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REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA ORDER PAPER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

THURSDAY, 8 JUNE 2023 (14:30 – 17:45)

NOTICE OF A MOTION

Hon. Hengari:

Despite Namibia's comprehensive legal and policy framework, issues pertaining to the safety and protection of children remain prevalent and persistent. The latest reports of a female minor who was chained and allegedly abused is part of an even bigger national outcry;

That this Assembly -

Debate the safety and protection of children, and where necessary, make recommendations to line Ministries and Agencies to introduce and or strengthen mechanisms for the protection of children countrywide.

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

ORDER OF THE DAY

Resumption of Consideration of Report of the SADC-PF Election Observation Mission on the General Elections held in Angola during August 2022 – [Hon. Hengari].

TUESDAY, 13 JUNE 2023

NOTICES OF A MOTIONS

I. Hon. Hambyuka:

That this Assembly –

Discusses the brave deeds of the Late Hompa Kandjimi-Hauwanga of VaKwangali against the racist German and Portuguese imperialists. The Late Hompa Hauwanga is one of the brave Chiefs of the VaKwangali community who fought side-by-side and shoulder by shoulder with his fellow Kings such as the Late King Mandume Ya Ndemufayo of the VaKwanyama people.

During that time, VaKwangali Hompa's such as Hompa Himarwa Ithete and Kandjimi-Hauwanga and other fellow Hompas and Fumu in former Kavango Land were strongly opposing the settlements of white people in the area.

The Late Hompa Kandjimi is highly respected by the VaKwangali people because of his bravery, he refused white people to violate the rights of his subjects and even the missionaries had a tough time establishing their stations in Ukwanagali area. The late Hompa under discussion was killed by German some 250km from his people in the area of Sivanda/Oshivanda/Otjivanda now Grootfontein in 1924. After his decapitation, his head was taken to Germany and the Ukwanagali Traditional Authority was reliably informed by the Namibian delegation to Germany that went to repatriate skulls of other Namibians that this skull is amongst those that are in Germany.

Against this rationale, I move that this house deliberate this motion and refer it to the relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for further research and report to this August house.

II. Hon. Dingara:

Despite the land of the brave (Namibia) having Natural, Mineral and Marine Resources in abundance, the majority of its people is living in abject poverty as if they are just representatives of a true owner who is yet to come, a situation we can only compare to farms workers in Namibia living on a farm owned by absentee Landlords.

The difference is that on the farm of the absentee Landlord, all the people living there are aware that they do not own the farm while on the other hand, we, the Namibian people are in fact the actual and rightful owners of the land we inhabit, along with all the resources it contains.

Why do we have to live and behave the same way as those farm workers?

That this Assembly –

Debates the FORMULA which I have developed, the formula of one million Namibian Dollars for every Namibian, to ensure that within a period of one year, after the discussion or debate on this Motion has been concluded, that each and every Namibian shall receive not less than the **one million Namibian Dollars, in value** from the existing valuable resources the country we own has and that this August House identify the implementing agency, from the existing government structure to immediately kick start the process of giving Namibians the dignified life they deserve without interrupting the current government programs.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- I. Resumption of Debate on the Double Taxation Regime (DTR) and its implications for Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in the country, with the purpose of finding an appropriate national taxing regime that would enhance our standing as an investment destination of choice [Deputy Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises].
- II. Discusses the unconstitutional Supreme Court judgment on same sex marriage [Hon. Ithete].
- III. Resumption of Debate on the establishment of a Genocide Memorial Museum for the 1904 genocide perpetuated against the OvaHerero and Nama community [Hon. Hengari].
- IV. Resumption of Debate on the possibility to investigate the unethical multiple charges resulting in over profiteering by Commercial Banks in Namibia's perpetual colonial legacy of class and race discrimination against their clients [Hon. Masua].

WEDNESDAY, 14 JUNE 2023

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

I. Hon. McHenry Venaani:

That this Assembly –

Discusses initiate an investigation into what appears to be a bitterly unscrupulous power struggle unfolding at the National Petroleum Corporation of Namibia (NAMCOR), warranting concern and suspicion surrounding the management and possible looting of Namibia's natural resources, promoting public distrust.

Further, that this Motion be referred to the relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee, allowing that this House fully invoke the powers of said Committee to subpoena witnesses to appear before it, as provided for by the Powers, Privileges and Immunities of Parliament Act 17 of 1996.

II. Hon. McHenry Venaani:

That this Assembly –

Discusses the most recent census which indicates that we have 464 839 households, of which 6% are headed by single persons. Typically, we understand a great proportion of these households to be headed by women, with same census report citing that 43.8% of Namibian households are female headed. This supported by trends which indicate that women are generally more likely than their male counterparts to parent and raise their children.

According to a report of the Office of the Judiciary, by 2018 we had 31 104 active maintenance of which 15 097 were default cases. We are also aware that a great proportion of single parents opt not to pursue child maintenance order.

This indicates a skewed socio-economic burden placed on women in caring for children and families. Single parent households generally have lower incomes and are more vulnerable to food insecurity.

I thus further move, that this House explore possible remedies such as subsidized utilities and public transport in order to create better safety nets for single mothers, and alleviate some of the disproportionate socio-economic burden placed on them.

Further, that this motion be referred to the relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee.

ORDER OF THE DAY

Resumption of Debate on the initiation and development of the Green Hydrogen industrial sector in the Republic of Namibia with a view to becoming a global hub in the Green Hydrogen space. Further, that this House discusses the legislative framework, as well as the community involvement in the sector – [Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises].

THURSDAY, 22 JUNE 2023

NOTICE OF A MOTION

Hon. Hengari:

The state of prison cells and holding facilities countrywide calls for an urgent revamp and even a total reconstruction of most of these facilities, as it constitutes a serious violation of human rights. The ongoing problem of overcrowding at over 980 percent of the police cells worsens the prevailing appalling conditions under which trial-awaiting prisoners and accused persons are held.

That this Assembly -

Debate the deplorable conditions in which holding facilities and prison cells are in with the objective of protecting the rights of all human beings to dignity.
