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FOURTH SESSION, EIGHTH PARLIAMENT

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

TUESDAY, 6 OCTOBER 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, Orders and Internal Arrangements:**

The Speaker informed the House that the Namibian Federation of the Visually Impaired (NFVI) requested to conduct a Parliamentary Awareness Intervention on Accessibility on Wednesday, 7 October 2026, to conduct a 15–25-minute experiential exercise, aimed at sensitising Members of Parliament to the challenges faced by visually impaired persons through empathy walks and a Braille Inclusion Initiative.

The Speaker encouraged all Members to support the initiative. The event would take place in the courtyard at 15:40 during the health break.

3. **Hon. Amupanda tabled a paper titled “Presidential Impeachment and National Assembly Dissolution Under the Namibian Constitution: Who Will Blink First?”**

The paper was tabled under “Other Reports and Papers” of the Routine of Business, pending the Speaker’s ruling on the matter.

4. **The Minister of Finance moved without Notice, in terms of Rule 222(1)(a) of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements that:**

The Reports of the Auditor-General on the Accounts of the –

- (i) Municipality of Mariental for the financial year ended 30 June 2025;

- (ii) Municipality of Otjiwarongo for the financial year ended 30 June 2025;
- (iii) Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform: Department of Agriculture and Land Reform for the financial year ended 31 March 2025;
- (iv) Ministry of Education, Arts and Culture for the financial year ended 31 March 2025;
- (v) Ministry of Gender Equality and Child Welfare for the financial year ended 31 March 2025;
- (vi) Ministry of Industries, Mines and Energy for the financial year ended 31 March 2025;
- (vii) Ministry of Information and Communication Technology for the financial year ended 31 March 2025;
- (viii) Ministry of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security for the financial year ended 31 March 2025;
- (ix) Ministry of Justice for the financial year ended 31 March 2025; and
- (x) Ministry of Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment Creation for the financial year ended 31 March 2025.

be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts for examination of the audited financial statements.

5. The Deputy Speaker laid upon the Table, in compliance with Section 15 and 116 of the Electoral Act, No. 5 of 2014 (Electoral Act), as amended: -

The Annual Report of the Electoral Commission of Namibia for the year 2025/2026.

6. The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform moved without Notice, in terms of Rule 222(1)(b) of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements that: -

The MEATCO Integrated Annual Report for 2025/2026 Financial Year, be referred to the relevant Parliamentary Standing Committee for evaluation and examination.

7. NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:

- (i) Hon. Haikola-Sakaria (AR) to ask the Minister of Justice and Labour Relations (No. 725).
- (ii) Hon. April (SWAPO) to ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister (No. 726).
- (iii) Hon. Kalola (AR) to ask the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 727).
- (iv) Hon. Mbundu (RP) to ask the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform (No. 728).
- (v) Hon. Lukato (NDP) to ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister (No. 729).

- (vi) Hon. Kandorozi (NUDO) to ask the Minister of International Relations and Trade (No. 730).
- (vii) Hon. Mbinge-Tjeundo (PDM) to ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister (No. 731).

8. URGENT ORAL QUESTIONS:

- (i) Hon. Venaani (PDM) asked the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform (No. 362) – *Replied to*.
- (ii) Hon. Mwashindange (IPC) asked the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 363) – *Replied to*.
- (iii) Hon. Nashinge (IPC) asked the Right Honourable Prime Minister (No. 364) – *Replied to*.
- (iv) Hon. Amupanda (AR) asked the Minister of Finance (No. 365) – *Reply deferred by the Minister*.
- (v) Hon. Hishoono (IPC) asked the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 366) – *Question to be put in writing*.

9. Hon. Kooper on behalf of Hon. !Naruseb moved without Notice:

That leave of absence be granted to Hon. Frans Kapofi, in terms of Rule 124(h) read with Rule 76(1)(d) of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements for the period 06 to 08 October 2026, due to official business.

10. NOTICE OF A MOTION:

Minister of International Relations and Trade moved, seconded by the Right Honourable Prime Minister:

That leave be given to introduce a Bill to establish the Namibia International Trade Commission, to manage international trade in and on behalf of Namibia, and to provide for its powers and functions; to provide for the application, enactment into domestic law and implementation of international trade agreements; to provide for the application for certain permits; and designation of infant industries; to provide for the management of international trade; to provide for investigative searches and inspections; and to provide for incidental matters.

Agreed to.

International Trade Management Bill [B.3 – 20026] read a First Time.

The Minister of International Relations and Trade moved, subject to Rule 176(1) of the Standing Rules and Orders, seconded by the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism: That the Bill be read a Second Time.

On the motion of Hon. Venaani, seconded by Hon. Nashinge, debate adjourned until Tuesday, 13 October 2026.

11. **FIRST ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Petroleum (Exploration and Production) Amendment Bill* [B. 12 – 2025].

Questions before the Assembly on Wednesday, 30 September 2026, as moved by the Minister of Industries, Mines and Energy (page 4): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

12. In terms of Rule 155(1) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:52 until Wednesday, 7 October 2026.

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