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SECOND SESSION, EIGHTH PARLIAMENT

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

THURSDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER 2025

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

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

The Speaker informed the Assembly that on Wednesday, 17 September 2025, the Committee on Standing Rules and Orders and Internal Arrangements held a meeting and ratified Members to represent the National Assembly at the Pan African Parliament (PAP) for the term 2025 – 2030.

The Members are –

- (i) Hon. Phillipus Katamelo;
- (ii) Hon. Uahekua Herunga; and
- (iii) Hon. Rodney Cloete

3. **NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Hon. Cloete (IPC) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Trade (No. 182).
- (ii) Hon. Emvula (LPM) to ask the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 183).
- (iii) Hon. Likando (IPC) to ask the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 184)

- (iv) Hon. Likando (IPC) to ask the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 185).
- (v) Hon. Mbuti (IPC) to ask the Minister of Gender, Equality and Child Welfare (No. 186).
- (vi) Hon. Lukato (NDP) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform (No. 187).

4. **URGENT ORAL QUESTION:**

Hon. Mulunga (IPC) asked the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 103) – *Replied to*.

5. Hon. Mouton moved to Table a Motion, to request the Assembly to sit today, 18 September 2025, beyond 17:45:

Question put by the Hon. Speaker: That Hon. Mouton Table the Motion.

Hon. Kooper raised an Objection.

House divided.

In favour of the Motion 24 Against 31 Abstaining 3

Motion rejected.

6. Ministerial Statement in terms of Rule 136 of the Standing Rules and Orders:

The Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture addressed the House on the Draft Teaching Profession Bill and its Regulations.

The Minister indicated that the fundamental purpose and intent of the Profession Bill is to formally professionalise the teaching profession in Namibia. Its primary objective is to enhance and restore the status and image of the teaching profession, ensuring that those entrusted with shaping the minds of our future generations are held to the highest standards of excellence and integrity.

7. **QUESTIONS DEALT WITH:**

- (i) Hon. Venaani (PDM) asked the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 3) *Stands over*.
- (ii) Hon. Venaani (PDM) asked the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 4) *Stands over*.
- (iii) Hon. Mbinge-Tjeundo (PDM) asked the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 11) *Stands over*.
- (iv) Hon. Mootu (LPM) asked the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 18) *Stands over*.

- (v) Hon. Venaani (PDM) asked the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Industries, Mines and Energy (No. 20) *Stands over*.
- (vi) Hon. Venaani (PDM) asked the Right Hon. Prime Minister (No. 23) *Stands over*.
- (vii) Hon. Bishop Thomas (BCP) asked the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 24) *Stands over*.
- (viii) Hon. Mootu (LPM) asked the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 28) *Stands over*.
- (ix) Hon. lipumbu (NEFF) asked the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations (No. 29) *Stands over*.
- (x) Hon. Venaani (PDM) asked the Right Hon. Prime Minister (No. 30) *Stands over*.
- (xi) Hon. Kumbwa (APP) asked the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 31) *Replied to*.
- (xii) Hon. Vries (PDM) asked the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 45) *Replied to*.
- (xiii) Hon. Hengari (PDM) asked the Right Hon. Prime Minister (No. 47) *Stands over*.
- (xiv) Hon. Hengari (PDM) asked the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations (No. 48) *Stands over*.
- (xv) Hon. Emvula (LPM) asked the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 49) *Replied to*.
- (xvi) Hon. Eigub (LPM) asked the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 50) *Replied to*.
- (xvii) Hon. Vries (PDM) asked the Minister of Information and Communication Technology (No. 51) *Replied to*.
- (xviii)Hon. Bishop Thomas (BCP) asked the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 52) *Replied to*.
- (xix) Hon. Kandorozu (NUDO) asked the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 53) *Replied to*.
- (xx) Hon. Vries (PDM) asked the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform (No. 54) *Replied to*.
- (xxi) Hon. Shitana (AR) asked the Minister of Finance (No. 55) Stands over.
- (xxii) Hon. Lizazi (IPC) asked the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations (No. 56) *Replied to*.
- (xxiii)Hon. Lizazi (IPC) asked the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations (No. 57) *Replied to*.

- (xxiv) Hon. Lizazi (IPC) asked the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations (No. 58) *Replied to*.
- (xxv) Hon. Mbinge-Tjeundo (PDM) asked the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 59) *Replied to*.
- (xxvi) Hon. Lukato (NDP) asked the Right Hon. Prime Minister (No. 60) *Stands over*.
- (xxvii) Hon. Eigub (LPM) asked the Minister of Defence and Veterans Affairs (No. 61) *Replied to*.
- (xxviii) Hon. Mouton (IPC) asked the Minister of Information and Communication Technology (No. 62) *Stands over*
- 8. In terms of Rule 155(1) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:46 until Tuesday, 23 September 2025.

MS. E. N. KAAPANDA Secretary: National Assembly

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