

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER PAPER

(WEDNESDAY 19TH MARCH, 2025)

QUESTIONS

HRS/MINS

1400 – 1445

1. **MR. O. KEDIKILWE, MP. (SEROWE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to state: **(288)**
- (i) when the National Agricultural Research and Development Institute (NARDI) Sports and Recreation initiative was established and under what mandate it operates within the parastatal;
 - (ii) the total amount of funds raised towards NARDI Sports and Recreation activities since its inception;
 - (iii) how these funds have been utilised and what percentage has been allocated to subcontractors who facilitated training and events;
 - (iv) the subcontractors engaged for training and facilitation, including their qualifications and selection criteria;
 - (v) if there are any governance measures in place to prevent conflicts of interest in financial and operational decisions given that a private health coach is an executive member of NARDI Sports and Recreation; and
 - (vi) if his Ministry has conducted any financial audits or oversight on the management of NARDI Sports and Recreation funds; if so, to share the findings.
2. **MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA):** To ask the Minister of Health: **(290)**
- (i) if he is aware that;
 - (a) all three (3) major health projects in the Bobirwa Constituency namely the 70 bed hospital, Level 1 Primary Hospital in Tsetsebye and the Borotsi Clinic were all not done as planned in NDP 11;
 - (b) the non-implementation of the 3 projects has hugely impacted on the health and well-being of the people of Bobirwa; and
 - (ii) to state if he would prioritise these projects.

3. **MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH):** To ask the Minister for State President if he will consider doing away with the requirement for certain years of experience when it comes to advertising jobs, given that young people make up close to 60% of the population. (291)
4. **MR. S. O. MAPULANGA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister for State President to state: (292)
- (i) the total number of missing persons reported in the period between 2019 and December 31st 2024;
 - (ii) the total number of victims of human trafficking in the period between 2019 and December 31st 2024;
 - (iii) the total number of missing persons, victims of human tracking and ritual murders per year in the period between 2019 and 31st December, 2024;
 - (iv) his Ministry's strategies in significantly combating and reducing these threats to the right to life, personal safety and security of Batswana now and in the future;
 - (v) whether specialised units will not be established within the Botswana Police Service to focus on policing the three (3) above-mentioned types of crimes against humanity;
 - (vi) police districts which have registered the highest total numbers of missing persons, human tracking victims and ritual murders in the period between 2019 and December 31st 2024, and to rationalise these statistics; and
 - (vii) the position of the Government on and the approach of the Botswana Police Service to a particular criminal cult commonly known in our native language as "*Bo rraboko le bo mmaboko*".
5. **DR. U. DOW, MP. (KGATLENG WEST):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education how many undeveloped plots are held by her Ministry and: (293)
- (i) how many and in which towns and villages have those plots remained undeveloped for more than 15 years; and
 - (ii) whether she would consider collaborating with the Minister of Sports and Arts and to turn over some of those plots for use as sports grounds and stadiums.
6. **MR. M. M. PULE, MP. (KGATLENG EAST):** To ask the Minister for State President if there is a strategic plan or timeline to expand child friendly police centres to rural areas, particularly in places like Kgatlang East given that research indicates higher prevalence of child abuse in rural areas; and to further state: (272)
- (i) measures that are being taken to ensure equal access to child protection services for rural communities;

- (ii) if the Government aims or has conducted assessments in which rural districts require urgent establishment of such centres; and
 - (iii) if there is a plan to request to be allocated specific funding for expanding child-friendly police centres in underserved areas.
7. **MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to apprise this Honourable House on progress made in the construction of the Trans-Kalahari rail line; and to state the cost expended to date if any. (289)
8. **MR. M. MOALOSI, MP. (NKANGE):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education if she is aware that there are Business Studies Teachers who are yet to be paid Scarce Skills Allowance despite a court order having directed that they be paid from 1st April, 2013; if so: (294)
- (i) when does the Minister intend to comply with this court order; and
 - (ii) which other teaching disciplines qualify for scarce skills allowances and are yet to be paid.
9. **MR. G. KEKGONEGILE, MP. (MAUN EAST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to brief this Honourable House on efforts made to improve service delivery through its different units and sectors in the North West District, in particular: (296)
- (i) how the Ministry is rectifying lack of organisational structure in the District and extreme congestion at C1 salary scale;
 - (ii) efforts in place to address lack of extension workers in the district leading to low yields and cattle herd growth;
 - (iii) how the Ministry is alleviating the shortage of transport given that every unit has 70% of its fleet grounded; and
 - (iv) elaborative plans to provide adequate office accommodation to different units under one or two roofs rather than have them scattered over Maun.
10. **MR. J. J. FRENZEL, MP. (SHASHE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs to state factors contributing to delays in recognising Lekoba as a settlement. (303)
11. **MR. T. FURNITURE, MP. (TATI EAST):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism: (304)
- (i) if he is aware of wildlife roaming the Patayamatebele area and the dangers it poses to residents and farmers; and

- (ii) what is being done to solve the human – wildlife conflict in this area.

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 11	3100	Office of the Receiver	1445 hrs – 1545 hrs	1.00
	3200	Land Tribunal	1545 hrs – 1745 hrs	2.00
	3300	Higher Education	1745 hrs – 1900 hrs	1.15