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FIFTH SESSION, SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

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

**TUESDAY, 28 JUNE 2022**

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.

2. **The Deputy Minister of Finance laid upon the Table:**

Reports of the Auditor-General on the Accounts of the –

- (i) Ministry of Industrialisation and Trade for the financial year ended 31 March 2021;
- (ii) National Council for the financial year ended 31 March 2021;
- (iii) Ministry of Sport, Youth and National Service for the financial year ended 31 March 2021;
- (iv) Department of Works of the Ministry of Works and Transport for the financial year ended 31 March 2021;
- (v) Office of the President for the financial year ended 31 March 2021;
- (vi) Ministry of Health and Social Services for the financial year ended 31 March 2021;
- (vii) Department of Agriculture and Land Reform for the financial year ended 31 March 2021; and
- (viii) Department of Home Affairs and Immigration of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security for the financial year ended 31 March 2021.

3. **NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Mr. Seibeb (LPM) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 64).

(ii) Ms. Moongo (PDM) to ask the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 65).

4. **URGENT QUESTION:**

Ms. Dienda (PDM) asked the Deputy Minister of Finance (No. 47) – *Replied to.*

5. **Mr. Van Wyk moved without notice:**

That leave of absence be granted to Dr. Iijambo until further notice.

Agreed to.

6. **Ministerial Statement in terms of Rule 98 of the Standing Rules and Orders:**

The Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform addressed the Assembly to clear misinformation which has been circulating in the public domain during the past two weeks, that foreign nationals can now own communal land. The Minister said Section 32 of the Land Bill restricts the acquisition of customary land rights by foreign nationals who cannot enter in any agreement with any person who hold a customary land right without a written prior approval from the Minister.

The Minister appealed to the Namibian populace to verify facts themselves instead of relying on their political or spiritual Messiahs to interpret things for them.

7. **SIXTH NOTICE OF A MOTION:**

The Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform moved, seconded by the Minister of Urban and Rural Development:

That this Assembly –

*Resolves to approve* the appointment of the following persons as members of the Land Reform Advisory Commission for a term of three (3) years, ending on 31 March 2025 in terms of Section 4 Subsection (1)(g) of the Agricultural (Commercial) Land Reform Act, (Act No. 6 of 1995), as amended. They are –

- (i) Mr. Gerson Ripangura Katjimune
- (ii) Mr. Jan Jarson
- (iii) Ms. Spendu Tjipe
- (iv) Ms. Maria Immanuel

On the motion of Mr. Seibeb, seconded by Mr. Isaaks, debate adjourned until Wednesday, 29 June 2022.

8. **FIRST ORDER READ:**

Reconsideration – *Public Procurement Amendment Bill* [B. 4 – 2022].

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

Agreed to.

ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:

Clause 1 as amended by the National Council, put and agreed to.

Clause 5 as amended by the National Council, put and agreed to.

Clause 12 as amended by the National Council, put and agreed to.

Clause 18 as amended by the National Council, put and agreed to.

Clause 29 as amended by the National Council, put and agreed to.

**ASSEMBLY RESUMED:**

Bill as reconsidered, reported with amendments.

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 Namibian Constitution.

9. **SECOND ORDER READ:**

Committee Stage – *Combating of Domestic Violence Amendment Bill* [B. 1 – 2022].

The Minister of Justice moved, seconded by the Deputy Minister of Mines and Energy:  
That the Assembly now goes into Committee:

Agreed to.

**ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:**

Clauses 1 to 21 put and agreed to.

Title put and agreed to.

**ASSEMBLY RESUMED:**

Bill reported without amendments.

The Minister of Justice moved, seconded Mr. Ekandjo: That the Bill be read a Third Time.

Agreed to.

*Combating of Domestic Violence Amendment Bill* [B. 1 – 2022] read a Third Time.

10. **THIRD ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Metrology Bill* [B. 9 – 2021].

Question before the Assembly on Thursday, 16 June 2022, as moved by the Minister of Industrialisation and Trade (page 115): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of the Deputy Minister of Finance, seconded by Mr. Kasuto, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 5 July 2022.

11. **FOURTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on the Ratification of the SADC Agreement on Assistance in Tax Matters.

Question before the Assembly on Thursday, 16 June 2022, as moved by the Deputy Minister of Finance (page 67).

Question put: That the Agreement be adopted.

Agreed to.

12. **FIFTH ORDER** deferred by Mr. Seibeb to Wednesday, 6 July 2022.
13. **SIXTH ORDER** deferred by the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security to Tuesday, 5 July 2022.
14. **SEVENTH ORDER** deferred for Ms. Dienda to Wednesday, 29 June 2022.
15. **EIGHTH ORDER READ:**

Consideration of Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on the visits to Development Projects of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security and the Ministry of Defence and Veterans Affairs in Oshikoto, Oshana and Kunene Regions.

Ms. Witbooi moved, seconded by the Minister of Higher Education, Technology and Innovation: That the Committee Report be now considered.

Agreed to.

On the motion of Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security, seconded by the Deputy Minister of Fisheries and Marine Resources, debate adjourned until Wednesday, 29 June 2022.

16. In terms of Rule 99(a) and of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:45 until Wednesday, 29 June 2022.

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

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