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The Parliamentary Standing Committee of the National Council on Regional Development and Reports held consultative meetings in the regions on the proposed Bill on the establishment of the Constituency Development Fund (CDF) and proposed amendments on the Regional Council Act 22 of 1992.

The Standing Committee tabled the Report on the establishment of Constituency Development Fund on 18 February 2014 in the National Council Chamber. The Report was adopted by the House on 19 February 2014. The main objective of the Report and the proposed Bill is to financially assist the development of the fourteen (14) Regions in Namibia. The report recommends that the National Council Legal Division should draft a Bill on Constituency Development Fund and also propose amendments on the Regional Councils Act 22 of 1992 to include and legalize Regional Development Coordinating Committees and Constituency Development Committees.

The Committee travelled to all 14 Regions of the country from 22 June-22 July 2015 to seek inputs from the stakeholders regarding the proposed Bill on the CDF and Regional Councils Amendment Bill. It is expected that the Chairperson of the Committee, Honorable Lebibus Tobias will table the report with its recommendations very soon in the National Council Chamber. The Committee Members are strongly recommending the CDF to be administered from the regions, in order for projects to be implemented and monitored from a regional level.



Parliamentary Standing Committee Members with some of the stakeholders in Omaheke Region