

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER P A P E R

(TUESDAY 25TH MARCH, 2025)

QUESTIONS

HRS/MINS

1400 – 1445

1. **MR. P. M. SEGOKGO, MP. (TLOKWENG):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs if he is aware that primary school students are asked to bring stationery to schools in Tlokweng; if so, what is he doing to address the issue. **(319)**
2. **MR. J. J. FRENZEL, MP. (SHASHE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture when services for Matsitama, Mathangwane, Jamataka and Makobo will be relocated to Tonota Sub-Land Board so as to bring services closer to the people. **(321)**
3. **MR. T. FURNITURE, MP. (TATI EAST):** To ask the Minister of Minerals and Energy to update this Honourable House on illegal mining happening in the Matsiloje area and measures in place to prevent this. **(322)**
4. **MR. M. BAGAISAMANG, MP. (SHOSHONG):** To ask the Minister of Minerals and Energy if she:
 - (i) is aware of the state of the Mahalapye River with regards to excessive mining of sand;
 - (ii) is aware of developments activities in the area where villages benefited due to Corporate Social Responsibilities; and
 - (iii) has plans to develop a model that will benefit the villages along the Mahalapye River.
5. **MR. C. K. JACOBS, MP. (LOBATSE):** To ask the Minister of Higher Education:
 - (i) to state the mandate of the Labour Market Observatory (LMO) committee and if it has achieved any of the goals set out in its mandate;
 - (ii) how effective this committee has been in collecting and disseminating data on Botswana's labour market;
 - (iii) if LMO reports and findings are being used to inform policies and strategies aimed at reducing unemployment and addressing graduates and labour market skills mismatches;

- (iv) what steps Government is taking to ensure that the LMO has adequate resources, capacity, and technology to fulfil its mandate;
 - (v) to provide examples of key initiatives or decisions that have been directly influenced by the LMO's work; and
 - (vi) what mechanisms are in place to ensure collaboration between the LMO, the Human Resource Development Council and other stakeholders to create a cohesive approach to workforce development and employment creation.
6. **MR. R. M. LEKUTLANE, MP. (KGALAGADI NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Minerals and Energy to apprise this Honourable House on the upgrading of the Zutshwa Salt Pan Mine with the intention to create employment in Kgalagadi North. (325)
7. **MR. T. BOGATSU, MP. (LENTSWELETAU-LEPHEPHE):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education: (326)
- (i) to explain her Ministry's relationship with the Botswana Communication Regulatory Authority (BOCRA) personnel in primary schools;
 - (ii) whether they are contracted by the Ministry of Local Government and Traditional Affairs and the wages paid by BOCRA; and
 - (iii) who should absorb them at the end of their three (3) year term contract.
8. **MR. R. W. KAIZER, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Transport and Infrastructure to apprise this Honourable House on the status of the Blue Mark Service offered by Botswana Railways (BR), he should further explain: (328)
- (i) if the service is still offered inhouse by BR, if not, who it is currently outsourced to; and
 - (ii) whether BR controls the courier service charges for this service.
9. **MR. P. K. MOTAOSANE, MP. (THAMAGA-KUMAKWANE):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture when his Ministry will allocate residential plots in Kumakwane. (329)
10. **MR. K. NKAWANA, MP. (SELEBI PHIKWE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Water and Human Settlement to provide detailed information on: (330)
- (i) the number of residential houses owned by the Central Government;

- (ii) how many of these houses are occupied;
- (iii) how many are not occupied; and
- (iv) how many are dilapidated.

11. **MR. M. M. PULE, MP. (KGATLENG EAST):** To ask the Minister of Finance (302) to state:

- (i) if the Government has any intention or plan to construct a border crossing facility for the people in Oliphants Drift, Ramotlabaki, and Phala Camp who currently struggle to cross at the Sikwane Border Post; and
- (ii) the timeframe for when this plan will be implemented.

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 14	2200	Youth and Gender	1445 hrs – 1700 hrs	2.15
		Appropriation from Revenue	1700 hrs – 1730 hrs	0.30