

BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

NOTICE PAPER

(MONDAY 11TH FEBRUARY, 2019)

NOTICE OF MINISTERS' QUESTION TIME

(FOR ORAL ANSWER ON FRIDAY 22ND FEBRUARY, 2019)

1. Ministry of Mineral Resources, Green Technology and energy security

THEME: EARTH TREMORS IN SELEBI-PHIKWE

(Mr. D. L. Keorapetse, MP. – Selebi-Phikwe West)

2. Ministry of Employment, Labour Productivity And Skills Development

(FOR ORAL ANSWER ON FRIDAY 1ST MARCH, 2019)

THEME: STATE OF LEARNING AT TECHNICAL COLLEGES AND BRIGADES

- (i) Development of the new curriculum;
- (ii) Continuing students issues;
- (iii) 2019 intake;
- (iv) Deployment of retired Botswana Defence Force (BDF) soldiers to physically train lecturers and learners.

(Mr. D. L. Keorapetse, MP. – Selebi-Phikwe West)

NOTICE OF QUESTIONS

(FOR ORAL ANSWER ON WEDNESDAY 20TH FEBRUARY, 2019)

1. **MR. D. L. KEORAPETSE, MP. (SELEBI-PHIKWE WEST):** To ask the Minister **(323)** of Investment, Trade and Industry if there have been any internal or external reports by oversight bodies such as Ombudsman or the Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime (DCEC) relating to the Gambling Authority staff on allegations of sexual favours or valuable consideration of sexual nature; if so, to elaborate.

- 2. MR. H. G. NKAIGWA, MP. (GABORONE NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Agricultural Development and Food Security: **(324)**
- (i) what caused the recent students strike or class boycotts at Botswana University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (BUAN) and what has been done to address the concerns raised by students;
 - (ii) when their concerns will be addressed to avoid future strikes or class boycotts; and
 - (iii) what is causing the delay in addressing their concerns since the same issues have been raised for the past five (5) years.
- 3. MR. W. B. MMOLOTSI, MP. (FRANCISTOWN SOUTH):** To ask the Minister of Land Management, Water and Sanitation Services: **(325)**
- (i) if he is aware that some industries in Francistown release raw sewage into the river; and
 - (ii) what his Ministry is doing to address the sewage pipes blockage that have been a common occurrence in Francistown for many years.
- 4. MR. H. G. NKAIGWA, MP. (GABORONE NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Tertiary Education, Research, Science and Technology to state: **(326)**
- (i) the number of students enrolled at Gaborone Institute of Professional Studies (GIPS) Phakalane and for which courses;
 - (ii) how many lecturers are employed with Degree, Diploma and Certificate qualifications;
 - (iii) how many of the lecturers are Batswana;
 - (iv) if he is aware that despite students undertaking Higher National Diploma they are being taught by lecturers with Diploma and Certificates qualifications; and
 - (v) what is being done to address this abnormality.
- 5. MR. D. L. KEORAPETSE, MP. (SELEBI-PHIKWE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Investment, Trade and Industry to state: **(327)**
- (i) whether there is a company engaged to adjudicate on the lottery licensing;
 - (ii) the date when the tender invitation was floated in local or international media and the number of companies that responded;

- (iii) whether the company that has been appointed is a citizen owned company; and if not,
 - (iv) the special skills possessed by its manpower that led to it being awarded the tender.
- 6. MR. M. REATILE, MP. (SPECIALLY ELECTED):** To ask the Minister of Land Management, Water and Sanitation Services to state the number of people living with albinism and people living with disabilities employed in his Ministry and by Water Utilities Corporation (WUC); if any: **(328)**
- (i) to provide the breakdown by Districts, date engaged and gender;
 - (ii) whether the number of people employed meet the country's target of the United Nations (UN) Sustainable Development Goal (SDGs) number 8: Decent work and economic growth by 2030, to Promote inclusive and sustainable economic growth, employment and decent work for all; and if not,
 - (iii) to give an assurance when the target will be met for the above mentioned disadvantaged groups in compliance with SDG number 8.
- 7. MR. A. S. KESUPILE, MP. (KANYE SOUTH):** To ask the Minister of Basic Education that pursuant to "multiple pathways" to learning opportunities, he should state: **(329)**
- (i) the volume of teachers that joined the teaching service and their areas of specialisation;
 - (ii) how the curriculum is packaged to enable students to follow suitable programmes; and
 - (iii) how the different components of multiple pathways would be assessed for the purpose of awarding certificates.
- 8. MR. N. S. L. M. SALAKAE, MP. (GHANZI NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Rural Development whether Government is aware that construction of internal roads in Ghanzi Township has led to the escalating number of children roaming the streets of Ghanzi Township; and if so, what measures have been put in place to address the situation. **(330)**

- 9. MR. H. G. NKAIGWA, MP. (GABORONE NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Employment, Labour Productivity and Skills Development if he is aware that despite employees holding National Craft Certificate (NCC) they are paid very low salaries; if so, to state: **(331)**
- (i) the rate at which employees with NCC are supposed to be paid;
 - (ii) if he is aware that despite being physically employed by Steel Galaxy they are being paid through a company called Hitecon; and
 - (iii) that despite dealing with steel material under dangerous conditions there is no Safety Health and Environment (SHE) officer employed by the company.
- 10. MR. M. REATILE, MP. (SPECIALLY ELECTED):** To ask the Minister of Environment, Natural Resources Conservation and Tourism: **(332)**
- (i) how much the Botswana Tourism Organisation (BTO) has paid to companies based outside Botswana to advertise the country's tourism online for the past three (3) years;
 - (ii) what informed the Minister to undermine the capacity and capabilities of Botswana by not engaging them to offer those services; and
 - (iii) to state if she has any plans to engage local Botswana companies to advertise the country using online platforms.
- 11. MR. N. S. L. M. SALAKAE, MP. (GHANZI NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Land Management, Water and Sanitation Services to state: **(333)**
- (i) how many plots have been surveyed and approved under the National Land Registration Project;
 - (ii) the cost involved thus far to survey the plots and how much more money is required to successfully complete the project;
 - (iii) whether the private sector was involved in carrying out the exercise; and if so,
 - (iv) how much was used internally and how much was used to engage the private sector; and
 - (v) if there is a correlation between the amount spent and output.

- 12. MR. D. L. KEORAPETSE, MP. (SELEBI-PHIKWE WEST):** To ask the Minister of Investment, Trade and Industry what was the total budget of the Gambling Authority for Financial Years 2016/17, 2017/2018 and 2018/2019 and how much of that was budgeted for outreach programmes, local procurement, training, localisation and development, risk and audit as well as administrative purposes for the said years: **(334)**
- (i) what is the percentage compliance or variance of the budgets for outreach, training, local procurement, risk and audit; and
 - (ii) what is the external trips and travel budget (2016/17, 2017/18 and 2018/19) for the Authority and what is the compliance or variance to it.

(FOR ORAL ANSWER ON THURSDAY 21ST FEBRUARY, 2019)

- 1. MR. N. S. L. M. SALAKAE, MP. (GHANZI NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Environment, Natural Resources Conservation and Tourism to state whether there are any plans to lift the hunting ban. **(335)**
- 2. MR. H. G. NKAIGWA, MP. (GABORONE NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Tertiary Education, Research, Science and Technology if he is aware that students studying Heavy Plant Mechanics at Gaborone Institute of Professional Studies (GIPS) Phakalane have never conducted practicals for the past three (3) years until recently after class boycotts that a heavy plant truck was availed at the school; and if so, to state: **(336)**
- (i) how they are expected to graduate from the institution without practical experience;
 - (ii) what action Government has taken against the institution for failure to provide learning equipment to students despite being paid for such services; and
 - (iii) how often does Botswana Qualifications Authority (BQA) audit the institution and when last it was audited.

3. MR. M. REATILE, MP. (SPECIALLY ELECTED): To ask the Minister of Mineral Resources, Green Technology and Energy Security to state: **(337)**

- (i) how many engineers have been sent for further studies at Masters level or specialisation by the following companies for the past five (5) years;
 - (a) Debswana;
 - (b) Morupule Colliery;
 - (c) Sowa Pan; and if not,
- (ii) the reasons why employees were not sent for further studies.

4. MR. N. S. L. M. SALAKAE, MP. (GHANZI NORTH): To ask the Minister of Local Government and Rural Development whether: **(338)**

- (i) there are any plans to relocate people whose houses have been affected by the construction of the storm water drainage system in Ghanzi Township; if so, when can they expect the process to start since the rainy season is about to begin;
- (ii) there was any topographic survey done before constructing such internal roads; if so, was it done by a competent and registered land surveyor; and
- (iii) there were any competent and registered land surveyors present during construction of the roads; and if so, whether they advised that the side drainages were not well constructed.

5. MR. D. L. KEORAPETSE, MP. (SELEBI-PHIKWE WEST): To ask the Minister of Investment, Trade and Industry to state: **(339)**

- (i) how many interns are currently employed at the Gambling Authority;
- (ii) their gender and age category; and
- (iii) whether there are any specific interns targeted and already briefed of their recruitment upon completion or before completion of their internship period.

- 6. MR. A. S. KESUPILE, MP. (KANYE SOUTH):** To ask the Minister of Mineral Resources, Green Technology and Energy Security to state: **(340)**
- (i) the number of villages in Kanye South Constituency that got electrical power connection through the Rural Electrification Programme between 2008-2017; and
 - (ii) the number of villages, by name, in Kanye South that will be considered to benefit from the Solar Electrification Programme during the 2018/2019 financial year.
- 7. MR. E. J. BATSHU MP. (NKANGE):** To ask the Minister of Defence, Justice and Security: **(341)**
- (i) if he is aware that communities living along the border with Zimbabwe particularly where the border line is the centre of Ramokgwebana and Shashe rivers, now generally believe that the inland disease control fences are the actual border; and
 - (ii) what is the Ministry doing or will do to sensitise such communities about the boundary line to avoid any confusion which could lead to future border conflicts in the area.
- 8. MR. H. G. NKAIGWA, MP. (GABORONE NORTH):** To ask the Minister of Employment, Labour Productivity and Skills Development to state: **(342)**
- (i) when the last labour inspection was done by the Ministry at Steel Galaxy Phakalane;
 - (ii) what license they are using for their operations despite operating a hardware and manufacturing steel;
 - (iii) if he is aware that employees of Steel Galaxy at Phakalane are working without contracts, their protective clothing is of low quality and over sizes which has compromised their health and safety; and
 - (iv) if he is aware that despite working on Saturdays employees of the company are not rightly compensated for working during the weekend.

NOTICE OF TABLING OF PAPER

(FOR THURSDAY 14TH FEBRUARY, 2019)

- Botswana Investment and Trade Centre (BITC) Annual Report for the Financial Year, 2018.

(Minister of Investment, Trade and Industry)