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NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

WEDNESDAY, 7 MAY 2025
(14:30 – 17:45)

ORDER OF THE DAY:

Resumption of Committee Stage - *Appropriation Bill* [B. 6 – 2025] – [Minister of Finance].

TUESDAY, 10 JUNE 2025

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:

I. Hon. Hengari:

Recent reports indicate that nearly half of Namibians, especially civil servants, are drowning in debt. This is a serious issue that needs urgent attention. Meanwhile, lending institutions, like the infamous Letshego made a profit of N\$199 million in just six months (as reported in 2024), which highlights the big gap between the financial success of lending institutions and the struggles of ordinary people. Many Namibians are turning to backyard loan sharks who charge very high interest rates, making their situation worse. There is therefore a need to have a real discussion about whether existing laws are truly protecting our people from exploitation.

That this Assembly –

Debates, discusses, and strengthens this motion and that following the adoption of recommendations in this House, this motion be referred to the relevant standing committee.

II. Hon. Moongo:

That this Assembly –

Debates this motion that seeks to critically investigate the current state of health training institutions in Namibia, with specific focus on the rapid mushrooming of such institutions across the country.

The investigation will examine the standard and quality of health training and education being offered, assess the relevance and alignment of academic programs with the actual demands and requirements of the job market, and evaluate whether graduates are being adequately prepared for professional practice. Furthermore, this motions calls for a thorough review of the criteria and processes currently employed by the Namibia Qualifications Authority (NQA) and the Health Professions Councils of Namibia (HPCNA) in the accreditation of health-related programs. The aim is to ensure that these regulatory frameworks are robust, transparent, and uphold the integrity and quality of Namibia’s healthcare education system.

In essence, the intention of the Motion is two-fold: first, to sound the alarm on the unchecked mushrooming of health training institutions, and second, to critically reconsider and reform the accreditation mechanisms that permit such mushrooming – so as to protect the public, preserve professional standards, and ensure the credibility of our health sector.

That this motion be referred to the relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for further investigations and report back.

WEDNESDAY, 11 JUNE 2025

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:

I. Hon. Hengari:

Namibia faces a critical economic and cultural crisis: over 80% of the music played on our radio stations is foreign. This not only drains royalties out of the country, financially side-lining Namibia artists, but also stifles the growth of our local creative industry and the jobs it can create. This situation is not only unique to the music but it significantly also affects various forms of art like film, theatre and dance.

Culturally, this trend erodes our national identity. When foreign voices dominate our airwaves, Namibian stories are silenced. Our heritage is side-lined. This must change.

That this Assembly –

Debates and *adopt* this motion, calling for urgent Parliamentary action to protect and promote Namibian content – economically, culturally, and legislatively and that this motion be referred to the relevant Standing Committee.

II. Hon. Venaani:

That leave be given to introduce a Private Member’s Bill, the *Recognition of the Baster Traditional Authority Bill – 2025*, to provide for the formal recognition and empowerment of the Baster Traditional Authority within the legal framework of Namibia; to establish the authority of the

Baster community in matters of customary law, cultural preservation, and self-governance; and to provide for matters incidental thereto.

III. **Hon. Venaani:**

That leave be given to introduce a Private Member's Bill, the *Value Addition on Minerals and Agricultural Produce Bill – 2025*, to provide for mandatory value addition to minerals and agricultural produce extracted or produced within Namibia; to promote industrialisation, employment creation, and increase export revenues through local processing; to provide for incentives, regulatory support, and institutional frameworks necessary for implementation; to facilitate the development of agro-processing zones and to provide support to farmers, cooperatives, and agribusiness involved in the local transformation of raw produce, and to provide for matters incidental thereto.
