BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(WEDNESDAY 11TH DECEMBER, 2024)

QUESTIONS

HRS/MINS

1400 - 1445

- **1. MR. C. K. JACOBS, MP. (LOBATSE):** To ask the Minister of Finance **(91)** whether it is not time to consider constructing the Government integrated offices in Lobatse that were promised during the late Honourable Sebego's tenure.
- 2. MR. K. S. GARE, MP. (MOSHUPA-MANYANA): To ask the Minister of (92) Health to update this Honourable House on the status of the Health facilities at Kgomokasitwa, Magotlhwane, Ntlhantlhe, Lekgolobotlo and Ranaka villages and to further state if he is aware that the ambulance meant to service Magotlhwane was sent for service over ten (10) years ago but was never brought back.
- **3.** MR. C. SEDOMBO, MP. (TONOTA): To ask the Minister of Transport and (95) Infrastructure:
 - (i) how many contractors and sub-contractors have been awarded jobs under the Development Managers Model;
 - (ii) to publish the list of contractors awarded by the Development Managers and contracts amount;
 - (iii) if he is aware that some contractors have been awarded jobs under different Managers while others have not got any job;
 - (iv) what procurement method was used to award tenders since Public Procurement and Assets Disposal Board (PPADB) procedures were not followed;
 - (v) how are Development Managers paid;
 - (vi) whether he is aware that Directors of Development Managers have also awarded themselves jobs as contractors and sub-contractors;
 - (vii) if he is aware that the New Xade project was awarded on 29th October, 2024 and the procurement method used was not clear; and

- (viii) if he will not be conflicted to investigate the award since the project is under his constituency.
- **4. DR. K. GOBOTSWANG, MP. (TSWAPONG SOUTH):** To ask the Minister of **(2)** Local Government and Traditional Affairs to update this Honourable House on the construction of the second primary schools at Ramokgonami and Chadibe respectively as well as Letoreng village.
- 5. MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST): To ask the Minister of (7) Trade and Entrepreneurship to provide quantitative information on the status of poverty alleviation projects in Selebi Phikwe East and to state the level of wealth creation particularly for the informal sector.
- 6. MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH): To ask the Minister of (24) Transport and Infrastructure to update this Honourable House on the status of the major infrastructure development projects in Molepolole; that includes the building of new police stations and refurbishment of the old Molepolole Police Station.
- 7. MR. M. M. PULE, MP. (KGATLENG EAST): To ask the Minister of (38) Transport and Infrastructure to provide an update on the progress of the Modipane-Mabalane Road project, currently under construction using the Development Manager Model and to specifically:
 - share details on the current status of construction and milestones achieved;
 - (ii) indicate if there are any encountered or anticipated delays; and
 - (iii) state the estimated timeframe for the project's completion.
- 8. MR. C. KEKGONEGILE, MP. (MAUN EAST): To ask the Minister of Labour (42) and Home Affairs to brief this Honourable House on the implementation of the recently reviewed Citizenship Act concerning dual citizenship and repealing of default position, with emphasis on whether:
 - a directive has been issued to Districts guiding the implementation of the Act as per the new clauses; if so, when; if not, why not and when will the directive be issued; and

- (ii) the Ministry intends to address the concerned citizens more especially in Ngamiland; if so, when and who will be addressing them.
- **9. MR. R. M. LEKUTLANE, MP. (KGALAGADI NORTH):** To ask the Minister of **(94)** Water and Human Settlement if he is aware that Kang has a sufficient water supply but the problem is insufficient water storage and further state when he intends to rectify the problem given the rationing and existing shortage of water in some parts of the village.
- **10. MR. M. BAGAISAMANG, MP. (SHOSHONG):** To ask the Minister of Child **(98)** Welfare and Basic Education:
 - (i) if she is aware that the recently bought calculators for Shoshong Senior School students have been collected and returned back to the Ministry Headquarters; if so,
 - does this mean the current Form Four students will not have the chance to use them in their studies preparing for Botswana General Certificate of Secondary Education (BGCSE) examinations in 2025.
- **11. MR. C. DISHO, MP. (OKAVANCO EAST):** To ask the Minister of **(99)** Environment and Tourism to give a concrete date on when the Tourism Act of 2000 will be reviewed to align it with the new developments in the tourism sector; the Minister should also apprise this Honourable House on:
 - whether Government is aware that international tourists without the right documents (i.e. Professional Guides License (PGL) make up almost 80% of tourist traffic in the parks as self-drivers;
 - (ii) related to (i) above, whether the Government realises the economic benefits (to the locals) of stopping self-drivers in national parks and reserves to allow only licensed people to conduct and lead ethical and sustainable guided tours within national parks; and
 - (iii) the intention, plan and strategy for the Government to promote safety for all (i.e., wildlife, people and the environment) by building sufficiently gravelled roads to link destination and attractions like in neighbouring countries (i.e., Namibia, Zambia, South Africa and Zimbabwe).

- 12. MR. V. B. PHOLOCOLO, MP. (KANYE WEST): To ask the Minister of (100) Justice and Correctional Services to apprise this Honourable House on:
 - (i) the number of Court cases currently on-going between the Trade Unions and Government and between the private citizens and the Government;
 - (ii) the number of cases completed in favour and against the Government in the past ten (10) years;
 - (iii) the number of judgements that went against and those the Government has failed to comply with in the past ten (10) vears; and
 - (iv) the reasons for non-compliance, if any.

MOTION FOR THE ADJOURNMENT -DEFINITE MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

"That this Honourable House requests Government to establish, as a matter of urgency. Peace Desks and assign officers at Magistrate Courts and Police Stations to facilitate and enable the use of Section 335 of the Criminal Procedure and Evidence Act as a quick, effective and efficient procedure for the protection of victims of gender based violence."

(Dr. U. Dow, MP. – Kgatleng West)

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTION

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)

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