MOTIVATION SPEECH BY THE **CHAIRPERSON** OF THE PARLIAMENTARY **STANDING** COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ON THE REPORT ON THE STAKEHOLDERS CONSULTATIVE MEETING HELD IN OTJIWARONGO, OTJOZONDJUPA REGION FROM 1-5 AUGUST 2016

Honourable Speaker Honourable Members

I rise to motivate the report by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Human Resources and Community Development on the Stakeholders Consultative Meeting held in Otjiwarongo, Otjozondjupa Region from 1 to 5 August 2016 which was already tabled in this August House for discussion.

Honourable Speaker Honourable Members

It is not my intention to delve into the details of the Report that is before the House today. I have no doubt that Hon. Members have had the opportunity to peruse through the report and will therefore be able to discuss the report in detail.

The Committee's objective are to enhance its skills for better and more effective oversight and to make pertinent recommendations to the House for implementation by relevant stakeholders. . I should however, hasten to point out here that some issues raised in this Report might have already been addressed by the various Ministries and Agencies.

That notwithstanding, I wish to highlight some of the issues, which the Standing Committee considers being of great importance, as it has an impact on the welfare of our communities. The Committee

Members were exposed to various presentations by resource persons of the invited Institutions and Non-Governmental Organisations on the status and progress of Human Resources planning and developmental Projects in the country.

Honourable Speaker Honourable Members

There is a need for regular interactions with Stakeholders to share their operational experience, achievements, challenges as well as intervention programmes. Through its oversight function the Parliamentary Standing Committee must help to establish substantive accountability and be in a position to measure the impact projects have on target groups that Stakeholders are dealing with so that poverty is reduced and the social welfare of the people of this country is improved.

There are common challenges like financial constraints as a major factor undermining fulfilment of institutional obligations in terms of service delivering, the absence of skilled personnel, the lack of offices and storage facilities, lack of transportation to mentioned but a few.

The inclusion of Non-Governmental Organization is very important as some of these institutions are playing a critical role in development of the communities in the country. Information of each Stakeholder regarding challenges and assistance needed are identified in the report.

With these few remarks and not wanting to pre-empt the discussions due to take place on this report, please allow me to make a humble request to the Ministries involved to deal with the recommendations as suggested by the Standing Committee on Human Resources and Community Development.

I so Move Honourable Speaker