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(14:30 – 17:45)

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:

I. Minister of Finance:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to appeal a certain provision of the Income Tax Amendment Act, 2020, to amend an appeal and repeal certain provisions of the Income Tax Act, 1981 that grant income tax incentives to registered manufacturers; to provide for the continued operation of certain repealed provisions for a certain period; and to provide for incidental matters.

II. Minister of Industrialisation and Trade:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to provide for the administration and supervision of metrology; to designate the Namibian Standards Council as the governance board for metrology; to provide for the functions of the Namibian Standards Institution and the appointment of the head of metrology and other professionals in metrology; to provide for legal units of measurements and legal metrology technical regulations, national measurement standards and to ensure their comparability to international measurement standards;; to provide for metrological supervision and control; to provide for type approval and verification of measuring instruments; to provide for repair of measuring instruments and registration of metrology technicians; to repeal the Measuring Units and National Measuring Standards Act, 1973 and the Trade Metrology Act, 1973; and to provide for incidental matters.

III. Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform:

That this Assembly –

Approve the Ratification of the Treaty of the Southern African Science Centre for Climate Change and Adaptive Land Management (SASSCAL).

IV. Dr. Iijambo:

That this Assembly –

Discusses and *debates* the retirement age(s) of Academics at our Universities.

V. Ms. Hengari:

The constrained access to higher education continues to suppress the country's ability to produce the requisite human capital needed to improve the country's competitiveness.

Therefore, that this Assembly –

Debates the removal of structural and systematic barriers that block access to higher education so that every Namibian person, irrespective of their socio-economic background may be able to pursue higher education.

VI. Deputy Minister of Health and Social Services:

That this Assembly –

Discusses representation and participation of women in politics in Namibia; whether women are equally represented at all levels as their menfolk and if not, for this House to come up and adopt a solution to it. (23 February 2021).

VII. Mr. Smit:

In light of what must be considered a national disaster, considering the fact that the Ministry of Gender Equality, Poverty Eradication and Child Welfare has over the past 31 years completely failed to successfully address any of its mandates, most especially the welfare and safety of our most vulnerable citizens, namely our children in their homes as well as at school.

That this august House –

Urgently discusses how the terrible things that are happening to children in our society can be stopped and redressed and whether this Ministry should be scrapped and its duties allocated elsewhere.

That this Motion be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for investigation and report back to this august House.

VIII. Deputy Minister of Health and Social Services:

The events of colonisation on the African continent and Namibia in particular are documented since the days of the first European settlers. Much of our history is written from the perspective of the colonisers while the viewpoints and experiences of the Africans is largely ignored.

It was concluded that at independence, perhaps with the excitement and euphoria that prevailed, both the government and the people thought that the new dispensation was going to bring about the healing of wounds and help us all move on. We were all wrong and the truth is quite evident in the communities and amongst the descendants of the victims of the 1904 – 1908 Ovaherero

and Nama Genocide. To the contrary, GRN established a Ministry of Veterans' Affairs which deals with matters of those who were involved in the 1966-1990 war of liberation which was fought by all Namibians including the descendants of the victims of the 1904-08 Ovaherero and Nama Genocide even those who were born in the Diaspora.

At this juncture in our lives, it is undeniable that the issue of genocide is not only about reparations and apology. It is more than that, from healing emotional wounds, re-writing our own history to preserving and sharing memoirs of our ancestors. This is an issue that will not end with reparations but it has a long way to go, it needs to be tackled head-on to find a direction, develop indulgence and deal with it on a day-to-day basis from an institutional point of view in a strategic way to help, assist and advance the communities that were almost annihilated by the Kaiser's German imperial regime.

It is therefore, against this background that I shall move:

That this Assembly –

Discusses and Recommends that an Office, Agency or the Commissioner for Descendants of the Victims of the Ovaherero and Nama 1904-08 Genocide be established for humanistic and historical reasons. This is best practice globally, with examples of the Azrieli Foundation in Canada, Shoah Foundations in most countries and the Holocaust Antisemitism Foundation in New Zealand.

IX. Mr. Kavekatora:

That this Assembly –

Discusses fake qualifications in the public sector in an effort to improve service delivery and provide opportunities to those with real qualifications to enter the job market.

That this Motion subsequently be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Committee for further investigation and to engage competent institutions to assist when necessary.

X. Mr. Kavekatora:

That this Assembly –

Discusses and interrogates issues that led to the devastating strike at NBC and its subsequent implications.

That this Motion eventually be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Committee for further investigation.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

- I. Resumption of Debate on the Transfer of Sentenced Offenders or Persons deprived of liberty between the Republic of Namibia and the Republic of Angola – [Mr. Shihumbu].
- II. Resumption of Debate on Human and Peoples' Rights on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in Africa – [Ms. Dienda].
- III. Resumption of Debate on youth unemployment in the country which is more than twice that for adults – [Mr. Vries].

- IV. Resumption of Consideration of a Policy framework of Namibia Arts, Culture and Heritage – [Mr. Martin].
- V. Resumption of Consideration of the Charter for African Cultural Renaissance – [Deputy Minister of Finance].
- VI. Resumption of Debate on the Prohibition of Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and their Destruction – [Mr. Seibeb].
- VII. Resumption of Debate on events that led to the suspension of senior managers at NHE – [Minister of Urban and Rural Development].
- VIII. Resumption of Debate on the Demarcation of Nossobville Suburb from Kalahari Constituency to Gobabis Constituency – Omaheke Region – [Minister of Urban and Rural Development].
- IX. Resumption of Debate on the preferential treatment awarded to the former Executive Director of the Ministry of International Relations and Cooperation – [Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of International Relations and Cooperation].

THURSDAY, 11 NOVEMBER 2021

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- I. Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *State Finance Amendment Bill* [B.8 – 2021 – [Mr. Venaani].
- II. Resumption of Debate on Second Reading - *Appropriation Amendment Bill* [B.10 – 2021 – [Mr. Smit].

TUESDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2021

ORDER OF THE DAY

Resumption of Debate on the draft Joint Declaration between the Republic of Namibia and the Federal Republic of Germany – [Mr. Muharukua].
