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FIFTH SESSION, SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

**REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**THURSDAY, 17 FEBRUARY 2022**

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Deputy Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.
2. **Announcement by the Deputy Speaker in terms of Rule 20(b) of the Standing Rules and Orders:**

The Deputy Speaker reported about the passing on of Hon. Alpheus Muheua who passed on yesterday. Hon. Muheua served as a Member of the National Assembly and Deputy Minister of Labour and Social Welfare from 2009 to 2018. During his tenure as Member of this august House, he served the Namibian people with humility and dedication.

A Minute of Silent Prayer and Meditation observed in his honour.

3. **ORAL QUESTION:**

Mr. Seibeb (LPM) asked the Minister of Education, Arts and Culture (No. 5) – *Replied to.*

4. **NOTICE OF A QUESTION:**

Mr. Muharukua (PDM) to ask the Minister of Justice (No. 23).

5. **Mr. Muharukua moved without notice:**

That leave of absence be granted to Ms. Jennifer van den Heever until further notice.

Agreed to.

6. **FIRST ORDER READ:**

Reconsideration – *State Finance Amendment Bill* [B. 8 – 2021].

The Minister of Finance moved, seconded by the Deputy Minister of Marginalised People:  
That the Assembly now goes into Committee.

Agreed to.

ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:

Clause 2 put.

Clause 2 as proposed by the National Council to be amended, put and agreed to

ASSEMBLY RESUMED:

Bill as reconsidered, reported with an amendment.

In terms of Article 75(3), the Speaker shall refer the Bill to H.E the President to deal with it under Articles 56 and 64 of the Constitution.

7. **SECOND ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Article 47 of the Constitution in as far as it violates the rights of some people from participating freely in the National Assembly elections.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 16 February 2022, as moved by Ms. Dienda (page 8): That the Motion be referred to the relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for scrutiny and report back to this Assembly.

The Minister of Justice established that the subject of the said Article of the Namibian Constitution mentioned in the Motion to be discussed is *sub-judice*, and therefore cannot be debated but to be taken off from the Order Paper.

Agreed to.

8. **FIRST NOTICE OF A MOTION:**

Mr. Tjeundo moved, seconded by Mr. Muharukua:

That this House –

*Discusses* and *seeks* redress to the high levels of multidimensional poverty recorded in the Kavango West, Kavango East, Kunene, Zambezi and Ohangwena regions.

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

9. In terms of Rule 99(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:47 until Tuesday, 22 February 2022.

**MS. L. KANDETU**  
*Secretary of the National Assembly*

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