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REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

TUESDAY, 10 FEBRUARY 2026

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 announced that Namibia commemorated the passing on of our Founding President, and Father of the Namibian Nation, Dr. Sam Shafiishuna Nujoma, on 8 February 2025, and that of our Third President, Dr. Hage Geingob, on 4 February 2024. The late Presidents were both Liberation Struggle Icons and Founders of our Democratic Republic.

The Speaker said it is thus befitting that the Assembly joins the nation in honouring these two political giants of our time who dedicated their lives to the service of our country and the advancement of our democratic ideals.

The Assembly also noted the death of TateKulu Mathias Kanana Hishoono, the father of Hon. Abed Hishoono, who passed away on the 14 January 2026.

The Assembly further noted the passing on of Honourable Erkki Nghimtina, a former Member of the National Assembly and of Cabinet who served in several ministerial portfolios between 1997 and 2000. Hon. Nghimtina passed away on Saturday, 7 February 2026.

Finally, the Speaker noted with sadness the untimely passing of Ms. Justine Shiweda, a former Control Prosecutor who succumbed to her injuries on Saturday, 7 February 2026, following a brutal attack last year.

On behalf of the Assembly, the Speaker extended heartfelt condolences to the families of the deceased.

A Minute of Silence Observed in Honour of the deceased.

Finally, the Speaker reported that yesterday, 9 February 2026, Namibia commemorated the Constitution Day, a day of profound national significance that marks the adoption of the Constitution of the Republic of Namibia in 1990. The Speaker said this historic moment laid the foundation for our democratic State, founded on the principles of Freedom, Equality, Justice and the Rule of law.

May we continue to strive for the realization of the values of our Constitution, the Speaker concluded.

3. In compliance with Section 6(3) of the Ombudsman Act No. 7 of 1990; the Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table –

- (i) Annual Report of the Office of the Ombudsman for the year 2024; and
- (ii) Investigation Report on the Allegations of discrimination and maladministration in the recruitment process of Assistant Tax Officers by the Namibia Revenue Agency (NAMRA).

4. In compliance with Section 15 and 116 of the Electoral Act No. 5 of 2014; the Deputy Speaker further laid upon the Table for discussion –

- (i) Annual Report of the Electoral Commission of Namibia for the year 2024/2025; and
- (ii) Performance Assessment and Post-Election Report for the Grootfontein, Kabbe South, Kamanjab, Otjiwarongo and Sesfontein Constituencies by-elections held on 17 June 2025.

5. The Minister of Works and Transport laid upon the Table:

- (i) Integrated Annual Report of NAMPORT for the year 2025 financial; and
- (ii) Integrated Annual Report of Namibia Civil Aviation Authority (NCAA) for the year 2024 / 2025.

6. NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:

- (i) Hon. Venaani (PDM) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform (No. 323).
- (ii) Hon. Lutuhezi (IPC) to ask the Minister of Finance (No. 324).
- (iii) Hon. Prof. Dr. Amupanda (AR) to ask the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations (No. 325).
- (iv) Hon. Mootu (LPM) to ask the Minister of Industries, Mines and Energy (No. 326).

- (v) Hon. Moongo (PDM) to ask the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 327).
- (vi) Hon. Mbundu (RP) to ask the Rt. Hon Prime Minister (No. 328).
- (vii) Hon. Kaaronda (SWANU) to ask the Rt. Hon Prime Minister (No. 329).
- (viii) Hon. Eigub (LPM) to ask the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 330).
- (ix) Hon. Cloete (IPC) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Trade (No. 331).
- (x) Hon. Bishop Thomas (BCP) to ask the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 332).
- (xi) Hon. Likando (IPC) to ask the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 333).
- (xii) Hon. Vries (PDM) to ask the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 334).
- (xiii) Hon. Lukato (NDP) to ask the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 335).
- (xiv) Hon. Kandorozu (NUDO) to ask the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 336).
- (xv) Hon. Mbinge-Tjeundo (PDM) to ask the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 337).
- (xvi) Hon. Mbuti (IPC) to ask the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 338).

7. URGENT ORAL QUESTIONS:

- (i) Hon. Prof. Dr. Amupanda (AR) asked the Rt. Hon. Prime Minister (No. 164) – *Ruled out of Order.*
- (ii) Hon. Brinkman (IPC) asked the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 165) – *Replied to.*
- (iii) Hon. Mwashindange (IPC) asked the Minister of Finance (No. 166) – *Ruled out of Order to.*

8. Ministerial Statements in terms of Rule 136 of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangement:

- (i) The Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture announced that the Ministry has officially submitted comprehensive Nomination Dossier to UNESCO for the Dāures/Brandberg National Monument Area, to be inscribed on the World Heritage List.

The Minister reported that this submission, completed on 29 January 2026, successfully met the international deadline of 1 February 2026, a demonstration to Namibia's commitment to excellence and timely

engagement in global heritage process. This nomination follows the formal approval of Cabinet On 23 September 2025, marking a carefully coordinated national effort.

- (ii) The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform briefed the Assembly on the status of the country's level of preparedness to manage and contain the outbreak of Foot-and-Mouth Disease (FMD) in Namibia.
9. In terms of Rule 155(1) of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements, the Deputy Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 18:00 until Wednesday, 11 February 2026.

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