

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(MONDAY 17TH MARCH, 2025)

QUESTIONS

HRS/MINS

1400 – 1445

1. **MR. L. BARONGWANG, MP. (MOGODITSHANE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Health if he will consider building a primary hospital in Mogoditshane under the backdrop of Mogoditshane being the largest village by population and available health facilities servicing neighbouring villages. **(274)**
2. **MR. G. DISHO, MP. (OKAVANGO EAST):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs: **(275)**
 - (i) to outline specific plans to build a primary school in Tobera village which has been on two (2) if not three (3) National Development Plans (NDPs); and
 - (ii) when Shaikarawe Primary School will be upgraded to a fully-fledged primary school.
3. **MR. T. FURNITURE, MP. (TATI EAST):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education to update this Honourable House on the horrible state of Tashata Junior Secondary School classrooms and when a holistic maintenance will be done. **(277)**
4. **MR. M. BAGAISAMANG, MP. (SHOSHONG):** To ask the Minister of Labour and Home Affairs to state: **(278)**
 - (i) if he is aware:
 - (a) of the appalling working and living conditions in farms people in Kudumatse-Dovedale corridor in particular Bots Veg Dikgathong Farm;
 - (b) that employees are not paid in accordance with labour laws;
 - (c) of poor sanitation and the risk of infectious diseases; and
 - (ii) whether there is any plan by the District Labour office in Mahalapye to address this problem.

5. **MR. M. M. MOROLONG, MP. (KGATLENG CENTRAL):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement: (279)
- (i) what action his Ministry is taking to address the contamination of the Notwane River caused by effluent water flowing from the sewerage ponds in Glen Valley;
 - (ii) if the water from the Notwane River is safe for watering livestock and for horticultural purposes;
 - (iii) if his Ministry has conducted any water quality assessments or testing in the Notwane River; and
 - (iv) what measures are being taken to prevent further contamination of the river and to protect both the environment and public health.
6. **MR. T. BOGATSU, MP. (LENTSWELETAU-LEPHEPHE):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs if he is aware: (281)
- (i) of a high student roll of 1265 at Molefe Primary School in Kopong;
 - (ii) that ten (10) classes are permanently taught in the open; and
 - (iii) that the school does not have a staffroom.
7. **DR. U. DOW, MP. (KGATLENG WEST):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education, regard being had to the fact that children are most vulnerable during weekends and school holidays, what protective programmes her Ministry considering is to address this problem. (247)
8. **DR. K. GOBOTSWANG, MP. (TSWAPONG SOUTH):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to state: (183)
- (i) the total number of public projects where Joe Electrical is involved;
 - (ii) the said projects;
 - (iii) the total value in relation to each component;
 - (iv) the projects where Joe Electrical has benefited via direct appointment; and
 - (v) whether there were no other qualified companies that could have benefited in the same way.
9. **MR. R. M. LEKUTLANE, MP. (KGALAGADI NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to apprise this Honourable House on: (185)
- (i) when he intends to design and construct the Hukuntsi – Ncojane road and access roads to Zutshwa, Ngwatle, Ncaang, Hunhukwe, Monong, Xhaa and Ukhwi;

- (ii) what he intends doing in the short term about the accessibility to Xhaa, Hunhukwe and Maake villages which are inaccessible unless someone uses a truck or 4x4 vehicle due to heavy loose sandy roads;
 - (iii) when the routine dry grading and spot improvement was done on the following roads;
 - (a) Hukuntsi – Zutshwa – Ngwatle – Ukhwi;
 - (b) Hukuntsi – Monong – Ngwatle;
 - (iv) when the Phuduhudu – Inalegolo – Kokong road will be upgraded to a paved road; and
 - (v) the number of fleet allocated to Kgalagadi North constituency village by village, department by department, the number in use and the number not in use.
- 10. MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST): To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to state the number of (193)**
- (i) public road transport permits he has issued;
 - (ii) drivers' licenses issued in Selebi Phikwe in the last two (2) years; and
 - (iii) applications rejected as well as reasons for rejection; if any.
- 11. MR. J. J. FRENZEL, MP. (SHASHE WEST): To ask the Minister of Communications and Innovation to state: (204)**
- (i) whether the newly established electric vehicles factory is Government owned or a private entity;
 - (ii) who was responsible for the procurement of vehicles and/or vehicle parts that are to be assembled and the costs thereof; and
 - (iii) the number of buses, bakkies and sedans in the fleet.
- 12. MR. C. K. JACOBS, MP. (LOBATSE): To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture: (211)**
- (i) to provide an update on the Botswana Meat Commission's (BMC) current practices regarding the pay disparity between hourly-paid employees and full-time staff;
 - (ii) what measures are being taken to ensure that hourly paid workers at BMC receive equitable pay, benefits and job security as compared to their full-time counterparts, particularly in relation to wages, health benefits and career progression;

- (iii) what is being done to address concerns raised regarding the treatment of hourly-paid employees particularly in relation to the provision of separate canteens;
- (iv) what steps are being taken to ensure that all employees, regardless of their employment status, have equal access to facilities, including canteens, in a manner that promotes fairness, equity and inclusivity within the Commission;
- (v) why the welfare officer at BMC Lobatse was promoted to the position of Human Resource Officer and if this is procedural and if the appointment was based on merit or qualifications;
- (vi) why BMC workers are the least paid of all parastatals in the market; and
- (vii) why a lot of condemned meat remains in the BMC chillers and what action will be taken to rectify this persistent problem once and for all as it results in tax payers footing the bill.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

HRS/MINS

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

1445 - 1900

- Appropriation (2025/2026) Bill, 2025 (Bill No. 2 of 2025) 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, 2026.

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(Minister of Finance)

(Resumed Debate)

	<u>ORG</u>	<u>MINISTRY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>HRS/MINS</u>
Day 9	2400	Communications and Innovation	1445 hrs – 1745 hrs	3.00
	2800	Ethics and Integrity Directorate	1745 hrs – 1900 hrs	1.15