

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

NOTICE PAPER

(FRIDAY 9TH AUGUST, 2024)

NOTICE OF QUESTIONS

(FOR ORAL ANSWER ON TUESDAY 13TH AUGUST, 2024)

1. **MR. G. KEKGONEGILE, MP. (MAUN EAST):** To ask the Minister of Defence and Security to brief this Honourable House on progress of the implementation of Directorate of Public Service Management (DPSM) Directive on payments of delayed progression at his Ministry and to further state: **(364)**
 - (i) if the Botswana Police Services and Botswana Prisons Services are affected by the implementation of the Directive; if so,
 - (ii) how many are affected per institution and at what rank, how many have been paid so far and if none has been paid;
 - (iii) why and when will they be paid.
2. **MR. F. T. LEUWE, MP. (TAKATOKWANE):** To ask the Minister of Minerals and Energy when the villages of Tshwaane and Kaudwane in the Takatokwane Constituency will be electrified. **(365)**
3. **MR. O. RAMOGAPI, MP. (PALAPYE):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Public Works to update this Honourable House on vehicles parked at the Central Transport Organisation (CTO) Stations countrywide for many years whilst there is shortage of ambulances in all health centres, police stations and schools thereby hampering services delivery; and further state: **(366)**
 - (i) the number of vehicles parked in all CTO stations countrywide;
 - (ii) the number of those that have been there for more than one (1) year and why;
 - (iii) the reasons for the status quo while there is shortage of vehicles in all Government Ministries;
 - (iv) how many cannot be repaired;

- (v) the number of those that can be repaired and what is delaying such repairs;
 - (vi) the number of those due for disposal;
 - (vii) if this unpleasant scenario at CTO stations will be addressed.
- 4. MR. W. B. MMOLOTSI, MP. (FRANCISTOWN SOUTH):** To ask the Minister for State President to state: **(367)**
- (i) number of countries and the frequency His Excellency the President visited in the last five (5) years and the reasons thereof; and
 - (ii) what has been the return on investment from the said trips.
- 5. MR. J. L. THIITE, MP. (GHANZI NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Minerals and Energy whether the Kuke and Qabo settlements in Ghanzi District have been included in the Financial Year 2024/25 for the connection of electricity, as assured by the Minister when answering a Parliamentary Question on Tuesday 11th April, 2023 and to further state: **(368)**
- (i) progress on the design phase for electricity connection at Kuke and Qabo settlements;
 - (ii) if a budget has been allocated for this project and if so, to state the specific amount earmarked for the connection;
 - (iii) the status of the planned electricity connections for Bere and Kacage settlements and if they are included in any upcoming financial planning;
 - (iv) measures to expedite the electrification process in Kuke and Qabo settlements to meet the communities urgent needs; and
 - (v) progress made in the implementation of solar photovoltaic projects in Ghanzi and identify which specific villages are to be connected through these initiatives.
- 6. DR. K. GOBOTSWANG, MP. (SEFHARE-RAMOKGONAMI):** To ask the Minister of Defence and Security if he is aware of the dilapidated state and limited office space at the Martin's Drift Police Station; if so, to state what he is doing to rectify the situation. **(369)**

7. MR. M. REATILE, MP. (JWANENG-MABUTSANE): To ask the Minister of Local Government and Rural Development: **(370)**

- (i) if there are any infrastructure projects that are planned or ongoing in the rural settlements in the Jwaneng-Mabutsane Constituency to improve road connectivity, access to clean water and electricity services;
- (ii) how his Ministry is ensuring that these rural settlements have reliable and sustainable infrastructure that can support economic development and better living conditions;
- (iii) if there are any infrastructure projects planned or ongoing in each of the Rural Area Development Programme (RADP) settlements in the Jwaneng-Mabutsane Constituency to improve road connectivity, education access, clean water and electricity services;
- (iv) how many water, education and electricity projects have been executed for each settlement from 2019 to date;
- (v) how his Ministry ensures the development of reliable and sustainable infrastructure in these rural settlements to support economic development and better living conditions; and
- (vi) what initiatives or projects are in place to diversify income through the utilisation of indigenous knowledge and natural resources such as cactus and aloe vera, for creating exportable products or processes, including manufacturing units of goods from cactus and aloe vera.

8. MR. T. LETSHOLO, MP. (KANYE NORTH): To ask the Minister of Local Government and Rural Development to apprise this Honourable House on the distribution of assets and the challenges faced by new districts resulting from the reorganisation of District Councils, particularly the former Central and Southern District Councils; more particularly: **(371)**

- (i) provide a comprehensive list of all the movable assets that were distributed during the reorganisation of these two (2) councils and how each new council formed from this reorganisation benefited from the distribution of these assets;
- (ii) apprise this Honourable House on the criteria used for the distribution of these assets;

- (iii) is it accurate that there are projects in the new districts that are still being supervised from the former district's headquarters; if so, please list these projects and explain the reasons why they have not been transferred to the new districts;
 - (iv) considering the situation mentioned at (iii), when does the Ministry anticipate that the new councils will have the capacity to manage and execute their projects independently, especially given that the establishment and officer positions are similar in terms of position and salary scale; and
 - (v) are there plans for the Ministry to bring a supplementary budget to support the struggling new districts.
- 9. MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Trade and Industry whether there are any plans to open Trade Licensing office in Mmadinare. **(372)**
- 10. MR. M. G. J. MOTSAMAI, MP. (GHANZI SOUTH):** To ask the Minister of Education and Skills Development whether the law forbids students to repeat their studies due to illness; he should further state: **(373)**
- (i) if he is aware that a student from Marakanelo Junior Secondary School at Ncojane who was shot by a stray bullet was not allowed to repeat her Form 3 despite the fact that her results prior to the accident showed that she was an A student who could pass and had been absent from school for a considerable period of time going for medical check-ups; and
 - (ii) whether, in view of the fact that her absence from school led to her poor results, nothing could be done to assist her.
- 11. MR. P. P. P. MOATLHODI, MP. (TONOTA):** To ask the Minister of Agriculture to confirm or deny that Veterinary Services has for a very long time been continuously out of stock of Keeper Identity (ID) cards leaving farmers very frustrated at Tonota Constituency as well as the Francistown Region, if so, how and when does the Honourable Minister intend to harness the challenges. **(374)**
- 12. MR. M. I. MOSWAANE, MP. (FRANCISTOWN WEST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Water Affairs to state: **(375)**
- (i) the anticipated cost of the Gerald Estates sewerage and storm water drainage system;

- (ii) if he is aware that there is a dire need for storm water drainage, sewer and internal roads in Gerald Estates;
- (iii) if he is aware that some plots were not serviced; and
- (iv) the situation regarding unserviced land in Francistown if there is any.

NOTICE OF A STATEMENT

(FOR MONDAY 12TH AUGUST, 2024)

• **STATEMENT BY THE MINISTER OF FINANCE**

NOTICE OF PRESENTATION OF GOVERNMENT BILLS

(FOR MONDAY 12TH AUGUST, 2024)

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| 1. National Registration (Amendment) (NO. 2) Bill, 2024 (Bill No. 25 of 2024) | An Act to amend the National Registration Act. |
| (Published on 1 st August, 2024) | |
| (Minister of Labour and Home Affairs) | |
| 2. Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (Bill No. 26 of 2024) | An Act to amend the Citizenship Act. |
| (Published on 1 st August, 2024) | |
| (Minister of Labour and Home Affairs) | |
| 3. Births and Deaths Registration Bill, 2024 (Bill No. 24 of 2024) | An Act to re-enact the Births and Deaths Registration Act with amendments to regulate the registration of births, still-births and deaths; and for matters connected thereto. |
| (Published on 1 st August, 2024) | |
| (Minister of Labour and Home Affairs) | |
| 4. Deputy Sheriffs Bill, 2024 (Bill No. 22 of 2024) | An Act to provide for the appointment, supervision, monitoring and regulation of the conduct of Deputy Sheriffs, the establishment of a Board and a Fidelity Fund for Deputy Sheriffs, and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto. |
| (Published on 30 th July, 2024) | |
| (Minister of Justice) | |

5. High Court (Amendment) Bill, 2024 (Bill
No. 21 of 2024)

An Act to amend the High Court
Act.

(Published on 30th July, 2024)

(Minister of Justice)