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REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA

ORDER PAPER

OF THE

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

THURSDAY, 29 FEBRUARY 2024
(14:30 – 17:45)

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

I. Deputy Speaker:

That this Assembly –

Consider and approve the nomination of Mr. Gerson Tjihenuna and Mr. Pius Ilende Iikwambi as member of the Electoral Commission of Namibia as nominated by His Excellency the President in terms of Section 6 (17) of 2014 (Act. 5 of 2014) of the Electoral Act for a period of five years.

II. Prime Minister:

That this Assembly –

Approves the appointment by H.E. the President the following members of the Boundaries Delimitation and Demarcation Commission in terms of Article 104(1) of the Namibian Constitution read together with Section 5 of the Regional Councils Act, 1992 (No. 22 of 1992) as amended:

- (i) Justice (Rtd) Petrus Unengu – Chairperson;
- (ii) Ms. Prisca Anyolo – Expert in law and traditional affairs governance;
- (iii) Mr. Gerhardt Gurirab – Historian and Curator;
- (iv) Mr. Penias Topnaar – Educationist and Pastor; and
- (v) Prof. Phanuel Kaapama – Political Scientist and Lecturer.

III. Hon. Hamata:

That this Assembly –

Discusses the regulation of private schools and the role of non-government players in education, particularly private education providers at primary, secondary and vocational education-level continue to attract immense interest of legislators and educationalists from across the country.

In Namibia where private schools are playing a pivotal role in universalizing access to education, the debate on role and regulation of private sector has, as it should, intensified over the last few years. Leveraging upon the private sector to achieve specific educational goals cannot be underestimated.

Conversely, the experience so far has been that the regulations create entry and exit barriers in the provision of education by entrepreneurs, thereby reducing competition and keeping the cost of education high.

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

IV. Hon. Longinus Iipumbu:

That this Assembly –

Discusses the prevailing labour hire system in Namibia.

That the Assembly revisits and re-interrogate the 14th December 2009 Supreme Court of Namibia decision to strike down a two-year-old government law that banned labour hire agencies and consider amending the labour Act.

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

V. Hon. Hamata:

That this Assembly *discusses* the following –

Engaging the services of a professional collection agency is not always the best option when it comes to debt collection because in most cases the agency will take a portion of the amount collected or levy a fee for their services. One of the effective debt collection measures is therefore, to offer easy payment options.

The Motion proposes the abolition of RedForce Debt Management in local authorities and urges an investigation into the true owners of the company. It advocates for councils/municipalities to manage their own collections, amid concerns that RedForce benefits certain individuals at the expense of the less privileged residents.

VI. Hon. Hamata:

That this Assembly *discusses* the following –

Labour conditions and collective bargaining rights have worsened in Namibia in the last few years. Many workers have no choice but to take poor quality work, lacking security, decent pay and social protection.

Premised on the foregoing, this Motion seeks to implement a comprehensive monitoring system to track compliance with laws and regulations by companies operating in Namibia, ensuring swift consequences for those found violating these standards.

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

VII. Hon. Hamata:

That this Assembly *discusses* the following –

That this esteemed assembly recognizes the urgency of amending the *Namibia Sports Act, 2003* (Act No. 12 of 2003) and introduce the *Sports Integrity Bill* to explicitly include provisions that unequivocally condemn and penalize sexual abuse.

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

VIII. Hon. Hamata:

That this Assembly *discusses* the following –

Creation of a market that prioritises our local farmers over those who import meat from beyond the redline.

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

ORDER OF THE DAY

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Regional and Constituency Development Fund Bill* [B. 22 - 2023] – [Hon. Hengari].

TUESDAY, 5 MARCH 2024

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- I. Resumption of Debate on SMEs financing in Namibia in efforts to unleash greater access and economic potential for this crucial sector of our country – [Minister of Industrialisation and Trade].
- II. Resumption of Debate on government to avail adequate resources for public schools to also excel like private schools – [Hon. Tjirare].

THURSDAY, 7 MARCH 2024

ORDER OF THE DAY

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Appropriation Bill* [B. 1 – 2024] – [Hon. Smit].

WEDNESDAY, 13 MARCH 2024

NOTICE OF A MOTION

Hon. McHenry Venaani:

That this Assembly –

Discusses the underutilisation of our perennial rivers namely the Zambezi, Kavango, Kunene and Orange Rivers compared to our neighbouring countries. Further, to find workable solutions to increase agricultural output through irrigation and drip irrigation to promote mechanized agriculture and improve our agricultural value chains. Lastly, for the Government of the republic of Namibia to initiate funding to purchase community pumps drawing water from these rivers, and matters incidental thereto.

THURSDAY, 4 APRIL 2024

NOTICE OF A MOTION

Hon. Van den Heever:

That this Assembly –

Debates the accessibility and affordability of alcohol and drug rehabilitation centres in Namibia and consider the establishment of more State-owned alcohol and rehabilitation centres that offer affordable services to all Namibians.

That this Motion be referred to the relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee to propose recommendations to this august House after conducting diligent work on the subject matter.
