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

**THURSDAY, 5 OCTOBER 2023**

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:**

Today, being known as the “Teachers Day”, a day celebrated every year on 5 October, the Speaker joined the rest of the Namibians by paying tribute to teachers across the land, and indicated the fact that as a country, we will always continue to value and appreciate the role that teachers play in nation building. The Speaker said it is the teachers, who do continue to mould and shape the minds of our young people.

3. **Hon. Ithete laid upon the Table:**

Reports of the Standing Committee on Economics and Public Administration on the following –

- (i) Report on Oversight Visits of Domestic Tax Offices and Customs entry points in Zambezi, Kavango East and West Regions held in August 2022 – *for consideration;*
- (ii) Report on Interface Meetings and Site Visits of Central Business Districts and Malls in Windhoek, Oshakati and Ongwediva held in September 2022 to assess the impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on our capital city and towns – *for consideration;*
- (iii) Report on Benchmarking Visit to Rwanda, Kigali held in February 2023 to learn how Rwanda has developed and implemented her industrial development policy and programme – *for information and note taking;*

- (iv) Report on Benchmarking Visit to Port Louis, Mauritius held in May 2023 to learn how Mauritius has developed and implemented her industrial development policy and programme – *for information and note taking*;
- (v) Report on the African, Caribbean and Pacific States (OACPS) Parliamentary Assembly and the 42<sup>nd</sup> session of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly (JPA) held in Brussels, Belgium from 28 February to 02 March 2023 – *for information and note taking*; and
- (vi) Report on the 63<sup>rd</sup> Session and 43<sup>rd</sup> Session from 19 – 28 June 2023 OACPS Parliamentary Assembly and ACP-EU JPA held in Brussels, Belgium respectively – *for information and note taking*;

4. **QUESTIONS DEALT WITH:**

- (i) Hon. Mootu (LPM) asked the Prime Minister (No. 129) – *Replied to*.
- (ii) Hon. Seibeb (LPM) asked the Minister of Mines and Energy (No. 130) – *Replied to*.
- (iii) Hon. Seibeb (LPM) asked the Minister of Finance and Public Enterprises (No. 131) – *Replied to*.
- (iv) Hon. Katjimune (PDM) asked the Minister of Higher Education, Technology and Innovation (No. 136) – *Replied to*.
- (v) Hon. McHenry Venaani (PDM) asked the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform (No. 140) – *Replied to*.
- (vi) Hon. McHenry Venaani (PDM) asked the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 141) – *Stands over*.
- (vii) Hon. Auchab (UDF) asked the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 142) – *Stands over*.
- (viii) Hon. Auchab (UDF) asked the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 143) – *Stands over*.
- (ix) Hon. Van den Heever (PDM) asked the Minister of Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment Creation (No. 144) – *Replied to*.
- (x) Hon. Isaaks (LPM) asked the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 146) – *Replied to*.
- (xi) Hon. Katjimune (PDM) asked the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 147) – *Replied to*.
- (xii) Hon. McHenry Venaani (PDM) asked the Minister in the Presidency (No. 148) – *Replied to*.
- (xiii) Hon. Mootu (LPM) asked the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 150) – *Replied to*.

5. In terms of Rule 99(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:56 until Tuesday, 10 October 2023.

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

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