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REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

TUESDAY, 3 OCTOBER 2023

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 acknowledged the visiting Parliamentary delegation from Botswana in the Gallery, who are on a Benchmarking visit to Namibia from 2 – 7 October 2023 on issues related to Labour, Trade, Transport, Works, ICT, Research and Development, as well as Home Affairs. The delegation is made up of –

- (i) Honourable Mpho Balopi – Leader of Delegation;
- (ii) Honourable Oabile Regoeng;
- (iii) Honourable Christian Greeff;
- (iv) Mr. Bethuel Moreme – Senior Manager of Corporate Services;
- (v) Mr. Bogodile Shuping – IT Officer; and
- (vi) Ms. Babui Saubi – Committee Clerk.

3. **NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Hon. Muharukua (PDM) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 179).
- (ii) Hon. Muharukua (PDM) to ask the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of International Relations and Cooperation (No. 180).
- (iii) Hon. Shekupakela (RDP) to ask the Minister of Education, Arts and Culture (No. 181).

- (iv) Hon. Vries (PDM) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land reform (No. 182).
- (v) Hon. Katjimune (PDM) to ask the Prime Minister (No. 183).
- (vi) Hon. Seibeb (LPM) to ask the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 184).
- (vii) Hon. Mootu (LPM) to ask the Prime Minister (No. 185).
- (viii) Hon. Mootu (LPM) to ask the Prime Minister (No. 186).
- (ix) Hon. Mootu (LPM) to ask the Minister of Justice (No. 187).

4. **URGENT ORAL QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Hon. Seibeb (LPM) asked the Minister of Defence and Veterans Affairs (No. 33) – *(Replied to)*.
- (ii) Hon. McHenry Venaani (PDM) asked the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 34) – *(Replied to)*.
- (iii) Hon. McHenry Venaani (PDM) asked the Minister of Defence and Veterans Affairs (No. 35) – *(Replied to)*.

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

Hon. Dr. Iijambo moved, seconded by Hon. Shekupakela:

Namibia is among the top 5 driest countries in the world. Considering the *status-quo*, SWANU of Namibia deem it necessary for the National Assembly to discuss and debate the current Drought Relief Programme(s) running.

How climate change contributes to the latter and possible mitigation measures that can be taken, to alleviate the plight of our people.

Unless we forge sustainable measures to mitigate harsh climatic change conditions, our people will be exposed to harsh environmental phenomenon.

On the motion of Hon. Masua seconded by Hon. Katjingisua debate adjourned until Tuesday, 10 October 2023.

6. On the motion of the Prime Minister, seconded by the Deputy Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises, the Assembly adjourned at 17:40 until Wednesday, 4 October 2023.

MS. L. KANDETU
Secretary of the National Assembly

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