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FOURTH SESSION, EIGHTH PARLIAMENT

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

TUESDAY, 8 SEPTEMBER 2026

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 House that the National Day of Prayer against Gender-Based Violence, Gruesome Killings and Road Accidents will take place on Saturday, 12 September 2026, at the Independence Arena, Katutura, from 10:00 to approximately 12:00.

The event, organised by the Office of the Vice President, as entrusted by Cabinet, would be held under the theme: “Seeking Divine Intervention Towards Behavioural Transformation to Save Lives.”

Honourable Members are encouraged to join the nation on this important occasion and unite in prayer for divine intervention, behavioural transformation and the preservation of lives.

3. **The Minister of Health and Social Services moved without Notice, in terms of Rule 222(1)(b) of the Standing Rules and Orders:**

The Namibia Institute of Pathology Limited Annual Reports for 2019/2020 and 2020/2021, and its Integrated Annual Report for 2022, be referred to the relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for evaluation and examination.

4. **NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Hon. Haikola-Sakaria (AR) to ask the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 641).
- (ii) Hon. Rosa Mbinge-Tjeundo (PDM) to ask the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (No. 642).
- (iii) Hon. Amupanda (AR) to ask the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 643).
- (iv) Hon. Moongo (PDM) to ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister of (No. 644).
- (v) Hon. Hengari (PDM) to ask the Minister of Works and Transport (No. 645).
- (vi) Hon. Mbundu (RP) to ask the Minister of Health and Social Services (No. 646).
- (vii) Hon. Mulunga (IPC) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform (No. 647).

5. **URGENT ORAL QUESTIONS:**

- (i) Hon. Herunga (SWAPO) asked the Minister of Gender Equality and Child Welfare (No. 310) – *Replied to*.
- (ii) Hon. Lutuhezi (IPC) asked the Minister of Gender Equality and Child Welfare (No. 311) – *Replied to*.

6. The Speaker left the Chair in terms of Rule 33(3) of the Standing Rules and Orders, and the Deputy Speaker took the Chair.

7. **Hon. Mulunga on behalf of Hon. Nghifikwa moved without Notice:**

That leave of absence be granted to Hon. Rodney Cloete from 7 - 11 September 2026, to attend to private matter in terms of Rule 124(h) read with Rule 76(1)(f) of the Standing Rules and Orders, and internal arrangements.

Agreed to.

8. **Hon. Rodrick Likando moved without Notice:**

That leave of absence be granted to Hon. John-Louw Mouton from 10 - 18 September 2026, due to official business, in terms of Rule 124(h) read with Rule 76(1)(d) and (f) of the Standing Rules and Orders, and internal arrangements.

Agreed to.

9. **Hon. Vries moved without Notice:**

That leave of absence be granted to Hon. Inna Hengari and Hon. Hendrik Gaobaeb from 10 - 18 September 2026, due to official business, in terms of Rule 124(h) read with Rule 76(1)(d) and (f) of the Standing Rules and Orders, and internal arrangements.

Agreed to.

10. **FIRST ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on the nomination of Dr. Gerson Sindano for appointment as Chairperson, and Dr. Emmerentia Leonard and Ms. Julieta Diva Ferreira as Members of the Electoral Commission of Namibia.

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 1 September 2026 as moved by Hon. Shifeta (page 115).

Question put: That the Motion be approved.

House divided in terms of Rule 161 of the Standing Rules and Orders.

Members in favour = 49 voting Members

Members against = 0 voting Members

Members abstaining = 0 voting Members

Motion approved (Total of 49 voting Members).

11. **SECOND ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on the nomination of Members to serve on the Security Commission, in terms of Article 114 (2) of the Constitution of the Republic of Namibia.

Question before the Assembly on Friday, 10 July 2026 as announced by the Speaker.

Question put: That the nominations be adopted.

49 voting Members present voted for Hon. Paula Kooper and Hon. Nico Somaeb.

The names of the two (2) Members to be submitted to Her Excellency, the President for appointment in terms of Article 114(2) of the Constitution of the Republic of Namibia.

12. **THIRD ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on the appointment of Rachel Nathaniel-Koch (Chairperson), Ileni Gebhardt (Alternate Chairperson), Inekela Soiny Kambindji, Christopher Khaile, and Petrus Amakutuwa as members of the Land Tribunal for a period of 3 years, commencing from 1 April 2026 to 30 March 2029.

Question before the Assembly on Tuesday, 1 September 2026 as moved by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform (page 194): That the Motion be approved.

On the motion of Hon. Hangula, seconded by Hon. Kalola, debate adjourned until Wednesday, 9 September 2026.

13. On the motion of the Right Honourable Prime Minister, seconded by the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism, the Assembly adjourned at 17:52 until Wednesday, 9 September 2026.

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Secretary: National Assembly

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