragalang. Ga re ka ke ra tswelela go ntse fela jalo.

*Structural reforms; o ne a bua gore, go re re kgone re baakanye go ya kwa pele, a re direng structural reforms mo itsholelong ya rona. Transformation kana go fetola*



Puso, re se ka ra e bua ka molomo, re bone diphetogo tse di diragala gore re kgone gore re dire ditiro jaaka re ne re bua, gongwe re baakanye le ene Goromente. Se re a se amogela gore Goromente o tlaa baakannwa, *ministries will be transformed*. Gongwe go dirwe *ministries* tse di lebaganeng le matshelo a gompiano le se itsholelo ya lefatshe ka bophara e se batlang letsatsi leno.

Fa go na le *ministry* o o tlhokegang, gongwe wa *small businesses*, a o dirwe. Seo re tseela gore go ka re sologela melemo fa go ka nna jalo. Fela jaaka re ne re bua ka SOE gore tse dingwe jaanong di setse e le gore tiro ya tsone di tshwaragane fela, di dira selo se le sengwefela. Fa o ba biditse, o fitlhela ba lwela *podium* gone fa. Yo o tla ka *banner* ya gagwe e e buang gore e tliisa bagwebi mo lefatsheng, yo mongwe le ene o tla ka ya gagwe le yone e re e tlaa tliisa bagwedi mo lefatsheng. Yo mongwe o bua gore o tlaa ntsha lefatshe, o fitlhela e le gore go a thulathulanwa fela. Go botlhokwa gore gompiano re bone gore re a di kopanya.

*Priorities* kana *objectives* tsa *budget* e, ke jaaka go buiwa gore kgang e tona gompiano e re lebaganyeng le yone ke COVID-19. Ke leboge fela sentle thata gore re a elwa ntwana ya COVID-19. E bile go a supafala gore mo lefatsheng ka bophara, e seng Africa fela, re bona fela gore ka go kenta re tsamaya sentle, re kentile Batswana ba le bantsi, melemo e teng, e bile re ba kopa gore ba tle go kenta. E bile gore re se ka ra tloga ra e tsholola ra e latlha e le *expired*, ga se gore gompiano gongwe re fe batho *incentives* tsa gore gongwe fa o ka tla go kenta, re tlaa go neela sengwe, re tlaa go neela *ticket* ya *match* wa Gaborone United le Rollers jaaka kwa mafatsheng mangwe ba dira? Ba ba ratang *ball* mme ba gana go kenta, ka gore Rollers e tshameka le *team* e tona Notwane beke e e tlang, re tlaa le neela *tickets* tsa teng kana re tlaa go neela *combo*. Gongwe go dirwe fela jalo gore batho ba kgone go kenta.

Ke leboge bagarona kwa Mmadinare bo Dr Chabaesele. Maloba ba dirile mo gongwe mo go ntle thata, re na le *event* kwa Letamong la Dikgatlhong, batho ba tletse, ba bo ba tla ba tlhoma mokento gone foo. Dr Chabaesele kwa Selebi Phikwe a tla go kenta batho. Batho ba ne ba fodile *line* ba kenta, go ne go kgaltha thata. Gongwe re nne re rotloetse le ba bangwe; a go lenyalo, a go eng, le gone kwa lesong, gore ba atumele ba kente batho jaaka ke ne ke bona ba latetse batho kwa phuthegong e re neng re le kwa go yone.

Kana maloba go ne go tsogile modumo gore bangwe ba sentse, fa go ntse go rekwa dilo tsa COVID-19, go jelwe madi, go rekilwe dilo tse di turang. Ga dirwa yone

*audit* eo. Ke kope Motlotlegi Serame gore mma, *audit* eo a e tswe, a e nne phatlalatsa. Batho ba itse gore ke bomang ba ba jeleng madi fa e le gore go jelwe madi. Ke bo mang ba ba ithekiseditseng ka gore gatwe rona Mapalamente segolobogolo rona ba Domkrag, ke rona. Le rona le re tlhatswe maina. A e tswe, Tautona a tseye ditshwetso tse di maleba ka ba ba ka tswang ba sentse. Re bone Tautona kwa Malawi a tsaya ditshwetso, a ntsha badirelapuso, mapolotiki ba ba neng ba le mo tshenyong ya COVID-19. Kwa South Africa fela jalo, Tona a tswa ka one molato wa go nna dinalanyana mo dilong tsa COVID-19. A re boneng dilo tse di diragala, batho ba ba ka tswang ba sentse ka tsela nngwe, ba otlhaiwe ka gore le one *Manifesto* wa rona wa Botswana Democratic Party (BDP) ra rialo ra re re ila tshenyetso-setšhaba lebaibai. A re boneng gore ba ba sentseng go nne sekai.

*Infrastructure development* - ke dumela gore mafatshe gompiano le one a a nang le madi, a a humileng; bo America, kwa ga Mma Mosadinyana, mafatshe a maChina, *infrastructure development* ga e dirwe ke Goromente fela, ba dira mo go tweng Public Private Partnership (PPP), ba tshwaragana le *the private sector* gore ba dire dilo. O kare golo fa re a diega, re siiwa ke dilo. Re tlaabo re sa dire botlhodi.

Bo *Global Infrastructure Hub* ke makalana a a thusang ka PPP, *risk allocation tools* gore fa e le gore re tshaba *risk* ka gore ke dumela gore gongwe mo ga rona mo *Ministry of Finance and Economic Development* ba santse ba sekaseka, a re ikamanyeng le makalana a a dirileng go le go ntsi gore ba kgone ba tliise PPP. Re dirise madi a *Pension Fund*, madi a re emetse, jaanong madi ao a *Pension Funds* tsa rona a tlhabolola mafatshe a mangwe. Re ka bo re dirisa madi ao gone mo lefatsheng la rona, re dira ditsela tse ke ntseng ke bua ka tsone. Tsela ya Mmadinare-Robebelela, Mmadinare-Tonota sepatela kwa Maokatumo, fela jalo bagaetsho. Ke tsone dilo tse re ka kgonang go di dira.

E re ke le gone fa ke re, *Honourable* Lefhoko Moagi, rraetsho, o tsamaya sentle. Kwa *ministry* wa gago ke bona PPP e ntsi, Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) e o e dirisang kwa lephateng la gago, o dira go le go ntle. Ke bona *generating facilities* tsa *solar*, tsa batho, *the 50 megawatts* tse pedi tse o buang ka tsone, *200 megawatts* wa *concentrated solar power*, *one megawatt* tsa go fetlha motlakase tse e leng gore ga se lona le ntshang mo pateng, le biditse batsayakarolo ba ba nang le madi gore le tle le thusane tiro e. Ke tiro e ntle thata rra, *you are a trendsetter*, o gatetse pele, re batla go bona bo





Motlotlegi Molale le bo Motlotlegi Segokgo le bone ba tsena, re bona ditsela, dipatela dikole tse di dirwang ka PPP. Kwa *energy* rra o tswelitse sentle, mme legone mo re a go leboga.

Kwa metsing fela jalo, ga go pale gore re nne le PPP. Fa re sena metsi gongwe kwa Lobatse kana Kanye, mme metsi a tshologa motse otlhe kwa tlase ga lefatshe, re ka kgona gore re tseye batho ba ba ka baakanyang *pipes* tseo kwa teng ga lefatshe. Ra somerela metsi a mantsinti a re a pompang a tswa kwa Letsibogo le Dikgathong, a tla ka madi a a kanakana e bo e re fa a tla go tsena, a tshwanetse gore a nowe ke batho, e bo e le gore a felela mo lefatsheng kwa tlase.

Ke go leboge *Honourable* Mzwinila gore *project* ya rona ya Mmadinare, Serule, Selebi Phikwe ya go tsenya *pipes* tsa metsi, e tsamaya sentle, e simolotse.

Ke ne ke kopa gore re ye go e *launch* fela jaaka re bona tse dingwe, batho ba tle ba kgone go bona le rona re itumeletse gore o re direla tiro e ntle thata. Re kopa gore re ye go e *launch*, e tsamaya sentle, batho ba Damochujena ba tlaa nna le metsi. Batho ba itumeletse go bona gore *pipes* di a tsena. Ba Mmadinare South, motse wa Mmadinare o a gola, le bone ba itumela thata rra, ba bona gore *pipes* ke tse di a goroga, re bona gore batho ba mo tseleng.

Re tlhoka Information and Communications Technology (ICT), ga re batle gore fa re le mo diofising gotwe *system* e ole, ga o ka ke wa duela *licence* ya dikoloi, le yone Palamente, re e tle re e lofe fa gongwe e le gore ga go na *internet*. Golo moo go tshwanetse gore go emiwe ka dinao, gongwe go dirisiwe Public Private Partnership (PPP). *Maybe another pipe* ya one maranyane a e e tswang kwa mawatleng, re tsenye yone, mme re e tsenya ka PPP. Ke dumela thata mo *private sector* e e leng gore ke batsayakarolo. Botswana Fibre Networks (BoFiNet) fela ka boyone, ga e ka ke ya kgona. Gape Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente, ke batla go gatelela gore a makalana a Puso a tswa mo kgwebong, a BoFiNet e tswa mo kgwebong ya go rekisa *internet*, a e tswa mo *data centres*. Re kgone go tlogela Batswana ba dire dilo tsone tse, a BoFiNet e rekise go le gontsi e tlise mo lefatsheng, go na le gore ke yone jaanong e phatlalatsang mo lefatsheng ka gore bana ba rona ba ka bo ba tsena gone fa. Re a itse gore go na le bangwe ba ba lehang go dira tsone dilo tse, mme o fitlhela ba thulathulana le Goromente, kana BoFiNet ke Goromente. Ga re a tshwanela go dira jalo, ke gone re ka kgonang go direla Batswana ditiro.

Kwa Lephatheng la Temothuo rra, go tsamaya sentle. Re bona e le gore re filwe madi a re tlaa tlang re dira *investment in agriculture infrastructure*. Re tlaa kgona go ya go direla batho *cluster fencing*, gongwe re ba thuse le gone go ntsha disana. *Clusters* di tshwana le bo Molemo wa Popagano, Mogapinyana, Nkwanapedi le Mmadinare, mme ka Integrated Support Programme for Arable Agriculture Development (ISPAAD) yone e e tlang e, re kgone go ba thusa, mme se re a se lebogela.

**MR LEUWE:** *Clarification. Thank you Mr Speaker, good afternoon.* Ke a leboga Rre Molebatsi. Ke ntse ke utlwa o boka thata Rre Mzwinila rra, gore wena kwa kgaolong ya gago o go direla sentle e bile a ye *to launch* gore le tle le itumele. Jaanong kwa kgaolong ya me ka ke beile thata mo temothuong, wena re ya go go leletsa megolokwane leng kwa Takatokwane, o ile *to launch* sengwe fela jaaka gompiano o boka kwa kgaolong ya gago? Ke a leboga.

**MR MOLEBATSI:** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*. Ke sone se ke ntseng ke se bua ke go raya ke re go na le *cluster* e ke tshwanetseng go tla go e *launch* kwa kgaolong ya gago. Go na le balemi ba ba lehang merogo, le bone ke tlaa tla ke ba *launch*. Gakere o a utlwa gore ke bitsa Rre Mzwinila, mpitsa le wena ke tle *to launch* sengwe. Ga go nke go tlhokafala sepe *that I can launch*, le batho ba temo.

*Mr Speaker*, ke leboge ba Mmadinare Multipurpose Cooperative Society, ba Mannaesi gore nnyaa rra, re ntse re tshwere fela ka thata. Polase e e tona ya dinamune ele, ke ne ke na le bone beke yone e, ke ile go e tlhola, ke tiro e ntle thata. Jaanong o kare bangwe ba ka kopa (*copy*), koporase nngwe mo lefatsheng e ka kopa, le yone ya ntsha lefatshe, ya dira bontle jo re bo dirang kwa Mannaesi, ya kgona go hira Batswana ba le bantsi gore ba kgone go bona ditiro mo *projects* tsa go nna jalo. Re solofela gore dilo tse ke tsone tse re tshwanetseng go di kopa, re di dirise mo Botswana ka bophara gore re direle Batswana ditiro.

*Mr Speaker*, e re ke ya go wela, ke gatelele gore mo *paragraph number 45*, Tona o ne a bua gore ba a bona gore *implementation* ya PPP e saletse kwa morago. Ke a kopa ke bo ke rapela ke re, ga re na sepe se re ka se bolelelang Batswana gompiano gore ga go na madi, ga re kgone go dira ditiro dingwe, re bo re re ka gore ga re na madi, mme go na le metlhala ya gore tsone ditirelo tse di ka dirwa. Ke kope gore a re diriseng madi fela jaaka re bona mo mafatsheng a mangwe go dirisiwa madi a bo *pension fund*. A re batleng boitseanape kwa mafatsheng a mangwe, re kgone go dira ditiro tsone tse.



Go ne go buiwa ka metlhala ya gore re dira jang go batla madi mo itsholelong ya rona. Nngwe ya teng ke e e neng e arabiwa ke Tona Serame, ke utlwa a bua ka lekgetho gore a mme re kgona go tsaya lekgetho mo bathong. Gone moo go tshwanetse go bonwa gore re a tiisa, mafatshe a mangwe a tshwana le bo South Africa le India, ba dira madi a mantsi ka *collection* ya lekgetho. Dipalo tse a neng a di bua kgantele Tona, *tax collection to Gross Domestic Product (GDP)*, go ne go supa fela gore re santse re le kwa tlase. Go na le bangwe ba ba sa dueleng lekgetho golo gongwe, ga se Motswana fela yo o rekang se a se rekang kwa Choppies. Go na le golo gongwe fa e leng gore lekgetho ga le tsewe sentle, mme re tshwanetse go baakanya golo mo ka gore dipalo tse di ne di supa gore go tsewa lekgetho go santse go le kwa tlase. Le yone e ke neng ke e bua ya *reducing the Government wage bill*, go botlhokwa gore re fokotse *wage bill* ya rona. Re ka e fokotsa, ka go fokotsa bodirelapuso, mme re bo fokotsa re sa ba latlhe, re ba *entice* ka go ba neela tse ba ka di dirang tse di ka ba tshetsang.

**MR HIKUAMA:** *Clarification.* Honourable Molebatsi Molebatsi, ke utlwile o bua o ama ntlha ya PPP e le lenaneo le o le rotloetsang e bile o batlang le diragala, jaaka le builwe mo go direng ditsela tsa rona go tswa mo Nata go ya go ema kwa Mohembo. A mme o dumela go lekane gore Tona a bue fela gore *they have budgeted for* ditsela tsa rona PPP, mme go sena thulaganyo ya go tlhalosa gore dikompone tse di bonweng, tse di yang go tsenelela yone PPP le Puso ke dife, e bile go ya go dirwa leng? A o bona go siame fela gore go buiwe jalo, go bo go fetswa gotwe re dumele mo go reng go tlaa diragala? Ke a leboga.

**MR MOLEBATSI:** Ke bona go siame rra ka mabaka a gore gongwe ga go ise go tle mo nakong ya gore go bolelwe gore ke dife. Fela *in principle*, Puso e dumetse gore ditsela tse di ya go dirwa ka tsela ya PPP. Ga re ka ke ra re mo nakong e, re bo re go bolelela gore ke dife, ga re ise re tle mo *stage* sone seo. Sa bofelo ke go rotloetsa Batswana gore tsayang tshono ya tse re di dirang re le Batswana jaaka re emisitse *horticulture products* tse di tswang kwa South Africa. Re direla lona gore le kgone go iketleetsa, ke one molao wa Economic Inclusion Act of 2021 o re neng re re re tlaa dira gore Batswana e nne batsayakarolo mo itsholelong ya lefatshe la bone. Re kope gore mo dingwageng tsone tse pedi, re...

**MR SPEAKER:** Your time is up Honourable Minister!

**MR MOLEBATSI:** Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ka re o nonne mo o buang ka bothata, o palelwa le ke go bua tota, le mafoko a pala go tswa.

**MR SPEAKER:** Le tlaa buisana dipuo tseo le le kwa ntle Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Ngami, mo Palamenteng go buisanwa sentle.

Gongwe pele ga ke bitsa motlotlegi sebui se se latelang, re kopa maitshwarelo Batlotlegi Mapalamente, ga gona metsi mo Palamenteng. Ba Water Utilities ba eme ka dinao go baakanya seemo se. A a nowang one re na nao batsadi ba me re tlaa a le siela fela jaaka gale.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ke lefatshe lotlhe *Mr Speaker*, ga se Palamente fela.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Lefatshe lotlhe, Puso e a palelwa *Mr Speaker*.

**MR SPEAKER:** Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Maun Botlhaba, ke lebogela gore o nkitsisitse, mme ba eme ka dinao bana ba lona ba tlaa baakanya.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Nnyaa, Puso e a palelwa.

**MR SPEAKER:** *Order! Honourable* Boko. Ke tloga ke raya Healy a go nkgalemelela foo.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Nnyaa, o batla gore batho ba itse gore o teng mo Palamenteng.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Gakere potso ya me e ne e le teng, ke buile kgantele.

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Minister responsible for Tertiary Education, Research, Science and Technology.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Boko o leka *to mark himself present* ka go tsosa modumo.

**MINISTER OF TERTIARY EDUCATION, RESEARCH, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR LETSHOLATHEBE):** Ke go leboge go bo o mphile nako e le nna gore ke akgele mo puong e...

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

**MR SPEAKER:** Let us have order please, Honourable Members, *iketeleng ntwala lona ba babedi*. Honourable Member for Selebi Phikwe West, what is your procedure?

**MR KEORAPETSE:** *Procedure. Mr Speaker*, ke kopa maitshwarelo *sir* ka gore ke ntse ke na le *technical glitch since* ka 2:00 p.m. Ke feletse gotwe ke adimiwa



*computer* e ntšha, mme jaanong *I have logged in* ka *phone*. *Procedure* e ke neng ke re ke a e *raise*, ke buisiwa se ke gore o se ka wa tloga wa mpotsa gore ke ne ke le fa kae ka nako eo, ka gore maranyane a ne a santse a nkgarakgatsha *Mr Speaker*, bana ba gago ba ntse ba le fa ba nthusa.

Kana *Honourable Hikuama* o ne a kopa *clarification* mo go *Honourable Molebatsi*, mme *Honourable Molebatsi* e ne ya re fa a tsiboga a re, “ke a go neela mme o se ka wa nthoga.” Kgang eo e ntshwentse ka gore, *it presupposes* gore *Honourable Hikuama* o a rogana, mme ga ke itse *Honourable Hikuama* a rogana.

Go na le *narrative that is being built* ya gore Mapalamente bogolo jang ba kganetso ba a rogana, mme ga ke nke ke utlwa *Speakers* kgang e ba e kgalemelela, ka gore matlhapa ga a letlelelwe mo Palamenteng sa ntlha, sa bobedi a a tshwarelwa. Sa boraro ke gore ga ke ise ke ko ke utlwe Mopalamente ope a kgalemelwa gotwe o a rogana. *Mr Speaker*, kgang e o e ele tlhoko thatathata.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** You are debating *jaanong Sticks*.

**MR KEORAPETSE:** Nnyaa, *I am not debating*. *Honourable Hikuama* ke motho yo o botho jo bo kwa godimo, jaanong ke kgaogile pelo tota fa ke utlwa motho a re, “ke a go neela mme o se ka wa nthoga.” Tsweetswee *Mr Speaker*, kgang e a ko o kgalemele.

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

**MR SPEAKER:** *Order! Order!* Selo sa ntlha ke gore lona Batlotlegi Mapalamente fa mongwe wa lona a na le mathata le *system* ya gagwe, ke utlwile Motlotlegi Rraetsho Mopalamente wa Mahalapye Botlhaba kgantele a kopela yo mongwe maitshwarelo, a re tla o dirise ya me. Ka jalo le a dirisana, ga gona mo gotweng *system* ya me e ne e sule, ga ke ka ke ka e dumela eo. Gone ka tsamaiso ga ke a letlelelwa gore dilo tse di sa bolong go feta, ke bo ke di latedisa (*attend*). Fela gone o bua mafoko a a botlhokwa thata. Ga ke dumele gore Batlotlegi Mapalamente le a rogana, ka gore fa go na le mongwe yo o ka roganang ke ya go mo kgalemela kana mongwame o ya go mo kgalemela...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Nnyaa, e seng go kgalema. O a mo koba, wa re go kgalema.

**MR SPEAKER:** Jaaka ke tsile go go koba jaana wena Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Sefhare-Ramokgonami. Ke tlile go go koba, ke go kobela gore o bua thata. Go

siame, re utlwile Motlotlegi Mopalamente wa Selebi Phikwe Bophirima, ba go utlwile bakaulengwe gore ga re letlelele dipuo tse di ntseng jalo. Ga ke letlelelwe gore ke ka bo ke bua kgang e, ke ya bogologolo. Molao ga o ntsetle gore ke dire jalo.

**MR KEORAPETSE:** *Mr Speaker*, o thole *chat*, ke sale ke ikuetse mo go wena gore ke na le mathata a maranyane, *check the chat*.

**MR SPEAKER:** Nnyaa, mme ke e tshwere *chat* ga gona fa go kwadilweng sepe *sir*.

**MR KEORAPETSE:** Rre Motoko o ntse a le gone fa, ke gone fela a tswang.

**MR SPEAKER:** *Okay, you did*, ke gone go tlhagang. Ke go utlwile Morena wa me. Motlotlegi Rraetsho Keorapetse, o ne o bua mafoko a a botlhokwa Morena wa me. Ga gona yo o ka go nyatsang. Ke tlhwaile tsebe, fa mongwe a ka buisetsa yo mongwe kwa thoko, ke tlaa mo kgalemela ka bogale jo bo gakgamatsang.

**MR MANGWEGAPE-HEALY:** *Procedure*. Kgang e motlotlegi a e buang, maloba o setse o kile wa ntsha *ruling* mo go yone, ka gore Mopalamente mongwe o ne a leka go ngongorega ka sengwe se se fetileng, o bo o mo raya o re nnyaa fa motho go buiwa ka ene a le mo Palamenteng o a ipuelelela. Jaanong ke tsaya gore *Honourable Hikuama* fa o bona a didimetse jaana, ene ga a na mathata. Tse tsa ga *Honourable Keorapetse* go raya gore o ne a na le mathata a maranyane jaaka a ne a bua, gongwe *he missed* sengwenyana. Ke a leboga *Mr Speaker*.

**MR SPEAKER:** Thank you Honourable Healy.

**DR LETSHOLATHEBE:** Thank you Mr Speaker, for this opportunity to contribute to the debate on the 2022/2023 Budget Speech as presented by the Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Honourable Peggy Serame. Allow me to also thank the Minister and applaud her, for being the first woman to lead the ministry. Indeed, you are walking on the steps of giants Minister, and you have fit so well into their shoes.

This speech indeed reflects the level of consultation and use of the bottom up approach of planning. *Re batho ba morero* Mr Speaker. This speech will help us achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development through the Sustainable Development Goals, “not leaving anybody behind.” Consultation is the only tool that will help us to make sure that we do not leave anybody behind.



This is a very important budget Mr Speaker, because it is the last one as we transfer from the National Development Plan (NDP) 11 to NDP 12. I appreciate the Economic Recovery and Transformation Plan (ERTP), it was well-crafted and came at the time when we were still entangled with COVID-19. It really helped us to work towards stabilising our economy.

Unemployment has gone up Mr Speaker, as highlighted from 22 per cent in the fourth quarter of 2019 to 26 per cent in the fourth quarter of 2021. This Mr Speaker, needs us all to come together and realign to fight this type of unemployment.

It is unfortunate that we were downgraded by both Moody and Standard and Poor rating agencies. Mr Speaker, let me thank the 12<sup>th</sup> Parliament for coming together and finalising Bills which will help us get out of grey listing by the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) and the European Union (EU). This shows the results of working together. The issue of greylisting makes it difficult to get funding from the investors. If we get it, it will be at a very high interest. We need Public Private Partnership (PPP), to help our constituents. It is important to protect ourselves from those who may try to finance terrorists through us, especially that now we are fighting terrorism. Our soldiers are in Mozambique right now, fighting terrorists' actions. It is sad that we lost two men in Mozambique, may their souls rest in peace.

I agree with the Minister that the country needs deep structural reform. We should not be afraid of reforms Mr Speaker. If I may be allowed to quote from an American author and consultant on organisational development Mr Peter Bullock, Mr Speaker, may I go ahead to quote?

**MR SPEAKER:** Honourable Minister, do quote.

**DR LETSHOLATHEBE:** "If there is no transformation inside us, all the structural change in the world will have no impact on our institution." This shows the importance of transformation and reforms. The reforms are needed so that we can bring the much needed jobs for Botswana, reduce poverty and inequality as espoused on our National Vision 2036 and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Reforms need collectivity Mr Speaker. These reforms are necessary for us to reduce dependency on minerals and Southern African Development Community (SADC) revenue and move to a more export-led economy. I agree with the Minister and agree in total with what Honourable Molebatsi just said. We need to target local companies in the maintenance of public infrastructure.

The Three Billion to be used on maintenance of public infrastructure, let it to be distributed amongst small local companies, our Technical and Vocational Education Training (TVET) graduates are ready to do that. We saw it happening when preparing primary and secondary schools to be COVID-19 compliant. Mr Speaker, even parastatals should be encouraged to do the same. This will improve service delivery. We have seen a case where a broken pipe takes days to be repaired by Water Utilities Corporation (WUC) and that led to shortage of water in our villages. This will not happen if Water Utilities was to go that route to use locals for Constituency Community Projects (CCP) projects formerly known as Constituency Fund Projects. It will help to empower our locals. It is time we do projects that will have an impact on our communities.

Mr Speaker, in my last consultation with the Tati East constituents, they pleaded for *tandabala* and Village Development Committee (VDC) allowances and other grants to be increased. Indeed, my Honourable Leader of the Opposition (LOO), Bakalanga in Tati East and Tati West may not ululate as the money is not enough, I agree with you, but they will definitely understand what we are going through. I appeal to the Minister to continuously review them upwards as the funds are really helping those who are mostly in the rural areas.

#### Reset Agenda Priorities

Mr Speaker, let me commend His Excellency the President for coming up with Reset Agenda Priorities. These priorities if well addressed, I have no doubt we will have Botswana we wish for. Botswana that has moved into a high income status. Botswana that relies on knowledge unlike natural resources that may be depleted with time. We need to embrace them with the aim of transforming this country. This can be achieved when everybody plays his or her own part in the community. These priorities Mr Speaker, the minds have changed, to me is the foundation of the house we want to build. All of us need to take stock of ourselves. Observations are fairly driven. Our mindset is our collective of thoughts and beliefs that shape our thought habits. These thought habits affect how we think, feel and finally, how we will react to the situation.

During tough times like these Mr Speaker, for us to make it, we need to avoid a fixed mindset. If we have a fixed mindset, we are going to think that things cannot or would not get better. Hence, one would wonder why bother them about digitisation? Why bother them



talking about value chain addition because they are suffering nonetheless? We need a grown mindset. We need to be more optimistic. We need to worry less about October 2024. If our role was to come for one term and save Botswana from COVID-19, let it be Mr Speaker.

On the issues of health; a lot has been done on the first priority of saving Botswana population from COVID-19. Let me thank Honourable Dr Dikoloti and his team on this great job. Let me also thank the Members of the 12<sup>th</sup> Parliament for being champions in the vaccination campaign and encouraged their constituents to vaccinate, and that was indeed commendable. You decided to focus on your responsibilities more than your rights; very much commendable Mr Speaker. As a country, we are also not going to allow ourselves just to be consumers of these vaccines without taking part on their manufacturing. We are working around the clock to establish a vaccine manufacturing plant. As we do not have our own patents, we are going to do that in partnership with those with the knowhow. We will make sure that our scientists take part and learn from the best. We are also working on coming up with the best ways to fund our research, indigenous knowledge Mr Speaker, is going to be embraced too as we move forward.

Botswana Digital and Innovation Hub; the former Botswana Innovation Hub has been tasked to work with Botswana to find ways on how we tap on our indigenous knowledge. We had some engagements with Botswana through the media and I can say that they are ready to come on board. We will make sure that everybody is protected and benefits from his or her own land through the Intellectual Property (IP).

On the issues of infrastructure development; issue of electricity, we really appreciate the Integrated Resource Plan. I also agree with the last speaker, Honourable Molebatsi, that this plan is indeed ...(inaudible)... I trust the plan will really improve the situation of electric power shortage in our country especially in Tati East. Time and again, we have power outages which affect provision of other services like water which is pumped using electricity. It is a pity that we still have areas in my constituency with no electricity, Patayamatebele, and other areas which are extensions of existing villages have no electricity Mr Speaker. We have tried though our Constituency Fund to help connect some areas but we cannot go on like that because the fund was not meant

for doing that. During my last constituency Kgotla meetings, I encouraged my constituents to settle water and electricity connection bills. I hope in return, I will be rewarded by Patayamatebele being connected to the grid. The SDGs talk about not leaving anybody behind, I say that again. As such, not connecting electricity at Patayamatebele will make us go ahead without those people, that will be very painful. I am also happy that we are spending more on solar Photovoltaic System (PV), this will eventually come in handy for us because we have so much solar. I still appeal that we allow more Botswana to generate their electricity from their own roof tops instead of spending more on fancy roof tops. Let us use cheap but reliable material then cover our roof tops with solar panels to generate electricity. I appeal to researchers to come on board and come up with panels ideal for our environment. I encourage researchers to also bring proposals so that we could try to fund those which do research on renewable energy.

On the issue of water Mr Speaker, North East, Tutume project was completed in November last year and the people of Tati East really appreciate. I am very thankful for the project. We understand that there will be some teething problems as the project is still new, we just hope to shift response to any breakdowns that may come up and for communication, so that the communities may know what is going on. I am starting to have sleepless nights as the breakdowns are so often available. I hope that would not be another poorly developed project Mr Speaker. As the contractor is still on site, I appeal to you Minister, through the Water Utilities, to make sure that all the major projects are sorted before it is too late.

The other issue that the people of Tati East are complaining about is how WUC is billing them. Let us address that, if there is need for educating Botswana, let Water Utilities visit those villages at their Kgotla to educate them on their billing system. Weekly meetings we have Honourable Mzwinila, really helped to keep us informed and add our suggestions throughout the project.

I really appreciate your patience with me. We still have to continue our meetings so that we help the people of Matopi and Patayamatebele. Those people need to be supplied with fresh water, Minister. The plan and the costing for them were done and I am worried that the price would soon double if we do not work on it. I am happy that the Government continues to give money and invest in water and sanitation. I hope this would benefit the Matopi and Patayamatebele villages.



## Land

The issue of land remains a challenge to Botswana at large and the North East District is not an exception. Actually for us is worse. Our villages are just strips between farms that are mostly belonging to... sorry I have to mention it, Tati Company. As I always plead, Government is doing its best to buy farms for the residents of North East but it is really a challenge getting those people to sell the land to Government. I think it is time we really engage Tati Company and other landowners to see how best they can help us to acquire our land. I also plead for the maps for those farms to be shared with our communities to bring peace as some of the residents think the boundaries of those farms keep changing. This makes them very unhappy.

On the allocation of the little land we have Mr Speaker, we have long approved the allocation of unserviced plots as this Parliament. I hope that as the Minister has said, this will be done this coming financial. I hope this will be done because it is becoming a trend whereby we agree on something Ministers, we assure Botswana that something could be done and then *fa* Botswana *ba ya kwa bathong bao ba a itatola ba re, 'dilo tse le rona re di utlwa* on televisions.' That is very unfortunate Mr Speaker.

The Tati Land Board is so stretched and it is not serving us well. There is need for a sub-land board on the Eastern part of the North East District. We also need sub-council in the Eastern part of the North East District.

## Digitalisation

Mr Speaker, the Minister is rightly talking about Government working steadily to achieve a digital economy. That is the way to go Minister. We need to catch up on digitalisation so as to be part of the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) which digitalisation is the main driving component. This will create the much-needed jobs. We need to make sure our laws including the banking sector are ready to embrace this. I am happy with the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) laws, which were amended because they will have help online service providers to have trust on the security of their transactions with Botswana.

We want Botswana, especially youth to make monies through channels like You Tube. They should upload the content and be paid. We can have Botswana share with the global village our rich culture, music, stories and even teaching online. Take an example of William *yo o*

*itsengeng ka leina la* Motsetserepa, one of his songs *e e bidiwang* "Aah" has over a million views on You Tube. If You Tubers from Botswana were paid, he could be making a lot of money. This also applies to those trading on crypto currencies. They end up being swindled their hard earned money by criminals who claim to be with them in those platforms.

## Research and Innovation

Research and Innovation is a necessity for a country which needs to transform from a middle high-income country to a high-income economy. Most countries which were stuck in that middle high income economy ceiling managed to break through because of research and innovation. We do come up with policies which guide us on how we run our country on a daily basis. I believe policies which come after research are more effective. Research influences policy and can provide policy makers with pragmatic action oriented recommendations for solving our problems.

Mr Speaker, we should do research in order to find what will work for us as a country. Policies which come out without research usually do not deliver. An example is the Botswana HIV/AIDS Policy. A lot of research was done in that area hence the success of that policy. We politicians can come up with policies but nonetheless, we still need to keep reviewing them through research. Policies can be incremental. In other words, they are not necessarily static. COVID-19 has made some of our policies which work for us to be relevant today. We need to go around and do research to find out which policies need to be repealed. We need to conceptualise our policies instead of one-size-fits-all.

Mr Speaker, research can help us to ensure that the legislative tools we have can keep up with the global development and are fit for purpose as Honourable Minister envisage. It can also help us solve our programmes in policy and project implementation.

Honourable Minister, you rightly stated that our fiscal position has deteriorated in recent years. We need to make the right decisions to go back to our glory days. We have to make informed decisions. Research will help us make those decisions. We have the participatory leadership in Botswana hence we need to listen to what Botswana say and do what is needed for them as we are doing with them as we are doing with the Constitutional Review.



An example of a policy which needs to be conceptualised is the ISPAAD. The new ISPAAD is coming Mr Speaker. Farmers in Tati East like I always say do have challenges which are not the same as those, say, in Borolong area. We do not have enough land I have said earlier on to grow our crops hence the need for us to have a policy tailor-made for us. Tati Company has taken our land.

The importance of interfacing research and policy cannot be overemphasised. Research is done for the good of the country. We have very good research institutions which can help us to relook at our policies. Botswana Institute for Development Policy Analysis (BIDPA) comes to my mind as a research institution which is respected and it is top in the Sub-Saharan Africa. We need to use the results of their research to be more representative of our country. When we talk about the knowledge-based economy, we should listen to what BIDPA and other institutions of high learning say about the type of the economy and how we can achieve our dream.

### Science

Mr Speaker, if we could come up with our own patents, especially using indigenous knowledge, we could solve our own problems. *Letlhaku le lešha le agelwa mo go le le gologolo*. We cannot just ignore our indigenous knowledge. Botswana survived with that knowledge for many years. They survived without the recent type of science. We need to look at that and improve it so that we can survive. Research can be used to identify those parts of our indigenous knowledge, which are effective, improve on them and solve our own problems. We are about to start the manufacturing of vaccines as I said in our country. This we are going to do in partnerships with those who have patents. How good would it be if we could be having our own patents and use them to solve our own problems and improve our own way of life?

One other area I want us to look at is the lab grown diamonds, synthetic diamonds Mr Speaker. I think it is time we start to look at them, making our own lab grown diamonds. The human capital is there. We have some good material scientists who can fabricate and characterise carbon in 3D to come up with our own synthetic diamonds. Let us not wait until it is too late. The total market size for lab grown diamonds is about US\$19 billion as we speak and is expected to reach about P50 billion by 2030. This market is worth looking at Mr Speaker. Let us not regret when it is too late.

Research will help us, even *le kgang ya hemp*, if we do research and we find that hemp can help us and it would not compromise on producing food for Batswana, why not, we will change and embrace hemp.

...(Inaudible)...research Mr Speaker, because I believe research can help us serve Batswana better, it can help save a lot of money. It is better to spend a few millions of research and come out with a good product rather than getting a product and then regretting later when it does not work for us. Actually even policies recommended by international organisations such as United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) there is need to work on them, research, customise and assimilate them in order to accommodate our culture and other challenges.

If we research we will in a long run save money as a country, that money will be useful even for the people of Tati East. The bad internal roads at Matshelagabedi will be taken care of and we can also be able to provide the people of Tati Siding with the much needed bus rank. If we research we will come up with materials which work for us cheaply and be able to design durable roads at a reasonable price. Talking of roads I think of the road going to Ditladi and Patayamatebele, it is in a bad state. We really understand that it is not in this development plan, but please add it onto the next development plan, which is National Development Plan 12. In the meantime consider to pour gravel on it Minister, because grading alone is not working anymore, the soil is now degraded, it needs to be re-gravelled

The issue of corruption; the Minister talked about corruption. Mr Speaker on page 13 chapter 42, the Minister has rightly, talking about the weakness in policy and project implementation. This really is causing a lot of problems for us, we are wasting a lot of money and time because of poor implementation. Most projects are not awarded well and on time and thereafter are not managed well. The Francistown-Matsiloje road is such an example. The lives of people of Matsiloje and Matshelagabedi are at risk, because of the abandoned road project. The money wasted on poor project implementation could help our people from a lot of challenges they are facing. We need a road from Tonota to Matopi via Ditladi and Patayamatebele. We have been patient because we understand the Government financial position. If we could curb the 37 per cent wasted, which Honourable Dr Matsheka talked about earlier, we could be able to get that road. Internal roads in our villages



like Matshelegabedi, Shashe Bridge, they are in a bad state. Actually for Shashe Bridge it is worse that people cannot access even clinics and schools, the village is divided into segments by streams which are supposed to be roads. The little land that we have in Tati East cannot be serviced and allocated due to lack of resources, while other people waste money. That cannot be tolerated. We need to fight this wastage. We need to pin down those who are corrupt. When you get to Tsamaya Clinic you will be welcomed by a whole hall which has no hot water, which is supposed to be maternity clinic serving many villages around Tsamaya.

Mr Speaker the Nyangagwe Referral Hospital is not in a good state. The bad state of the clinics around Francistown also are not helping the situation, we need to upgrade clinic in Tati Siding which is really not coping due to the large population there. You agreed to upgrade health post, but it is still lagging behind.

The Ministry of Health and Wellness, as well as of Basic Education have been given a large share from our budget, I hope this will help them solve those problems. The three community junior secondary schools in Tati East are really in a bad shape Mr Speaker, staff do not have accommodation, and this partly resulted in poor results at Junior Secondary (JC) level. While students do well at primary schools in my area when they get to JC they do badly. I need to applaud some youth in Matsiloje who took it to themselves to contribute money to build a classroom in the local junior secondary school. I commend the Minister of Basic Education for the provision of the new teacher positions to absorb the 3,509 temporary teachers on a short-term basis.

Mr Speaker, time is not on my side, but let me take this time to thank the Minister for the speech and really wish we could address some of the issues which my constituents have passed on in Tati East. I hope values are a criteria, one has to drive their behaviour. We all must decide what values we will embrace. We decided as the Botswana Democratic Party (BDP) not to embrace corruption and it is time we empower our anti-corruption agencies with means and powers to fight corruption. Knowledge and intentions are not enough, we need to live our values, no tolerance to corruption. My motivation to continue to be in this House is the desire to serve the people of Tati East and Botswana at large, especially the MOTE family and those who are doing research, parastatals, innovators and the students at large. I will continue to do that, to do it the way I

see fit. I will keep engaging the Tati East constituents, Botswana at large, so that I keep growing in order to keep leading them. Mr Speaker, I want to thank you for the opportunity...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** On a point of clarification. Mr Speaker, through you.

**MR SPEAKER:** Ee rra, fanang ka pele nako e fedile.

**MR KEORAPETSE:** Ke ne ke re *he should clarify ya industrial hemp, gore research ya reng ka yone so far, se a se itseng ka industrial hemp?* ke ne ke utlwa a e mention ...

**DR LETSHOLATHEBE:** *Tanki Rre Keorapetse. Kana jaaka ke ne ke bua gore we can do research, other people have worked on hemp, we can also do research in our country. Issue ya teng kana ke ya gore gongwe hemp fa re ka e dirisa a mme Botswana are ready for it. Are we not going to expose Botswana to hemp bone ba bo ba felela ba e dirisa ka ditsela di sele ba akanya gore ke motokwane.*

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

**DR LETSHOLATHEBE:** All these coming to research, we will be convinced that is ...(inaudible)...

**MR SPEAKER:** Your time is up!

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

**MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (MR AUTLWETSE):** Ke a go leboga Motlotlegi Motsamaisa Dipuisanyo tsa Palamente. Rraetsho mma ke go leboge sebaka se o se nneetseng, gore le nna fela jaaka bakaulengwe ke tshwaele mo pegong e ya ga *Honourable Peggy Onkutlule Serame*, Motlotlegi motshwara matlotlo a lefatshe leno la Botswana.

*Mr Speaker, mme e re la ntlha ke leboge Tautona wa lefatshe la Botswana ka sebele, go bo e ne ya re maloba fa a ne a dira kabakanyo ya Matona a gagwe a bo a ne a supa fa a santse a na le tshepo mo go nna ya gore ke ka etelela Lephata la Dikgaolo le Tlhabololo Magae, e le thomo e a neng a e nthoma gore, rra a re tshwaraganele tiro ke e, ke batla o bo o na le nna fela jaaka bakaulengwe, e re fa ke kgopiwa le nthuse. Le wena fela jalo e re fa ke tlhabiwa ke mmitlwa o ntlhomole. Ke ne ka tlhaloganya gore se a se buang kana o raya gore kana ntlhomole mme ga se ntshege lenao. Ka dipaka tsotlhe ke tshwanetse gore ke gakologelwe seo. Ke rata fa ke sena go isa malebo*





ao kwa go Motlotlegi Tautona wa lefatshe la Botswana ke leboge *my predecessor* Motlotlegi *Honourable* Eric Mothibi Molale, ke mo lebogele sebaka seo se ke neng ke na le ene fano, e le ene a eteletseng *ministry* o.

Morolong ke a go leboga, ke ithutile go le gontsi mo go wena mme se ke se lebogang segolo bogolo, ke gore ke bo ke tsene mo ditlhakong tsa gago o santse o le mo botshelong. Ka jalo, e tlaa re fa ka tsela nngwe e kare ke ntse ke tswetse, tsela ya tsena mo sekgweng, ke tlaa tla fa go wena ke go botsa gore e ne ya re go ntse jaana o dire jang, mme ka fa ke itseng bopelontle jwa gago bo ntse ka teng, ga o na go nkagela mabogo, o tlaa itse fa e le tshwanelo ya gore ke dire jalo.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Ao! a mme Rre Molale o pelontle?

**MR AUTLWETSE:** Ga ke batle tšhekwane Dithapelo, o ngwanake, itshware sentle.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Nnyaa, ke utlwa o bua mafoko a a senang boammaaruri.

**MR AUTLWETSE:** Dithapelo, *behave yourself*, fa e le gore o batla ke bua ka Sekgoa. Batlotlegi, mma ke tseye sebaka sa gore ke leboge, ke akgole morweetsana Mmaetsho Peggy Onkutlule Serame; motshwara madi a lefatshe la Botswana wa ntlha wa mme. E se mme fela gore a bo a neetswe ka gore ke mme, e bo e le mmopa o o neng wa tswetlisiwa, ga bonwa fa o ka dira sejana se se ka nngang sa tshephega, sa ba sa ikanngwa. Kana e a re fa gongwe fa bomme ba neelwa ditiro, re ba keleke go feta fa di neelwa borre. Go nne le dikgang tsa gore o neetswe jaana ka go bo a na le botsala jo bo haphegileng le semangmang mme fa go neelwa motho wa rre boikarabelo, dikgang tse di ntseng jalo ga di ke di nna teng. Go itsiwe fela fa e le gore nnyaa rre fa o bona a neetswe jaana, o neetswe ka bokgoni jo a nang le jone. Ke rata ke tlhalosetse Batswana gore fano fa go Onkutlule, go ne go sa lejwa fela gore a ke mme. Bokgoni jwa gagwe re ntse ba rotlhe re le teng *in the Government Enclave*, re bo itse. Ga a ise a ko a re tlhabise ditlhong ka tsela epe mme ke re Morolong, tshwara fela jalo.

*Mr Speaker*, ke rata ke leboge ka fa mmaetsho a tlhomagantseng ka teng mafoko a a neng a re a baya pele, e seng a re a baya fa pele. A a neng a supa fa e le gore e le ruri lefatshe la Botswana fela jaaka mafatshe otlhe, segajaja kana leroborobo la bolwetse jo bo neng jwa re wela, bo wetse mafatshe otlhe go sena lefatshe lepe le le neng le ipaakantse ka tsela epe gore e tlaa re

letsatsi le tshwana le leo, e bo e le tshwarangtshwarang, kana e le *batanibatani* jaaka ba e tle ba bue. Lefatshe la Botswana fela jaaka mafatshe otlhe, le lone le ne la supa gore le ka itwela fa ntwana e tshwana le e e gorogile mo go lone. Mabitla a le mantsi a ne a setse a athame, e le gore bana ba lefatshe la Botswana ba tshwanetse go tsena mo go one. Ka tebelopele ya Goromente wa lefatshe leno la Botswana, mabitla mangwe a ne a katelwa go sena Motswana ope yo o tseneng mo go one. Re bua jaana re ka bua re tlhanotse phega gore bolwetse jo re bo lwantshitse. Ga bo a re fenyaa, re bo fentse.

Ga re a simolola kwa morago jaaka fa dibui dingwe di a tle di bue di re go ne ga nna le tiego. Tiego e e nnileng teng ga se e e neng e dirwa ke ope ka bomo, ga se e e neng e supa gore ope o palelwa ke tiro. E ne e le gone gore bolwetse jo fa bo simologa, ga gona lefatshe lepe mo dipolokelong tsa lone le neng le na le melemo ya bolwetse jo ka gore bo ne bo sa itsiwe. Mafatshe otlhe a ne a kgobokana go kopa thuso kwa go ba ba neng ba setse ba dira melemo. Theko ya melemo e ne e le dingalo, e ne e se motlhofo. Madi a lefatshe la Botswana a ne a tswa go beeletsa melemo; *millions* tsa Dipula.

Mafatshe mangwe le one a re tswa thuso, ba rialo le bone ba re ga re babolai re batshwaedi. Dikompone dingwe le tsone tsa tswa lefatshe la Botswana thuso. Batswana bangwe ka bongwe ka bongwe ba tswa lefatshe la Botswana thuso mme mo nakong ya gompiano, re bone dintsho di ile kwa tlase, re bona dipatela tse di kileng tsa bo di penologa malao a tletse otlhe, go sa nna jalo mo go tsone. Re bona dikokelo le dikokelwana jaanong dingaka di phuthologile go ka alafa le balwetse ba bangwe, e sa tlhole e le semphete ke go fete yo o neng a le teng ka nako ele ya leroborobo le fa le simolola. Ka seo ke bona go tshwanela gore ba *Ministry of Health Honourable Dikoloti and his team*, ke le leboge go menagane. Le dirile go le go golo, yo o ka le nyatsang go tlaabo go na le se a batlang go se bua le lona. *You really deserve a lion's share of this Budget*, e e bileng go supa fa gore le neetswe P2 *billion* yo a tlaabong a itebagantse le bolwetse jo jwa leroborobo mme a theko ya melemo e tswelele.

Fa re le Mapalamente rotlhe ba re leng fano re go eme nokeng, re bue le Batswana mo dikgaolong tsa rona gore ba ye go kentiwa. Re bue le bana ba dikole gore a ba amogege go tsaya lemao. Ga re re go tsaya lemao ke kalafi, ke go nonotsha masole a mmele gore a kgone gore fa mogare o o goroga, a itwele. Ka jalo re se ka ra boela mo seemong se re neng re le mo go sone, se re neng ra fitlhela dipatela e setse e le gore balwetse bangwe ga



gona fa ba robalang teng. Ra tsena mo seemong se e leng gore diphitho di ne di se kana ka sepe. Ra tsena mo seemong se e leng gore le itsholelo e ne ya koafala fela thata e le gore batho ga ba letlelelwe go tsamaya, papadisanyo e ile kwa tlase mo go feteletseng. Selo se setona se ke se lebogelang ke gone gore re ne ra tla ka metlhala ya go babalela batho go na le tse tsotlhe. A e re ka dipaka tsotlhe fa go nna jaana, lefatshe la Botswana, Batswana ba tshwaragane le Goromente jaaka re ne ra dira mo bolwetseng jo.

*Mr Speaker*, ke rata ke leboge Tona gore a bo a supile gore mme le fa go ntse jaaka fa go ntse gone, botshelo le ditiro tsa ditlhabololo di tshwanetse di tswelole. Ke rata ke leboge segolo bogolo ba Lephata la rona la Metsi, *ministry* wa ga *Honourable* Mzwini, o e neng ya re le fa go ntse jalo, ba se ka ba emisa go neela Batswana ditlamelo, segolo bogolo metsi ka ke one konokono mo botshelong jwa batho. Go bo go bile ga nna le gore Puso e bone go tlhokafala gore ka ga re na madi, go e go adimiwa madi kwa a ka bonwang teng. Selo seo ke se re tshwanetseng go se itse gore ka dipaka tsotlhe fa lefatshe le sena madi, le tshwanelwa ke gore le ye go adima. Ga re a tshwanela go phutha mabogo ra re go padile mme go ntse go na le metlhale mengwe e e leng gore re ka kgona gore re inole Batswana mo teng ga bothata jo ba leng mo go jone. Kana madi fa nne re na nao e le gore lefatshe la Botswana le na le madimadi, ga ke bone fa go ne go tlhokafala gore go ka bo go tswa go adimiwa a re tswang go adima kwa World Bank. Fa ke leba meamuso ya lefatshe la rona, go santse go supagala ka botlalo gore re tlaa tswelole re adima. Ga re ka ke ra emisa go adima *because* fa o sa ikgone, fa o tlhalelwa mme go na le mongwe ka wena yo ka kwa go ene go nang le sengwe, wa re rraetsho thusa foo. Le rona fela jalo, fa re ka re letsatsi lengwe bangwe ba bo ba kopa dithuso mo go rona, re na le tshwanelo ya gore re ba thuse fa e le gore re tshwere mo le bone e kareng ba re leba, ba bona ba ka thusiwa. Ka jalo, kadimo ya madi ga e a tshwanela gore ka tsela epe re e lebe e le gore ke nngwe ya dilo tse di ka digang lefatshe. Le ka wa fa e le gore fa go adimilwe, go tswa fa ga go diriswe madi ao se a tshwanelwang ke gore a dirwe ka sone mme fa go sielwa Batswana metsi, ba direlwa dikokelo le ditsela, ga se go latlha madi. Tseo ke dilo tsa botlhokwa tse di tlhabololang itsholelo ya lefatshe.

Motlakase; *Mr Speaker*, ke rata ke akgole gore mmaetsho a bo a supile kwa go *Paragraph* 19 kgang e ya motlakase.

Motlakase wa lefatshe la Botswana o a tura e le boammaaruri, ka gore ke o re o fetlhang ka magala, o re o rekang kwa mafatsheng a mangwe. Go ne go ka nna bonolo fa e le gore bagwebi ba ka simolola go lemoga gore gone fa, kgwebo e teng. Batswana ba dira motlakase wa marang a letsatsi, ya nna bone ba ba o rekisetsang Botswana Power Corporation (BPC) gore BPC e reke motlakase wa bone ka ditlhwatlhwa tse e rekang ka tsone kwa ntle.

Ga re ka ke ra lebelela gore e tlaa nna Goromente fela a ka fetlhang motlakase a o rekisa, mme ntswa le rona, *through the private sector*, e le dilo tse e leng gore re ka di dira. A re kgotlhotseng Batswana go tsena mo kgwebong e ya gore ba ka iphetlhela motlakase, go sa kgatlhalesege gore o bonnye bo kae. Lemme ga le bolaye, go bolaya lefifi.

Fa e le gore *plant*-nyana ya gagwe o kgonne go tshuba kwa lelwapeng la gagwe, ke tshwanelo ya gore fa go na le *surplus*, le ene a ipapatse a rekisetse BPC, e tle e oketse se e se tshoseng mo nakong ya gompiano. E re fa go ka ...

**MR SPEAKER:** Order! Order! Order Honourable Minister. *E tlaa re fela kamoso o bo o simolola fela o bua o re 'e re jaaka fa ba ...' re tlaa go e letlelela paka eo.*

Honourable Members, as it is now six o'clock, I shall now call upon His Honour, the Leader of the House, to move a Motion of Adjournment. Honourable Vice President (VP), Your Honour!

...Silence...

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** He is Acting President. Oh! Sorry sir.

**MR SPEAKER:** A ko o iketle ka dipuo tse di tshesanyane kwa. *Your Honour the VP!*

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** A ko le mo kgalemeleng.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** O simolotse dikgang tsa ga Keorapetse.

**MR SPEAKER:** *Your Honour, the Acting President.* Gone o bolelela ruri le fa o bona ke go omanya jaana.

**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Mathata ke go reetsa bo Hikuama *Mr Speaker*. Ba tlaa go latlha.

**MR SPEAKER:** Ke mokaulengwe wame ga a ka ke a ntlalha. *Your Honour!*



**HONOURABLE MEMBER:** Raya ene Chilliboy a tswale, ke ene a ratang go kokoroga.

**MOTION**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**LEADER OF THE HOUSE (MR TSOGWANE):**  
*Sorry Mr Speaker*, ke ne ke sa bulela dilo tsa Makgoa. Mma ke tseye sebaka se ke go dumedise, ke dumedise Batlotlegi, ba tlhotse ba ntse ba buisana dikgang tse di botlhokwa, mme e bile o kopa gore jaanong Ntlo e e ye kwa bokhutlong. Ke kope jalo gore ba dumelane le wena *Mr Speaker*, Ntlo e e tle e ye kwa bokhutlong mo letsatsing la gompiono.

Question put and **agreed to.**

The Assembly accordingly adjourned at 6:00 p.m. until Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.



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