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Boko assures Malawi of support



By Pako Lebanna

LILONGWE - President Advocate Duma Boko has assured Malawi of Botswana's support as the country is working on addressing challenges such as poverty and underdevelopment.

Addressing the nation of Malawi at Lilongwe's Bingu National Stadium, as the guest speaker of the country's 61st anniversary celebrations yesterday, he however expressed confidence in his host, President Dr Lazarus Chakwera and the Malawi people's ability to find solutions to their challenges.

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Partnership to boost youth, women

By Ndingililo Gaoswediwe

GABORONE - Government forges partnership with key stakeholders to unlock opportunities that will empower youth and women to contribute meaningfully to the country's development.

Speaking at the signing of a Memorandum of Agreement (MoU) between the Ministry of Youth and Gender Affairs and Botswana Exporters and Manufacturers Association (BEMA), Permanent Secretary Ms Bridget John stressed the strategic importance of this collaboration.

She explained that BEMA advocated investment and industrialisation, with a focus on manufacturing and export, which would support the growth of youth and women-owned businesses.

Furthermore, Ms John highlighted that this partnership would facilitate access to markets for quality products and services both locally and internationally.

She added that it aimed to enable the expansion of youth and women-owned enterprises, facilitate market access, including procurement opportunities by the government and provide essential training, mentoring, and job opportunities. Additionally, it seeks to mobilise resources dedicated to youth and women empowerment.

She said BEMA brought strong advocacy for ease of doing business, a robust local and global business network, and comprehensive industry knowledge.

Meanwhile, the ministry offers the capacity to initiate youth and gender friendly laws and effective policies aimed at development and empowerment across districts.

Ms John further outlined that the MoU's objectives included establishing a framework for cooperation to facilitate industrial and business skills development, improve local and international market access, and promote empowerment through skills training.

It also aims to support business incubation and growth, advocate for job creation, and foster collaboration through research and information sharing, she said.

Following the signing, she said a joint technical committee would be formed to develop an annual work plan for implementation, which is set to commence during the current financial year.

In her remarks, BEMA CEO Ms Mantlha Sankoloba described the signing as the beginning of concrete actions.

She emphasised that the technical committee would outline specific issues to make a tangible difference in communities and create jobs. She said the partnership was more than just an agreement, it represented a sector-building network committed to fostering growth and opportunity. ***BOPA***



Ministry of Youth and Gender Affairs permanent secretary, Ms Bridget John (left) and Botswana Exporters and Manufacturers Association (BEMA) CEO, Ms Mmantlha Sankoloba during signing of a Memorandum of Understanding in Gaborone on Thursday. Ms John said BEMA's advocacy on investment and industrialisation, which focused on manufacturing and export, would support the growth of youth and women-owned businesses, while providing access to markets for quality products and services both locally and internationally. Photo: Phenyo Ramatu

Winter Parliament session starts

GABORONE - The 3rd Meeting of the 1st Session of the 13th Parliament, which is also referred to as Winter Meeting, is scheduled to commence at the Parliament Buildings today.

A press release from the National Assembly says the meeting is estimated to last for about six weeks, ending on or around August 15.

The release states that the meeting will primarily focus on the introduction and presentation of Bills (draft laws).

"In line with the Constitution of Botswana, Parliament's primary responsibility is to enact legislation that promotes peace, order and good governance.

This legislative mandate is fulfilled through the presentation of Private and Government Bills by Members of Parliament," states the release.

In addition to law-making, the release says the session will also feature other key parliamentary business, including questions and motions. ***BOPA***

Launch of nursing school timely - Ookeditse

By Gontle Merafhe

GABORONE - The launch of Gaborone University College (GUC) School of Nursing is timely, as government has promised quality healthcare accessible to all citizens, says Assistant Minister of Health, Mr Lawrence Ookeditse.

Therefore, Mr Ookeditse said the government needed to deliver on the promise and mandate with the requisite personnel to provide quality healthcare.

Speaking at the launch in Gaborone on Thursday, he said the institution seemed appropriately positioned to produce competent nurses who could compete in the global village.

He said the requisite of the school of nursing was a critical step as the government demanded academic institutions of the right standards that were necessary for the people. He said nursing was one of the regulated professions in Botswana, adding that he was pleased that the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Botswana regulated the practice of nursing as it looked at both standards and ethics.

As such, Mr Ookeditse said the GUC School of Nursing was endorsed by the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Botswana as a foremost institute of regulation in Botswana.

He said nursing had been at the heart of the healthcare system adding that this was an important step to get more institutions developing programmes along the same line. He highlighted that when they kept developing such programmes, they also contributed toward growth and development of the important cadre in the provision of healthcare.

The Registrar of Nursing and Midwifery Council of Botswana, Ms Opelo Rankopo said the launch of the school was timely and critical addition to the nation's healthcare training landscape.

Ms Rankopo said Botswana was faced with an increasing demand for health professionals particularly nurses who were the backbone of healthcare delivery.

She said the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Botswana had been a direct witness of the growing migration of nurses as those seeking opportunities abroad passed through the Nursing and Midwifery Council for verification.

"Over the past years, we have processed an increasing number of verification requests and indication of many nurses leaving our health facilities or leaving our country. So, this trend contributes significantly to the staffing shortages now being felt across the facilities and the pressure on our current workforce is so immense," she said.

She said they were also witnessing a number of young Batswana leaving the borders to pursue their training.

She said the growing trend was both a reflection of the determination of the young people and a signal that the training institutions were no longer sufficient to meet the demand.

She said it was in that context that the GUC School of Nursing was essential as it answered the urgent call for increased local capacity and a response to the country's strategic need for trained, compassionate nurses.

GUC managing director, Prof. Antoney Joseph said the GUC School of Nursing offered Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Certificate in Healthcare Assistance.

Prof. Joseph said nurses played a critical role in improving the health of citizens adding that a healthy population builds a healthy economy, thus He training of nurses was imperative in the attainment of a sustainable health system in the economy.

He also said they appreciated government support through sponsorship of students to study in their institutions saying this showed how the government valued the role of the private sector.

Prof. Joseph said when GUC was established in 2006, its commitment was that the institution should contribute to the national skills development agenda by providing skills that Botswana labour market was short of.

He said their growth was in accordance with the global and local standards in the provision of education. He said the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Botswana was an example of how professional bodies could work with training bodies to promote professional practices. ***BOPA***



Assistant Minister of Health, Mr Lawrence Ookeditse (right), Gaborone University College of Law and Professional Studies head of nursing department, Ms One Kebiditswe (left) and chief public relations officer, Dr Christopher Nyanga (second right) during a tour of the School of Nursing after its launch in Gaborone on Thursday. Mr Ookeditse said the institution seemed appropriately positioned to produce competent nurses who could compete in the global village. Photo: Gothusang Lesego

Malawi confers Boko with Freedom of the City honour

By Pako Lebanna

LILONGWE - The main streets of the Malawi capital, Lilongwe, over the weekend were decorated with Botswana colours and strewn with billboard imagery of President Advocate Duma Boko as he got welcomed and was conferred with the Freedom of the City honour.

Upon commencing a three-day state visit at the invitation of host President Dr Lazarus Chakwera on Saturday, President Boko was handed the symbolic keys to the city by Lilongwe mayor, Councillor Esther Sagawa.

Accompanied by the Malawi's Minister of Local Government, Unity and Culture, Mr Richard Banda, the chief executive officer of the Lilongwe City Council Dr MacLeod Kadammaja and councillors at the Civic Centre Chamber, the mayor handed the keys to President Boko and said it affirmed the bond between Botswana and Malawi.

The Freedom of the City is the highest award a municipality can bestow upon an individual of distinction or exceptional service, such as in June 1990 when South African liberation icon and later president, Dr Nelson Mandela was presented with a similar award and symbolic keys to the city by the then mayor of New York City, United States of America, Mr David Dinkins.

In a brief acceptance speech, President Boko said he had been humbled by the honour, which he classified as an act of kindness to further cement the ties between Botswana and Malawi.

President Boko said even in his previous, less official visits to Malawi, not accompanied by the pomp and circumstance grandeur of being welcomed as a head of state, he still had felt the friendly demeanour of Lilongwe.

"Not only does Malawi brand itself as The Warm Heart of Africa, the warmth and generosity is something you practically feel from the Malawi people. Even those people who have little materially are generous and kind and I am grateful for such an experience and honour that typifies the Malawian spirit," President Boko said.

In conferring the award, Councillor Sagawa explained that after its early incarnation in the early 1900s as a livestock enclosure and trading post, Lilongwe was recognised as a town by the Nyasaland colonial administration in 1947, becoming the capital of independent Malawi three decades later.

She said they were pleased to recognise President Boko as an outstanding leader with democratic and human rights credentials.

Earlier during the bilateral discussions between Botswana and Malawi at the Kamuzu Palace state house, President Chakwera called for greater cultural exchange and people to people interaction between citizens of Botswana and Malawi.

Meanwhile, the two countries signed bilateral agreements on trade and agriculture, which will lay the foundation for the two states commencing to explore practical collaboration on the sectors. ***BOPA***



President Advocate Duma Boko (left) and Malawi President, Dr Lazarus Chakwera sharing a moment during the Africa Energy Summit in Tanzania in January. President Boko, who was on a three-day state visit to Malawi, has assured Malawi of Botswana's support as the country was working on addressing challenges such as poverty and underdevelopment.

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He said the fact that Malawi got self determination on the same day in 1964 was worth celebrating, adding that it was also imperative that the country reflected on its independent past and found solutions toward progress. President Boko further said Africa was currently undergoing a revolution and would require acts of courage from bold Africans who were willing to lend a hand to transform the continent toward shared prosperity.

Delivering the main address to Malawians under their independence theme: Restoring Broken Foundations: Taking Malawi Forward, Dr Chakwera commended Botswana for being a peace-loving nation and appreciated it for being a friend and ally to Malawi. He described Malawi as a peaceful country that would continue building relations with others.

Previously, the British Protectorate of Nyasaland, Malawi acquired independence as a Commonwealth realm on July 6, 1964, with Dr Kamuzu Banda as the prime minister and thereafter president in 1966 when the country declared itself a republic.

Botswana and Malawi established diplomatic relations in 1966, the year both nations adopted republican constitutions.

Their bilateral relations are guided by the Joint Permanent Commission on Cooperation (JPCC) agreed to in 2001.

Over the years, Malawi citizens have provided human capital to Botswana, serving in fields such as education, banking and the health sector.

Twice over the past decade, in 2015 and 2023, Botswana extended humanitarian support to Malawi with boats and over 20 000 tonnes of relief material, including foodstuffs and blankets when Malawi had been besieged by cyclones.

President Boko's state visit and the commitment to reviving regular JPCC meetings are anticipated to lead to the two nations' historic goodwill gravitating toward tangible outcomes beneficial to both. ***BOPA***

'Democracy can flourish in Africa'

By Pako Lebanna

LILONGWE - Nigh on a decade after being elected as the Leader of Opposition in their respective countries' 2014 general elections, Botswana's Advocate Duma Boko and Malawi's Dr Lazarus Chakwera on Saturday night majestically entered the banquet hall of the Kamuzu Palace in Lilongwe as heads of state, a reflection of democratic popular will of their fellow citizens through electoral contest.

That, President Boko, said at the official reception hosted by President Chakwera and First Lady Monica, was a sign that Africa's democratic environment could flourish to a point of becoming exemplary to the world.

President Boko narrated how the October 2024 Botswana general election was lost by a Botswana Democratic Party (BDP) that had entered the polls buoyant after dominating the country's previous 12 elections and governing for 58 years.

But, upon a loss of power, his predecessor, Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi became magnanimous in defeat, at all times giving the assurance that there would be a smooth transfer of power, which then occurred seamlessly.

While the country had maintained democratic electoral process since independence, the test of democratic consolidation came upon a loss of power by those who wielded it for long and Botswana passed the litmus test.

"We have become an exemplar, not only to Africa, but to the rest of the world, because even in some of the world's most advanced democratic societies, you often find electoral challenges and strife in power transfer," he said.

He told the reception that he recently saw Dr Masisi and former first lady Neo on television, looking good and beaming, a sign that they were not being persecuted upon presidential retirement. That is the Africa we ought to build. A society where leaders from different political persuasion respect each other, peacefully coexist and submit to the will of the people," he said.

He also reflected on how Malawi had experienced public demonstrations and election petitions after Dr Chakwera lost the 2019 general elections, when many felt the outcome had been manufactured to subvert the will of the people.

Instead of suppressing the popular unrest, the Malawian army protected the people and the judiciary ruled in favour of an electoral re-run, held in 2020, which ushered Dr Chakwera and the Malawi Congress Party into office, President Boko recalled.

He lauded Malawi for navigating such a delicate situation without lapsing into prolonged civil strife but rather, emerging with the democratic voice of the majority and the judicial independence of the courts respected.

Africa now requires stable democratic governance and strong institutional framework that would enable nations to focus on economic development, the President said.

For his part, Dr Chakwera commended President Boko for accepting the invitation for the state visit and being guest of honour at Malawi's 61st anniversary of independence.

"Your record breaking electoral victory and forward looking governance will add impetus to our relations. This is an opportunity to renew our partnership to meet the challenges of the 21st century. Although Botswana and Malawi have had diplomatic relations since 1966, the best days of our collaboration are yet to come, starting with areas such as tourism, education, mining and cultural exchange," said Dr Chakwera. ***BOPA***

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President Advocate Duma Boko (second right) being appreciated by Francistown residents after he addressed a kgotla meeting on Thursday. He said government planned to construct a second hospital in the city to address the growing healthcare needs. Photo: Ogopoleng Kgomoethata

New hospital planned for Francistown

By Thamani Shabani

FRANCISTOWN - Government plans to construct a second hospital in Francistown to address the growing healthcare needs of the second city's expanding population.

President Advocate Duma Boko thus announced at a kgotla meeting in Francistown on Thursday, emphasising that the new facility would serve to alleviate pressure on Nyangabgwe, which currently functions as the primary referral centre in the northern part of Botswana.

The proposed hospital is expected to feature 300 beds and will be equipped with modern medical technology, making it a state-of-the-art healthcare facility.

President Boko assured residents that the chronic shortage of medicines in health facilities would be addressed through new strategies and modalities being developed by his administration.

In addition to the healthcare project, President Boko outlined plans for significant infrastructure improvements, including the transformation of the A1 (Ramatlabama - Ramokgwebana) road into a dual carriageway. This development aims to enhance transportation and resilience against natural disasters such as those experienced during last year's floods.

He told the residents that the construction would involve Batswana contractors to promote local empowerment.

President Boko also made significant promises regarding social welfare improvements for Batswana, pledging an increase in the old age pension allowance from P1 400 to P1 800.

Additionally, he announced that the Ipelegeng programme allowance would see a substantial rise from P617 to P2 500 and that the Village Development Committee allowance would also reach P2 500.

Furthermore, President Boko emphasised the importance of integrity within the government, urging those in positions of power to refrain from corrupt practices.

He highlighted corruption as a critical issue that could hinder development plans for Botswana.

To address crime, which he identified as a major barrier to development, he stated that the Botswana Police Service would be equipped with modern technologies, including artificial intelligence, to enhance its efforts in combating crime.

In his welcome remarks, Francistown mayor, Mr Gaone Majere highlighted critical challenges faced by the city, particularly high unemployment rates affecting both youth and adults.

He noted that some residents had resorted to desperate measures such as engaging in prostitution to make ends meet.

He voiced concerns about a severe shortage of residential plots, mentioning that the last allocation was made in 1992, resulting in a waiting list of over 16 000 individuals.

Furthermore, Mayor Majere called for a strategic initiative similar to the Selebi Phikwe Economic Diversification Unit to revitalise Francistown's economy in light of the challenges presented by the closure of the mines in 2011.

He also raised alarms about illegal gold mining operations in the area, noting that they posed significant safety risks, particularly due to the dangerous methods employed by foreign miners.

The mayor suggested that the government grant licenses to local Batswana to manage the mining activities as a potential solution to the issue.

Umbrella Urban Development Committee chairperson, Ms Oganeditse Keteng commended the progress in Francistown, highlighting developments such as the new mall at Gerald Estate, incubators, a cultural village and community facilities.

However, she acknowledged challenges including inadequate storm water drainage system and poor road maintenance.

She urged the government to consider doubling the Community Constituency Project Fund to P20 million, citing its effectiveness in generating quick returns for the communities. ***BOPA***

'Govt should take lead to support businesses'



Mr Unity Mosomodi told President Advocate Duma Boko that he was denied the opportunity to supply bread to schools because his wife was a teacher in one of the village schools and his brother was a public officer. Photo: Gaseitsiwe Moruakgomo

By Goitsemodimo Williams-Madzonga

TUTUME - Government should be the leading supporter of local businesses by facilitating them to take advantage of opportunities available around them. President Advocate Duma Boko made the statement when responding to concerns raised during a kgotla meeting in Tutume on Friday.

The president was particularly moved by the story of a local baker, Mr Unity Mosomodi, who decried what he termed being denied the opportunity to supply schools with bread only because his wife was a teacher in one of the village schools and his brother was a public officer elsewhere.

Narrating his ordeal, Mr Mosomodi said he got into the bakery business after discovering the gap in the business of supplying bread to schools. However, he said upon approaching the district council and education regional offices, he was informed that it would not be possible for him to be given the job because his relatives were public officers.

He said being denied that opportunity suppressed his business so much that he resorted to closing down an outlet he had opened in Francistown, resulting in 12 jobs lost.

He added that the outlet in Tutume employed about 18 people, however with the current status of limited business, he would be forced to lay off some of them in order to keep afloat.

Mr Mosomodi appealed to President Boko to intervene in such situations because they were a setback. In his response, President Boko said it was imperative for government departments apply the policies as they were, noting that Mr Mosomodi's case was one where local empowerment policy should apply.

He noted that local businesses should be given priority in doing business with government ahead of well established entities such as chain stores.

On other issues, the President commended the district for having given children a platform to air their concerns and things they wished to see being done for them.

In most cases, he said consultative forums such as kgotla meeting were preserved to be for elderly people, however, allowing children to come along would motivate them to share in their thoughts and aspirations. ***BOPA***



Tutume residents arriving for kgotla meeting on Friday. Photo: Gaseitsiwe Moruakgomo

President Boko commends public officers

By Mooketsi Mojalemotho

TUTUME - Government employees have been praised for their unwavering dedication and tireless efforts to bring about transformative changes that enrich the lives of their fellow Batswana.

President Advocate Duma Boko said Friday during a kgotla meeting in Tutume that the majority of the employees in question went extra mile despite being under-resourced.

"You have worked very hard even under difficult working conditions," he said, appreciating the work put in by government employees.

In the same vein, President Boko acknowledged the political representatives for their commitment to seeking solutions to problems affecting society.

He reminded the overflowing kgotla that it was the duty of any responsible government to ensure that people had access to their rights, regardless of their background.

"These fundamental rights are indivisible and interdependent and they are enshrined in Section 4 of the constitution of Botswana," he said, adding that any nonconformity to give people access to their rights would be a gross violation and a classic case of dereliction of duty.

It was to this end that he informed the gathering that the government he led would be anchored on fundamental human rights.

President Boko also reiterated the government's stance to give P300 cash for upkeep to every newborn.

He said any responsible government needed to take care of the well-being of its citizenry, including children under the age of seven, so that they grow up well-nourished.

Another aspect that the UDC government has resolved to undertake is to hold students attending brigades and technical colleges in high esteem and give them the same stipend of P1 900 enjoyed by those at other institutions of higher learning.

Placing much emphasis on brigades and technical colleges, according to President Boko, was crucial, as this had the potential to close the significant gap in vocational skills currently experienced by the economy.

On the whole, President Boko pledged the government's commitment to correcting past mistakes where Batswana were left in the lurch by previous administrations.

The incorporation of high-tech in interventions to scale agriculture and efforts to fight crime will be among the many vehicles that the government has resolved to employ to make headway and revamp the economy and the lives of Batswana, he said.

Earlier, Kgosi Tapson Madikwe and the Umbrella VDC Chairperson, Mr Norman Nkhwalume, had decried the long-standing promise of a 70-bed hospital facility by the government, which until now remained on paper.

The President agreed that Tutume deserved a better hospital and was hopeful that this would be included in the National Transformation Programme, which had replaced the National Development Plan approach to development.

The two had also, on behalf of the Tutume district populace, complained about the slow developments taking place in their jurisdiction, something they said did not augur well with the recently acquired status of Tutume as a fully-fledged district. ***BOPA***

Constituency housing project launch tomorrow

By Portia Rapitsenyane

PALAPYE - President Advocate Duma Boko will tomorrow launch target 61 000 Constituency Housing Units in Palapye as part of government's commitment to provide decent housing and foster social equity.

The launch marks the commencement of a journey toward attainment of 61 000 housing units made up of 1 000 units for the 61 constituencies in the country.

Government is determined to achieve this milestone by building housing units over a period of two years through the Bonno National Housing Programme.

In an interview, the acting district commissioner Mr Tsholofelo Molobe said 700 plots had been secured for Palapye to facilitate construction of houses through the Bonno National Housing Programme.

He explained that the remaining 300 plots which were needed to meet the 1 000 units per constituency would be allocated across the five villages that form Palapye constituency such as Topisi, Radisele, Mogome, Mokgware and Moreomabele.

Recently, the Minister of Water and Human Settlement, Mr Onneetse Ramogapi toured Extension 11 and Extension 7 in Palapye, which are sites where the housing units would be built.

He also held meetings with different stakeholders emphasising the importance of the new housing programme.

Mr Ramogapi also stressed that the Bonno National Housing Programme was an overarching initiative that would deliver a variety of housing schemes tailored to meet the diverse needs of the population.



One of the housing units under the banner of the Bonno National Housing Programme.

Therefore, he said it was important that all the stakeholders in the constituency worked together to make the programme a success.

The programme encompasses a variety of housing schemes tailored to meet the diverse needs of the population, including the Bonno Home Improvement Loan Scheme aimed at completing, improving and renovating existing homes to improve their quality and livability.

It also has the Bonno Turnkey Development Loan Scheme where the adopted approach is a design and build method in which the government, through the Botswana Housing Corporation or private sector, undertakes the responsibility of constructing homes for eligible beneficiaries.

The other scheme is the Bonno D4 Scale and below or equivalent Housing Loan Scheme which is specifically designed to support the working class, targeting individuals earning within the range of the D4 salary scale (from P95 000 to P282 120 per annum). The objective is to facilitate homeownership for this income group. The scheme caters for both public and non-public officers at equivalent levels. ***BOPA***



Minister of Water and Human Settlement, Mr Onneetse Ramogapi (second left) and officers from Palapye Land Board, the district council and Botswana Housing Corporation during a recent tour of the site where the launch of target 61 000 Constituency Housing Units will be held in Palapye. Government has made a commitment to deliver 1 000 houses in 61 constituencies to provide decent housing. Photo: Portia Rapitsenyane

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Show You Care SACCOS secretary general, Ms Kgomotso Makwati (second left), Assistant Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship, Mr Baratiwa Mathoothe (second right) and Serowe District Council chairperson, Mr Atamelang Thaga (right) during a tour of stalls at the commemoration of the International Cooperative Day in Serowe on Saturday. Mr Mathoothe challenged cooperatives to diversify into emerging and untapped sectors such as renewable energy, digital technology, research and innovation. Photo: Baldwin Nyamande

Diversify into untapped sectors - Mathoothe

By Tshiamiso Mosetlha

SEROWE - Cooperatives have been challenged to diversify into emerging and untapped sectors such as renewable energy, digital technology, research and innovation.

Speaking at the International Cooperative Day commemoration in Serowe on Saturday, Assistant Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship, Mr Baratiwa Mathoothe said these sectors were rich with potential and could drive meaningful job creation, especially for youth who were energetic, creative and ready to lead in new bold initiatives.

He further said the cooperatives should offer people-centered solutions that supported collective prosperity.

"Cooperatives by their nature, offer practical tools they must use to respond to today's challenges and unlock tomorrow's opportunities. As a nation, we must embrace it with purpose and seriousness, investing in the growth of cooperative enterprises that deliver real and lasting economic solutions," he said.

The assistant minister further said the cooperative movement of Botswana had the power to build cooperative businesses that could shape and tailor the economy to work for everyone in a productive, inclusive, sustainable and deeply human manner.

Additionally, he said cooperatives contributed significantly to sustainable development socially, economically and environmentally and were recognised as key drivers in achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals by 2030.

He said the theme for this year's celebration: Driving Inclusive and Sustainable Solutions for a Better World, was both timely and transformative.

"It comes at a pivotal moment when our nation is undergoing a process of economic transformation, revitalisation, sustainability and diversification. This theme is geared toward meaningful employment, improving the quality of locally produced goods and services and ensuring equitable wealth distribution," he said.

He also revealed that Botswana had been entrusted with the responsibility of establishing the International Cooperative Alliance-Africa Southern Sub Regional Office.

"I therefore urge all cooperatives to seize this unique opportunity and fully harness the benefits that come with hosting this regional office it opens doors to capacity building, technical partnerships, market access and regional collaboration," he said.

He also said government was committed to supporting this initiative by providing essential resources for an initial three-year period, with the expectation that this investment would yield positive, tangible and sustainable results.

Mr Mathoothe told the gathering that Serowe had a great historical significance known for hosting Botswana's the first registered cooperative, Swaneng Consumer Cooperative Society and urged them to take the moment to introspect, reflect and strategise.

In his welcome remarks, Kgosi Peter Khama said cooperatives developed the Serowe community.

As such, he encouraged all to work together to promote cooperatives, as they were a source of income, saving, creating jobs for youth and the elderly.

Speaking on the importance of cooperatives, Ms Ontebaditse Koosaletse, a member of Swaneng Cooperative Society, said Swaneng was the first cooperative in Botswana started in 1964 with the assistance of the late Patrick Van Resburg, who was also known for establishing brigades.

She said they had buildings, which they had rented.

Even though they faced challenges, she said they did all to overcome them.

Some of the challenges they faced, she said included among others, debts and litigation.

Ms Koosaletse said one of their buildings, Tshwaragano Hotel was gutted by fire and were looking for the investors to assist them in maintaining it.

She also indicated that chain supermarkets gave them a though competitions, hence they decided to rent their buildings. ***BOPA***

Botswana targets Malawi for BVI market

By Pako Lebanna

LILONGWE - As Botswana looks to grow animal vaccine production and develop a manufacturing base, the country will consider setting up Botswana Vaccine Institute (BVI) operations in Malawi, President Advocate Duma Boko has said.

Making his remarks to the bilateral meeting between Botswana and Malawi in Lilongwe on Saturday, President Boko said the state-owned veterinary solutions manufacturer BVI, which produced animal vaccine and exported to 16 countries, could expand its footprint to the Malawi market. "BVI exports their manufactured vaccines that combat anthrax, rabies and other animal diseases to countries that now include South Africa. We will consider exporting to Malawi and possibly have a BVI outpost here for ease of access," he said.

President Boko further emphasised the importance of strengthening intra-Africa trade.

"Africa faces many challenges, some of them self-inflicted by us the leaders and citizens. We should honestly introspect and find solutions, we need robust intra-Africa trade, and the African Continental Free Trade Agreement presents an opportunity. We should enter the Malawian market and Malawi should reach out on any opportunities they see in Botswana," President Boko said.

He further revealed that during his tête-à-tete with his host, Malawi President, Dr Lazarus Chakwera, they had agreed that the two countries should work on establishing embassies in each other's capital to cement the diplomatic relations established since 1966.

"We need to bring tangible outcomes to our relationship. Over the years Botswana has developed expertise in mining extraction. Now that Malawi is moving into the mining space, we could share the expertise of our people," President Boko said.

Such mutually beneficial partnerships could have the effect of transforming the African continent towards prosperity, he mentioned.

"We need value addition of minerals and their products for the benefit of our citizens. We will liberate Africa from poverty, one country at a time," President Boko said.

Concurring with these sentiments, President Chakwera said he and President Boko were of a similar view that the two states must collaborate toward meeting the challenges of the 21st Century.

"This we will do by growing trade between our two countries and cooperate in other areas such as mining, education, tourism and cultural exchange," President Chakwera said.

He added that the visit ignited talks towards the revatilisation of the Joint Permanent Commission of Cooperation between Botswana and Malawi, which he said he would convene soon, to become a vehicle to actualise the proposed areas of cooperation. ***BOPA***

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De Beers empowers youth

By Esther Mmolai

MAUN - In an effort to unlock a future full of potential, De Beers Group, in collaboration with some government departments, held a day's workshop in Maun for young people to empower them on career paths and opportunities available through their programme, Talent Development Programme.

The programme aims to equip youths with necessary skills and give them opportunities to access the diamond value chain.

Held on Friday at Botswana Open University, Maun campus, the workshop gave young people a platform to learn how to craft sound curriculum vitae, master interviews skills, networking and knowledge needed to meet the demands of the job market.

Giving an overview of the programme, De Beers Group external communication manager, Ms Tumie Ramsden highlighted that the programme was part of the new 10-year agreement between government and De Beers, which also included an extension of mining licenses and a sales agreement.

The programme, she said, aimed to support Batswana youth with various development opportunities for the next decade.

She, therefore, urged them to come on board and actively utilise the programme.

Young people, she said, should understand that at times life does not turn out the way they had hoped it would and advised them to utilise every opportunity that came their way.

"We are here to inspire young people to appreciate available opportunities we offer as De Beers as well as to encourage them to venture into income-generating projects that can create employment opportunities for others. Unemployment rate is indeed high, particularly for young people and we believe this programme can enhance employability and promote entrepreneurship," she added.

Ms Ramsden explained that the programme aimed to develop a skilled, confident and future-ready generation.

She also reminded the gathering that Botswana was a world leader in diamond production and shared how the commodity had transformed the nation to a prosperous one.

She stressed the need to protect the resource and wished Batswana could keep on telling beautiful stories on the importance of diamonds, citing that the industry had created jobs, both directly and indirectly in mining and in related sectors such as processing, construction, sorting and retail.

"We need to boldly tell real stories of what natural diamonds have done for our country and its economy and it is pleasing that the Okavango Diamond Company is selling some of the diamonds. Government has significantly increased local diamond sorting and beneficiation aiming to add more value to its diamonds before export," she said.

The vice president of Human Resources unit at De Beers, Mr Olefile Setswamokwena said the Talent Development Programme, as a citizen empowerment initiative, focused on five opportunities being international graduate development programme, leadership accelerator programme, sponsorship, government leadership programme as well as internship, where final year students could be given an opportunity to learn for three to six months in the diamond space.

The International Graduate Development programme, he said, offered high performing university graduates a two-year international placement within De Beers Group's global operations and 50 per cent of the students may end up being employed by the company.

Mr Setswamokwena said young people should appreciate that the government was preparing for the future in case the mine closed, hence more programmes aimed to empower them and support entrepreneurship.

Another facilitator at the workshop, Ms Magdeline Samuel gave an overview on Generation Unlimited, saying it was a global initiative focused on empowering young people with skills and giving them opportunities for employment, entrepreneurship and social impact.

The initiative, she said, helped youth to start their own businesses, offered platforms that fostered connections between them and potential employers.

Moreover, she urged young people to take advantage of initiatives such as internship and Tirelo Sechaba as they helped them to gain experience and enrich their curriculum vitae.

"These initiatives can open doors for you. As such, I encourage you to apply yourselves when given the opportunity. Brand yourselves and also learn to volunteer because it fosters personal growth, enhances skills, builds connections and promotes social responsibility." ***BOPA***



De Beers Group external communication manager, Ms Tumie Ramsden (centre) during a youth employability workshop in Maun recently. De Beers Group, Ministry of Labour and Home Affairs, UNICEF and Ministry of Youth and Gender Affairs hosted the workshop to empower the youth on career paths and opportunities available through the Talent Development Programme.
Photo: Courtesy of Ministry of Youth and Gender Affairs

Govt to terminate maintenance contract

By Omphile Ntakhwana

MOENG COLLEGE - Department of Buildings and Maintenance in Palapye is in the process of terminating the maintenance contract of Moeng College with Experience Count Pty Ltd.

Briefing the Minister of Higher Education, Mr Prince Maele on his visit to the school, Department of Buildings and Maintenance area manager Mr Moikothai Kelailwe said they had faced many challenges in working with the contractor and the last straw was when the contractor abandoned the construction site last year December.

"We rejected a couple of the works the contractor did, amongst them trenches they dug, the fence and buildings because they were not to the standard we specified", he said. He also said the contractor left with keys to some of the buildings when they abandoned the construction site in December, of which they had not gotten back.

Mr Kelailwe further said the project team would meet today at Moeng College to assess and make recommendations on the way forward. He said the initial cost of the contract was estimated to be a little over P160million, which then dropped to a value of P100 million.

He said the project started in June 2022 and was estimated to last for 1 year and 6 months.

"The scope of work for the project was for civil works, mechanical works and a sub-contract for electrical works," he said, further noting that Experience Count Pty Ltd was given the civil and mechanical works, of which the company had so far been paid P52 million. On how it came about for the company to be awarded the contract, Mr Kelailwe said initially they had contracted five local contractors but it failed to materialise, hence they used one contractor.

"We shall deal with this matter as per what the contract stipulates so that we move forward and do what needs to be done at Moeng College so that learners, teachers and non-teaching staff can operate in an environment that is conducive for them,' he said.

For his part, Mr Maele, who is also the Member of Parliament for Tswapong North, said he would take up the matter on the basis of the urgency it required. "I will engage with Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education and Minister of Transport and Infrastructure so we can swiftly deal with this matter because it is heartbreaking to see my the school in this state," he said.

Mr Maele said he was disappointed by what had transpired with the contractor adding that it was up to the relevant authorities to take this matter up and bring it to finality.

"It is time for the sleeping giant that is Moeng College to rise again back to the top", he said, adding that what he saw was deplorable, sad and embarrassing.

"Ceilings in dormitories, houses and classes have collapsed. There is no fence around the school, buildings are incomplete, trenches have been dug and left open and people are living in asbestos buildings," said Mr Maele. He noted that it was not surprising that other parents had transferred their children away from Moeng College because of the state it was in.

Mr Maele said he was informed that for the past three years, the school had not gone beyond a 14 per cent pass rate, which was of serious concern.

He pleaded with teachers, non-teaching staff and learners to do what they could with the little they had and perform to the best of their abilities despite of the challenges they faced every day. ***BOPA***

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Foundation assists Gakgatla Primary School

By Booster Mogapi

GAKGATLA - The Mercy Hand Foundation has donated 65 pairs of shoes, stationery and 144 packets of sanitary pads to Gakgatla primary school pupils in the Thamaga/Kumakwane Constituency.

Speaking during the donation on Thursday, the Deputy Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Local Government and Traditional Affairs, Mr Mpho Morapedi said the donation would address shortages experienced by the disadvantaged pupils in the community and afforded them the opportunity to excel in their studies.

"We are aware that the news generation is affected by issues of mental health, depression and high levels of stress, and through a noble gesture by Mr Kabelo Rampe of Mercy Hand Foundation Trust alongside his sponsors, Vision Optical Centre, we can confidently say that a lot of parents have been relieved of some of their worries", he said.

Mr Morapedi applauded the foundation for their mission to promote the rights, needs and welfare of the less privileged population through advocacy, education, care and support together with community mobilisation throughout Botswana.

He reminded the pupils of the importance of education as key to unlocking their dreams, successes and wishes, adding that as future leaders, he trusted that they would also grow in the spirit of giving and sharing the little they had with others.

When giving an overview of the donation, founding director of Mercy Hand Foundation Mr Rampe said he saw a Facebook post on the May 21st by Mr Tumi Learabea where his organisation was tagged and it showed the dire needs of students of Gakgatla primary school.

He said they then responded positively to the plea and he engaged his sponsors who likewise saw the need to give and assist the students.

The Mercy Hand founder applauded Mr Learabea for making use of the technology to seek help.

One of the pupils, Katso Tsiaka said they were grateful for the donation as it would restore their dignity.

He said sometimes they came to school tired and hungry as they had to walk long distances to school. This he said did not deter them because they were committed to their education which was important to their future. Katso thanked the sponsors for thinking about them as the donation had been received with warm hearts and would change their fate to secure a better destiny.

In his welcome remarks, Gakgatla primary School Head, Mr Isaac Barwabatsile said the school had an uptake of 314 pupils and 35 were to sit for the Primary School Leaving Examination end of the year.

He said their biggest challenge was the distances most of the pupils had to walk to school.

Mr Barwabatsile said some come as far as 5 kilometres daily and by the time they reached the school they were usually tired, their shoes and clothes would ultimately be worn out.

When giving vote of thanks, area councillor, Mr Duncan Ramasiagopana applauded the foundation for coming on board to help the school more so that they were answering the call by President Boko who recently launched the Sanitary Pads Initiative to give dignity to school girls.

He said the donation would help address the need that already existed and pupils would now come to school without a shame. ***BOPA***



The elderly during a wellness day session in Gakuto recently. The event was hosted by Unique Association for the Elders, Gakuto Village Development Committee and Seventh Day Adventist Church youth evangelism wing to promote health and wellbeing among the senior citizens. Photo: Thokozani Matiha

Collaboration benefits the elderly

By Thokozani Matiha

GAKUTO - In an effort to support the elderly in maintaining their health, Unique Association for the Elders and Gakuto Village Development Committee (VDC) in collaboration with Seventh Day Adventist (SDA) church youth evangelism wing, hosted a wellness day session in Gakuto recently.

Sharing the objectives of the day, trainee pastor, Mr Seth Letsatsi said the health expo was conducted by their southern division church youths, who were currently on their fourth and final tertiary studies in nursing, doctorate, pharmacy and medical laboratory from different institutions across the country.

"We concentrate on vitals, and also sensitise the public on food moderation through presentations on nutrition, and doing community service works by purchasing food hampers to the less privileged," he said.

Delivering a message to the elders, SDA church elder, Mr Tlotlang Katholo said it was important for the elderly people to be taken care of during their old age.

When quoting from the scriptures in the book of Exodus 15:26, he said God called on all people to adhere to his word and obey his command so that he may be able to heal them of all their diseases.

Mr Katholo said diseases such as sugar diabetes, cancer and high blood originated from the days of ancient Egypt and God promised that as long as they walked with Him he would heal all of their sicknesses.

He said it was a special day as they had selected Gakuto for their community service engagement where the elders would be given an opportunity to be examined on their health conditions and advice given for them to keep healthy.

Giving an overview of the association, the VDC chairperson and founder of Unique Association For The Elders, Ms Maggie Mathumo said their group was made of about 200 elders adding that every month-end about 70 of the senior citizens were served with tea by their main patron SPAR while waiting to collect old age pension allowances.

"This is our way of celebrating the contributions of senior citizens. I also made sure all our elders had a funeral policy with Kgare Insurance Brokers, she said."

Kweneng Spar in Mogoditshane produce supervisor, Mr Onkemetse Kolaagano said as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility they had been sharing a variety of bread and tea with the elders of Gakuto since 2017. "We also provide them with soup kitchen, that is samp and meat for lunch every month end," he said.

The area councillor, Mr Tebogo Leano said the initiative brought the community together and applauded the organisers for their effort in caring for the elderly people.

Meanwhile, Mr Leano highlighted that the recreation centre project in the area did not have a title deed saying this contributed to the delay of electricity connection.

He however noted that the centre could be useful and beneficial to the community. He promised to address the issues of community projects through the CCP. ***BOPA***

Learners call for return of corporal punishment

By Omphile Ntakhwana

MOENG COLLEGE - Student Representative Council (SRC) President of Moeng College says government should re-introduce corporal punishment in schools.

Briefing the Minister of Higher Education, Mr Prince Maele on his visit to the school recently, Atang Bato said manual hard labour and suspension of students for ill-discipline was not a proper way of disciplining students.

"When one is asked to go fetch their parents, or asked to work off their punishment, they miss a lot of school work and its is not working for us, rather just use corporal punishment so that we can get back to our classes and continue learning", she said.

Atang said they were facing a lot of challenges, which in turn had affected their academic performance negatively.

"Our infrastructure is in a deplorable state, we have broken chairs, tables and our dormitories are embarrassingly bad", she said. With less than three (3) months to go before their BGCSE, Atang said they were worried about how they were going to perform in their academics since they were behind with their syllabus.

"There is no Internet and the frequent disruption to basic services such as water and electricity has made it very hard to study," she said, adding that the state of the school was depressing and uninspiring.

Atang appealed to the minister to consider advising the school not to close for break next month.

She noted that the shortage of teachers was also another factor in Moeng College performing poorly.

"For example, there are only two Geography teachers who are responsible for eight classes and that is a lot for them", she said.

Atang further informed the minister that lack of materials in laboratories hampered them from performing experiments that were necessary in their education.

She said there was also inadequate food provision for students, which led to hunger and then loss of concentration in class.

"We constantly have to be thinking about food because the provision is insufficient, and this is not right"', she said.

Atang implored the minister to encourage those responsible for the upkeep of the school to prioritise infrastructure rehabilitation as a matter of urgency.

For his part, Mr Maele, who is also the member of parliament for Tswapong' North, said the purpose of his visit to Moeng College was to tour and see the school's infrastructure and to also understand challenges from the students perspective and how the ministry could assist them in performing well academically.

He acknowledged that there were serious problems at the school.

Mr Maele said he was worried about the academic performance of the school, having moved from being the best in the country to being the worst.

"I used to be a student here at Moeng College and during our time the school was performing extremely well. It saddens me every other time when I have to check our performance academically", he said.

He noted that Moeng College is the only senior secondary school in the Tswapong district, and as such, its collapse should not be a permanent sight.

Mr Maele encouraged the students to preserve and build a strong character in everything they do.

"Character will either take you to greater heights or let you down", he concluded. ***BOPA***

Chief magistrate denies murder accused bail

By Bonang Masolotate

GABORONE - Chief Magistrate, Ms Kamogelo Mmesi of Extension II Magistrate Court has refused to release on bail Kabo Garethusane, who is accused of murdering his girlfriend, Goabaone Mothofela at Gaborone's Old Naledi location on June 15.

Garethusane (35), who is not represented, had pleaded with the court to grant him bail, arguing that he was taking care of his child as well as his elderly blind mother. He also told the court that he was the family bread winner, hence his prolonged incarceration could disadvantage his child and mother. "Ever since my incarceration I do not know of the wellbeing of my child and my mother," Garethusane said on Thursday.

However, Magistrate Mmesi reiterated his previous court sitting stance that the accused was not yet a candidate of bail.

She said the accused was facing a serious offence of murder, hence the court could not grant him bail as the prosecution should be given an opportunity to do its investigations. "Your application will therefore not be acceded to," Chief Magistrate Mmesi said, adding that the application would only be considered when the prosecution had completed its investigation. The accused person, who is unemployed, had his remanded in custody extended, and is scheduled to appear again for status hearing on July 17. ***BOPA***



Murder accused, Kabo Garethusane (centre) leaving court after Chief Magistrate, Ms Kamogelo Mmesi of Extension II Magistrate Court denied him bail in Gaborone on Thursday. Garethusane is scheduled to appear again for status hearing on July 17. Photo: Tshepo Gombo



Accused person in an unlawful wounding case, Bame Tshupetso (third left) with her attorney, Ms Mojaki Webster (second left) at Extension II Magistrate Court in Gaborone on Thursday. Tshupetso was granted bail and is scheduled to appear for mention on September 4. Photo: Tshepo Gombo

Court grants Tshupetso bail

By Bonang Masolotate

GABORONE - Bame Tshupetso, an 18-year-old teenager charged with stabbing her 30-year-old boyfriend with a knife three times a month ago at Maruapula in Gaborone, has been granted bail.

She was admitted to bail by Chief Magistrate, Ms Kamogelo Mmesi of Extension II Magistrate Court on Thursday.

After listening to a bail application, the magistrate ordered that Tshupetso bind herself with P1 000 and provide two sureties who would, in turn, bind themselves with the same amount.

She was also ordered to report to Gaborone Central Police Station once a month and be taken to Sbrana Psychiatric Hospital for assessment.

When advocating for her bail, attorney, Ms Mojaki Webster said she deserved bail immediately.

"The client should be admitted to bail with immediate effect; the client has an infant and she is also a victim of defilement," Ms Webster said.

Ms Webster added that Tshupetso had not seen her infant child since May.

"She should be given an opportunity to see her child, whom she last saw when the police came to her place to arrest her," she added.

Attorney Webster also stated that at the time of the crime, the suspect was about to be reintegrated into the education system and had completed counselling.

She had been unable to return to school due to her incarceration.

Furthermore, she mentioned that the accused had not entered a plea, making her continued incarceration unjustifiable.

"If the court continues to hold our client in prison, it will seem we are punishing a victim of gender-based violence as she simply refused to die and defended herself", she stated.

During the previous mention, the court had ordered that the accused undergo counselling and a psychiatric evaluation, however, she said the psychiatric assessment was not completed because the doctor needed more information.

Attorney Webster said the onus was on the state to provide all material information and therefore, the accused should not be punished for the state's failures.

In addition, she said her client was previously denied bail on the basis that the victim was hospitalised, but the victim had since been released.

The state did not oppose the bail application, consequently, Magistrate Mmesi granted her bail and also ordered her to appear on September 4 for mention.

The charge sheet before the court states that Tshupetso, who is unemployed, stabbed her boyfriend, Thuso Raokgwatlhile, in the neck and chest at Maruapula location in Gaborone in the early morning of May 25. ***BOPA***

Council commits to assist farmers

By Baleseng Batlotleng

LEPHALENG - Ramotswa District Council has made a commitment to assist Gamalete farmers realise their full potential as agriculture stands out as the most reliable alternative in tough economic times.

Ramotswa District Council Chairperson Mr Matlhomola Motsage made this assurance during the third instalment of the Gamalete Farmers Day at Lephaleng lands near Ramotswa on Saturday.

He said the recent national report by the Botswana Institute for Development Policy Analysis (BIDPA) highlighted a sharp decline in food security across the country hence the need to support and assist any efforts toward food production. "With our diamond industry facing global shifts and competition from lab-grown diamonds, agriculture now stands as our most reliable economic alternative that we must all engage in," he said.

Mr Motsage said the council was committed to upgrading the gravel road from Ramotswa to Otse via Sakutswane lands, which would benefit the transportation of produce and inputs.

He said they would establish rural health posts in Lesetlheng, Lephala, and Maokamatshwane, ensuring farmers and families had access to healthcare.

"We plan to introduce fair and timely payment systems for tractors to allow smooth planting and ploughing seasons. We would urge government to consult farmers before rolling out new farming schemes, so that no one is left behind or harmed by sudden changes. We are also working toward establishing dedicated banking services for farmers so that agriculture can be financed fairly and locally," he added.

He urged farmers to make full use of government programmes to grow farming operations and also engage in cluster farming initiatives especially within local lands. He said land was a strength and key to reviving economy and cautioned farmers against selling land. "Improve dialogue between farmer committees and the wider farming community. Let's tackle issues like boreholes, dams, fodder production and modernisation together," he said.

He cited delayed government payments as something that continued to frustrate farmers, and also unfair and unequal distribution of farming inputs and services by the agricultural departments, which was demotivating grassroots farmers.

District Agricultural Coordinator, Dr Kingsley Siele said the agricultural sector was on a downward spiral despite countless mitigation measures from government.

He encouraged all stakeholders to come on board and revive the sector, which had a potential to be a big money spinning business.

For his part one of the event organisers, Mr Joseph Maotwanyane said the farmers' day was an annual event aimed at showcasing their products, facilitating networking and fostering future collaborations.

He said the event also served as a platform to encourage farmers improve their production and utilise land effectively. Mr Maotwanyane said they had faced financial and logistical challenges and appealed to all stakeholders to come on board in future. ***BOPA***

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Mo tekodisong ya gagwe ka botsogo jwa motse, mo phuthegong ya kgotla kgwedi eno e tlhola malatsi a mararo, modulasetilo wa komiti ya ditlhabololo tsa motse, Mme Patricia Khibile o boletse fa nako e gorogile ya gore Masunga a nne le sekole se sengwe, a re se se leng teng se imelwa ke go gola ga dipalo tsa baithuti ngwaga le ngwaga.

O bile a supa fa mosuke o o kwa godimo kwa sekoleng seo, o setse o baka gore bana bangwe ba Masunga ba tlhaelwe ke diphatlha, ka jalo go bo go tlama gore ba ye go tsena kwa dikoleng tsa metse e e mababi mme seo se babalele batsadi, ka letlhoko la dipalamo go ya koo.

Go ntse go le foo, Mme Khibile o ne a kopa gore motse wa bone o okelediwe dipalo tsa badiri ba Ipelegeng, a re motse oo jaaka motse mogolo wa kgaolo, o tshologelwa ke palo e ntsi ya batho, ba le bone ba tlang ba oketsa palo ya batho ba ba ikaegileng ka lenaneo leo.

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Mme khibile o ne a supa botlhokwa jwa gore go nne le setima molelo mo Masunga gore se nne se tsibogela tlhagogo ya melelo mo kgaolong, a re go ikaega ka sa Francistown ga go tswele banni mosola ka jaana go le gantsi se goroga se fitlhela maloba e le maabane.

O bile a kopa gore go tlhongwe dipone tsa mo mekgwatheng mo dintlheng dingwe tsa motse.

Mo mafokong a gagwe a kamogelo baeng, Kgosi Maruje III Thabo Masunga wa Masunga le ene o ne a gatelala botlhokwa jwa gore maphata mangwe a puso a a santseng a thusa kgaolo a le kwa Francistown, a fudugele kwa kgaolong go tlamela setshaba sa kgaolo segautshwane.

Kgosi Maruje a re nako e gorogile ya gore Botswana Television e nne le lekalana le le tlaa bong le itebantse le dikgaolo tsa Bokone Botlhaba le Tutume, a bo a supa botlhokwa jwa gore e okelediwe dintsompelo le bodiredi gore e kgone go fitlhelela metse ka bontsi.

Kgosi o bile a supa fa nako e gorogile gape ya gore thelebisene e ikemele e seka ya laolwa ke puso, a bo a kopa gore go nne le di community radio station, a re di ka thusa go tlotlomatsa ngwao le diteme tsa merafe ka go farologana.



Banni ba Masunga ba kopile gore ba agelwe sekole se sebotlana sa bobedi go pata sa Masunga Primary School se ba reng se fekeediwa ke palo ya baithuti. Ba dirile kopo eo kwa phuthegong ya kgotla e e neng e tshwerwe ke mopalamente wa kgaolo bosheng Senepe: Goweditswe Kome

O tsweletse a tlhalosa fa keletso ya gagwe e le go bona bontlha bongwe jwa lefatshe le puso e sa tswang go le reka mo kgaolong eo mo go beng ba dipolasi, bo dirisiwa mo mhameng wa temo-thuo o a boletseng o ka isa banni ba kgaolo golo gongwe.

Go sale foo, Kgosi Maruje o ne a tswa ka mogopolo wa gore maranyane a mahala a SmartBots a beelwe dinako tsa go a bulela le go a tswala, a re o tlhobaediwa ke mokgwa wa batho bangwe wa go nna ba ya kwa madirelong a go nang le maranyane ao gare ga masigo. Kgosi Maruje o supile matshwenyego mabapi le botlhokatsebe jwa banana mo motseng ga mmogo le bogodu jwa dikoloi mo tikologong eo, jo a boletseng bo sa robatse banni ba koo, ka jalo a laletsa tona wa lephata la Boatlhodi le Kago Sesha ya Magolegwa go ba etela go tla go mo lekodisa ka seemo seo matlho a phage a lebane.

Go sale foo, kgosi o ne a lebogela tirisanyo mmogo le tshwaragano e e renang gareng ga bone le badirelapuso ba ba direlang mo motseng wa bone, ka jalo a kopa gore mowa oo, o tswelele fela jalo go ya go ileng gore ba kgone go tlhabolola motse le kgaolo mmogo.

Fa a tswa la gagwe, Justine Rre Hunyepa yo gape e leng mothusa tona wa lephata la Tlamelo ya Bana le Thuto go tswa kwa Moding o ne a lekodisa banni ka tsa palamente e e fetileng le ka ditsholofetso dingwe tse puso e setseng e kgonne go di diragatsa.

O bile a supa fa tshwaragano ya gagwe le morafe mmogo le ba-na-le seabe botlhe mo ditlhabololong e le konokono mo go lereng ditlhabololo mo kgaolong.

Mopalamente Hunyepa o ne a gakolola banni ka botlhokwa jwa go tlhopha batho mo dikomiting ba lebeletse bokgoni le ka fa ba direlang setshaba ka teng, go na le go lebelela mebala ya diphathi tsa sepolotiki.

A re le ntswa puso e rotloetsa go tlotlwa ga ditshwanelo tsa setho, seo ga se reye gore batho ba tswe mo tseleng ka leina la ditshwanelo. ***BOPA***

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Rre Molapisi a re gantsi fa banana ba amega mo ditirong tse di sa jeseng diwelang, batsadi ba bofefo go ba supa ka monwana le go ba itlhokomolosa.

Rre Molapisi o ne a kopa Mopalamente go ya go sekaseka le bangwe ka ene methale ya go ka thusa go ntsha banana mo ditirong tsa tshokamo, a re go seka ga lejwa lenaneo la Ipelegeng fela.

O supile fa Ipelegeng e thusa fela thata, mme a lela ka gore ga e kake ya kgona go thusa batho botlhe, ka jalo go tlhokega gore go okediwe maiteko a go thusa Batswana go tlhama diphatlha tsa mebereko.

O supile matshwenyego ka barutegi ba ba samileng ditlankana tsa thuto, a re kgotla e tshwana le ya Goo Ruele, e na le dikitso ka go farologana ka jaana bontsi jwa banana bo le mo gae bo sa bereke.

Ka go rialo o kopile gore go akanyediwe go tlhoma madirelo a a dirang dithoto mo dikgaolong. Rre Molapisi a re ditharabololo tsa letlhoko la ditiro di mo dikakanyong tsa beng-gae. O ne a kaya ka gore dikago tsa puso tse di tlhokang go shafadiwa, go ka dirisiwa beng-gae ba ba nang le kitso mo go tsa kago go thusa go fokotsa ditshenyegelo ka go thapa batswaka le go direla beng-gae letseno.

Fa a tsibogela dilelo tsa morafe ka dituelo tsa Ipelegeng, modulasetilo wa khansele ya Kanye, Rre Morapedi Kgosithebe, o kaile fa khansele e sena madi mme e bile e kolota badiri ba Ipelegeng ba ba weditseng tiro ka Motsheganong le Seetebosigo.

A re seemo sa letlhoko la madi se dirile gore khansele e nne e ngathe mo mading a dijo tsa bana ba dikole go fokotsa sekoloto sa badiri ba Ipelegeng ka go bona go nna mogoga moleele gore ba duelwe.

Rre Morapedi o tlhalositse fa lebaka legolo e le gore madi a Ipelegeng ga a ise a bonale, ka jalo go felela go pateletsa khansele go tshameka mhele ka bonnyenyane jo bo leng teng go duela ditirelo ka go farologana.

A re kgato eo e tlogela bogogi jwa khansele bo sa tlhomamise gore go ya pele baithuti kwa dikoleng ba ya go fepiwa jang.

Le fa go ntse jalo, o tlogetse Baruele ka potso ya gore; a ga go botoka go emisa ditirelo tsa Ipelegeng kgotsa, a ke lenaneo le tswelele ka tsholofelo ya gore fa madi a bonetse go duelwe ba ba berekileng.

Fa a tsibogela dikgakgelo le megopolo ya Baruele, Rre Phologolo o ne a atla dikakanyo tsa ga Rre Molapisi ka gore ditharabololo tsa dikgwetlho tsa mo gae di mo go beng-gae.

A re mo go tsa madirelo a dithoto, o setse a kile a isa kopo kwa lekalaneng la thuso ya dikgwebo (LEA) go sekaseka ka fa banana ba motse ba ka thusiwang ka teng go tswa mo lehumeng ka tiriso ya metlaagana ya dikgwebo a lephata leo.

Mo godimo ga moo, mopalamente o tlhalositse fa a solofetse gore go tlaa nna le phuthego ya mokatakata ya banana ka Lwetse go tla go kopanya ditlhogo go bopa megopolo ya go tlhabolola kgaolo. Ka jalo o kopile banana go iponatsa ka makatlanamane.

O tlogetse khansele ka lefoko la gore ba itshekatsheke mapapi le go atolosa tselakgolo e e ralalang Kanye, e morafe o supileng fa e setse e sa kgone motseletsele wa dikoloi ka ntlha ya kgolo ya motse. ***BOPA***



Banni ba Goo Ruele ba le kwa phuthegong ya kgotla e e neng e buisiwa ke mopalamente wa Kanye Bophirima, Rre Victor Phologolo ka Labone. Mopalamente o tlhalositse fa a solofetse gore go tlaa nna le phuthego ya mokatakata ya banana ka Lwetse go tla go kopanya ditlhogo go bopa megopolo ya go tlhabolola kgaolo. Senepe: Relief Lephutshi

Ditswatemong di ka tlhama ditiro

Ka Omphile Ntakhwana

MACHANENG - Banni ba Tswapong Borwa ba rotloeditswe go dirisa ditswatemong go dira dijo, selo se se ka fokotsang letlhoko la ditiro le le amileng lefatshe leno.

Ke ka moo e tlaa reng ngwaga o o tlang o ya fifing go bo go setse go dirilwe ditekeletso tsa go dira jeme le matute ka marotse le magapu a kgaolo eo e tumileng ka one.

Mopalamente wa kgaolo eo, Dr Kesitegile Gobotswang o buile se mo phuthegong ya kgotla kwa Machaneng bosheng, a supa fa letlhoko la ditiro le gogela Botswana le Batswana mo diemong tse di sa nnang sentle, ebile le yone tshireletsego ya setshaba e ka amega.

"Ga re kake ra nna le bana ba rona mo malapeng ba tshotshe ditlankana tsa thuto mme ba sa bereke. A re akanyeng gore ditiro di ka tswa fa kae."

A re o dumela gore temo le thuo ke yone e ka namolang banni ba Machaneng mo letlhokong la ditiro, ka e tumile ka seo.

"Marotse le magapu a senyegela mo ditshimong tsa lona, mme ke nako ya go a dirisa go dira jeme le matute re rekise," a tshwaela, a tlatsa ka gore makalana a tshwana le BUAN, BITRI, NAFTEC le Kgetsi ya Tsie a ka thusa mo ditekeletsong tse.

Dr Gobotswang o tsweletse ka go supa gore noka ya Limpopo le yone e ka thusa mo go tlhameng ditiro le go dirisiwa go tlhabolola temo thuo ya kgaolo ya Tswapong Borwa.

O rotloeditse baeteledipele ba bangwe kwa Tswapong Borwa go bua ka tiriso ya noka ya Limpopo gongwe le gongwe fa ba bonang sebaka sa go buisa matshwititshwiti a batho teng.

Mopalamente o tlhalositse fa madi a kgaolo a ditlhabololo a P10million a dule, mme o dumalane le baeteledipele ba bangwe gore bontsi jwa madi a teng a isiwe ko dikoleng go ntshafatsa dikago tsa borutelo le mantlwana a boiteketso.

"Diemo tsa dikole tsa kgaolo ya rona di maswe, ntswa madi a le mannye, re bone go tshwanela go potlakela dikole go baakanya fa re kgonang teng," a rialo.

Fa a tshwaela ka ditsha, o ne a re peo ya ditsha e santse e tshwenya, mme a re se, se dirwa ke gore lephata la kabo ditsha ga le na ditsompelo tse di tsetlameng go dira tiro e.

"Nna kakanyo ya me ke gore lephata la kabo ditsha le fiwe ditirelo fela tsotlhe tse di amang kabo ya ditsha. Mo bo gompienong, go maphata a mantsi a a tshwereng tiro e, mme jaanong pitsa e ka apewa ke batho ba le bantsi ya siama jang tota," a rialo mopalamente.

A supa fa dikokelwana di boetse kwa lephateng la dikgaolo, mme se, e le tshutiso e e lebosegang, ebile e le tsholofelo e le gore seemo sa dikokelwana se ta tokafala.

Dr Gobotswang o supile fa a tlaa sutisa kwa palamenteng gore go baakanngwe dituelo tsa mapalamente, makhanselara a a itlhophetsweng, tautona le motsamaisa dipuisano tsa palamente gore ba seka ba tsaya dituelo tsa dikgaolo ka sena dikgaolo.

Banni ba ne ba kopa mopalamente go rotloetsa batlhatlhobi ba dijo go diga ditlhwatlhwa tsa bone ka ba na le keletso ya go tsena mo dikgwebong tsa go dira ba bo ba rekisa dijo.

Ba kopa gore ditlhwatlhwa tse go rekiwang magapu le marotse a bone di lebelelwe ka tsholofelo ya gore di okediwe gore ba kgone go bona letseno le le botokanyana.

Fa a amogela mopalamente Kgosi Tebogo Magamusi o supile fa ba na le ditsheko tse dintsi mme di kgorelediwa ke letlhoko la koloi go fediwa. ***BOPA***



Mopalamente wa Tswapong Borwa, Dr Kesitegile Gobotswang o rotloeditse banni ba kgaolo eo go dirisa ditswatemong go dira dijo. A re o solofela gore e tlaare ngwaga o o tlang o ya fifing, go bo go setse go dirilwe ditekeletso tsa go dira jeme le matute ka marotse le magapu a kgaolo eo e tumileng ka one.

Public Notice

PPRA GABORONE OFFICE REFURBISHMENT AND RELOCATION

The Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) wishes to inform all its stakeholders that its Gaborone Office will be undergoing refurbishment from July 2025 for a period of 10 months.

Given the foregoing, and effective 7 July 2025, PPRA Gaborone Office will temporarily relocate to the Supplies Office, opposite GABCON (Railway Properties) Headquarters, Plot number 14412/4, Maakgadigau Road, Gaborone West Industrial, less than a kilometer from the current PPRA Offices.

Stakeholders, especially contractors, are encouraged to utilize the online platforms such as the PPRA Website, Social Media pages (Facebook and Twitter) and the Integrated Procurement Management System (IPMS) for some of the services required from PPRA.

Contractors needing urgent assistance within working hours should contact the following:

No	Name	Designation	Mobile Number
1.	Mr. Kebainee A Sengalo	Contractor Registration Administrator	(+267) 72 993 454
2.	Ms. Antoinette Ragalase	Contractor Registration Administrator	(+267) 74 458 109
3.	Mr. Aaron Moruisi	Contractor Registration Assessor	(+267) 72 151 417
4.	Ms. Mogomotsi Segolame	Contractor Registration Assessor	(+267) 77 156 881
5.	Mr. Godira Mmeso	Contractor Registration Adjudicator	(+267) 72 740 224

while Procuring Entities (PEs) should contact the following:

No	Name	Designation	Mobile Number
1.	Mr. Lisani Nzhuzha	Capacity Building Coordinator	(+267) 72 285 155
2.	Mr. Lefoko Ramoatlhodi	Devolution and Compliance Coordinator	(+267) 72 251 359
3.	Ms. Chipo Lesetedi	Devolution and Compliance Officer	(+267) 78 105 012

For more information or clarification on the matter, kindly contact the Public Relations and Education Manager at: email: proffice@ppra.co.bw or call (+267) 73 991 127.

Contacts

Gaborone
Tel: (+267) 360 2000
Plot 8913 Maakgadigau Road,
Gaborone West Industrial.
Private Bag 0058
Gaborone

Francistown
Tel: (+267) 242 5900
Plot 44149, Third floor MVA Fund
Building, CBD, Francistown
Private Bag 274
Francistown

PPRA
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FARM WORKERS

KE BATA MODISA kwa Mosalakwane. Contact 77791011

HERDBOY WANTED BOBIRWA. Contact 7223919

FARM WORKER WANTED at Maukatumo Radisowa Mothusi Box 93 Kgagodi 75238454

LOOKING FOR A Female labourer at Penamarago cattle post note that the area does not have mobile network apply to P **O Box 3004 Mahalapye**

FARM WORKER WANTED at Shakwe apply to P O Box 2104 Mahalapye 71807044

FARM WORKER WANTED Sebina cross. Box 3754 Gaborone. Osego Mbo 71893669

2 FARM WORKERS wanted at Kopong, Kutwane. Contact Bonna Morgan J. P/Bag BR 22 Gaborone.

FARM WORKER WANTED, Dikgatlong Farm P O Box V1894 Ramotswa.

WANTED FARM WORKER, Apply to P O Box 405616 Gaborone, Virginia Letsatsi Modise

FARM WORKER WANTED at Goo-nku, Tloaneng. Contact Nomsa 71673928.

KE BATLA MODISA. Leletsa 72228221

FARM WORKER WANTED. Seeking a dedicated hardworking and reliable farm worker in a farm located in Mmakanke, Kweneng District. Duties include arable farming and caring for small stock. Apply to P O Box 778 AAH Gaborone Botswana. Contact +267 72926584 to apply

FARM WORKER WANTED at Moiyabana farm. Moiyabana Box 007. Contact : Tshephang Moshoeshoe, 71203661

FARM WORKER URGENTLY needed at Ramaphate Thamaga. Apply to Box 618 Thamaga call : 72234197.

NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

OWNER OF PLOT 9068 intends to change use from single residential to multi residential. Any objections contact Tsabong District Council, The planning department

TEACHER NEEDED AT Precious Academy with a Diploma in early childhood and permission to teach. Email documents to preciousschools1@gmail.com. Closing date 08 July 2025

OWNER OF PLOT 81911 Gaborone North wishes to inform the public & neighbours the intention to change land use from civic & community open space to residence. For objections to contact GCC Physical planning Department.

FINANCIAL ADVISORS WANTED with minimum certificate of proficiency in Insurance with sound exoerience.A diploma or degree in Insurance, finance and marketing will be an added advantage.Send applications to: The Principal Officer, Citadel Wealth Management, Box AE 184AEH, Gaborone. Contact: 76472638/77612932. Email: infor@citadelwm.org. Closing date 18/07/2025.

NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

OWNER OF PLOT 6907, Pitikwe Lobatse wishes to construct a Boundary wall.For queries contact, Lame 72320286, Physical Planning office Lobatse 5305840.

OWNER OF PLOT 6057 in Tawana, Letlhakane intends to change use from single residential to multi residential. Any objections contact Letlhakane District Council, The planning Department.

VACANCIES

THE OWNER OF lot 120, Sherwood, hereby informs the public of their intent to construct a road junction along the B140. Should you have any objections or concerns, please contact us at phone 75548071/ 71327935

APEX GREEN ENERGY is looking for a Civil Site Engineer for a Solar plant project. Minimum Diploma in Civil Engineering required. Experience in site works and PV plants are an added advantage, apply with CV and references to job@apexhub.co by 20.07.25.

LOOKING FOR A qualified nurse aid to assist an old lady aged 79. The candidate should also have a drivers license and a good symbol in Mathematic A or B. Apply to +267 78377903 or +267 5332896

OWNER OF PLOT 7926 Maruapula wishes to inform neighbours & the public of the intention to change landuse from residence to multiresidence. For objections to contact GCC Council physical planning department.

LOT NO 2586 Kanye is erecting boundary wall. Any objections, call Kanye District Council 5440217

PROPERTY VALUATION

MARUPING REAL ESTATE (MREIB/REAC) - We do valuation reports for transfer of ownership, loans, insurance, price advisory, investment analysis etc. across Botswana.

3902552. EXT 7, OLD LOBATSE ROAD, LOT 10419. PINAGARE HOUSE.

IN THE MAGISTRATES' COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF GABORONE
HELD AT VILLAGE ***CASE NO: CCMVL-002254-24***

In the matter between:-

ST JOHN'S APOSTOLIC FAITH MISSION CHURCH PLAINTIFF

and

KOMS & T COACH TOURS (PTY) LTD 1ST DEFENDANT

DONALD K. SEGOMOTSO 2ND DEFENDANT

NOTICE OF SALE IN EXECUTION

BE PLEASED TO TAKE NOTICE THAT pursuant to the judgement of the above Honorable Court the following property of the Defendants will be sold by public auction by the Deputy Sheriff to the highest bidder as follows.

DATE OF SALE : 24TH JULY 2025
TIME : 10:30HRS
VENUE : BROADHURST MAGISTRATES' COURT

PROPERTY TO BE SOLD: 6xChairs, 1xTable, 2x Sofas, 1xTelefunken Plasma Tv, 1xHisense Fridge, 6x Chairs, 1x Defy Stove, 1x Tv Stand.

CONDITION OF SALE: Cash or Electronic Fund Transfer, immediately after sale.
DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 2ND DAY OF JULY, 2025.
Deputy Sheriff: MESHACK MOSHABI, TEL: 71623026/71263198/7161553

C/O SEKWENYANE LEGAL PRACTICE, [Plaintiff's Attorneys], Plot 593, Off Sekgoma way, Extension 4, Gaborone, P O Box 452, ABG, SEBELE, GABORONE

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN

ESHFT-000036/25

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the Late **Monyadi John- ESHFT-000036/25** who died at Tutume District on the 13th day of December 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that Debtors and Creditors in the above Estate are hereby required to pay their claims of whatever nature with the undersigned within 30 days after the publication hereof.

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 3RD DAY OF JUNE 2025

ALFRED JOHN
EXECUTOR DATIVE
PRIVATE BAG 18 SOWA
77629527

AND TO: MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT
PRIVATE BAG F13
FRANCISTOWN

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN

ESHFT-000665-24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the Late **PLAZARUS BANDA ESHFT 000665-24** who died at **KGAPAMADI ,** Francistown, Botswana on the 22 JULY 2009.

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that Debtors and Creditors in the above Estate are hereby required to pay their claims of whatever nature with the undersigned within 30 days after the publication hereof.

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 03 DAY OF JULY 2025

INNOCENT SEANE BANDA
EXECUTOR DATIVE
P O Box 218 FRANCISTOWN
71691359

AND TO: MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT
PRIVATE BAG F13
FRANCISTOWN

Mahera Investment (Pty) Ltd

is seeking for highly motivated and experienced professionals to join our team in Gaborone;

1. PROJECT MANAGER (1)

EXPERIENCE:

- A minimum of 15 years experience in project management & site supervision for civil works.
- Technical experience working in power plant, construction coal mill and RMC plant

QUALIFICATION: Bachelor's degree in project management, civil engineering or related field

2. OPERATIONS MANGER (1)

EXPERIENCE:

- 5 years experience in operations management or related field with basic knowledge of IT
- A legal background and the ability to interpret legal documents will be an added advantage

QUALIFICATION: A relevant educational qualification is required

Apply to: Human Resource Officer
Mahera Investment (Pty) Ltd
P O Box 501055 Gaborone

Email CV to: kenanao.matsapola@maheragroup.com Contacts: +267 75985704 Closing date: 21.07.2025

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN

ESHFT- 000563-24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the Late **Pretty Raditsebe ESHFT- 000563-24** who died atMahalapye District on the 15th February 2024.

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that Debtors and Creditors in the above Estate are hereby required to pay their claims of whatever nature with the undersigned within 30 days after the publication hereof.

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 3rd DAY OF JULY 2025

DIKELEDI RADITSEBE
EXECUTOR DATIVE
P O BOX 294 SEBINA
CONTACT:77036247/76943291

AND TO: MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT
PRIVATE BAG F13
FRANCISTOWN

Application for Lost Title Deed

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of a Deed of Transfer No. TG 208/2022 dated 21ST December 2022 passed in favour of NOGID (PROPRIETARY) LIMITED in respect of the following;

CERTAIN: Piece of Land bearing Lot 6175 GABANE
SITUATED: Situated at GABANE – RAKOLA LANDS in Bakwena Tribal Territory
MEASURING: 2,1207 HA (Two hacters and one thousand and two hundred and seven square metres)

All persons having objection to the issuance of such copy are hereby required to lodge the same, in writing, with the Register of Deeds, Private Bag 0020, within three weeks (3) of publication of this notice.

DATED at Gaborone this 26TH Day of JUNE, 2025.

Gaone Geofrey Seleka, Plot 26475, Block 9 Gaborone, Private Bag AE 232 AEH, Gaborone, Botswana

Application for Lost Title Deed

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of a Deed of Transfer No. MA 16 /2014 dated 13th January 2014 passed in favour of NOGID (PROPRIETARY) LIMITED in respect of the following;

CERTAIN: Piece of Land bearing Lot 6425, Mogoditshane
SITUATED: Situated at Mogoditshane Block 5 in Bakwena Tribal Territory
MEASURING: 985 SQM (Nine hundred and eight-five square metres)

All persons having objection to the issuance of such copy are hereby required to lodge the same, in writing, with the Register of Deeds, Private Bag 0020, within three weeks (3) of publication of this notice.

DATED at Gaborone this 26TH Day of JUNE, 2025.

Gaone Geofrey Seleka, Plot 26475, Block 9 Gaborone, Private Bag AE 232 AEH, Gaborone, Botswana

Application for Lost Title Deed

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of a Deed of Transfer No. MA 170\2014 dated 10th March 2014 passed in favour of NOGID (PROPRIETARY) LIMITED in respect of the following;

CERTAIN: Piece of Land bearing Lot 6510 Mogoditshane
SITUATED: Situated at Mogoditshane Block 5 in Bakwena Tribal Territory
MEASURING: 1130 SQM (One Thousand, one hundred and thirty square meters)

All persons having objection to the issuance of such copy are hereby required to lodge the same, in writing, with the Register of Deeds, Private Bag 0020, within three weeks (3) of publication of this notice.

DATED at Gaborone this 26TH Day of JUNE, 2025.

NOGID (PROPRIETARY) LIMITED, Plot 26475, Block 9 Gaborone, Private Bag AE 232 AEH, Gaborone, Botswana

TANO DIGITAL SOLUTIONS

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JOB VACANCY

TANO DIGITAL SOLUTIONS BOTSWANA

POSITION: Senior NCR Technician
REPORTS TO: ATM Service Manager

APPLICANTS SHOULD HAVE:

MINIMUM QUALIFICATION

- Bachelor's degree in an ICT related field
- NCR Atleos ATM training and certification

OTHER COMPETENCIES AND REQUIREMENTS

- A solid technical expert with high level of attention to detail and work accuracy
- Passionate team player, an individual who has excellent time management skills
- A self-motivator and innovator who is result driven
- Able to continuously add value to the Botswana team through involvement
- A Master's Degree will be an added advantage

EXPERIENCE

- 7 years or more as an NCR ATM Technician or specialist
- People Leadership

DUTIES

- Perform a variety of technical tasks in the installation, diagnosis, repair and maintenance of ATM machines
- Respond to service calls; diagnose and correct equipment failure and malfunctions; repair or replace malfunctioning equipment
- Recommend improvements to operating procedures; write and maintain procedure manuals
- Provide technical guidance and direction to lower rated employees
- Maintain accurate and current records on repair, installation and removal of equipment and produce regular management reports
- Supervise and manage ATM team tools, cars, spares and resources
- Provide regular custodian training

Special Instructions:

CLOSING DATE: 21st July 2025

A Curriculum vitae and certified copies of educational and professional certificates must accompany your application and be forwarded to Human Resources Department at the email address below:

Applications to: Human Resources Department
Location: Tano Digital Solutions, Plot 60 Unit2, Gaborone Commerce Park
Tel number: 3656400
Email: hrconnect.bw@tanodigitalgroup.com

TO PLACE ADS CALL OUR OFFICES
LOBATSE 533 2615
KASANE 625 0353
F/TOWN 241 3403
SEROWE 463 0447
GHANZI 659 6315
LETLHAKANE 297 8237
GABORONE 365 3500

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN
ESHFT 000132-25

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

I THE ESTATE of the late **KALOMBO Willy CIMPUMPU -ESHFT/** who died at Lubumbashi in DRC on the 06th of January 2025.

NOTICE IS HERBY given that Debtors and creditors in the above Estate are hereby required to pay their claims of whatever nature with the undersigned within 30 days after the publication hereof.
Dated at Francistown this 03th DAY OF JULY 2025.

THE EXECUTOR
KIBINGANI KITENGE JULES
75121563/74632839
GABANE

AND TO: **Master of the High Court**
Private Bag F13
FRANCISTOWN

NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS
ADMINISTRATION OF Estates Act
[Cap 31:01]

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that by virtue of section 31 of the Administration of Estates Act (Cap: 33:01), heirs and next of kin of the deceased and all persons having claims against the above estate, are being called upon to attend before the Master of The High Court at **Francistown High Court** on the date and time specified opposite the names of their deceased relatives for the purposes of recommending for appointment, a person or persons as Executor/Executrix Dative as well as identifying beneficiaries and to discuss any other business relating to their deceased relative.

Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
MORRIS SINGIRO BANDA	ESHFT-000349-24	12-08-25	0900HRS	ARM

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 3RD DAY OF JULY 2025
……..
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

Noka ya Botshelo
English Medium Primary School t/a
Noka ya Botshelo

P. O. Box 30, Kasane, Botswana • Tel: 6251421 • Email: nokayabotshelo@gmail.com

03 July 2025

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Higher Primary teachers

QUALIFICATIONS

Diploma or Bachelor`s degree in Primary Education
O Levels with good credits in English.
Minimum of a least 4 years' experience of teaching in an English Medium Primary School.
A minimum of at least 2 most recent references.

N.B
Certificates must be from a BQA accredited institution.
Certificates must be evaluated by BQA before submitted with the application.
Preference will be given to qualified Batswana.
Only short listed will be contacted.

Deadline of the application 3rd August 2025

Application should be sent to The School Head, Noka ya Botshelo English Medium School P.O.Box 30 Kasane or emailed to nokayabotshelo@gmail.com with updated C.V, certified and accredited copies of academic and professional certificates, transcripts and copies of national identity

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
Masters Reference: ESHGB 000897/23

IN THE ESTATE of the late **PETER JOSEPH LAPHAM** who died at Sidilega Private Hospital, Gaborone, Gaborone District, Botswana on the 08th August 2024.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Debtors and Creditors in the above Estate are hereby required to pay their debts and file claims of whatever nature with the undersigned within thirty (30) days after the publication hereof.

DATED at GABORONE on this 16 Day of April 2025.

The Executor
James Martin Fern
P O Box 2077189AAH
Gaborone
Tel: 3180111

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
*Master's Reference***: *ESHGB 000601/23***

IN THE ESTATE of the late **JOYCE KEFOTOGILE AND OOKEDITSE KEFOTOGILE** who died at Princess Marina Hospital, Gaborone, Gaborone District, Botswana on the 22nd day of July 2022 and 13th day of February 2012.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Debtors and Creditors in the above Estate are hereby required to pay their debts and file their claims of whatever nature with the undersigned within thirty (30) days after the publication hereof.

DATED at ……on this …… day of ……2025.

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The Executor	The Executrix
David Base M. Kefetogile	Irene Monnye Mooki
P O Box 489	P O Box 600007
Goodhope	**Gaborone**
76719458 / 77459575	**72767815**

Application for Lost Title Deed

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of a Deed of Transfer No. MA 959\2018 dated 1ST November 2018 passed in favour of Gaone Geofrey Seleka in respect of the following;

CERTAIN: Piece of Land bearing Lot 25996, Mogoditshane
SITUATED: Situated at Mogoditshane in Bakwena Tribal Territory
MEASURING: 1188 SQM (One thousand and one hundred and eighty - eight square metres)

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DATED in Gaborone this 26TH Day of JUNE, 2025.
Gaone Geofrey Seleka, Plot 26475, Block 9 Gaborone, Private Bag AE 232 AEH, Gaborone, Botswana

Application for Lost Title Deed

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DATED at Gaborone this 26TH Day of JUNE, 2025.
Gaone Geofrey Seleka, Plot 26475, Block 9 Gaborone, Private Bag AE 232 AEH, Gaborone, Botswana

FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

Master's Ref: ESHGB 000111/23
IN THE ESTATE of the Late **LIONEL GODFREY HARVEY** who died at Pretoria, Republic of South Africa on the 26th December 2022.
THE FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT in the Estate will lie open for inspection at the offices of the Master of the High Court at Gaborone for a period of twenty-one (21) days from the date of publication hereof. Any objection to the Estate Account may be lodged with the Master.
DATED at ……on this……Day of ……2025.

The Executor
Daanyaal Faried Van Wyk
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IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN
ESHFT-000392-25

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
IN THE ESTATE of the late **VERONICA MPATIWA – ESHFT 000392-25** who died at Gaborone (Sidilega Private Hospital) District on the 2nd March 2024.
NOTICE IS HEREBY given that debtors and creditors in the above Estate are hereby required to pay their claims of whatever nature with the undersigned within 30 days after the publication hereof.
DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 13 DAY OF JUNE 2025

Enock Donald Enock
Executive Dative
P O Box 503144
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ADD TO: **Master of the High Court**
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Francistown

NOTICE OF LOST DEED

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to apply for a certified copy of deed no L12 /FRA /13839 dated 13 September 1989 Made in favour of Mosetsanagape Tawana.
In respect of: **CERTAIN:** Piece of land being: Lot 13839 Francistown
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Author dedicates book to peers

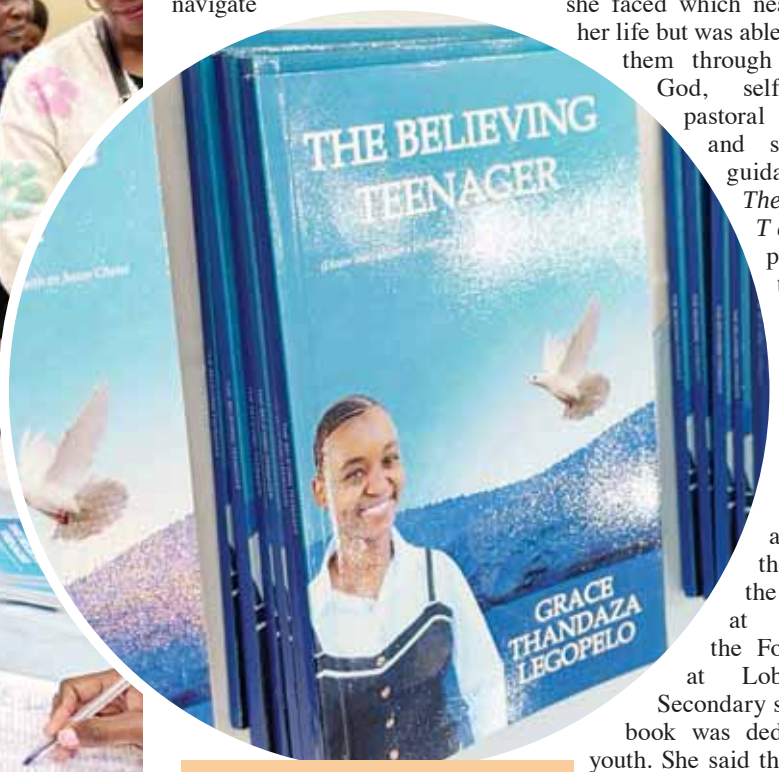


Sixteen year-old Grace Legopelo signing autographs and selling first copies of her book** The Believing Teenager **launched in Lobatse on Saturday. She said the book was written to instil faith, discipline and give hope to teenagers as they journey through life.
Photos: Calviniah Kgautlhe

By Calviniah Kgautlhe

LOBATSE - Sixteen year-old, Grace Legopelo's *The Believing Teenager* will help her peers navigate through life's rollercoaster given its insightful tips.

More of a manual of how to deal with teenage stage, Grace shares her life as a teenager, the challenges she faced which nearly destroyed her life but was able to circumvent them through her faith in God, self-retrospection, pastoral guidance and solid parental guidance.



Through her book, Grace shares her struggles and how she overcame life challenges through faith in God, self-retrospection, pastoral and solid parental guidance.

The Believing Teenager, published this year by Serowe based Heavenly Voice Publishers was launched in Lobatse on Saturday.

Appending autographs in the copies to the first patrons at Cumberland, the Form 4 learner at Lobatse Senior Secondary school said the book was dedicated to the youth. She said the book delved into the foundation of faith with chapters on the test of faith, the need for transformation, finding purpose through faith, and maintaining the life of faith.

Her publisher and coach, Ntlafatso Keitirile said she was in a nationwide project of identifying young talent, mentoring and publishing those who were below the age of 25.

She said her organisation was in the mission of unearthing and raising young stars especially young Christians.

She identified Grace during a youth conference and noticed in her, zeal and determination to be a better person.

Her father, Boitshwarelo Legopelo said Grace started showing writing skills at Form 1 when appointed a Sunday school teacher at a young age.

She later became an interpreter during church sermons.

He said from tender age it was evident that Grace would make something out of her life as her confidence was truly remarkable.

It was from sermon interpretation that Keitirile saw talent in Grace that has birthed *The Believing Teenager*. Legopelo was proud to announce that the young girl who used to follow him around to people's homes where he used to maintain television sets ended up being able to maintain them and has now managed to publish a book.

The young woman, he said had proven to be a visionary, ready to show her impact, and thus encouraged her to maintain an upright character which he noted could sustain her. "Today, we are celebrating the journey of purpose, resilience, and faith," he told the audience. ***BOPA***

Kwasa Kwasa musician Matheatau laid to rest

By Thamani Shabani

FRANCISTOWN - The iconic Kwasa Kwasa musician, Jeffrey Matheatau was laid to rest in Francistown on Saturday, in a funeral service that was attended by fellow musicians.

Together, they gathered to pay tribute to a man whose life was dedicated to spreading joy through his ctraft.

The atmosphere was emotional and attendees expressed their grief openly. However, the immediate family, his wife, siblings and children seemed composed and their speeches reflected a spirit of celebration rather than despair, embodying the legacy Matheatau left behind. His son, Teemane Matheatau, described his father as a superhero whose contribution could never be forgotten.

He recalled Matheatau as a former soldier who was respected in the community and was jolly.

Fellow musician Odirile Sento alias Vee Mampeezy highlighted Matheatau's deep connection to music, noting that for him, it was not merely a form of entertainment, but a powerful medium to address societal issues.

Vee acknowledged the surprise at Matheatau's untimely passing, emphasising that while death was unavoidable, it should be accepted as part of life.

Francistown West MP, Ignatius Moswaane and Francistown East MP, Tiroeaone Ntsima, spoke of Matheatau's impactful life and the void his passing would leave in the music industry. Moswaane encouraged those present to view the moment not as an end but the beginning of a new chapter, advocating for the music industry to be taken seriously and for the legacies of fallen artistes to be documented and celebrated.

Ntsima acknowledged Matheatau's role as a nation builder who used his music as a force for change, and urged everyone to embrace the idea that life continued beyond death.

The late Matheatau, affectionately known as Jeff, aged 58, passed away on June 26 at his home in Francistown after a brief illness.

His notable works include the heartfelt love song *Nonyane Tse Pedi,* the celebratory *Ko Moepong* and the impactful *Go ka Tweng*, showcasing his unique artistry and lyrical depth.

He leaves behind wife and five children, who are dedicated to preserving his legacy and continuing his artistic journey.

As friends, family, and fans bid farewell to a beloved musician, it became clear that while he may be gone, his spirit and contributions to music will forever resonate in the hearts of many. ***BOPA***



Musicians carrying the body of Kwasa Kwasa legend, Jeff Matheatau in Francistown on Saturday. Various speakers described him as a cut above the rest and a respected legend in the music industry.
Photo: Thamani Shabani

DTCB rallies behind The Mares

By Anastacia Sibanda

CASABLANCA - The Mares are set to enjoy support from home as they compete in the TotalEnergies Women's WAFCON Morocco 2024.

To play their role in supporting the women's football, Diamond Trading Company Botswana (DTCB) has sent a two-person delegation to rally behind The Mares.

DTCB corporate affairs manager, Macdonald Motsele and diamond sorter Matshediso Radipata arrived on Saturday and they would watch all The Mares three games.

"It was only right that we come and see what is shaping up, to be an end product, it is not an end product yet, an end product it is when we qualify for the World Cup, this is still a journey and there is still more, to be done," said Motsele.

He said DTCB had invested in good initiative of women's football, adding that a good number of the Mares players were a product of the initiative they continue to support as an organisation.

For the past four years, DTCB has been hosting the annual women's football champions, a tournament which is credited for empowering women and giving them an opportunity to shine.

"It is not only showing face, but we have come to witness something that we as DTCB started four years ago," said Motsele.

Furthermore, he said DTCB would remain a partner to women's football to ensure that they reach their full potential.

Motsele said women's football needed a lot of support and for DTCB it was not only building a brand, but making a difference in a girl child's life. In that regard, he said they would be happy to see more entities investing in the women's football.

"We just want to witness growth and even surpass what we see in the men's football. As DTCB we see the benefits of associating with women's football."

To add on to the hype, three member of the national team supporters' delegation also arrived in Casablanca on Saturday.

The three, Metsiatsile Lefatshe, Daniel Monareng and Billy Tambula said they found it important to come and rally behind the team, given that they have much hope for the Mares.

Monareng said the three of them represent the over two million in Botswana, adding that each one of them had been assigned a team.

"I will be in the lead supporter against Algeria, Lefatshe will face Tunisia, while Tambula will lead in the game against Nigeria, of course Batswana will be with us in spirit," he said.

Furthermore, Monareng said theirs was purely a volunteerism spirit that led them to each pay all their expenses, hence they want to make their stay in Morocco a meaningful and impactful one.

"We are here to support and cheer our team up, we want to propel them to make it to the next stage of the tournament," he said. ***BOPA***



The Diamond Trading Company Botswana delegation is in Morocco to rally behind The Mares as they compete in the TotalEnergies 2024 WAFCON. Photo: Anastacia Sibanda

Court clears Brazilian striker in doping case

RIO DE JANEIRO - Brazilian striker Gabriel Barbosa has won an appeal against a two-year ban in a doping rules case, the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) said on Friday. Barbosa, known as Gabigol, was suspended by a Brazilian sports tribunal in March 2024, when he was playing for Flamengo.

The CAS allowed him to continue playing pending the appeal's outcome.

"Two of the toughest years of my life, being unfairly accused of something I never did," Barbosa said in a statement.

"No prohibited substance was found, but they still wanted to punish me for an alleged attitude. Justice was done. But the wound stays," he said.

The 28-year-old allegedly ignored an initial request to present a urine sample during a random visit by testers to Flamengo's Rio de Janeiro training grounds in April 2023.

He eventually took the test hours after his teammates, but is accused of disrespecting the officers and failing to comply with their instructions.

CAS, sport's highest court, said that although Barbosa's behavior was completely uncooperative, it could not be considered 'tampering' under the World Anti-Doping Code.

Barbosa, who has 18 Brazil caps, currently plays for Cruzeiro after leaving Flamengo last December. ***Xinhua***



Pro guard, Obert Pelotshweu in action during Farmers Golf Day in Gaborone on Friday. The event, hosted by Botswana Farmers Association was meant to bring farmers and stakeholders together to interact and share ideas. Photo: Gothusang Lesego

Chebet, Kipyegon break world records at Diamond League

WASHINGTON - Kenya's Beatrice Chebet and Faith Kipyegon smashed world records of 5 000 meters and 1 500 meters respectively at Wanda Diamond League meeting in Eugene, also known as the Prefontaine Classic, on Saturday. Double Olympic champion Chebet became the first woman in history to finish 5 000m under 14 minutes.

The 10 000m world record holder broke away from the rest of the field along with Gudaf Tsegay and Agnes Jebet Ngetich after 2 000m.

In the last 200m of homestretch, Chebet was away and clear to win in 13 minutes and 58.06 seconds, taking 2.15 seconds off Tsegay's world record.

Ngetich took second place in 14:01.29, the third-fastest time in history, and Tsegay placed third in 14:04.41. "I'm so happy to become the first woman to run under 14 minutes," said Chebet.

"After Rome, where I ran 14:03.69, I knew that I was capable of running a world record. I told myself, 'if Faith is trying for a world record in Eugene, why not me too?"

Chebet's compatriot Kipyegon broke her own 1 500m world record with 3:48.68.

The multiple world and Olympic champion had made history last week by producing the fastest mile performance at a challenge race in Paris.

Kipyegon tracked the pacemaker closely through 400m and 800m, but she had Olympic silver medalist Jessica Hull for company.

The Australian was still just a stride or two behind Kipyegon when going into the final lap, but the 31-year-old world record holder eventually won by almost three seconds.

Ethiopia's Diribe Welteji came through for second with 3:51.44 ahead of Hull (3:52.67). ***Xinhua***

USM Alger Algerian Cup champions

ALGIERS - USM Alger clinched its ninth Algerian Cup title with a 2-0 win over CR Belouizdad in Saturday's final at Nelson Mandela Stadium.

Riad Benayad broke the deadlock in the ninth minute with a composed finish. Just four minutes later, Ahmed Khaldi doubled the lead for USMA.

Despite CR Belouizdad's desperate attempts to fight back, USMA's defense stood firm, ensuring its ninth title in the tournament.

The victory is especially meaningful for the Red and Blacks, salvaging a difficult season with a Cup title and a place in the continental competition.

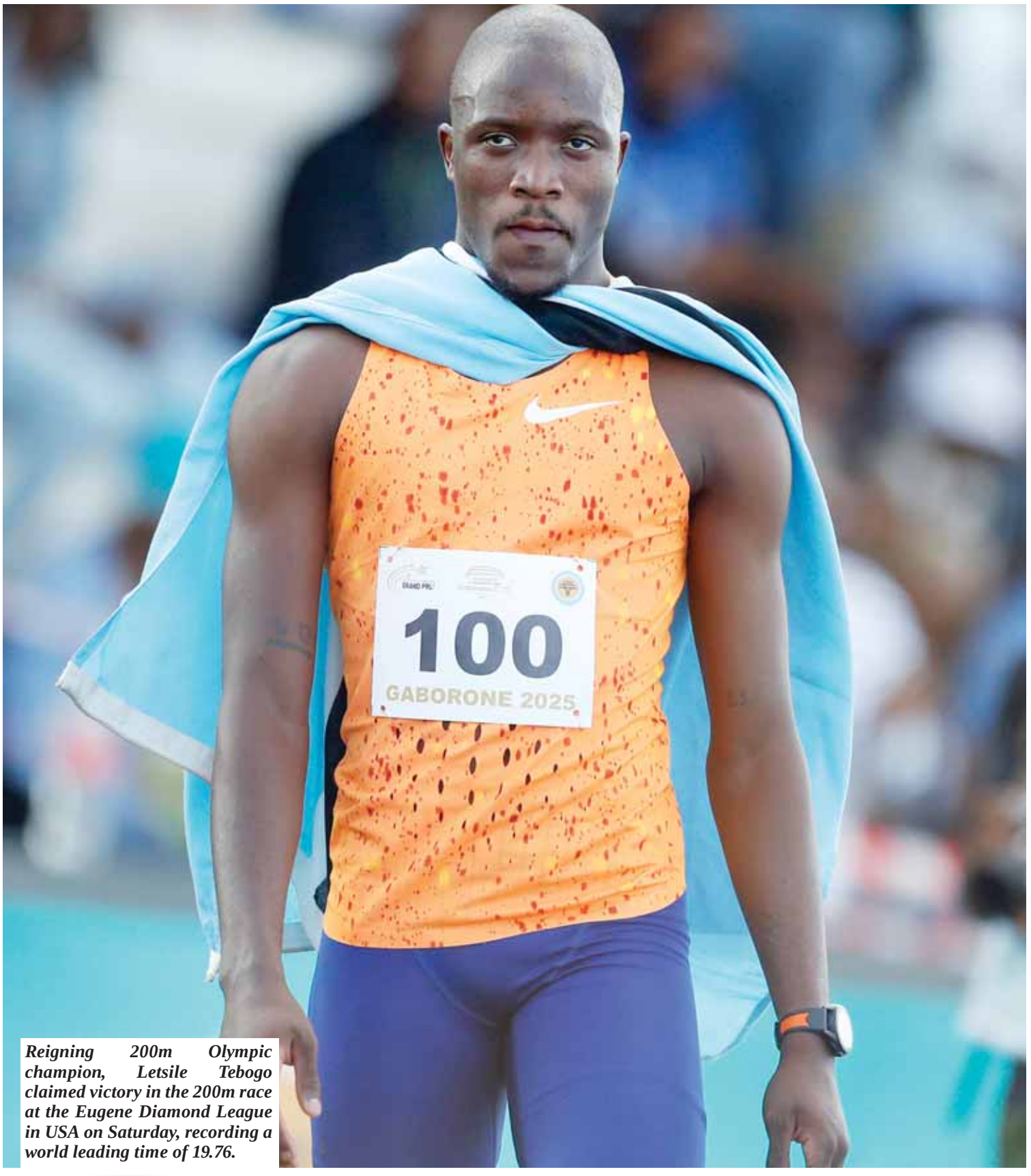
At the final whistle, Algiers erupted with joy as thousands of fans flooded the streets, blaring horns and lighting fireworks.

Red and black flags waved amid celebrations that paralySed the capital's main roads. ***Xinhua***

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Tebogo records 200m world lead



Reigning 200m Olympic champion, Letsile Tebogo claimed victory in the 200m race at the Eugene Diamond League in USA on Saturday, recording a world leading time of 19.76.

By Thato Mosinyi

GABORONE - The reigning 200 metre Olympic Champion, Letsile Tebogo got back to his winning ways as he triumphed the 200m event at the Eugene Diamond League, USA on Saturday, clocking a world leading time of 19.76 seconds.

Following a below par performance at the Rabat meet in May, where he laboured to a disappointing 9th position in the 100m with a time of 10.43 seconds and retired from the 200m due to an injury, Tebogo made a memorable come back to the track over the weekend to register his second Diamond League meeting victory of the season.

In a race that he was tipped to be a favourite in the absence of Kenny Bednarek, Tebogo had the lane choice and opted for lane seven.

The Olympic champion responded superbly to the start gun and was quick of the sprint blocks, eating some ground on Jereen Richards of Trinidad and Tobacco in lane eight within the first 10m of the race and only had the American, Courtney Lindsey and Dominican Republic's, Alexander Ogando on his shoulder coming out of the bend.After a rather conservative bend run, Tebogo turned on the afterburners in the latter part of the race finishing with a flourish with Lindsey taking second place in 19.87s and Ogando rounding out the podium with 19.94s.

In his post-race interview, Tebogo expressed delight with his performance saying, "this is something that we did not expect, we were looking for some 19.90s or 20.00s and I strongly believe that the 19.76s is an indication that we are on the right track and need to build on it going forward."

Despite setting a new world lead, it was Tebogo's calmness at the finish line and victory celebration with an illustration of a crown and time signal that left many talking.

Tebogo's victory in Eugene could not have come at a better time with only two months to go before the World Athletics Championships in Japan. ***BOPA***

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