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REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

TUESDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER 2022

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

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

The Speaker took the opportunity to thank each and every one who shared messages of condolences and provided needed comfort and support during the passing of his wife Rosemary Jane Katjavivi.

The Speaker specially pointed out and extended his appreciation to the Parliamentary Choir who blessed mourners with a selection at the memorial and funeral service held in her honour.

3. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICES:

- (i) Mr. Seibeb (LPM) to ask the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 109).
- (ii) Mr. Muharukua (PDM) to ask the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 110).
- (iii) Mr. Muharukua (PDM) to ask the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 111).

4. Mr. Kauandenge moved without notice:

That leave of absence, due to official duties, be granted to Dr. Ester Muinjangue until 11 October 2022.

Agreed to.

5. The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of International Relations and Cooperation laid upon the Table:

- (i) National Anti-Corruption Strategy and Action Plan for the year 2021 2025 by the Anti-Corruption Commission;
- (ii) Annual Report of the Public Service Commission for the year 2020/2021; and
- (iii) Annual Report of the Public Service Commission for the year 2019/2020.
- 6. **FIRST NOTICE OF A MOTION** deferred.
- 7. **SECOND NOTICE OF A MOTION** deferred.

8. THIRD NOTICE OF A MOTION:

Mr. Katjimune moved, seconded by Mr. Smit:

That this House -

Discuss and *consider* combining the Directorate of Youth in the Ministry of Sport, Youth and National Service, the National Youth Council and the National Youth Service into one single body to put an end to the duplication of responsibilities, programmes, resources and conflicting policies around the same issues affecting young people between the three bodies.

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

On the motion of Mr. Hamata, seconded by Mr. Muharukua, debate adjourned until Wednesday, 28 September 2022.

9. **FOURTH NOTICE OF A MOTION:**

Dr. Iijambo moved, seconded by Mr. Kavekotora:

That this Assembly –

Discuss and *debate* the relevance of the inherited, yet extremely detrimental post-colonial Roman Dutch Law. The latter derives from the ancient Roman dominion of before 27AD.

Some of the Roman Dutch Law aspects may or could be applicable. Nevertheless, former colonisers excluded traditions, values, rules, norms and culture deserve objective inclusion.

If change is the 'law of nature', our sovereign evolvement must reflect our development.

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

On the motion of Mr. Kauandenge, seconded by Mr. Murorua, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 4 October 2022.

10. **FIRST ORDER READ:**

Reconsideration – *Metrology Bill* [B. 9 – 2021].

The Deputy Minister of Industrialisation and Trade moved, subject to Rule 32(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, seconded by Ms. Elago: That the Assembly now goes into Committee.

Agreed to.

ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:

Clause 10(2) as amended by the National Council put.

Reconsideration of amendments deferred to Tuesday, 4 October 2022.

ASSEMBLY RESUMED:

Progress reported and leave given to sit again.

11. **SECOND ORDER** deferred by Mr. Kauandenge to Tuesday, 4 October 2022.

12. THIRD ORDER READ:

Resumption of Debate on how NSFAF can assist students from underprivileged families who have no income to pay for registration fees.

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 20 September 2022, as moved by Mr. Amutse (page 166): That the Motion be adopted.

The Deputy Minister of Urban and Rural Development moved, that after debate the Motion be referred to a Parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back to this Assembly.

Agreed to.

On the motion of Dr. Aupindi, on behalf of Ms. Mansua, seconded by Mr. Ndemula, debate adjourned until Wednesday, 28 September 2022.

13. **FOURTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate to write-off electricity debt accumulated over the years by local authorities to NAMPOWER.

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 20 September 2022, as moved by Mr. Seibeb (page 168): That the Motion be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back to this Assembly.

On the motion of Ms. Hengari, seconded by Mr. Vries, debate adjourned until Wednesday, 28 September 2022.

14. **FIFTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Abolition of Payment by Cheque Bill* [B. 5 – 2022].

Question before the Assembly on Thursday, 15 September 2022, as moved by the Minister of Finance (page 171): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

15.	In terms of F	Rule 99(a)	of the Sta	anding Rules	and O	Orders, the	Speaker	adjourned	the
	Assembly at 17:47 until Wednesday, 28 September 2022.								

MS. L. KANDETUSecretary of the National Assembly

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