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

**TUESDAY, 3 SEPTEMBER 2024**

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.
2. **Announcements by the Speaker in terms of Rule 117(b) of the Standing Rules and orders:**

The Speaker welcomed the Members to the Tenth Session of the Seventh Parliament and congratulated the current and former Members of this Assembly with the conferment of National Honours by His Excellency the President Dr. Nangolo Mbumba. They are –

- (i) Hon. John Mutorwa, awarded the Most Brilliant Order of the Sun, First Class;
- (ii) Hon. Loide Kasingo, awarded the Most Brilliant Order of the Sun, Second Class;
- (iii) Hon. Dr. Albert Kawana, awarded the Most Brilliant Order of the Sun, Second Class;
- (iv) Hon. Alpheus !Naruseb, awarded the Most Brilliant Order of the Sun, Second Class; and
- (v) Hon. Gaob Justus ||Garoeb, awarded the Most Excellent Order of the Eagle, First Class.

In conclusion, the Speaker welcomed a total of 72 Grade 12 students from David Sheehama Senior Secondary School in the Omusati Region who are on a visit to the Parliament. The Speaker added that this visit reflects their dedication to understanding the workings of our Legislative process and to engaging with the democratic institutions that shape our nation.

3. **NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Hon. Mootu (LPM) to ask the Minister in the Presidency (No. 67).
- (ii) Hon. Mootu (LPM) to ask the Minister of Sports, Youth and National Services (No. 68).
- (iii) Hon. Dienda (PDM) to ask the Minister of Gender Equality, Poverty Eradication and Social Welfare (No. 69).
- (iv) Hon. Dienda (PDM) to ask the Hon. Prime Minister (No. 70).
- (v) Hon. Kodi (LPM) to ask the Minister of Mines and Energy (No. 71).

3. **Hon. Katjimune moved without notice in terms of Rule 76 of the Standing Rules and Orders:**

That leave of absence be granted to Hon. Ipinge until further notice.

Agreed to.

5. **FIRST ORDER** deferred.

6. **SECOND ORDER** deferred.

7. **THIRD ORDER READ:**

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

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 3 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 Hon. Smit, seconded by Hon. Katjimune, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 10 September 2024.

8. **FOURTH NOTICE OF A MOTION**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Public Gatherings and Public Processions Bill* [B. 12 – 2024].

Questions before the Assembly on Tuesday, 3 September 2024, as moved by the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (page 145): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of Hon. Kauandenge, seconded by Hon. Tjiveze, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 10 September 2024.

9. **FIFTH ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Health Professions Bill* [B. 6 – 2024].

Questions before the Assembly on Tuesday, 3 September 2024, as moved by the Minister of Health and Social Services (page 139): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of Hon. Smit, seconded by Hon. Katjimune, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 10 September 2024.

10. **SIXTH ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Regional and Constituency Development Fund Bill* [B. 22 – 2024].

Questions before the Assembly on Tuesday, 3 September 2024, as moved by the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (page 8): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

The Hon. Minister of Urban and Rural Development to reply.

11. **SEVENTH ORDER** deferred.

12. **EIGHTH ORDER** deferred by Hon. Ithete for his reply.

13. **NINTH ORDER** deferred.

14. **TENTH ORDER READ:**

Consideration of Reports of the Select Committee on Budget on the Benchmarking visits to the Parliaments of Zambia, Uganda, Ghana and Zimbabwe.

Hon. Katamelo moved, seconded by Hon. Ithete, that the Committee Report be now considered.

Agreed to.

Report to be adopted once there is a quorum.

15. **ELEVENTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on the accessibility and affordability of alcohol and drug rehabilitation centres in Namibia and the establishment of more State-owned alcohol and rehabilitation centres.

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

Hon. Van den Heever to reply.

16. **TWELFTH ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate to abolish RedForce Debt Management in local authorities and to investigate the true owners of the company.

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 3 September 2024 as moved by Hon. Hamata (page 10): That the Motion be referred to a relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for further scrutiny and report back to the Assembly.

Hon. Hamata to reply.

17. **THIRTEENTH 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.

On the motion of the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform, seconded by Hon. Ithete, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 10 September 2024.

18. **FOURTEENTH ORDER** deferred by the Deputy Minister of Sport, Youth and National Service.

19. In terms of Rule 155(1) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:48 until Tuesday, 10 September 2024.

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