

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(MONDAY 30TH MARCH, 2026)

QUESTIONS

HRS/MINS

1400 – 1445

- 1. MR. G. DISHO, MP. (OKAVANGO EAST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to state: **(292)**

 - (i) when Government intends to give back the underlisted concessions to the following community trusts and villages;

 - (a) NG 14 and 16 to Gudigwa community;
 - (b) NG 11 for Mogocho, Ngarange and Sekondomboro (Itekeng Community Trust); and
 - (ii) whether the leases are still valid with other operators and to further state when they will expire and how long they have been holding on to these leases.
- 2. MR. M. MOALOSI, MP. (NKANGE):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture if he is aware that karakul sheep were illegally imported into the country; and if so, to state: **(187)**

 - (i) where the sheep are currently located;
 - (ii) whether they were quarantined to ensure that they do not bring diseases into the country; and
 - (iii) whether any laws have been violated and what actions are being taken against the perpetrators.
- 3. MR. O. KWAPA, MP. (JWANENG-MABUTSANE):** To ask the Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship whether: **(375)**

 - (i) there was any consultation with Business Botswana regarding adjustments for trading hours for alcohol during the 2025 festive season;
 - (ii) this will happen annually in the years to come;
 - (iii) there has been an improvement in the country's economy during the 2025 festive season;

- (iv) his Ministry is aware that the bars were given times which are specifically reserved for night clubs and to state the basis for such a decision; and
 - (v) he is aware that as a result, night clubs have suffered profit loss.
4. **MR. J. T. MODISE, MP. (KGALAGADI SOUTH):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs when the *Dikgotla* in the small villages such as Kolonkwaneng, Khawa, Struizendam and others will be upgraded to have Kgosi and Deputy Dikgosi positions as they have grown in population sizes. (376)
 5. **MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement to apprise this Honourable House on the project that seeks to connect Thune Dam to the villages of Lepokole, Gobojango, Semolale, Mabolwe and Mothabaneng for water, clearly stating past challenges and future plans to actualise the project. (379)
 6. **MR. M. M. PULE, MP. (KGATLENG EAST):** To ask the Minister for State President, Defence and Security to apprise this Honourable House on the current framework governing the benefits and entitlements accorded to former Presidents; and to further state: (380)
 - (i) the specific benefits currently provided to former Presidents, including but not limited to financial allowances, security detail, housing, medical care, and staff support;
 - (ii) whether the Ministry considers these benefits to be commensurate with the former Presidents' past service to the nation, or if they are deemed excessive or inadequate in light of the country's current economic realities;
 - (iii) if the Ministry intends to undertake a review of the existing benefits package with a view to either reducing, maintaining, or increasing such benefits; and
 - (iv) whether the Ministry intends to conduct any benchmarking exercise against other countries in the region to assess the appropriateness and sustainability of Botswana's benefits framework for former Heads of State.
 7. **MR. D. SALESHANDO, MP. (MAUN NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement if he is aware that non-clearance/removal of aquatic river blockages in the lower Okavango river channels has affected water flow patterns, which adversely affects some communities whose livelihoods are anchored on economic activity along the river; if so, to state the total funds availed in the last five (5) financial years for this activity and how much will be availed in the next financial year. (377)

8. **MR. G. KEKGONEGILE, MP. (MAUN EAST):** To ask the Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship to brief this Honourable House on progress made in the restructuring of the Ministry's Departments, with emphasis on: (381)
- (i) which Departments are being restructured;
 - (ii) whether the process has commenced and its completion date;
 - (iii) rationale and intended goals of the restructuring;
 - (iv) the total staff number of Wealth Creation staff, the number for permanent and temporary staff respectively; and
 - (v) the average years of temporary status in the Wealth Creation Department as well as the staff complement of all units in the Department.
9. **MR. O. KEDIKILWE, MP. (SEROWE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Health to state: (382)
- (i) when the Serowe Rehabilitation Centre will be opened to the public; and
 - (ii) the forecasted project hand over date and the reasons for the delay in the project delivery.
10. **DR. K. GOBOTSWANG, MP. (TSWAPONG SOUTH):** To ask the Minister of Health to state: (383)
- (i) if it is true that from July 2023 to July 2024 fake Antiretroviral (ARV) drugs, smuggled sub-standard hypertension drugs and hazardous cough mixtures/syrup for children were deliberately given to patients by the previous government; and
 - (ii) whether he will conduct a full investigation to get to the bottom of this matter.
11. **MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to state: (384)
- (i) whether he is aware of the continued presence and reported expansion of ground fissures in Hatsatlatladi village in the Molepolole North Constituency;
 - (ii) the current position following the most recent geotechnical assessments conducted in Hatsatlatladi, bearing in mind that ground fissures are progressive in nature, and to state the key findings regarding land stability, public safety, and suitability of the affected areas for development;

- (iii) scientific, technical, environmental, and spatial planning considerations Government relies upon when halting, restricting, or approving developments in areas affected by ground fissures, particularly where major public infrastructure projects are planned;
 - (iv) whether, with specific reference to the proposed road project passing through or near Hatsalatladi, the existence of ground fissures has affected the road alignment, design, or implementation, and if so, to state the mitigation or engineering measures proposed or already implemented to address these risks;
 - (v) whether the presence of ground fissures has resulted in a blanket suspension or moratorium on developments in Hatsalatladi; and if so, to state the legal, technical, or policy basis for such suspension; and
 - (vi) how long residents of Hatsalatladi are expected to wait before being granted clearance to develop their allocated plots, and whether Government has set clear timelines, milestones, or conditions that must be met before development approvals can be issued.
12. **MR. S. O. MAPULANGA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to state: (385)
- (i) why the Kazungula weighbridge is not being used;
 - (ii) when it was last used and when it is expected to be fully operational;
 - (iii) the number of trucks which have been recorded to have used the Kazungula border from January 2025 to date; and
 - (iv) the charge per truck weighed and the amount lost in terms of revenue collection.

TABLING OF PAPERS

1. Botswana Accountancy Oversight Authority Integrated Report 2025.
(Minister of Finance)
2. Public Procurement Tribunal Annual Report, 2024/2025.
(Minister of Finance)
3. Report on Supplementary Estimates of Expenditure for the Consolidated and Development Funds, Financial Paper No. 1 of 2024/2025.
(Chairperson of the Finance and Estimates Committee)

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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THIRD READING (PASSING OF A BILL)

1445 – 1900

- Constitution (Amendment) An Act to amend the Constitution.
Bill, 2025 (Bill No. 14 of 2025)

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(Minister for State President, Defence and Security)