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FOURTH SESSION, EIGHTH PARLIAMENT

REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

WEDNESDAY, 25 NOVEMBER 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 about the passing of one of the Founding Member of our Republic and that of the National Assembly, the Hon. Dr. Libertina Amathila. Dr. Amathila, left the country in 1962 to joined the arm struggle for Namibia's Independence. She returned to Namibia in 1989, and was subsequently elected as a Member of the Constituent Assembly during the 1989, UN supervised elections. Post – Independence Dr. Amathila became a Member of the National Assembly from 1990 – 2010. During this period, she served as the First Minister Regional and Local Government and Housing, where after she continued to serve in various ministerial positions and ended her public service to the Namibian people as the First Female Deputy Prime Minister, serving in that position from 2005 – 2010. During her tenure as a Member of the National Assembly, Dr. Amathila stood as a steadfast pillar of parliamentary democracy and helped shape the lives of many Namibians. Dr. Amathila's exemplary leadership, integrity and lifelong devotion to the public service will be remember by the current and future generations of Namibians.

   The Speaker on behalf of the entire membership of the National Assembly and its Secretariat, expressed collective profound sympathy and condolences to the entire family of Dr. Amathila and to the Namibian Nation during this time of immense bereavement.

A minute of Silence was Observed.

3. **NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:**

(i) Hon. Venaani (PDM) to ask the Minister of Finance (No. 882).

(ii) Hon. Mouton (IPC) to ask the Minister of Information and Communication Technology (No. 883).

(iii) Hon. Hangula (AR) to ask the Minister of Urban and Rural Development (No. 884).

(iv) Hon. Moongo (PDM) to ask the Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 885).

(v) Hon. Hishoono (IPC) to ask the Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 886).

(vi) Hon. Lukato (NDP) to ask the Minister of Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety and Security (No. 887).

(vii) Hon. Hengombe (IPC) to ask the Minister of Industries, Mines and Energy (No. 888).

4. **NOTICES OF MOTIONS:**

(i) Hon. Amupanda rose to move a Motion welcoming the GIPF decision to invest N$ 600 million in the NAMPOST towards its housing scheme.

The Speaker deferred the decision on this Motion.

(ii) **Hon. Hangula moved without Notice:**
That leave of absence be granted to Hon. Fredrick Shitana during the period 24 – 26 November 2026, in terms of Rule 124(h) read with Rule 76(1)(d) and (f) of the Standing Rules, Orders and Internal Arrangements.

Agreed to.

5. **FIRST ORDER READ:**

Committee Stage – *Petroleum (Exploration and Production) Amendment Bill* [B. 12 – 2025].

ASSEMBLY IN COMMITTEE:

Clause 1 put.

House divided:

Those in favour of retaining the Clause as it is: 48

Those against retaining the Clause as it is: 1

Those abstained: 0

Clause agreed to as it is.

Twenty – One (21) Members didn't participate in the voting process.

Clause 2 put.

House divided:

Those in favour of retaining the Clause as it is: 49

Those against retaining the Clause as it is: 0

Those abstained: 0

Clause agreed to as it is.

Twenty – Eight (28) Members didn't participate in the voting process.

Clause 3 put:

ASSEMBLY RESUMED:

The Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole House reported that the Committee of the Whole House has considered Clause 1 and 2 of the Petroleum (Exploration and Production) Amendment Bill [B. 12 – 2025] and agreed to it as it is and that discussions on Clause 3 is progressing.

6. In terms of Rule 155(1) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:52 until Thursday, 26 November 2026.

MS. E.N KAAPANDA
Secretary: National Assembly

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