

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(MONDAY 9TH DECEMBER, 2024)

QUESTIONS

HRS/MINS

1400 – 1445

- 1. MR. K. K. KAPINGA, MP. (OKAVANGO WEST):** To ask the Minister for State President if he has any intention to review the previous Government's handling of the incident in which ten (10) alleged suspects were shot to death by people reported to be security agents. **(67)**
- 2. MR. M. MOALOSI, MP. (NKANGE):** To ask the Minister for State President to state progress of the Maitengwe Police Station, detailing:

 - (i) what was the original completion date;
 - (ii) what is the cause of the delay;
 - (iii) what steps are being taken to complete the project;
 - (iv) if he is aware that the Security Guards at the Police Station have not been paid for 24 months; and
 - (v) what he is doing to resolve this long outstanding problem.
- 3. MR. R. W. KAIZER, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Minerals and Energy to update this Honourable House on the ongoing auction sale of former BCL employees houses and state whether the Government had previously indicated that they have purchased the houses and that former BCL employees will continue occupying them. The Minister should specifically explain: **(76)**

 - (i) why the houses have suddenly been put up for auction sale and how many houses are considered for sale to complete the asset disposal process;
 - (ii) to date, how many houses has the Government managed to sell and indicate the number of indigenous Batswana as well as 100% citizen owned companies who have successfully purchased the houses; and

- (iii) what happened to the process of offering the occupants priority of purchase as previously announced and communicated.
- 4. BRIGADIER D. MOKGWATHI, MP. (LETLHAKENG):** To ask the Minister of Finance to state whether the previous Government marginalised the Letlhakeng District in terms of developments and that as a result the District remains one of the poorest in Botswana, i.e. specific reference is made to road networks, infrastructural development, support equipment, material resources; and if the above is in the affirmative the Minister should further state: **(77)**
- (i) what is or are the Governments strategy(ies) to balance such inequalities of poverty levels in the next five years;
 - (ii) if he does not assert that the District is the poorest due to development marginalisation; and
 - (iii) if he is in a position to address residents of Letlhakeng District to confirm the fact that indeed the District is not the poorest and what would then be the Government's priorities.
- 5. MR. M. M. MOROLONG, MP. (KGATLENG CENTRAL):** To ask the Minister for State President: **(79)**
- (i) to furnish this Honourable House with names of companies contracted to build 28 Police Stations across the country; and
 - (ii) if all the contracted companies had Tax Clearance Certificates at the time of award; and
 - (iii) if not, why were they awarded contracts whilst owing tax.
- 6. MR. C. K. JACOBS, MP. (LOBATSE):** To ask the Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship when the adopted 2013 Parliamentary Motion that requested for the Lobatse Town to be designated a Special Economic Zone as a way of reviving its economy will be implemented. **(80)**
- 7. MR. K. S. GARE, MP. (MOSHUPA–MANYANA):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to update this Honourable House on the construction and maintenance of the following roads: **(81)**
- (i) the road connecting Bikwe, Manyana, Moshupa and Naledi; and
 - (ii) the road connecting Tshweneyagae, Kgomokasitwa and Magotlhwane.

8. **MR. R. M. LEKUTLANE, MP. (K GALAGADI NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement to apprise this Honourable House when he intends to supply Inalegolo village with potable water as currently water connectivity remains high and unaffordable and further state why Inalegolo is not connected to the Phuduhudu – Kokong – Mabutsane water pipe line. **(82)**
9. **MR. T. BOGATSU, MP. (LENTSWELETAU-LEPHEPHE):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to state what he intends doing about the Kweneng-Medie-Lentsweletau road and in particular: **(84)**
- (i) whether it is true that a tarred road will be constructed from Medie to Tshele Hill near Mochudi; and
 - (ii) if it will be constructed through a Public Private Partnership (PPP) venture as previously promised by the former area Member of Parliament.
10. **MR. K. T. MMUSI, MP. (GABANE-MMANKGODI):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement when a 3 x standpipe at Mokolwe and Fikeng will be installed since the ungazetted settlement is now recognised as was approved by Government in October 2024. **(85)**
11. **MS. H. P. MANYENENG, MP. (MMOPANE-METSIMOTLHABE):** To ask the Minister of Health if he is aware that Metsimotlhabe Clinic is not adequately serving its community due to issues which have been reported but not attended to and to further state: **(86)**
- (i) if he is aware that the total number of working staff is nine (9) out of which only 2 work during weekends and take day offs;
 - (ii) if he is aware that the Pharmacy Technician works on 3 months contracts;
 - (iii) whether he is aware that there are limited rooms to consult patients and that there is no observation room and an office;
 - (iv) if he is aware that there is only one (1) pit latrine shared by both men and women, one (1) pit latrine for staff and no ambulance; and
 - (v) if he will consider extending the clinic facility within the space and provide mobile clinics to cater for the catchment areas.

QUESTION WITHOUT NOTICE

12. MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA): To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs to apprise this Honourable House on progress made in the nomination of Specially Elected Councillors; he should further state:

- (i) the reason and the causes for the delay in nominating Specially Elected Councillors;
- (ii) if it is true that letters were written to the prospective nominees for Special Election to Councils and later withdrawn, if so, to state the reasons;
- (iii) the impact of the delays in nominations on service delivery in the Local Councils;
- (iv) the criteria used in the nomination of Specially Elected Councillors and in each criterion state the number of Councillors nominated; and
- (v) when he is likely to complete the nomination and apprise the Honourable House on a possible schedule for the full operation of Councils in the Districts and Sub District levels following the General Elections held on October 30, 2024.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

HRS/MINS

MOTION

1445 – 1800

RESPONSE TO THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH

- "We, the National Assembly of Botswana here assembled, respond to the President's speech."

(Leader of the House)

(Resumed Debate)