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FIRST SESSION, EIGHTH PARLIAMENT

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

FRIDAY, 9 MAY 2025

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.

2. **URGENT ORAL QUESTION:**

Hon. Mbinge-Tjeundo (PDM) asked the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 42) – *Replied to.*

3. **Hon. Herunga moved without Notice:**

That the proceedings on Votes 3, 11, 37, 38, 39 and 40 of the *Appropriation Bill* be, in terms of Rule 159(a) of the Standing Rules and Orders, not interrupted if still under consideration at 12:30.

Agreed to.

4. **ORDER READ:**

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

The Minister of Finance moved, seconded by Hon. Lukato: That the Assembly now goes into Committee.

Agreed to.

ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:

The Chairperson of the Whole House Committee stated that when progress was reported yesterday, 8 May 2025, Votes 37, 38, 39 and 40 had been introduced while Votes 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 35 and 36 had been agreed to.

Vote 3, National Assembly and Vote 11, National Council were referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Budget and Finance on 29 April 2025 for further consultation with the Minister of Finance, and to be reported back to this Assembly before they can be adopted.

Hon. Mukapuli, Chairperson of the Budget and Finance Committee presented the Committee's Progress Report.

Due to concerns raised on the Progress Report presented, the House agreed to a proposal by the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Mines, Energy and Industry for a twenty minutes consultative meeting between the Speaker, the Minister of Finance, Deputy Speaker, Party Leaders and Chief Whips to address the outstanding issues.

Business suspended.

Business resumed.

The Chairperson of the Whole House Committee reported feedback to the Assembly, on the outcome from the consultative meeting, to which all parties are now in agreement.

Consideration of Votes:

Vote 3 as was discussed, put and agreed to.

Vote 11 put and agreed to.

Vote 37 – Agriculture and Land Reform: Discussed and agreed to.

Vote 38 – Water and Marine Resources Discussed and agreed to.

Vote 39 – Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security: Discussed and agreed to.

Vote 40 – Education: Discussed and agreed to.

IN THE BILL:

Clause 1 put and agreed to.

Clause 2 put and agreed to.

Schedule put and agreed to.

Title put and agreed to.

ASSEMBLY RESUMED:

Bill reported without amendments

The Minister of Finance moved, seconded by: That the Bill be read a Third Time.

Agreed to.

Appropriation Bill [B. 6 – 2025] read a Third Time, with 67 Hon. Members present.

5. In terms of Rule 155(1) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 19:58 until Tuesday, 3 June 2025.

MS. E. N. KAAPANDA

Acting Secretary: National Assembly

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