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

**THURSDAY, 12 SEPTEMBER 2024**

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.
2. **The Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism laid upon the Table:**  
  
Annual Report of the Sustainable Development Advisory Council (SDAC) for the year 2023/2024.
3. **NOTICE OF A QUESTION:**  
  
Hon. Shekupakela (RDP) to ask the Minister of Mines and Energy (No. 78).
4. **Hon. Kafula moved without notice in terms of Rule 76(d) of the Standing Rules and Orders:**  
  
That leave of absence be granted to Hon. Dr. Peya Mushelenga due to official duties until further notice.  
  
Agreed to.
5. **Ministerial Statement in terms of Rule 136 of the Standing Rules and Orders:**  
  
The Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform made a Ministerial Statement on the status of continuous export of beef and other commodities to the European Union Markets following the introduction of the European Deforestation Regulation as from 1 January 2025.
6. **FIRST ORDER** deferred due to a lack of 49 voting Members.

7. **SECOND ORDER** deferred due to a lack of 49 voting Members.

8. **THIRD ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Roads Bill* [B. 5 – 2024].

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 10 September 2024, as moved by the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Works and Transport (page 141): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Works and Transport, seconded by Hon. Dr. Aupindi, debate adjourned until Wednesday, 18 September 2024, for his reply.

9. **FOURTH ORDER** deferred due to a lack of 49 voting Members.

10. **FIFTH ORDER** deferred due to a lack of 49 voting Members.

11. **SIXTH ORDER** deferred due to a lack of 49 voting Members.

12. **SEVENTH ORDER** deferred in the absence of Hon. Hamata who was supposed to reply.

13. **EIGHTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Consideration of Report on the National Resettlement Policy for the years 2023 – 2033.

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 3 September 2024 as moved by the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform (page 20): That the Policy be adopted.

The Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform replied but due to a lack of a quorum, Question to adopt the Policy deferred.

14. **NINTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on merging the National Youth Council (NYC) into the National Youth Service (NYS) into one single body.

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 3 September 2024 as moved by Hon. Katjimune (page 85): That the Motion be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back to the Assembly.

On the motion of Hon. Katjimune, seconded by Hon. Diergaardt, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 17 September 2024, for his reply.

15. **TENTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on the legal, social, and economic ramifications of road accidents caused by livestock, especially in communal areas, and further to propose a course of action that will protect both road users and livestock owners.

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 11 June 2024 as moved by the Deputy Minister of Health and Social Services (page 94).

The Deputy Minister of Health and Social Services replied and moved that the Motion be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back to the Assembly.

Due to a lack of a quorum, Speaker to put the question for the referral to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee deferred.

**16. ELEVENTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on foreign music content that diminishes Namibia's cultural identity and limiting the portrayal of local stories in our media.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 19 June 2024 as moved by Hon. Hengari (page 106): That the Motion be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back to the Assembly.

On the motion of Hon. Dienda on behalf of Hon. Hengari, seconded by Hon. Kamati, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 17 September 2024, for her reply.

**17. TWELFTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on government to avail adequate resources for public schools to also excel like private schools.

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 23 April 2024 as moved by Hon. Hamata (page 14): That the Motion be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back to the Assembly.

On the motion of Hon. Dienda on behalf of Hon. Hamata, seconded by Hon. Mike Venaani, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 17 September 2024, for his reply.

**18. THIRTEEN ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on the underutilisation of our perennial rivers namely the Zambezi, Kavango, Kunene and Orange Rivers compared to our neighbouring countries.

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 26 June 2024 as moved by Hon. McHenry Venaani (page 80): That the Motion be adopted.

On the motion of Hon. Dienda on behalf of Hon. McHenry Venaani, seconded by Hon. Katjimune, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 17 September 2024, for his reply.

**19. NOTICE OF A MOTION** deferred by Hon. Katjimune on behalf of Hon. Hamata to Wednesday, 18 September 2024.

**20. On the motion of the Prime Minister, seconded by the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Works and Transport, the Assembly adjourned at 17:03 until Tuesday, 17 September 2024.**

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

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