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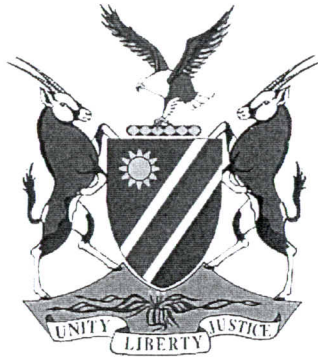
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**VOTE 24: DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT  
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**Honourable Chairperson of the whole house Committee**

**Honourable Members**

I rise to motivate vote 24 for your consideration. I begin by thanking Hon. Calle Schettwein, Hon Tom Alweendo and their entire teams for the well articulated and in my opinion, people-centred budget focusing “Towards a Pro-Growth Fiscal Consolidation.”

Vote 24 is responsible for the oversight of the development of efficient and effective transport infrastructure which contributes to the promotion of the country’s economic development and social upliftment.

Namibia is daunted by the formidable task of maintaining the roads and railway lines due to flood waters during rainy season. Easy mobility for the people and transport industry remains our focus therefore maintenance and proper management of these government assets are a must and needs to be Intensified and preserved.

Transport infrastructure and services remain crucial for generating economic growth, alleviating poverty, reducing the scourge of inequality and increasing domestic and international competitiveness.

I now wish to present to you, honourable members, the programmes that will be discharged by the Ministry through the department of Transport during 2016/2017 Financial Year in order to ensure Modern, efficient and reliable transport infrastructure in the country.

**Programme 1: Air transport Administration**

**Honourable Chairperson of the whole house Committee,  
Honourable Members**

The purpose of this programme is to ensure a safe, secure and efficient Civil Aviation Infrastructure that contributes to the national security and its economy. This programme consists of three main activities, namely Aircraft Accident Investigations, Government Air Transport Services and Civil Aviation Infrastructure Administration.

### **Aircraft Accident Investigations**

The sub-programme Aircraft Accident Investigations is primarily responsible to fulfil the State's obligation towards Annex 13 to the Chicago Convention, to which Namibia is a signatory. The functions of the activity are amongst others to improve aviation Safety by determining the causes of Air accidents and serious incidents and making safety recommendations intended to prevent reoccurrence.

*In order for the activity to function effectively and efficiently to fulfil Namibia's obligation to the Convention I request an amount of Ten Million Four Hundred Seventy Four Thousand Namibia Dollars (NS10 474 000.00)*

### **Government Air Transport Services**

This sub-programme is tasked to provide a safe, secure and efficient air transport services to His Excellency, the President of the Republic of Namibia and the Vice President, the Right Honourable Prime Minister and Deputy Prime Minister, cabinet ministers and deputy Ministers, government officials and foreign dignitaries to local and international destinations. Additionally the activity provides charter services to the

general public and special operations, including relief and rescue work when required throughout the country.

The VIP terminal at Eros Airport is being constructed under this activity and I therefore request an amount of Thirty Five Million and Three Hundred Seventy One Thousand Namibian Dollars (NS 35 371 000.00)

### **Civil Aviation Air Navigation and Infrastructure Administration**

This sub-programme ensures the construction and rehabilitation of Civil Aviation infrastructures. In addition it is also responsible for service provision. (Air Traffic Control, Aeronautical Information Services and Air Navigation and Technical Services) and administration in compliance with the ICAO requirements.

*In order to achieve the objectives under Civil Aviation Air Navigation Infrastructure Administration which include Namibia Airports Company and Air Namibia, I therefore request an amount of One Billion One Hundred Forty Three Million and Two Hundred and Thirteen Thousand Namibia Dollars (NS 1 143 213 000).*

### **Programme 2: Meteorological Services Administration.**

**Honourable Chairperson of the whole house Committee**  
**Honourable Members**

The main objective of this programme is to provide meteorological services to the Namibian citizens and foreign nationals. In addition, it contributes to the safety and wellbeing of Namibians, to reduce the losses of their properties and to contribute to the sustainable economic growth of Namibia.



*I therefore request an amount of Sixty Seven Million and Seven Hundred Seventy Nine Thousand Namibia Dollars (NS67 779 000).*

**Programme 3: Maritime Legislation Administration**

**Honourable Chairperson of the whole house Committee  
Honourable Members**

This program is to ensure fulfilment of the Ministry's objectives regarding safety of life and property at sea; protection of marine environment from pollution by ships and to promote national maritime interests.

*I am requesting the approval and support of this August House, for an amount of One Hundred Thirty Eight Million and Seventy Eight Thousand Namibia Dollars (NS138 078 000.00)*

**Programme 4: Formulation Transportation Policy and Regulatory Oversight**

**Honourable Chairperson of the whole house Committee,  
Honourable Members**

The objective of this programme is to formulate and implement transport policies to ensure safe, efficient and effective mobility and universal access to Namibian citizens.

*I therefore request an amount of Seventy Million Four Thousand Namibia Dollars (NS70 004 000.00).*

**Programme 5: Provision and Upgrading of the Railway Network Programme**

**Honourable Chairperson of the whole house Committee,  
Honourable Members**

The purpose of this programme is the upgrading and rehabilitation of our core national railway line network infrastructure in the country. In addition, to support TransNamib with adequate capacity of locomotives and all other equipment in furthering the provision of railway line services to the public.

*I therefore request for an amount of Nine Hundred Seventy Eight Million and Two Hundred Ninety Two Thousand Namibia Dollars (N\$978 292 000.00).*

**Program 6: Planning and Development of Transportation Infrastructure**

**Honourable Chairperson of the whole house Committee,  
Honourable members**

The purpose of this programme is to develop world class transportation infrastructures and to maintain them in a safe and serviceable condition at all times. The programme includes the construction of new roads, the improvement of gravel roads to bitumen standard, the construction and maintenance of State Owned Aerodromes and the feasibility study for a new port in northern Namibia at Angra Fria. The objective of this programme is to provide connectivity of rural communities to the economic and social centres as well as linking Namibia to neighbouring countries and other parts of the world.

Given the tremendous challenge of getting adequate funding, suitable quality construction materials and water for construction of roads my Ministry is still grappling with the provision of all-weather roads to

every Namibian within a maximum walking distance of 2km. Despite the challenges, we are making considerable progress in developing our national roads network.

**Honourable Chairperson of the whole house Committee,**

**Honourable members**

*I therefore request for an amount of One Billion Five Hundred Seventy Three Million and Seven Hundred Sixty Four Thousand Namibian Dollars (1 573 764 000.00) to be allocated to the Road Sector.*

**Programme 7: Provisions of Support Services of Vehicles, Equipment and Plant to Government.**

**Honourable Chairperson of the whole house Committee**

**Honourable members**

The purpose of this programme is to provide reliable transport services to O/M/A's and to maintain all fleet.

*I therefore request an amount of One hundred Thirty Eight Million and Six Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Namibian Dollars (N\$138 625 000.00)*



**Summary: Vote 24 Transport:**

Programmes	Amount (N\$'000)
1. Air Transport Administration	1 189 058
2. Meteorological Service Administration	67 779
3. Maritime Legislation Administration	138 078
4. Formulation Transportation Policy an Regulation Oversight	70 004
5. Provision and upgrading of the Railway Network	978 292
6. Planning and Development of Transportation Infrastructure	1 573 764
7. Provision of Support Services of Vehicle, Equipment and Plant to GRN	138 625
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4 155 600</b>

In conclusion, Honourable Chairperson of the whole house Committee and Honourable Members it is now my pleasure to submit Vote 24: Transport, to the amount of Four Billion One Hundred Fifty Five Million and Six Hundred Thousand Namibia Dollars (NS 4 155 600.00) for your consideration and approval.

**Honourable Chairperson of the whole house Committee**  
**Honourable members**

As we are facing the Easter Weekend allow me to give to you the following Road Safety Message

On behalf of Government, I wish all Namibians a safe and refreshing Easter break this coming weekend

We know that this is a sacred time of family reunions, religious festivities and consecrations, especially for those who worship in the Christian faith. Many of you will be travelling to various destinations

to meet your loved ones. I wish you a true moment of peace, reflection and of touching the lives of those around us. We must make the 2016 Easter weekend a turnaround weekend – one in which we actually reduce carnage on our roads. It all depends on each and every road user. The overwhelming majority of road crashes are manmade, and therefore it is humanly possible to minimise accidents in the Land of the Brave.

As Minister responsible for road safety in Namibia, I strongly appeal to all road users to be patient, considerate and extra-vigilant in their journeys. Similarly, in our indulgences and merriment, we should avoid drink and drive, speeding and reckless driving. May I plea to all the drivers to obey all the rules of the road at all times. Trust that the harambe spirit will be of great support towards an accident free Easter Weekend.

I wish all Namibians and visitors a truly peaceful, accident-free and blessed Easter. Let us go and return to our various destinations safe and reinvigorated to continue building our country, the economy and its people.

I thank you for your support!