

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(WEDNESDAY 27TH NOVEMBER, 2024)

QUESTIONS

HRS/MINS

1400 – 1445

- 1. MR. G. LEKAU, MP. (MOGODITSHANE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs whether any 25 kilometre internal road in Mogoditshane was ever approved; if so, when will the construction commence. **(36)**
- 2. MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs if he is aware that Honourable Members of Parliament (MPs) no longer have control over Constituency Community Projects (CCP) funds since a directive that was authored by the Ministry of Finance, directing that all CCP funds should strictly be used for internal roads development or maintenance, an act that denied MPs from initiating any projects peculiar to their local situations. **(27)**
- 3. MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism to give an account of the review of compensation rates for damage caused by wildlife as well as a review of compensable species. **(31)**
- 4. MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Health to update this Honourable House on the waiting list and period as well as demographics of admitted and out-patients at Scottish Livingstone Hospital in Molepolole for various critical medical conditions and if the proposed National Health Insurance could be considered to ameliorate the situation. **(32)**
- 5. MR. S. O. MAPULANGA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education: **(33)**
 - (i) to state with timelines when pit latrines will be eradicated at Liswaani 1 Junior Secondary School as they have become a health hazard to students and the environment; and

- (ii) when his Ministry intends to fence the same school with an electric fence to deter wild animals and for the safety of employees and students.

6. MR. P. M. SEGOKGO, MP. (TLOKWENG): To ask the Minister of Higher Education: **(37)**

- (i) whether, at the time the current Vice Chancellor of the University of Botswana's appointment was made, the Minister consulted the University Council and Senate as required by Section 8(1) of the University of Botswana Act No. 15 of 2008; if so,
- (ii) to state when the recommendation for his appointment was made in accordance with Statute 13(1) of the University of Botswana Statute, which stipulates that such a recommendation should come from a Joint Committee of Council and Senate; and if so,
- (iii) when the meeting of the Joint Committee of Council and Senate was held, and who were the attendees.

7. MR. M. M. PULE, MP. (KGATLENG EAST): To ask the Minister of 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: **(38)**

- (i) 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. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA): To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to state: **(39)**

- (i) the total number of people on the waiting list for potential plots nationally, and in Bobirwa Constituency;
- (ii) the plan and strategy for dealing with those waiting lists in the next 12 months, 2 years and 5 years; and
- (iii) whether Government intends to continue with the policy of allocating unserviced plots in some areas.

9. **MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs to state if there are any plans to reduce the eligibility to receive Old Age Pension from 65 years to 60 years in the foreseeable future. **(40)**
10. **MR. S. O. MAPULANGA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism: **(41)**
- (i) if he is aware of the free movement buffer to the Chobe West communities driving through the Sedudu to Ngoma transit route; if so,
 - (ii) when the route will be operated on a 24 hour basis through assistance of manning the gates by other departments like Botswana Police Service; and
 - (iii) to state the negative economic impact of this scenario as the areas to be reached are production areas and villages which are dependent on subsistence and self-reliance.
11. **MR. G. KEKGONEGILE, MP. (MAUN EAST):** To ask the Minister of Labour 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: **(42)**
- (i) 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.
12. **DR. U. DOW, MP. (KGATLENG WEST):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs whether he is aware of the health hazards posed by the co-location of the fertiliser plant and residences in Molangwana in Kgatleng and, considering the undeniable value to the economy of the plant, whether he has considered or would consider measures such as: **(43)**
- (i) Government constructing a wind barrier on the southern side of the plant; and
 - (ii) Government negotiating with the residents with a view to relocating them to the northern side of the plant.

TABLING OF A PAPER

- Botswana National Productivity Centre Annual Report, 2023.

(Minister of Labour and Home Affairs)

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)