

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

ORDER P A P E R

(WEDNESDAY 26TH FEBRUARY, 2025)

QUESTIONS

HRS/MINS

1400 – 1445

1. **BRIGADIER D. MOKGWATHI, MP. (LETLHAKENG):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education to state, with special reference to the UDC Government Manifesto that talks to Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths (STEAM) as the model of the education system and the new education system, i.e. Education and Training Sector Strategic Plan (ETSSP) that the Government has rolled out: (189)
 - (i) if students will be able to sit for their examinations next year;
 - (ii) if the Minister foresees any potential challenges; and if any,
 - (iii) the mitigation plan(s) to be put in place right away to prevent any possible disaster.

2. **MR. S. DIGWA, MP. (BOTETI WEST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to state: (192)
 - (i) when the Makalamabedi No.2 Quarantine Camp fence will be renovated;
 - (ii) if it will be upgraded to an electric fence since it is not easily destroyed by elephants; and
 - (iii) what arrangements have been made for cattle to be sent for artificial insemination.

3. **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.

4. **MR. G. KEKGONEGILE, MP. (MAUN EAST):** To ask the Minister of Health if he is aware that Letsholathebe Hospital (North West District) has numerous challenges of inadequate service to patients in terms of shortage of staff and specialists, shortage of medicine and inadequate facilities; if so:
 - (i) how does the Ministry intend to rectify the situation;
 - (ii) how many doctors and specialists are in Letsholathebe Hospital and how many are supposed to be in place given the patient population;
 - (iii) are there any plans to establish a 24 hour operating clinic in one of Maun East clinics given the rise in population and growth of Maun; and
 - (iv) are there any plans to upgrade Letsholathebe Hospital into a fully-fledged specialised hospital; if so, when; and which specialised areas will be covered.
5. **MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education to state:
 - (i) the total number of young persons who dropped out of the terminal points of Form 3 and Form 5 between 2019 and 2024; and
 - (ii) Government interventions in respect of ensuring a secure future for them.
6. **MR. A. K. KHAN, MP. (MOLEPOLOLE NORTH):** To ask the Minister for State President to inform this Honourable House on the status of Tautona Lodge; and in particular:
 - (i) to tabulate what exactly was bought when the property was allegedly purchased, that is, the inventory of the Tautona Lodge;
 - (ii) what activities takes place there;
 - (iii) how many people are employed there and their nature of work; and
 - (iv) the exact cost of the property when it was bought.
7. **MR. K. C. HIKUAMA, MP. (MAUN WEST):** To ask the Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education to brief this Honourable House on the progress made by the Ministry regarding the rollout of the Outcome-Based Education (OBE) Curriculum in public schools across the country; and to further outline:
 - (i) the implementation programme, if any and challenges experienced; and

- (ii) the requirements in schools for the adequate and successful implementation of the OBE especially in senior secondary schools.
8. **MR. S. O. MAPULANCA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism to state: (198)
- (i) the number of permits that have been issued in communal areas at the Chobe Enclave for watering wild animals; and
 - (ii) the names of companies which were given those permits.
9. **MR. M. MOALOSI, MP. (NKANGE):** To ask the Minister of Labour and Home Affairs if he will consider opening a District Labour Office in Tutume; if not, whether he does not see the need. (199)
10. **DR. U. DOW, MP. (KGATLENG WEST):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs: (200)
- (i) whether he is aware that the Pilane Land Fill poses a serious health hazard to the residents of Pilane, Morwa and Raserura;
 - (ii) what plans are in place to deal with the problem;
 - (iii) whether he is aware that if the facility were a private facility, as opposed to a Government one, it would have long been closed; and
 - (iv) why there are different standards for Government and the private sector.
11. **MR. M. M. PULE, MP. (KGATLENG EAST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture if he is aware of the Dinokeng Fish Festival which was created to promote fishing and fish farming and aimed to foster local economic empowerment in the river villages; if so, to state: (201)
- (i) whether Government will continue to support this festival and commit to making it return for a third time and beyond; and
 - (ii) what plans will be put in place to ensure its successful organisation and to promote local tourism, culture, and economic development in the Kgatleng East Constituency.
12. **MR. P. M. SEGOKGO, MP. (TLOKWENG):** To ask the Minister of Health if he will consider building a primary hospital in Tlokweng through Public Private Partnerships (PPP); and if so, when. (202)

NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND ORDERS OF THE DAY

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SECOND READING

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)

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