

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(MONDAY 23RD MARCH, 2026)

QUESTIONS

HRS/MINS

1400 – 1445

- 1. MR. G. LEKAU, MP. (MOGODITSHANE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs to state: **(354)**

 - (i) when the National Policy on Destitute Persons was last reviewed; and
 - (ii) if there are plans to review the policy; and if so, when.
- 2. MR. G. DISHO, MP. (OKAVANGO EAST):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism to state: **(355)**

 - (i) when Government intends to establish a National Sustainability Framework to guide environmental, social and economic governance;
 - (ii) whether Government acknowledges that the continued absence of such a framework has placed Botswana at a disadvantage relative to comparable countries in the region, weakened compliance with international green and climate finance requirements, and resulted in missed or foregone opportunities to access green finance and sustainability-linked funding; and
 - (iii) immediate corrective measures that are being instituted to avert further financial and developmental loss arising from the gap.
- 3. MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to state whether a multi-million-pula contract was awarded by Botswana Railways; and if so, to state: **(358)**

 - (i) the contract amount and how the contract was awarded, and the level of involvement of the project office at Office of the President;
 - (ii) the reasons for the secrecy of the deal and sidelining of both the Board and the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure;

- (iii) who ordered the project office to ensure that the company is contracted;
 - (iv) if there are any letters of complaints to the Minister or to any Government officials about the deal;
 - (v) the nature of such complaints and what actions have been taken; and
 - (vi) whether there is a policy shift diverting Public Private Partnership (PPPs) project proposals from the Ministry of Finance to the Office of the President.
4. **MR. M. M. PULE, MP. (KGATLENG EAST):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure how many public transport permits have been issued for the Malolwane–Oliphants Drift, Malolwane–Mochudi, and Modipane–Mabalane roads; and to further state: (359)
- (i) the number of permits, the permit holders (owners), and whether these permits are currently active; and
 - (ii) whether Government intends to increase the permit quota for operations on these roads; and if so, when the increased quota will be implemented so that people can apply.
5. **MR. T. FURNITURE, MP. (TATI EAST):** To ask the Minister for State President, Defence and Security to apprise this Honourable House on Botswana Police Savings and Loan Guarantee Scheme for the year ended 2025; and to further state: (360)
- (i) from which year these dividends were declared, what happened to the dividends declared from the scheme since its inception in 1999; and
 - (ii) the criteria used to select officers who have retired from active service as it seems that some officers who are no longer members of the scheme benefitted while others were left out.
6. **MR. D. SALESHANDO, MP. (MAUN NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Minerals and Energy to update this Honourable House on the current state of fuel supply and national fuel security in Botswana, in light of recent public statements and concerns regarding the adequacy of national fuel reserves; and to specifically state: (362)
- (i) the current volume of fuel stocks available in Botswana, including both commercial stocks held by oil marketing companies and Government strategic reserves;

- (ii) the number of days of national fuel cover currently available based on Botswana's average daily consumption;
 - (iii) the maximum strategic fuel storage capacity available in the country and whether Government has plans to expand this capacity to meet internationally recommended benchmarks for energy security;
 - (iv) measures Government has put in place to mitigate potential disruptions to fuel supply, particularly in light of ongoing geopolitical tensions in the Middle East that may affect global fuel supply chains; and
 - (v) whether the country is at risk of totally running out of supply as warned by the President.
7. **MR. S. O. MAPULANGA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education to state progress made in the maintenance of Nata Senior Secondary School; and further state: (363)
- (i) the amount of damage incurred in terms of value; and
 - (ii) when her Ministry will complete the maintenance works to normalise the school operations.

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

8. **MR. C. K. HIKUAMA, MP. (MAUN WEST):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education: (262)
- (i) to provide a definitive timeline for the placement of thousands of learners who did not meet the cut-off point for admission to senior secondary schools following the 2025 Junior Certificate results;
 - (ii) to state the steps and processes to be followed for one to access the Project Bula Buka;
 - (iii) to confirm if all satellite centres and partner institutions are fully equipped with the necessary Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM) resources and trained personnel to accommodate this influx, given that the first phase is set to begin in March 2026; and
 - (iv) what immediate measures her Ministry is taking to communicate with the "discarded" learners and their guardians to alleviate the current climate of uncertainty and prevent further social exclusion.

9. **MR. G. KEGONEGILE, MP. (MAUN EAST):** To ask the Minister for State President, Defence and Security to brief this Honourable House on the implementation process of the upcoming insourcing of Security, Cleaning and Gardening Services within the Public Sector effective 1st April 2026 with emphasis on:

- (i) the target number of workers to be employed per category;
- (ii) the recruitment process in terms of whether it will involve open advertisement and former temporary workers, or target only current temporary workers;
- (iii) how the Ministry will ensure transparency and fairness within the recruitment process; and
- (iv) which Ministries, Local Authorities and Parastatals will be affected.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

HRS/MINS

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

1445 – 1830

- Appropriation (2026/2027) Bill, 2026 (Bill No. 1 of 2026) An Act to authorise the payment out of the Consolidated Fund and the Development Fund of sums of money for the year ending 31st March, 2027.

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(Minister of Finance)

(Resumed Debate)

	<u>ORG</u>	<u>MINISTRY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>HRS/MINS</u>
Day 14	3300	Higher Education	1445 hrs – 1655 hrs	2.10
	2200	Youth and Gender Affairs	1655 hrs – 1830 hrs	1.35