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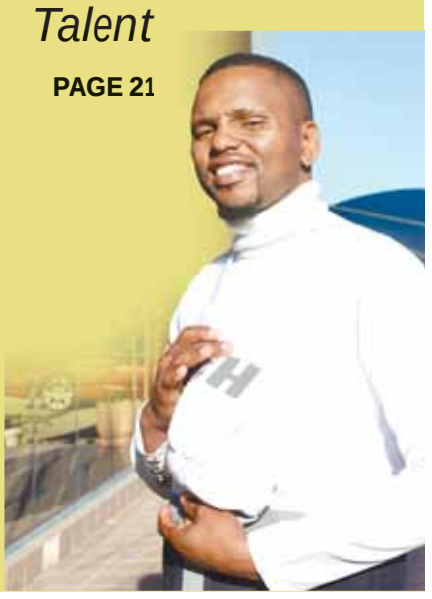

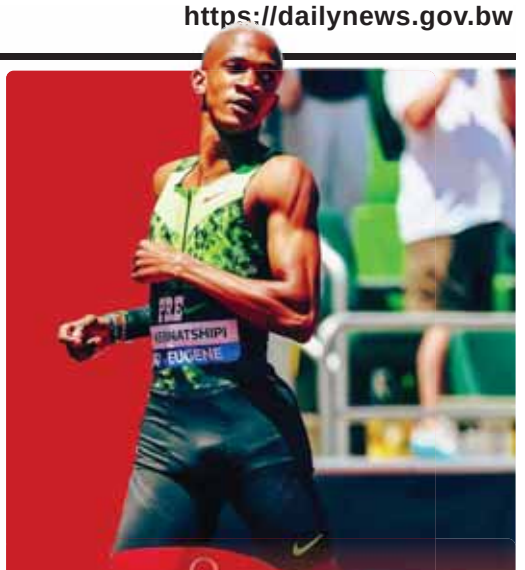

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# Parliament to prioritise legislative work

**Ketshepile More**
**GABORONE**

The inaugural official opening of the 3rd Meeting of the Second Session of the 13th Parliament marked the transition from routine Parliamentary activities to the critical phase where substantive legislature work is prioritised.

Delivering his remarks to mark the historic event yesterday, Speaker of the National Assembly, Mr Dithapelo Keorapetse said the initiative aimed to affirm Parliament's core role in law making and its accountability to the electorate.

"Each session represents a fresh mandate to legislate, oversee the executive and give voice to the aspirations of our people," Mr Keorapetse said. He said the meeting symbolised the continued legislative agenda, underscoring the importance of Parliament independence and reinforcing Botswana's democratic principles. The Speaker said efforts to strengthen public engagement in the legislative process through open committee hearings were intended to enrich discussions and promote transparency, ensuring that laws reflected diverse voices in society. His vision therefore centred on creating an independent, inclusive and citizen-centred institution.

He noted that his goal was to transform Parliament into a high-performing body by enhancing its institutional capacity, ensuring that learning and excellence were ongoing objectives. Mr Keorapetse called for meaningful reforms that improve the life of ordinary Batswana. ***BOPA***

*President Advocate Duma Boko (left) and Speaker of the National Assembly, Mr Dithapelo Keorapetse arriving at Parliament for the inaugural official opening of the Third Meeting of the Second Session of the 13th Parliament in Gaborone yesterday. Mr Keorapetse described the occasion as the beginning of a new chapter in Botswana's journey of democratic consolidation, saying Parliament must become an institution that opened its legislative meeting in public and on the record, before the nation it served. He urged Members of Parliament to strengthen transparency, accountability and public participation, stressing that Parliament belonged to the people and must legislate, oversee government and represent citizens in a manner that reinforced Botswana's democratic legacy. Mr Keorapetse further called on legislators to pass laws that protected the vulnerable, empowered the marginalised and uplifted the nation.* Photo: Phenyo Ramatu

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# China model inspires developing nations

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Botswana has reaffirmed its commitment to strengthening relations with China as leaders from both countries reflected on the Communist Party of China's (CPC) 105-year journey and the enduring partnership between the two nations.

Speaking during the Symposium of Political Parties Exchange and cooperation marking the 105th anniversary of the founding of the Communist Party of China in Gaborone, Minister for State President, Defence and Security, Mr Moeti Mohwasa, described China's development as one of the most remarkable transformations in modern history.

Mr Mohwasa said China's rise from poverty to becoming the world's second-largest economy offered valuable lessons for developing countries pursuing sustainable economic growth and political stability.

"China's history is worth learning from," he said, noting that while Botswana and China had followed different historical and political paths, China's experience demonstrated the importance of strategic planning, patience and long-term national development.

He outlined the major stages of China's modern development, including the founding of the China in 1949, the country's early nation-building efforts, the Great Leap Forward, the Cultural Revolution and the economic reforms introduced in 1978. Each period has shaped China's current development model by providing important lessons for future generations, Mr Mohwasa said.

He explained that successful development required governments to align reforms with prevailing economic conditions rather than relying solely on ideology.

He also pointed to China's adoption of a socialist market economy, saying the combination of market mechanisms with strong state leadership had contributed significantly to rapid industrialisation, technological advancement and the lifting of hundreds of millions of people out of poverty. While acknowledging China's achievements, Mr Mohwasa noted that the country's leaders had continued to recognise challenges such as inequality, unemployment and corruption, saying these were issues all developing nations must confront through effective governance.

Turning to Botswana-China relations, he described the partnership as one built on mutual respect and practical cooperation.

Botswana, he said, studied China's development experience not to replicate its political or economic system but to understand the importance of disciplined planning, self-assessment and consistent implementation of long-term national goals.

Quoting former Chinese leader Mao Zedong's famous words, "Let a thousand flowers bloom; let a hundred schools of thought contend," Mr Mohwasa called for continued dialogue and the exchange of ideas among nations.

He extended Botswana's congratulations to the Communist Party of China, expressing confidence that the friendship and cooperation between the two countries would continue to flourish. China's ambassador to Botswana, Mr Fan Yong, described the anniversary as an opportunity to reflect on the CPC's history, China's development journey and the longstanding friendship between China and Botswana.

*Minister for State President, Defence and Security, Mr Moeti Mohwasa (centre) Umbrella For Democratic Change Executive Secretary, Dr Patrick Molotsi (left) and China Ambassador to Botswana, Mr Fan Yong during the Symposium of Political Parties Exchange and cooperation marking the 105th anniversary of the founding of the Communist Party of China recently. Mr Mohwasa said Botswana had studied China's development experience, not to replicate its political or economic system but to understand the importance of disciplined planning, self-assessment and consistent implementation of long-term national goals.*
Photo: Thompson Keobaletswe

"This year marks the 105th anniversary of the founding of the Communist Party of China," he said, saying "it is a moment to trace the extraordinary journey of the CPC, reflect on the remarkable strides made by the Chinese people, reaffirm the lasting friendship with Botswana and look ahead with confidence to a future of shared prosperity and closer collaboration."

Mr Fan said that since its establishment in 1921, the CPC had remained committed to improving the lives of the Chinese people and advancing national rejuvenation, crediting the party's leadership for transforming China into the world's second-largest economy and a global leader in innovation.

"I am often asked what is the secret behind the China miracle, my answer always remains the same, it is the leadership of the Communist Party of China," he said.

He outlined what he described as the key principles underpinning China's modernisation, including maintaining strategic direction, adopting a people-centred approach, pursuing long-term development planning and strengthening party governance through continuous self-reform.

He said China's development path had evolved through decades of practice, combining Marxist principles with China's national realities and traditional culture.

Mr Fan also highlighted Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era as a guiding framework for modern governance that sought to improve people's livelihoods while strengthening party leadership and discipline.

The CPC's governance philosophy places emphasis on promoting social equity, combating corruption and ensuring that development benefits all citizens. On bilateral relations, Mr Fan said that Botswana and China had enjoyed more than five decades of diplomatic relations founded on mutual respect, equality and sincere cooperation.

He emphasised the role of political parties in promoting national development and said stronger exchanges between the CPC and Botswana's political parties would deepen mutual understanding and facilitate the sharing of governance experiences.

"The CPC stands ready to join hands with Botswana's political parties, enhancing high-level strategic dialogue and deepening exchanges on governance and best practices, propelling the China-Botswana strategic partnership toward even greater achievements," said Mr Fan. The symposium of political parties exchanges and cooperation had brought together different party leaders in Botswana. ***BOPA***

# Motshegwa urges PR officers to modernise

**Portia Rapitsenyane**
**PALAPYE**

The Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs, Mr Ketlhalefile Motshegwa has challenged public relations and communications officers to reengineer their roles and embrace modern digital landscapes to drive organisational success across the government.

Speaking at a retreat for Public Relations officers in Palapye on Thursday, Mr Motshegwa emphasised the critical need to transition public relations from traditional practice into a strategic pillar capable of solving the socio-economic predicaments of citizens.

Minister Motshegwa emphasised that government's primary role was solving daily citizen challenges through empathetic, field-driven policy formulation.

"Our culture should be about interacting and engaging with the people. We need to see people's state of life and hear them, so that we design policies and programmes fixated on the particularities of the predicament at hand," he said.

*Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs Mr Ketlhalefile Motshegwa*

hurdles in their responsibilities, emphasising that for them to succeed there was need for a conducive work environment.

He also challenged public relation officers to venture into the academic realms of communication to better navigate the modern digital landscape.

The minister said public relation which was originally birthed during the Industrial Revolution to manage corporate-public conflicts, had drastically shifted. He said that internal communication was the heartbeat of the organisation, breaking down departmental silos to keep information flowing smoothly.

Mr Motshegwa said organisations must possess strategic and robust communications strategies to achieve success internally and externally. "The role of communications teams has never been more crucial than now. These teams are the link teams that hold organisations together ensuring that both internal and external communications are seamless, effective and impactful," he said.

Externally, he said, public relation teams operated as the guardians of the organisation's reputation, aligning messages across both the ministry and local councils.

Mr Motshegwa said to achieve this, there should be a shift toward creativity, innovation, and technology. He called for the aggressive use of video production, graphic design and the effective management of official social media platforms.

The Deputy Permanent Secretary – Human Resources and Administration, Mr Mothusi James said the retreat came at a critical time during the evolution of their ministry following the restructuring and repositioning of the ministry of Local Government and Traditional Affairs.

He said they had been entrusted with a renewed mandate and heightened expectations to effectively communicate government programmes, engage stakeholders strengthen citizen participation and support policy advocacy initiative.

Mr James said communication was no longer merely a support function but a strategic tool that shaped public understanding, that built trust in government institutions, that promoted transparency and strengthened accountability.

He said as the ministry responsible for bringing government closer to the communities, they had an obligation to ensure that their messages were consistent, timely, accurate and responsive to the needs of their citizen. ***BOPA***

# E-waste strategy to protect environment

**Lorato Gaofise**
**GABORONE**

Government has launched the Botswana National E-waste Management Strategy, described as a landmark step towards transforming the way the country manages one of the world's fastest-growing waste streams, while unlocking green jobs, safeguarding public health and protecting the environment.

Launching the strategy in Gaborone, on Friday, the Ministry of Environment and Tourism permanent secretary, Ms Abigail Khumoyame said the milestone demonstrated the country's commitment to sustainable development, environmental stewardship, technological advancement and the protection of public health.

"This launch represents more than the unveiling of a strategy, but a declaration of Botswana's collective commitment to transform the management of E-waste and position the country as a regional leader in environmentally sound E-waste management," she said.

Ms Khumoyame noted that rapid technological advancement had significantly improved people's socio-economic lives, but had also resulted in increasing volumes of obsolete mobile phones, computers, household appliances and other electronic equipment requiring safe disposal.

Botswana, she said was not immune to the global E-waste challenge. According to the Global E-waste Statistics Partnership Africa Report of 2022, she said more than 62 million tonnes of E-waste were generated worldwide, with only about 20 per cent being formally recycled.

...if not properly managed, E-waste posed serious risks to human health, environmental integrity and economic development, particularly in developing countries where infrastructure for effective management remained inadequate.

**Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Environment and Tourism, Ms Abigail Khumoyame**

"Africa contributes approximately 2.9 million tonnes annually, while most countries continue to face inadequate infrastructure for safe collection and recycling. Locally, the National E-waste Monitor contained in the Statistics Botswana 2024 report estimated that Botswana generated about 13 000 tonnes of E-waste every year, largely driven by increasing consumption of electrical and electronic equipment, including motor vehicles," she added.

She warned that if not properly managed, E-waste posed serious risks to human health, environmental integrity and economic development, particularly in developing countries where infrastructure for effective management remained inadequate.

The permanent secretary said the new strategy provided a comprehensive roadmap for environmentally sound management of E-waste throughout its life cycle by promoting reuse, refurbishment, recycling and a circular economy.

She said the strategy also sought to create an enabling regulatory environment that encouraged investment, innovation and the growth of sustainable industries while creating employment opportunities for young people.

Ms Khumoyame said government had already revised the national waste management policy to promote a circular economy, adding that the responsibility now rested with all stakeholders to translate the strategy into practical projects and initiatives capable of delivering meaningful benefits to communities.

She further stressed that the country remained committed to implementing international environmental agreements, including the Basel Convention and the Stockholm Convention, while aligning national policies with global best practice.

The Basel Convention is an international environmental treaty adopted in 1989 in Basel, Switzerland and came into force in 1992, while the Stockholm Convention is a global environmental treaty adopted 2001 in Stockholm, Sweden, and entered into force in 2004.

The Basel and Stockholm Conventions protect human health and environment from the harmful effects of hazardous waste, including certain types of E-waste, by regulating how such is moved across international borders and Persistent Organ Pollutants, which are toxic chemicals that remain in the environment for long period, accumulate in living organisms and can travel long distances in air and water, respectively.

The permanent secretary also expressed gratitude to the International Telecommunication Union, the United Nations Environment Programme, Botswana Communications Regulatory Authority and Statistics Botswana for providing financial, technical and institutional support towards the development of the strategy.

She said the launch marked the beginning of a new chapter, calling on government, the private sector, development partners and citizens to work together to transform E-waste from a growing environmental challenge into an opportunity for innovation, green growth and sustainable development. ***BOPA***

# Trio pledges stronger anti-corruption fight

**Portia Keetile**
**VICTORIA FALLS**

Botswana, Zambia and Zimbabwe have reaffirmed their commitment to fight corruption and strengthening regional frameworks on governance and security.

Speaking at the African Anti-Corruption Day commemoration in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe on Saturday the Minister for State President, Defence and Security Mr Moeti Mohwasa said effective anti- corruption efforts began with political will through strengthening institutions, safeguarding resources and agreements signed.

He stated that African economies were becoming increasingly inter-connected hence corruption had evolved in equal measure.

"Corruption has become more complex, more transactional and more technologically enabled undermining public trust, weakening institutions and threatening sustainable development," said Minister Mohwasa.

He explained that commemoration was a testament between the DCEC of Botswana and the Zimbabwe Anti-Corruption Commission signing an MOU in 2019 aimed to strengthen information and intelligence sharing, build institutional capacity, exchange best practices, support joint investigations, enhance asset tracing and recovery, and combat illicit financial flows.

The minister stressed that it was imperative for African nations to give practical effect to the AU convention on preventing and combating corruption and the UN convention against corruption for they promoted integrity and accountability.

*Minister for State President, Defence and Security, Mr Moeti Mohwasa (left) and his Zimbabwe counterpart, Mr Richard Moyo during African Anti-corruption Day commemoration at Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe on Saturday. Mr Mohwasa said it was imperative for African nations to give practical effect to the AU Convention on preventing and combating corruption and the UN Convention against corruption as they promoted integrity and accountability.* Photo: Portia Keetile

Zimbabwe Minister of State for Provincial Affairs and Devolution, Mr Richard Moyo, said it was essential for Africa to take a systematic approach to combating corruption.

He said the theme: Scaling up the promotion of integrity and Anti-Corruption actions across Africa, was a call to African nations to promote core values being honesty, accountability and integrity.

Mr Moyo said governments ought to practice good governance, transparency and fair distribution of resources and stop misuse of public funds.

Moreover, he said there was need to build frameworks across both public and private sector that would cultivate grounds for reporting corruption.

A solidarity message from Anti-corruption Commission in Zambia read that the commission appreciated the joint commemoration intended to safeguard Africa's future.

It stated that fighting corruption must be a cornerstone of every nation because corruption weakened institutions and markets, eroded structures and depleted resources.

The commission expressed their commitment to regional unity in fighting corruption and regional integration across sectors. ***BOPA***

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# Fairgrounds Holdings and Tshole Trust sign MoU

**Loago Thomas**
**GABORONE**

Fairgrounds Holdings and Tshole Trust have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to promote nature-based solutions to waste management, with used oil recycling as the central focus.

The MoU, signed in Gaborone recently, sets out three key commitments namely; building frameworks to handle hazardous waste (particularly used oil), installing infrastructure for its disposal and recycling, and running environmental education campaigns across the country.

The partnership falls under this year's Inter-Oil Games theme: From Waste to Worth: Powering a Cleaner Botswana.

Fairgrounds Holdings chief executive officer, Ms Gorata Gabaraane, described the agreement as the start of a partnership grounded in shared standards.

The Inter-Oil Games, she said, have become one of Botswana's major sporting events, pulling in companies, sponsors, athletes, business leaders, and the media.

"The games promote healthy competition, strengthen relationships, and encourage collaboration across the energy sector," she said, adding that the event also reflects how organisations are built through relationships, not just business transactions.

Tshole Trust executive coordinator, Mr Michael Matlapeng, explained that the trust operated under the Extended Producer Responsibility model and was funded by companies that met set standards on safety, health, and the environment.

He said the MoU showed that the partnership was not driven by profit alone, but by the environmental, social, and governance principles the Trust upholds.

Fairgrounds Holdings operations manager, Mr Johane Aaron said sustainability was a defining feature of this year's games.

"We recognise that major events have a responsibility to contribute positively to the environment and the communities they serve," he said.

He pointed to resource use, waste reduction, and catering practices as areas the partnership would address directly, with the goal that visitors leave remembering the event's impact as much as the football.

When delivering welcome remarks earlier, Fairgrounds Holdings human resources manager, Mr Tshepo Kgari, described the Inter-Oil Games as one of the most recognized events in the energy sector, noting that their success, like that of any organisation, depend on collaboration.

Tshole Trust's Ms Amantle Mantu conveyed the ninth edition of the games will take place on August 22, at the Bank of Botswana grounds, with about 22 corporate teams from the petroleum and allied industries competing.

Ms Mantu stated that the tournament does more than test teams on the field as it builds staff awareness, strengthens relationships between corporates, and promotes responsible used oil management in keeping with Tshole Trust's mandate. ***BOPA***

*Tshole Trust executive coordinator, Mr Michael Matlapeng (left) and Fairgrounds Holding CEO, Ms Gorata Gabaraane during the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between the two organisations in Gaborone recently. The MoU aims to promote nature-based solutions to waste management with used oil-recycling as the central focus.* Photo: Gaseitsiwe Moruakgomo

# Misuse of programmes worries leadership

**Chendzimu Manyepedza**
**SELEBI PHIKWE**

Kgosi Ishamel Legwaila of Botshabelo Ward in Selebi Phikwe has expressed concern over misuse of government social welfare programmes by some beneficiaries.

He said some beneficiaries had a tendency of exchanging social welfare benefits such as food items for alcohol, something that undermined government efforts to improve the welfare of vulnerable members of the society.

"Such unfortunate practices defeat the purpose of programmes, which are established to cushion vulnerable individuals and households against hardship and improve quality of life," he said during a kgotla meeting addressed by Selebi Phikwe Town Council Social and Community Development officials recently.

The meeting was to inform residents that a decision had been made to transition from the current coupon system and the Zebra card to the Botswana Building Society Bank prepaid card.

Kgosi Legwaila underscored the need for members of the community including beneficiaries to understand that the programmes were designed to provide social protection through safety nets.

He further explained that the government invested substantial financial resources in social welfare initiatives to ensure that disadvantaged citizens had access to basic necessities.

He therefore, urged beneficiaries to use the programmes responsibly and discouraged from illegal sales of such food items.

"Using government assistance responsibly means aligning the support with its intended purpose. I urge beneficiaries to appreciate the support extended to them and complement it through positive lifestyle choices and self-reliance where possible," he said.

Chief Social and Community Development Officer, Mr Kgakgamatso Ditshego said the transition from the Zebra coupon card system to direct cash transfers through Botswana Building Society Bank accounts was expected to improve convenience and restore dignity.

The new arrangement, he said no longer restricts beneficiaries to selected shopping outlets as cash would be deposited into their BBS accounts, enabling them to purchase food items from any supermarket of their choice

Mr Ditshego also indicated that the transition reflected government's continued efforts to modernise social protection programmes and improve service delivery.

He further urged beneficiaries to familiarise themselves with the new arrangement and to safeguard their bankcards, and banking information.

"This transition assures the government's commitment toward strengthening and improving social welfare programmes and ensuring that the assistance reaches deserving beneficiaries in a manner that promotes dignity, accountability and choice," he added. ***BOPA***

# Okavango District Council on malaria alert

**Kedirebofe Pelontle**
**SHAKAWE**

Okavango District Council (ODC) has strengthened public awareness programme ahead of malaria season, which begins in October until March next year.

During a media briefing on the council's achievements, challenges and strategic direction in Shakawe on Thursday, council chairperson, Mr Gaopalelwe Ronald said there was a possibility that malaria cases might surge due to high flood waters experienced in the Okavango Delta.

He said the public was encouraged to uphold malaria interventions among them avoiding stagnant water and allowing Indoor Residual Spray while the district leadership through the District Disaster Committee was monitoring the flood situation to see if the waters were receding or not.

Mr Ronald observed that the council was committed to the malaria fight, adding that about 40 000 mosquitoes repellent devices were distributed to the most affected communities earlier this year.

Regarding waste management, he said the council currently had challenges of landfill and lower carrying capacity dumping sites. He, however said landfill and rehabilitation of dumping sites were planned for the Okavango District under the National Development Plan 12 and the District Development Plan 9.

Mr Ronald said the landfill would help in waste management and recycling, which would benefit communities.

He said the council was currently seeking assistance from the business community to help fence the dumping sites.

On achievements, Mr Ronald said ODC had attained 100 per cent in HIV/AIDS response and 93 per cent in maternal health. ***BOPA***

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The detailed Expression of Interest document, including the scope of work, eligibility requirements, and submission instructions, is available from the Department of Broadcasting Services.

A non-refundable deposit of **P250.00** payable in cash or must be made out in favour of the Government of Botswana or the entity stated in the Expression of Interest and must be paid on collection of the Expression of Interest. Youth Companies shall purchase the Expression of Interest at a 50% of the fee as per Presidential Directive CAB 14 (B) 2015 **(P125.00)** should be paid to: **Revenue office, 029, Administration Block (GROUND FLOOR), Mass Media Complex, Plot 37795, Wellie Seboni Rd, G/West Phase 2, Gaborone, Botswana.** ***(Cheques will not be accepted)***

Collection Period: **08 July 2026 to 16 July 2026** Collection Times:
- 08:00 hours – 12:45 hours
- 13:45 hours – 15:30 hours

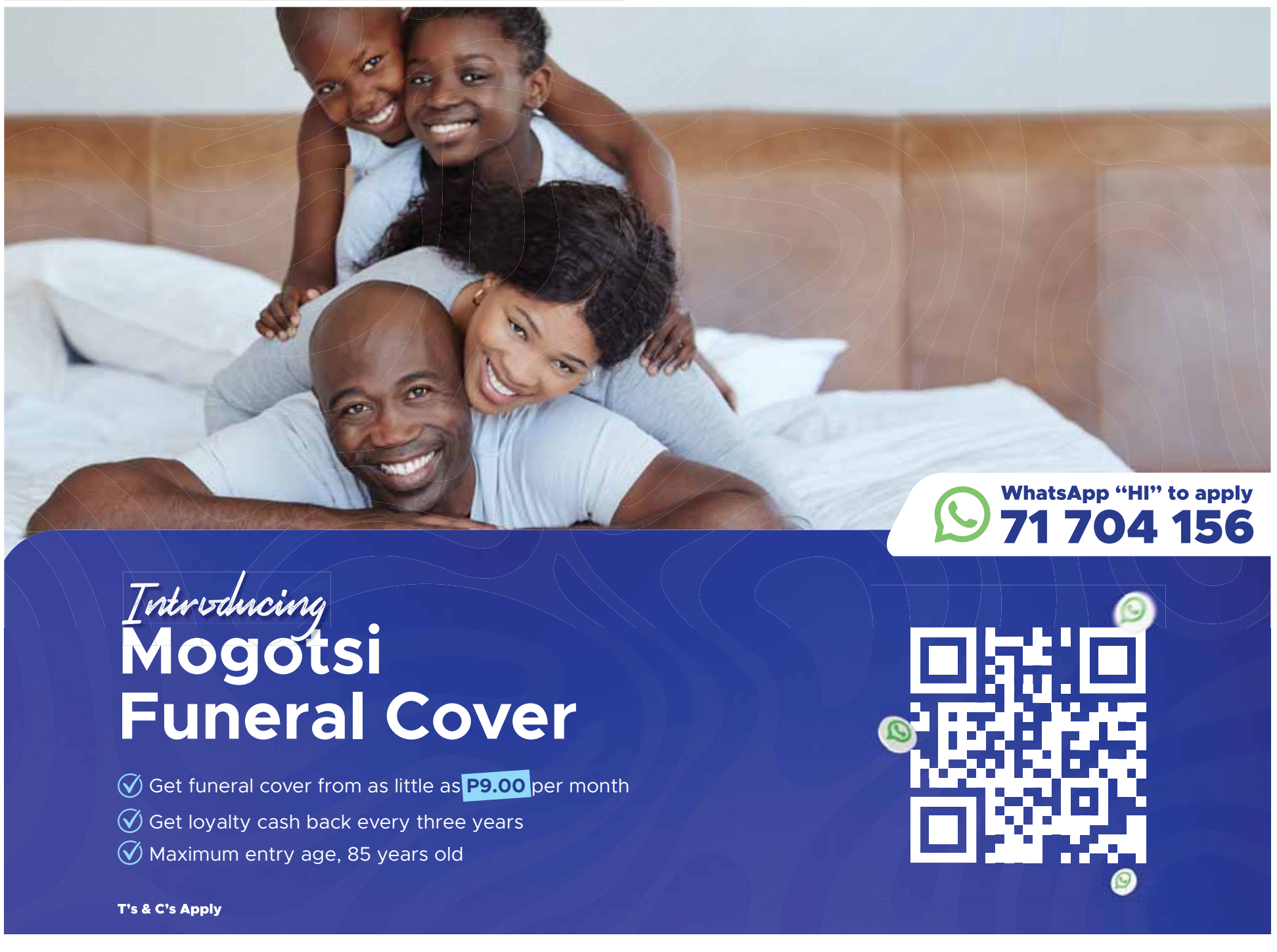
**Submission Deadline**

The closing date and time for submission of proposals shall be: **22nd July 2026 at 1000 Hours.** Late submissions will not be accepted.

Queries or clarifications relating to the issuance of these documents may be addressed in writing not later than two (2) days before the tender closing date to **M. M. R. Matula**, **Tel No.** 365 3099 **Email:** *mmatula@gov.bw*; **S. Dipatane Tel** 365 8050 **Email:** *sdipatane@gov.bw*

The Department of Broadcasting Services reserves the right to accept or reject any Expression of Interest and is not bound to appoint any respondent.

Stephen P. Motlogelwa
**Director - Broadcasting Services**



# EMPOWERING KHOE-NA COMMUNITIES THROUGH SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS

INSTITUTE OF DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT Botswana

IDM Botswana Director, Dr Theophilus Mooko

Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Justice & Correctional Services, Ms Naledi Moroka

Deputy Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Local Government & Traditional Affairs, Mr Kabo Moseki

Director of Ceremonies during awards of certificates, Mr Kabo Muyaluka

Senior Policy Advisor in the Ministry of Finance , Ms Naledi Madala

Senior Community Development Officer – Indigenous People's Desk Officer, Mr. Nichodimas Cooper

Representative from Anthropos Consulting Firm, Mr Mike Taylor

Participants during field work

Graduates

## *IDM and Government strengthen partnership to champion community-led development*

IDM & Government Empower Khoe-Na strengthen partnership to champion community-led development

Fifty representatives from Khoe-Na communities across Botswana have completed an intensive Sustainable Livelihoods Approach (SLA) training programme aimed at strengthening community-led development and improving sustainable livelihoods.

The programme, facilitated by the Institute of Development Management (IDM) in partnership with the Ministry of Local Government and Traditional Affairs, the Botswana Economic Transformation Programme (BETP) and Anthropos Consulting Firm, equipped participants with practical skills to identify community assets, harness indigenous knowledge and develop local solutions to socio-economic challenges.

Training combined classroom learning with fieldwork in Loologane and Mmokolodi villages, where participants engaged communities, mapped local resources and explored sustainable livelihood opportunities.

Opening the programme, Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Justice and Correctional Services and Chairperson of the Inter-Ministerial Commission on Human Rights Concerning Indigenous Peoples, Ms Naledi Moroka, said empowering Indigenous communities was central to Botswana's inclusive development agenda.

IDM Country Director, Dr Theophilus Mooko, reaffirmed the Institute's commitment to developing practical leaders capable of driving sustainable socio-economic transformation within their communities.

At the graduation ceremony, participants received Certificates of Attendance, with Senior Policy Advisor in the Ministry of Finance, Ms Naledi Madala, urging them to apply their new knowledge to improve livelihoods in their communities.

Deputy Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Local Government and Traditional Affairs, Mr Kabo Diamond Moseki, commended IDM for sponsoring the programme at a cost of P451,000, describing it as a significant investment in the empowerment of Indigenous communities.

Speaking on behalf of the graduates, Ms Orwele Ketapilwe thanked Government and its partners for investing in practical capacity building, saying the training had inspired participants to become agents of sustainable development in their communities.

*Vice President and Minister of Finance, Mr Ndaba Gaolathe during the Cabinet Economic Committee meeting in Phakalane recently. He said government had developed the National Fund of Funds initiative as one of the reforms to accelerate economic recovery and ease reliance on diamonds.* Photo: Thompson Keobaletswe

# Govt rolls out reforms to stabilise economy

**Thato Mosinyi**
**GABORONE**

Government has developed a robust pipeline of reforms and interventions aimed at stabilising the economy, restoring confidence, strengthening fiscal resilience and accelerating economic transformation.

To accelerate economic recovery and ease reliance on diamonds, the Vice President Mr Ndaba Gaolathe revealed during the Cabinet Economic Committee that one such reform was the undertaking of the national fund of funds initiative.

The proposed national fund of funds represents a critical shift in Botswana's economic policy as it is designed to mobilise capital from both the government and local institutions to provide strategic, diversified, and modern financial support like equity and venture debt to local businesses.

Mr Gaolathe said the national fund of funds was aimed to drive economic diversification, create jobs and fund emergent sectors like the creative and digital industries for the benefit of future generations through allowing entrepreneurs to access vital capital.

"This fund of funds will ensure that there is a coordinated enterprise readiness support and availability of catalytic finance mechanisms. And through this model, risk is systematically reduced, access to finance is expanded and private capital is crowded into productive sectors of the economy," said Mr Gaolathe.

He noted that the objective was to ultimately ensure that no viable citizen-owned enterprise was denied access to appropriate financing because of structural gaps.

Mr Gaolathe stated that government had been undertaking a structured programme to strengthen understanding across government methodologies applied by credit rating agencies and the broader reform expectations of investors and development partners.

These efforts, he said went beyond preparing for the rating exercise and ensured that every leader across government had a clear and common understanding of Botswana's reform agenda and the role that their institution played in delivering that agenda.

"We are operating in an environment characterised by depressed economy, fiscal pressures, external uncertainties, heightened scrutiny by investors, by development partners, by international rating agencies.

And these realities demand that we act with urgency, we act with discipline, and we act with a unity of purpose," he said.

Mr Gaolathe indicated that government was mobilising immense technical capacity and strengthening coordination mechanisms.

With Botswana already a negative outlook by some of the world top rating agencies, Mr Gaolathe emphasised the need for macroeconomics to improve, cautioning that further downgrades would result in higher borrowing costs, reduced access to international capital markets, weakened investor confidence and additional pressure on the fiscas.

Thus warned that a weak economic outlook created pressure on sovereign credit ratings which in turn compounds existing economic challenges.

Furthermore, he said it was also important to confront the reality that Botswana's business environment continued to face competitiveness challenges.

"The World Bank's 2025 Business Rating Assessment indicates that Botswana performs below global average in business readiness, particularly in public service delivery, in regulatory efficiency, in digitalisation and in our utility reliability," said Mr Gaolathe.

He said the assessment painted a picture of a country where it was relatively easy to establish a business, but considerably more difficult for the business to be sustainable.

To that regard he indicated that contract enforcement, tax dispute resolution and business closure processes remained areas requiring urgent reform. ***BOPA***

# Electricity imports decrease

**Thato Mosinyi**
**GABORONE**

Botswana's quest to transition from an electricity importer from South Africa's Eskom and other regional grids into an active net exporter of electricity within the region is in full swing as the country is making gains in self-sufficiency.

This was revealed by the recent released Statistics Botswana report on the country's electricity generation and distribution which states that electricity imports dropped significantly year-on-year, indicating reduced dependence on external energy sources despite quarterly shifts.

The government has set a clear and ambitious vision to position Botswana as a citizen led regional energy hub and with the implementation of the Botswana Economic Transformation Programme (BETP) and National Development Plan 12 (NDP12), electricity demand is expected to accelerate significantly.

According to the report, imported electricity has decreased by 29.8 per cent (207, 374 MWh) during the first quarter of 2026 as compared to the previous quarter, 313, 629 MWh.

The significant decline of imported electricity is directly attributable to the substantial increase in domestic electricity generation. The report further stated that the generation and distribution landscape in Botswana is rapidly transforming to achieve greater energy security and regional export goals.

Botswana generates electricity primarily through coal-fired thermal plants like Morupule B (600 MW) and Morupule A (100 MW), backed by emergency diesel plants.

To overcome historic plant defects and reliance on foreign imports, the country is aggressively adding utility-scale solar such as the 100 MW Mmadinare and upcoming Jwaneng solar plants.

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## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Ndadi steps down as CEO

**GABORONE** - Old Mutual Botswana had announced that Ms Priscillah Ndadi has resigned as Group CEO of Old Mutual Botswana to pursue other professional interests, effective July 1, 2026 with her tenure ending on September 30, 2026. According to a press release from Old Mutual Botswana, Ms Ndadi, who was appointed in February 2025, has led Old Mutual Botswana through an important period of business renewal, disciplined execution, and strategic alignment. The Board, the release says, has appointed Mr Ricardo Sardien as Interim Group CEO with immediate effect. The process to appoint a permanent Group CEO will commence shortly, and an announcement will be made upon conclusion. Old Mutual Botswana has reassured its customers, partners, and stakeholders of uninterrupted service, emphasising that it remains business as usual for the company and its partners during this leadership transition. ***BOPA***

### BERA announces increase in electricity tariffs

**GABORONE** - The Botswana Energy Regulatory Authority (BERA) has announced a uniform nine per cent increase in electricity tariffs across all consumer categories for the 2026/27 financial year. The revised tariffs take effect from August 1. A press release from the authority says the move follows an application submitted by Botswana Power Corporation (BPC) in December last year, requesting a tariff increase. It further explains that the adjustments were considered after a public hearing held on February 10taking into consideration prevailing socio-economic conditions. The changes are such that, for large power users such as commercial and industrial customers, maximum demand will be determined using a six months window instead of 12 months. Maximum demand will now be charged in kVA instead of kW to improve network efficiency and reduce system losses. ***BOPA***

### Kenya rail freight gains from zero tariffs

**NAIROBI** - Effective May 1, China has implemented a zero-tariff policy on products from 53 African countries with which it maintains diplomatic relations. According to the Africa Star Railway Operation Company, Kenya's Standard Gauge Railway (SGR) operated a total of 3 931 freight trains in the first half of 2026, transporting 4.278 million tonnes of cargo, with average daily cargo volume up 12.3 per cent year on year. Container shipments from Nairobi to Mombasa rose sharply in May and June following the implementation of the zero-tariff policy, increasing by about 44 per cent compared with the average monthly volume recorded earlier this year. ***Xinhua***

# Jwaneng set for P18.8 million truck staging facility

**Kehumile Moekejo**
**JWANENG**

Jwaneng is earmarked to be home to a truck staging facility providing services to heavy duty trucks delivering services to the mine and others on transit along the Trans Kalahari Corridor. The project, a collaborative investment between Botswana Oil Limited(BOL) and Jwaneng Mine worth P18.8 million, is scheduled to commence next month and be completed by March next year. The development, strategically located along the TKC, comprises 25 modern bay truck parking, driver resting and sanitation immunities among other services.

In addition to enhancing efficiency in the transportation sector, the facility would also provide the much needed safety for the transporters and the cargo, while also stimulating long-term local economic activity.

Speaking at the ground breaking ceremony held on Friday, BOL General Manager for Operations, Mr Otto Motsopa described the development as a testament of a shared vision by the two partners towards sustainable development. He said the facility would also contribute towards economic empowerment, which resonated with their business operations.

The 25-parking bay facility, he said would go beyond improving operational risk management for the mining operation since it also enhanced trade logistics and road safety along the highway.

"The facility has been designed to serve two important categories of road users, the first one being to accommodate heavy duty trucks delivering goods in the mine, including general cargo, as well as hazardous material such as petroleum products and any other regulated substance that require specialised handling and secure parking.

Secondly, it will serve heavy duty trucks transiting along the Trans Kalahari Highway, one of Botswana's most strategic regional trade corridor linking our country to the neighbouring markets," he noted.

He further said this was an essential investment in the logistics sector, considering the importance of efficient and safe transportation of fuel in the economic drive. Mr Motsopa said it would go a long way in building the country's resilience and creating opportunities for local participation in the broader economic transformation agenda.

To Jwaneng Mine, the facility resonates with the newly launched Debswana Strategy, Yamasa, whose emphasis is on building a resilient business that would leave a sustainable legacy beyond diamond mining. In addition, it is expected to contribute towards upholding the best safety practices which Debswana operations subscribe to.

"The facility will improve traffic management, enhance emergency preparedness, reduce operational risks and support for the safe movement of people and goods. This improvement will help us maintain safe, reliable and efficient mining operations while protecting our employees, business partners, transport operators and the wider community, an outcome that firmly aligns with the Yamasa Strategy," Jwaneng Mine General Manager, Mr Goitseone Gadifele said.

To the local community, he noted that the project was expected to create close to 100 employment opportunities during construction, while also stimulating value chain in other areas such as fuel stations, vehicle maintenance and tyre services which would contribute towards economic diversification.

Jwaneng/Mabutsane Member of Parliament, Mr Omphemetse Kwapa appreciated the partnership between the two companies, which he said have given birth to an essential investment in the logistics space and the local economy. He applauded them for the long-term vision from which the facility was conceptualised.

"This facility has the potential to become the nucleus of a broader logistics and commercial hub, creating opportunities for fuel retail services, vehicle maintenance, tyre service, wash bays, accommodation, hospitality and other enterprises. These are type of investments that diversify our local economy and prepare Jwaneng for sustained growth," he noted.

He implored the business sector to continue taking advantage of Jwaneng's strategic location along the TKC to invest in developments that could have a long-lasting impact on the local communities and contribute to the national economic diversification aspirations. ***BOPA***

# Electricity imports decrease

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In addition, the utilisation of solar for electricity generation has allowed the Botswana Power Corporation (BPC) to prioritise cheaper local renewable energy over variable-priced imports from the Southern African Power Pool (SAPP) and South Africa's Eskom.

The report also stated that the physical volume of imported electricity decreased by 61.8 per cent (357,161 MWh), during the first quarter of 2026 from 577, 466 MWh during the first quarter of 2025 to 220, 305 MWh.

Eskom was the principal source of imported electricity, accounting for 80.9 percent of total imports while cross-border electricity markets supplied 11.3 per cent and the Southern African Power Pool accounted for a marginal 7.8 per cent.

The report further states that the Index of Electricity Generation (IEG) stood at 214.5 in the first quarter of 2026, representing an increase of 72.8 per cent compared to 124.2 recorded in the corresponding quarter of 2025 and the index increased by 20.0 per cent, compared to the preceding quarter.

However, a recently released statement from BPC indicated that the energy sector development is guided by the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP), which provides a long-term, least-cost roadmap aligned with national development priorities.

Generation performance is thus expected to improve in the near term, following remediation works at Morupule B Power Station and the commercial operation of the 100 MW Mmadinare Solar PV Plant.

These interventions are expected to increase the share of electricity demand met by local generation to at least 72 per cent on a sustained basis, strengthening energy security, reducing reliance on power imports and supporting Botswana's transition toward a more resilient and diversified energy mix. ***BOPA***

*Wilderness Botswana managing director, Mr Joe Matome (left) and Local Authority Enterprise caretaker and CEO, Mr Thato Jansen during the launch of a structured Citizen Economic Empowerment Programme in Maun recently. The programme aims to support citizen-owned enterprises through enterprise development, mentorship, supplier readiness, technical training, market access, enterprise monitoring and long-term business growth.* Photo: Esther Mmolai

**WARSAW -** *A robot made by Chinese robotics company AgiBot dancing at AI for Good Global Summit in Geneva, Switzerland recently. At a recent robotics exhibition in Warsaw, Polish technology company Tech4Business showcased a range of China-made service robots, including autonomous floor-cleaning robots, food delivery robots and humanoid robots. The company's project manager, Piotr Kozynacki, said Tech4Business chose to partner with Chinese manufacturers because they offered complete solutions rather than standalone products.* Photo: Xinhua

# Expert urges Africa to empower private sector on EV development

**ACCRA**

A Chinese automobile executive has called on African governments to empower the private sector to play a leading role in developing the continent's electric vehicle (EV) industry to drive growth in Africa's automotive sector.

Speaking to Xinhua during the three-day Ghana Investment Trade Week, which concluded in Accra on Thursday, Du Haotian, sales manager of Shanghai Launch Automotive Technology said private sector-led investment would accelerate EV adoption and support the long-term development of the industry.

According to Du, the priority was to cultivate market demand for EVs, noting that once a viable market was established, the rest of the EV value chain would naturally follow.

He encouraged Ghana businesses to invest in electric vehicle fleets for employee transportation, saying banks, mining companies, manufacturers, and other private firms could reduce fuel costs by replacing conventional staff buses with EVs.

"The private sector can also organise commercial EV car fleets. These fleets can include taxis, commercial trucks, refrigerator trucks, and logistics pickups.

The real cycle begins once private companies organise these kinds of fleets," Du said.

According to Du, growing commercial demand would create opportunities for private investment in charging infrastructure, which in turn would encourage more consumers to purchase EVs.

"When investors observe the growing number of EVs in Ghana, they will recognise and seize the opportunity to invest here in more charging stations and related industries.

The battery industry, the steel for the chassis, and every related industry will come in, and then a healthy and sustainable cycle of the EV industry will officially begin here," he said.

He reiterated his call for African governments to create an enabling environment through sound policies and regulatory frameworks to unlock the continent's potential for a vibrant and competitive EV industry.

Highlighting Africa's abundant renewable energy resources, Du said the continent, particularly countries such as Ghana, had significant potential to power electric mobility through solar energy.

"The solar resource here is so huge, but people are not using it properly. However, once the EV industry starts, it will provide an excellent opportunity to utilise the abundant solar energy available," he added." ***Xinhua***

# Ghanzi records high primary school dropout rate

**Bonang Masolotate**
**GABORONE**

Ghanzi District has recorded the highest primary school dropout rate in the country between 2014 and 2019, with an average of three per cent of pupils leaving school.

A Botswana Statistics Primary School brief released recently indicates that during the said period, between 208 and 345 pupils dropped out annually in Ghanzi from a total enrolment of between 7 300 and 8 600 learners. The North West District had the second highest rate, with dropouts averaging about one per cent of enrolled pupils. Kgalagadi followed, while Chobe, North East, South East and Kgatleng recorded the lowest dropout rates.

Nationally, the number of primary school dropouts ranged from 1 533 in 2019 from a peak of 2 568 in 2015, a trend that points to underlying challenges in the primary education system.

The brief further shows that total enrolment in all primary schools was 371 616 in 2019.

Government schools accounted for 345 186 pupils, or 92.8 per cent, while private schools enrolled 26 430 pupils, representing 7.2 per cent.

Enrolment increased by 1.4 per cent between 2018 and 2019, from 366 253 to 371 616. Over the five-year period from 2014 to 2019, enrolment rose by 9.1 per cent from 340 700 to 371 616.

The Central District recorded the highest proportion of pupils at 34.1 per cent, followed by Kweneng with 14.1 per cent and South with 12.2 per cent.

The report further states that the number of males enrolled has been consistently higher than that of their female counterparts throughout the years. ***BOPA***

*Parents and guardians seeking admission for their children at Morula Primary School queuing outside ahead of the registration process for Reception and Standard 1 learners in Gaborone yesterday. The school, which opened its doors in 2024 is located in Block 6 and has become a preferred choice for many families, prompting a large turnout as registration commenced. Some parents reportedly spent several nights outside the school premises in an effort to secure a space for their children.* Photo: Phenyo Ramatu

# Tsoaneng-Sekhutlhane cordon fence on track

**Aobakwe Molefhi**
**TSOANENG**

National Disaster Management Office director and also chairperson of National Emergency Command Centre, Mr Gordon Molefe says he is satisfied with the work done thus far of the cordon fence which stretches from Ramotswa areas up to Werda and covers a distance of 350km.

In an interview in Tsoaneng where a team from the command centre went to assess progress and assist with erection of the cordon fence, the director applauded the team and volunteers on the ground for the work done.

He said progress had been made since the fence was launched on June 27. Mr Molefe expressed optimism that the Tsoaneng-Sekhutlhane line, which is approximately 50 kms of virgin land would be completed on time. He reiterated that the cordon fence, which was long overdue, would help in controlling movement of cattle especially during disease out breaks.

Mr Molefe said he was happy that the spread of Foot and Mouth Disease seemed to be slowing down.

Meanwhile, Botswana Prisons Service representative divulged that they would soon avail prisoners who were on extra-mural exercise to beef up the manpower. The Botswana Defence Force also said they would increase their manpower on the ground.

When updating the team, the district agricultural coordinator Mr Phetogo Molefi-Tshuma said the community was cooperative. ***BOPA***

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1. **TENDER NO: CEDA 005 / 2026-2027 INVITATION TO TENDER FOR THE PROVISION OF COMPREHENSIVE RECALIBRATION OF IFRS 9 EXPECTED CREDIT LOSS MODELS AND PORTFOLIO SEGMENTATION – PHASE 2**

1.1. Sealed Tender offers are invited for the Provision of Comprehensive Recalibration of IFRS 9 Expected Credit Loss Models and Portfolio Segmentation – Phase 2.

1.2. Procurement Method: Open Domestic Bidding Method

1.3. Tenderers must, in order to be considered for the award of the contract, be registered with the Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) in the following categories: **Code: 317 (Other Consultancy Services) Sub code: 01 (Management Consultancy Services)**

1.4. The Tender document is available for purchase and collection at **CEDA Head Office Only** from **3rd July 2026** at a non-refundable fee of **P250.00 (Two Hundred and Fifty Pula Only)** inclusive of VAT and **P 125.00 (One hundred and Twenty-Five Pula)** inclusive of VAT for youth owned companies as per Presidential Directive CAB (B) / 2015.

1.5. All Bids must be submitted no later than **10:00hrs** on **24th of July 2026** (As per CEDA timepiece placed at Reception Area).

1.6. Preference Margins will be applied to qualifying bidders in line with the Economic Inclusion Act of 2021.

1.7. The tender document is also available via online purchase as per the above non-refundable fee. For more information, please visit the CEDA website **www.ceda.co.bw** or scan the QR code.

1.8. The Public Procurement Regulatory Authority's Standardised conditions of Tender shall apply to this procurement, for which all the applicable Tender Data is contained in the Tender Document. Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing, CEDA is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender offer.

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2.1. Citizen Entrepreneurial Development Agency (CEDA) is a development financial institution fully owned by the Botswana Government with operational presence in Gaborone, Palapye, Selebi-Phikwe, Francistown, Tutume, Letlhakane, Kasane, Shakawe, Maun, Ghanzi, Hukuntsi, Tsabong, Kanye and Molepolole. The Agency is seeking citizen-owned companies to express interest in being registered in its database. Accreditation as a supplier / service provider shall be for a period of three (3) years.

2.2. The EOI is not open to State Owned Entities / Parastatals or any such entities wherein the Government has a stake / shareholding in any bids from such entities shall not be accepted.

2.3. The EOI is not open to individual(s) employed at Owned Entities / Parastatals or any such entities wherein the Government has a stake / shareholding and any bids from such individual(s) shall not be accepted.

2.4. Closing date for proposal submission must be no later than **10:00hrs** on **27th July 2026** (as per CEDA timepiece displayed at the Reception Area).

2.5. Full EOI document is available on the CEDA website free of charge - **www.ceda.co.bw** or scan the QR code

3. **For further information regarding the tender and EOI, please contact CEDA Procurement Office at procurement@ceda.co.bw**

Survivors of the 2015 road accident paying tribute to their departed classmates during the remembrance ceremony.

Dutlwe senior chief representative, Kgosi Selotlego Tsiane welcoming guests at the unveiling of the monument in remembrance of Matsha College learners.

First Lady giving a message of healing and hope to the families and survivors.

# First Lady Boko leads

## healing and remembrance programme

**Photos: Felicity Male and Thuso Kgakatsi**

First Lady Kaone Boko embarked on the National Healing, Remembrance and Closure Programme in Kgalagadi North, where she met the district leadership in Kang and donated essential items to Matsha College. In Dutlwe, she unveiled a monument in remembrance of nine learners who lost their lives in a tragic road accident on November 13, 2015. The ceremony brought together bereaved families, survivors, community members and leaders to honour the lives of the departed learners and reaffirm the importance of healing, remembrance and unity.

A monument engraved with names of the nine Matsha College learners who lost their lives in the road accident.

Ms Boko laying a wreath during the unveiling of the monument in Dutlwe.

First Lady Boko (second left), Kgosi Basadi Seipone III (left) and Kgalagadi North District Commissioner, Ms Veronica Rabakane (second right) after meeting with the district leadership in Kang.

First Lady (centre) and district leadership welcomed by a parade mounted by Matsha College Girl Guides and Boy Scouts before donating essential items to the school.

**Member of Parliament for Takatokwane also Minister of Sport and Arts, Mr Jacob Kelebeng delivering a vote of thanks.**

Ms Boko (left) handing over donations to Matsha College deputy school head, Ms Kedikeledi Leshope in Kang.

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Mogwanto wa ngwaga le ngwaga wa ga Kgosi Malope II o o rulaganngwang ke komiti ya GaMmaLeema Cultural Project o kgonne dithuso P50,000.00 e le maitlamo a balalediwa ba mogwanto.

Bangwe ba ba neng ba tsene mogwanto Labotlhano kwa Kanye, e ne e le mookamedi wa moepo wa Jwaneng, Rre Goitseone Gadifele le mookamedi wa sesole, General Mpho Mophuting.

Moanamisa mafoko wa komiti ya GaMmaLeema, Rre Taolo Mogobe, o tlhalositse fa dithuso go tswa kwa mogwantong di tlaa lebaganngwa le ditiro tsa bopelotlhomogi mme komiti e tsere tshwetso ya go thusa sekole sa Kgodisong Orphanage Centre. Rre Mogobe o tlhalositse fa sekole se, se tlaa gokelelwa difetlha phefo tse di tswang kwa khamphaneng ya meepo ya Giyani Metals, e e neng ya itlama go koleka di le tharo.

O tlhalositse fa mogwanto o, e le go ipelela matsalo a ga Kgosi Malope mme mo dingwageng tse di fetileng, o thusitse bagodi le ba ba tlhokileng lesego mo setshabeng.

Rre Mogobe a re mo godimo ga se, mogwanto o, ke tsela ya gore setshaba se rotloediwe go tshegetsa puo le ngwao ya Setswana, ka go supahala fa banana ba atisitse go bua sekgoa.

Monongwaga, kgosi o ne a gwanta le mophato wa gagwe wa Matlotlakgosi, go rutuntsha banana ka ngwao ya mophato mo morafeng.

Mophato wa MatlotlaKgosi o ne wa ruta baihuti ba Kidz Academy International ka thuto ya mephato segolo jang ya GaNgwaketse. Brigadier Gilbert Dithupe (Rtd), leloko la Matlotlakgosi, a re mophato o na le ditiro tse dintsi tse o di direlang morafe.

O kaile fa mophato o ne o dira jaaka mophato wa masole, go dibela le go sireletsa kgaolo ya GaNgwaketse.

A re mophato wa Matsosangwao o ne wa dirisiwa mo tirong ya gonna jalo ka ngwaga wa 1852 go fitlha 1854, go lwa le masole a maburu.

Rre Dithupe o kaile gape fa mophatlo o ne o dirisiwa mo ditirong tsa ditlhabololo tsa morafe jaaka fa Kgosi Bathoeng, a neng a dirisa mophato go aga tsela ya sekgele sa dikhilomethara tse di masome mane ya Kanye-Lobatse.

A re Maisantwa a a satswang go bolola bosheng a kopane le tiro ya tlhako le molomo e mo bogompienong ba tsentseg seatla mo go yone le mephato e mengwe, go tsosa terata ya twantsho matlhoko a leruo.

O kaile fa mophatlo o sante o le botlhokwa e bile o ntse o tlhokega mo setshabeng mme ditiro tsa o ne e le tsa boithaopo ka ba ntsha mo dipateng tsa bone go dira sepe se e tlhokegang kgotsa ba dira ka diatla tsa bone.

Kgosi Malope o lebogile ba tsaya karolo mo mogwantong le ba ba dirileng maitlamo segolo jang balalediwa ba mogwanto. ***BOPA***

*Kgosi Malope II wa Bangwaketse (fa gare) le morafe kwa mogwantong wa ngwaga le ngwaga wa ga Kgosi kwa Kanye bosheng. Mogwanto oo, o o rulaganngwang ke komiti ya GaMmaLeema Cultural Project o kgonne go kgobokanya P50,000.00 e le maitlamo a balalediwa.* Senepe: Relief Lephutshi

# Bole o itshetsa ka go rekisa borotho

**Tebogo Masuruke**

**TUTUME**

Mme Maipelo Bole wa dingwaga tse masome mabedi le boraro wa Makuta kwa kgaolong ya Tutume o itshetsa ka go rekisa borotho Mme Bole a re batsadi ba gagwe ba ne ba mo neela madi a kana ka P500 gore a itshimololele kgwebo e ka mo thusang ka a sa bereke.

Mo potsolotsong o boletse fa a ne a na le mogopolo wa go ka dira sengwe se se ka tsenyang letseno mme a sena madi ago simolola kgwebo, ka thuso eo o ile a akanya ka go apaya borotho jwa scones a rekisa.A re ka lemme leo o ile a reka flour le tse dingwe mme a kgona go apaya borotho, tiro e a boletseng e le mo pelong ya gagwe thata.Mme Bole a re mo mosepeleng wa gagwe o ne a kopana le dikgwetlho jaaka tsa mmaraka mo a neng a tsamaya sekgala se seleele go latela bareki kwa Tutume kwa a tsenang ofisi le ofisi a rekisa. A re mosepele gare ga Makuta le Tutume o sekgala ka jalo o patlelesega go palama ka madi a P20 letsatsi le letsatsi ka ke gone fela kwa go nang le mmaraka.

A re le gone kwa mmarakeng diofisi tsa maphata di atologane o patlelesega go rwala emere a tsena ofisi le ofisi go se motlhofo go dira jalo mme go batla motho ale pelotelele le boinnelo.

A re nako tse dingwe ga gona dipoelo mo a kgonang go boa ka borotho bo sa rekwa mme gape a tshwanetse go pagama gape go boela kwa Makuta.

Mme Bole a re e re ntswa a raletse dikgwetlho tseo seo ga se mo kgobe marapo kana goinyatsa mme o tsweletse ka mowa o le mongwe wa go rekisa le go godisa kgwebo ya gagwe. O tlhalositse go re fa motho a dira tiro ya gagwe ka masheta le ka bopelotelele kwa pele go nna le maduo.

O kaile fa a ise a leke go ka kopa dithuso mo makalaneng a tshwana la Nyeletso lehuma, CEDA, LEA le a mangwe, a re o santse a totobisa kgwebo pele ka bonnye jo a nang najo. O supile fa maikaelelo a gagwe e le go kokoanya letsenonyana gore a kgone go fudugela kwa go nnang le mmaraka teng.

A re mo nakong ya gompieno o tsweletse sentle le ntswa a kokonelwa ke mosepele wa letsatsi le letsatsi wa go ya Tutume le go tlhotlhoma le diofisi a rekisa.

Mme Bole yo o nang le ngwana a le mongwe a re ka lemme leo o kgona go ithusa le go tlamela ngwana wa gagwe. ***BOPA***

# Ba NMG ba kgothatsa badirelapuso

**Tebogo Masuruke**

**TUTUME**

Ba khampane ya NMG Administrator Botswana ba ba okametseng madi a polokelo ya badirelauso ka fa tlase ga letlole la Botswana Public Officers Pension Fund(BPOPF), ba ne ba rulagantse itshidilo maikutlo le badiri ba ba saletsweng ke dingwaga tse tharo go tlogela tiro ka bogodi.

Moanamisa mafoko wa NMG Administrator Botswana, Mme Basetsana Monyatsi a re khamphane eo e laolwa ke ba Non-Bank Financial Institutions Regulatory Authority(NBFIRA) mme e tlhomilwe ka 2021. Mme Banyatsi o buile jalo kwa dithuto-puisanyong le badirelapuso ba ba gaufi le go tlogela tiro ka bogodi kwa Tutume ka Laboraro.

NMG e dira tsamaiso ya matlole a penshene, dithuso tsa badiri(employment benefits),le tse dingwe, ka jalo tiro ya NMG ke go tsamaisa tiro ya letsatsi le letsatsi ya BPOPF. ''BPOPF e santse e le yone mong wa letlole le maikarabelo a maloko, fa NMG e dira tiro ya tsamaiso fela go ya ka tumalano ya ditirelo,''a tlhalosa.

Mme Monyatsi a re NMG e tlhophilwe go obamela molao o o reng matlole a penshene a tshwanetse go tsamaisiwa ke motsamaisi yo o ikemetseng, le go tokafatsa tsamaiso ya BPOPF morago ga tumalano le Alexander Forbes e fela ka 2015.

Fa a itebaganya le moono wa letsatsi leo, a re pitso e, e diretswe badirelapuso ba ba saletsweng ke dingwaga tse tharo go tlogela tiro ka bogodi go tla go abelana kitso le megopolo le bone, maikaelelo e le go ba fa lesedi le motlhala ka madi a bone a ba a kokoantseng ,le go tlhagolela tsela botshelo morago ga go tlogela tiro.

O ile a ba kopa go simolola go fokotsa dikoloto nako e sale teng go itsa gore motlhang wa bofelo ba tswe fela ba iphotlhere dikoloto di tsere gotlhe mme ba felele ba sotlega ntswa ba ne ba bereka.

O tsweletse a ba gakolola go dira Will go tila dikgogakgogano tse di tlhagogang morago ga mongwe a tlhokafetse. Mme Monyatsi o boletse fa go na le melawana e e laolang ka ga dithoto tsa boswa di tshwanetseng go kgaoganngwa ka teng.

O tlhalositse fa madi a penshene e se bontlha bongwe jwa dithoto tsa moswi go ya ka molawana wa NMG. Sebui se sengwe, Retirement Consultant Mme Neltah Marumo o kopile badiri bao go dirisa kitso e ba e tsereng mo bokopanong joo, le go itlhaganelela go ya go kopa thuso kwa diofising nako e sale teng.

Mme Marumo a re go le gantsi ba nna ba kopana le dikgang tsa batho ba ba tlang ba na le ditsholofelo tse e seng tsone ka ba abelana dikgang tsa madi le bangwe(pensioners),e re se ba neng ba se solofetse e se sone ba kukege maikutlo mo ba felelang ba tlhoka tshidilo maikutlo.

A re ba bo ne go tshwanetse go fa babereki bogakolodi, bokaedi le maele ka tiriso ya madi pele ga ba tlogela tiro.

O ba kopile go nna boineelo, bopelotelele le go tsepama mo megopolong e ba nang nayo ya go tsweledisa botshelo morago ga go tlogela tiro. Ba-tsena-thuto puisanyo eo, ba ne ba ngongorega ka go tlisediwa thuto eo thari dilo di setse di senyegile, go sena nako ya go ka di baakanya.

Ba re fa e ka bo ba ne ba tlhatlhelelwa ka thuto le kitso eo ba santse ba na le nako le malatsi mo tirong, ba ne ba tlaa tlogela tiro ka monyenyo le boitumelo, ba dirile sengwe ga mmogo le go beeletsa.

Ba tlhalositse fa e le badiri ba sa itire, ka jalo ke mo ba santseng ba kopa go ka fiwa bontlha bongwe jwa madi a bone ba santse ba theogela go thiba fale le fale le go ikimolola mo dikolotong.

Mongwe wa batsena-thuto eo, Mme Bedu Balisi a re badiri ka bontsi ga ba itse go rulaganya madi a bone ka ditiro(budget) mme ba felele ba dirisa madi mo dilong tse e seng tsone ba lebetse tsa botlhokwa.

Mme Balisi a re go dira jalo go feletsa go ba tsenya mo dikolotong tse motho a yang go tlogela tiro ka bogodi a ntse a di duela.

Mme Monyatsi o ile a ba gakolola fa letlole leo le se mo thulaganyong ya go ka adima modirelapuso madi. ***BOPA***

# ‘Data vital for tourism planning’

Gaolethoo Kgatitswe
MAUN

Tourism experts have called for Botswana to produce more timely and comprehensive tourism statistics, to enable informed decision-making, investment planning and building a resilient tourism sector capable of responding to future shocks.

The call was made during a Tourism Satellite Account (TSA) launch held in Maun on Friday, where stakeholders from government, academia and the private sector reflected on the country’s first Tourism Satellite Account covering the period 2019 to 2024.

Okavango Research Institute of University of Botswana, Professor Joseph Mbaiwa, said Botswana had taken an important step in developing a reliable evidence base for tourism planning, though the information already lagged behind the fast-changing nature of the industry.

He observed that while Botswana’s TSA covered five years, many countries generated tourism statistics quarterly or every two months, enabling governments and industry players to respond quickly to emerging trends and market changes.

Professor Mbaiwa said the findings also presented an opportunity for Botswana to strengthen preparedness for future crises, noting that the COVID-19 pandemic had exposed the vulnerability of the tourism sector more severely than many other sectors of the economy.

“The lessons drawn from the TSA could help policymakers design mitigation measures that would enable the industry to recover more quickly and remain resilient should similar disruptions occur in future” he said.

Tourism Satellite Account project leader, Mr Kevin Millington, stated that the TSA provided an internationally recognised framework for measuring tourism’s direct contribution to the economy, including its impact on gross domestic product, employment, investment and visitor spending.

The accompanying visitor survey, conducted through interviews with more than 5 000 travellers at airports and major border posts, revealed that Botswana continued to attract two distinct tourism markets comprising first-time international visitors and repeat regional travellers.

Approximately 85 per cent of visitors from long-haul markets such as the USA were visiting Botswana for the first time, while regional markets largely consisted of repeat visitors, hence the need for tailored marketing strategies targeting different visitor segments.

“The findings demonstrate the importance of strengthening digital marketing, diversifying tourism products and developing experiences that encourage visitors to stay longer and spend more within local economies,” said Mr Millington.

Tourism Satellite Account expert, Mr Kepa Calafel, said the TSA served as a key indicator of tourism’s contribution to the national economy and provides government with reliable information for policy formulation and investment planning.

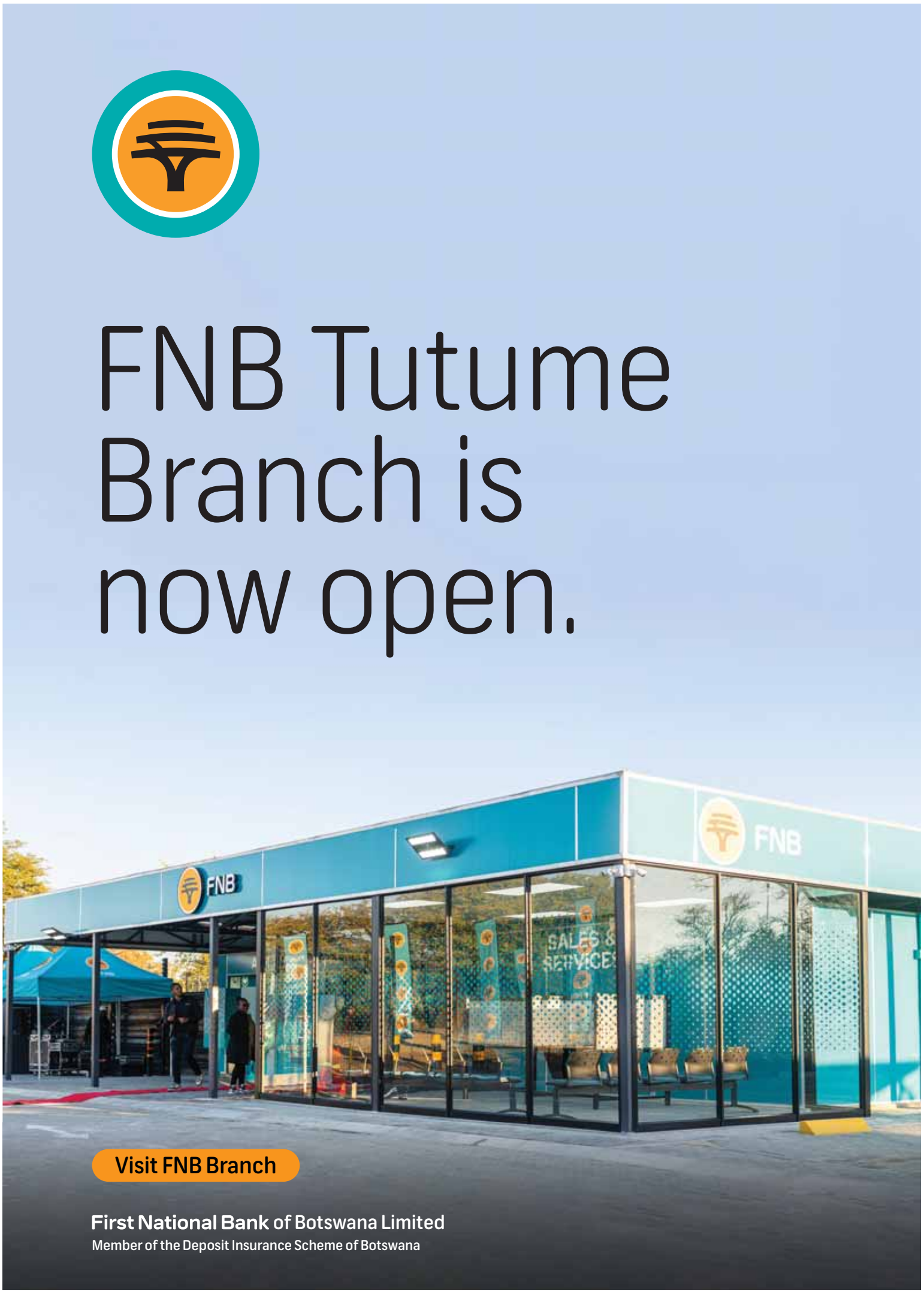
He said the framework helped identify gaps within the sector, measured tourism demand and supply and enabled authorities to better understand tourism’s overall contribution to the country’s Gross Domestic Product.

For her part, North West District office administrator, Ms Keamogetse Segokgo, said the launch marked an important step toward compiling regional Tourism Satellite Accounts that would provide district-level information on tourism’s contribution to local economies.

She said regional data would help communities better understand how tourism revenue circulates through businesses, supports employment and creates opportunities for local enterprises, while enabling authorities to make evidence-based decisions that promote inclusive growth.

Ms Segokgo further said the initiative was particularly significant for Maun as the gateway to the Okavango Delta, adding that reliable tourism statistics would play a critical role in guiding future investment decisions and ensuring communities derived meaningful benefits from the industry. ***BOPA***

*Tourism Satellite Account project leader Mr Kevin Millington*



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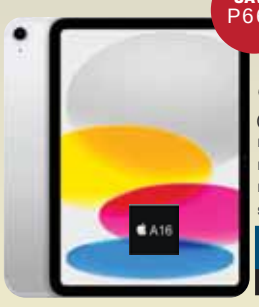

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**HONOR X7b**

**DISPLAY:** 6.80 Inches
**FRONT CAMERA:** 8MP
**REAR CAMERA:** 108+5+2MP
**STORAGE:** 6GB RAM | 256GB ROM

**P4,945**
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**HONOR X6a**

**DISPLAY:** 6.56 Inches
**FRONT CAMERA:** 5MP
**REAR CAMERA:** 50+2MP
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**HONOR X6b**

**DISPLAY:** 6.56 Inches
**FRONT CAMERA:** 5MP
**REAR CAMERA:** 50+2MP
**STORAGE:** 6GB RAM | 128GB ROM

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**Reno7 5G**

**DISPLAY:** 6.43 Inches
**FRONT CAMERA:** 32MP
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**STORAGE:** 8GB RAM | 256GB ROM

**P5,205**
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oppo
**Reno5 5G**

**DISPLAY:** 6.43 Inches
**FRONT CAMERA:** 32MP
**REAR CAMERA:** 64+8+2MP
**STORAGE:** 8GB RAM | 128GB ROM

**P4,785**
WAS P6,045

SAVE P1,890

oppo
**Reno7 Z 5G**

**DISPLAY:** 6.43 Inches
**FRONT CAMERA:** 16MP
**REAR CAMERA:** 64+2MP
**STORAGE:** 8GB RAM | 128GB ROM

**P4,155**
WAS P6,045

SAVE P1,400

oppo
**A74 5G**

**DISPLAY:** 6.50 Inches
**FRONT CAMERA:** 16MP
**REAR CAMERA:** 48+8+2MP
**STORAGE:** 6GB RAM | 128GB ROM

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**HONOR X5 Plus**

**DISPLAY:** 6.56 Inches
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## NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

**OWNER OF TRIBAL LOT NO 319** at Mahotswane wishes to change land use from residential to commercial. Contact Mabutsane Council physical planning office for objections at 588 9219 within 14 days of this publication.

**I, SEROPELA ROBERT NKUNGA** of plot no. 11245, Kazungula Flowertown wish to change land use from single-family to guest house. Any objections should be forwarded to Kasane buildings control office Chobe District Council on telephone no 625 4682 within fourteen (14) days of publication of this notice

**CHANGE OF LAND USE,** Bano Enterprises (Pty) Ltd, would like to change their agricultural plot at Mmanoko lands, Mmanoko to mixed use agriculture (commercial). For any queries contact Kweneng District Council, physical planning office (592 2191) or A.I Mohammed at 73 201 200 within 14 days of publication of notice.

**FEBBIE BUSANG OF NO 30339** Khurumela Palapye would like to change land use from single family to multi residential. Any objection contact Palapye District Council Physical Planning Office on telephone No 4930800 or 74 108 940 within fourteen days (14) of this publication.

**DARLSINAH MMATLI** of plot No 34546 Khurumela Palapye intends to erect a boundary wall. Any objection be forwarded to Palapye District Council Physical Planning Office on telephone 4930800 or 72 223 636 within fourteen days (14) of this publication.

**PLOT 7434 MARATANANG WARD,** Tlokweng is applying for change of land-use from single to multiresidential. Any objections phone Mpho Mautlane 71 604 723

## Notice of Next of Kin Meeting

### Administration of Estates Act *(Cap. 31:01)*

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that by virtue of **section 31** of the Administration of **Estates Act (Cap. 31:01)**, heirs and next of kin of the deceased person and all persons having claims against the below estate, are being called upon to attend a meeting 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 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 relatives.

| Name of Deceased Person | Estate Number | Date of meeting | Time | Master |
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**Master of the High Court**

## Notice to Debtors and Creditors

**Master's Reference:** *ESHGB – 0069-25*

**IN THE ESTATE** of the **late Hlonipa Ndjunga** who died at Nyangabwe Hospital ,Francistown , North East District on the 14th May, 2025.

**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 publication hereof.

**DATED at Maun this 24 June 2026**

**NEO MAURINE NDJUNGA,**
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**Propellers Sports Academy (Pty) Ltd** is a leading sports development organisation committed to promoting health, wellness, and youth development through quality sports programmes. Our services include swimming lessons, gymnastics, athletics, basketball, fitness and wellness programmes, school sports development, aquatic safety training, and sports event management.

**JOB SUMMARY**

Propellers Sports Academy is seeking enthusiastic, passionate, and qualified **2 GYMNASTICS COACHES** to join our team. The successful candidates will be responsible for planning and delivering gymnastics training programmes for children and young athletes, promoting physical fitness, coordination, flexibility, strength, and confidence in a safe and supportive environment.

**KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Plan and conduct gymnastics training sessions for participants of different ages and skill levels.
- Teach fundamental and advanced gymnastics techniques in accordance with recognized coaching standards.
- Monitor athletes' progress and provide constructive feedback.
- Ensure the safety and well-being of participants during all training sessions.
- Prepare gymnasts for competitions, exhibitions, and performances.
- Maintain gymnastics equipment and ensure training areas are safe and well organised.
- Promote discipline, teamwork, and sportsmanship among participants.
- Assist with gymnastics events, competitions, and community outreach programmes organised by the Academy.

**QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE**

- A recognised Gymnastics Coaching qualification or certification.
- Safeguarding Certificate
- A minimum of one (1) year of experience coaching gymnastics.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- Strong organisational and leadership skills.
- A passion for youth development through sport.
- Ability to work with children and young people in a positive and encouraging manner.

**HOW TO APPLY**

**Interested candidates should submit:**

- A detailed Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Certified copies of academic and professional qualifications
- Certified copy of National Identity Card/ Passport
- Contact details of at least two referees

**Applications should be addressed to:**
The Managing Director Propellers Sports Academy (Pty) Ltd
P O Box 40410 Gaborone, Botswana
**Email:** *info@propellers.co.bw / propellerssportsacademy@gmail.com*

**Closing date: 27th July 2026**

**Please note:** This advertisement will remain valid for six (6) months from the date of publication. Propellers Sports Academy reserves the right to consider suitable applicants for future Gymnastics Coach vacancies that may arise during this period.
***Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted***

CONSISTENCE | RESILIENCE | EXCELLENCE

## PIONEER ACADEMY – GHANZI, BOTSWANA

**VACANCY: GRADE 3 TEACHER**
**Requirements:**
- Degree/Diploma in Foundation or Intermediate Phase Education
- Cambridge Curriculum experience
- Computer literate; Google Workspace proficiency
- Ability to coach sport and lead extramural activities
- Passionate, dynamic educator
- Remedial education experience advantageous

Apply: Email CV, cover letter & supporting documents to head@pioneeracademy.ac.bw
**Closing date: 31 July 2026 Start date: 1 September 2026**

**PIONEER ACADEMY – GHANZI, BOTSWANA**
VACANCY: MATHEMATICS & PHYSICS TEACHER (SECONDARY)
**Requirements:**
- Certificate/Diploma in Further Education and Training Phase
- Cambridge Curriculum experience
- Computer literate; Google Workspace proficiency
- Ability to coach sport and lead extramural activities
- Passionate, dynamic educator
- Remedial education experience advantageous

Apply: Email CV, cover letter & supporting documents to head@pioneeracademy.ac.bw
**Closing date: 31 July 2026 Start date: 1 January 2027**

## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

A reputable diamond cutting and polishing company is inviting applications from suitably qualified and experienced candidates for the following position:

**Human Resource Assistant**

**Key Responsibilities:**
- Assist with recruitment and onboarding processes.
- Maintain and update employee records and HR databases.
- Prepare employment contracts, letters, and other HR documentation.
- Coordinate attendance, leave administration, and payroll-related information.
- Support employee relations, disciplinary, and grievance processes.
- Ensure compliance with company policies and Botswana labour legislation.
- Provide general administrative support to the Human Resources Department.

**Requirements:**
- Diploma or Degree in Human Resource Management, Business Administration, or a related field.
- Minimum of 2 years' experience in a Human Resources role.
- Sound knowledge of Botswana Employment and Labour Relations legislation will be an added advantage.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Outlook); experience with HRMS/Payroll systems will be an added advantage.
- Strong organisational, communication, and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to handle confidential information with professionalism and integrity.
- Self-motivated, detail-oriented, and able to work under pressure.

Applications should be accompanied by copies of certificates, national identity document (Omang), references from previous employers, and a detailed CV, addressed to:

**The Human Resources Department**
**Email:** *hrmanager@constellafrica.com*
WDM Botswana
P.O. Box 201654 Gaborone
**Closing Date: 31st July 2026**

## Eastern Gate Academy PRIMARY

**Applications are invited for the following positions:**
**Class teachers (Lower and Upper Primary)**
- Primary school trained
- Degree in Education
- Three years teaching experience in an English Medium School.
- Able to participate in Extra Mural Activities.
- Ability to take swimming as an Extracurricular subject is an added advantage.

**Send your CVs to: The Executive Secretary**
primary@ega.adventist.africa before 28/07/2026 +267 71 487 461

Owner of the field located at Lathapeo lands, Zoroga intends to apply for change of land use from Agriculture to mixed use Agriculture (Agriculture and Commercial).

Those who have objections to the Proposal are requested to forward them to Tutume District Council, Physical Planning Office or call Telephone Nos **2987232** within 14 days of publication of this notice

## NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

**RESEGO DAMBUZA** of plot No 20733/26999 Ext 2 Palapye would like to change land use from residential to multi residential. Any objection contact Palapye Physical Planning Office telephone 493 0800 or 74108940 within fourteen days (14) of this publication.

**OWNER OF PLOT 6266 AND 6267** at Gabane wishes to inform the owners of plot 6265 and plot 6268 at Gabane about the intention to erect a boundary wall. For any objection contact Mogoditshane District Council Physical Planning Office on telephone 316 6670 or in writing within 14 (14) days .

**OWNER OF PLOT 30395** Mogoditshane to change land use to a multi residential. If there are any queries, please contact Mogoditshane Council Physical Planning at 396 0773

**PLOT 7434 MARATANANG WARD,** Tlokweng is planning to erect a boundary wall. Any objections phone Mpho Mautlane 71 604 723

**SQUARELY (PTY) LTD INTENDS** to change its ploughing field in Molongwane area to agricultural mixed use to 50% agriculture and 50% industrial and commercial use. Whoever has any reservations please contact Kgatleng district council planning department on 577 7411 within 14 days from publication of this notice

**I HELEEN VAN NIEKEK OF PLOT 204** no. Tuutebe lands, Letlhakane hereby give notice of my intention to Sub – Divide property into seven portions and change land use on four resultant portions to mixed use. Any objection contact Boteti District Council at 2978330 / 297 8331.

## VACANCIES

**BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND** Compliance Officer wanted in Gaborone based company. Should have Diploma in Accounting and Business Studies, 10 years experience in Finance related field. Apply to: A² Engineering Consultants (Pty) Ltd P.O Box 2665 Gaborone. Closing date : 30/07/2026

## CHANGE OF LAND-USE

Owner of plot legally referred to as Lot 2239 at Bontleng, Gaborone, wishes to notify the public of their intention to change land-use from Residential to Multi residential.

In case of any queries, please contact Gaborone City Council, Physical Planning Department at Telephone No.3657561/91 or the Plot owner at 77101046 within 14 days of publication of this notice.

## NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

**Master's Reference:** ESHMX 000152-26

**IN THE ESTATE** of the Late **LAWRENCE MATJOLOGWE** who died at Sekgoma Memorial Hospital, Serowe, **Central-Serowe District**, Botswana on the **21st September 2024.**

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

**DATED at Mahalapye on this 24th Day of June 2026.**

**The Executrix** Susan Matjologwe
P.O. Box 72
**Cell:** 72 367 971 / 71 713 877

## 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 Administrative 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 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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| SILENT TLALE | ESHFT-0000435-23 | 08-09-26 | 0900Hrs | SARM 1 |

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 23rd DAY OF JUNE 2026**

**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

**NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS**
**Administration of Estates Act**
**[Cap.32:01]**

**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 Courts at Francistown High Court** on the date and time specified opposite the names of their deceased relatives for 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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| BLACKIE MANTSWE | ESHFT-000549-26. | 15-09-26 | 0900HRS | DRM |

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 29TH DAY OF JUNE 2026**

**KEBONANG J.**

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA**
**HELD AT GABORONE**

**CASE NO. CVHGB-003706-17**

**In the matter between:**

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|---|---|
| **BOTSWANA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION** | **PLAINTIFF** |
| and | |
| **UNITED REFINERIES BOTSWANA (HOLDINGS) (PTY) LTD** | **1ST DEFENDANT** |
| **SAMSON GUMA MOYO** | **2ND DEFENDANT** |
| **MMOLOKI TIBE** | **3RD DEFENDANT** |
| **BB TIEZE CHAPI** | **4TH DEFENDANT** |
| **TEC (PTY) LTD** | **5TH DEFENDANT** |

### NOTICE OF SALE IN EXECUTION – IMMOVABLE PROPERY

**BE PLEASED TO TAKE NOTCE** that pursuant to the judgment granted by the above Honourable Court, the following property will be sold by public auction by Deputy Sheriff Ditiro P Gabobakwe to the highest bidder as follows:

**DATE OF SALE:** **04 September 2026**
**TIME:** **10:00hrs**
**VENUE:** **Francistown Lot 43557**

**PROPERTY TO BE SOLD:** The Defendant's rights, title and interest to a certain piece of land being Lot 43557, Francistown (Portion of Lot 32247 Francistown) situated in the Francistown Administrative District measuring 5.5328 ha which property is held under certificate of registered title No. 875/14 dated 1st day of September 2014 made in favour of TEC (Proprietary) Limited with no development thereon.

**TERMS OF SALE:** Cash or electronic fund transfer. Detailed conditions may be inspected at the offices of Deputy Sheriff Ditiro P Gabobakwe. The Deputy Sheriff shall not be obliged to accept any bid made.

**DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 7th DAY OF JULY 2026**
**DEPUTY SHERIFF: DP GABOBAKWE, c/o DESAI LAW GROUP**
**Plaintiff's Attorneys, DLG House, Plot 2566, Extension 9, Off Nyerere Drive, Gaborone, P O Box 640, GABORONE**
**(REF: LB.cr.B0000041, 3162727 / 739003288/72901534**

## CONFIANCE CONSULTANCY PTY LTDJOB VACANCY

**Position**: **Fund Manager & Financial Structuring Specialist**

**Key Responsibilities**

Source and structure funding solutions for infrastructure, trade, energy, logistics, mining, agriculture, and development projects.

Develop relationships with international investors, banks, fund managers, and development finance institutions.

Identify qualified clients requiring funding, trade finance, or investment solutions.
Structure financial transactions including debt, equity, project finance, syndicated finance, and Islamic finance.

Prepare investment proposals, financial models, and funding documentation.
Lead negotiations and successfully close investment and funding transactions.
Expand the company's international business portfolio and strategic partnerships.

**Minimum Qualifications**

- Diploma In International Business and Marketing and Any Relevant Qualification
- Minimum of 5 years of proven experience in international business development, investment, trade finance, or financial structuring.
- Demonstrated experience in client referrals, business development, negotiation, and successful deal closing.
- Strong understanding of project finance, structured finance, investment products, and international funding mechanisms.
- Excellent communication, presentation, and negotiation skills.
- Ability to work independently and achieve performance targets.

**Preferred Experience**

- Experience working with international banks, investment funds, private equity firms, development finance institutions, or sovereign wealth funds.
- An established international network of investors and financial partners will be an added advantage.

**DATE LINE OF SUBMISSION IS 29TH JULY 2026**
**CONTACT US:**
**CONFIANCE CONSULTACY (Pty)Ltd**
**PLOT 58456, BLOCK 7**
**P.O.Box 50726,Gaborone,Botswana**
**TEL:+26771751598**

## APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED COPY OF LOST TITLE DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of title Deed No: 665/10/96 dated 23rd July, 1996 registered in favour of Rambao Sarefo , in respect of the following property:

CERTAIN: piece of Land Tribal lot 1017 Sedie ward, Maun
SITUATE: in Batawana Tribal Territory
MEASURING: 2445m² (Two Thousand Four Hundred and Forty Five Square Meters)

All persons having objections to the issuance of such copy are hereby required to lodge the same, in writing, with the Registrar of Deeds, Francistown within three (3) weeks from publication of this notice thereof.

## NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS

***Administration of Estates Act (Cap.31:01)***

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| Name of Deceased Person | Estate Number | Date Of Meeting | Time | Master |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| GAONTEBALE MOLOSIWA | ESHFT-000540-26 | 09-09-26 | 0900HRS | SARM2 |

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 24TH DAY OF JUNE 2026**
**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

**KEBONANG J.**

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA**
**HELD AT GABORONE**
**CASE NO. CVHGB-003706-17**
**In the matter between:**

| | |
|---|---|
| **BOTSWANA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION** | **PLAINTIFF** |
| and | |
| **UNITED REFINERIES BOTSWANA (HOLDINGS) (PTY) LTD** | **1ST DEFENDANT** |
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**DATE OF SALE:** **04 September 2026**
**TIME:** **10:00hrs**
**VENUE:** **Francistown Lot 43555**

**PROPERTY TO BE SOLD**: The Defendants' rights, title and interest to a certain piece of land being Lot 43555, Francistown (Portion of Lot 32247 Francistown) situated in the Francistown Administrative District measuring 15.4883 ha which property is held under certificate of registered title No. 874/14 dated 1st day of September 2014 made in favour of TEC (Proprietary) Limited with no development thereon.

**TERMS OF SALE:** Cash or electronic fund transfer. Detailed conditions may be inspected at the offices of Deputy Sheriff Ditiro P Gabobakwe. The Deputy Sheriff shall not be obliged to accept any bid made.

**DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 7th DAY OF JULY 2026**
**DEPUTY SHERIFF: DP GABOBAKWE, c/o DESAI LAW GROUP**
**Plaintiff's Attorneys, DLG House, Plot 2566, Extension 9, Off Nyerere Drive, Gaborone, P O Box 640, GABORONE**
**(REF: LB.cr.B0000041, 3162727 / 739003288/72901534**

Medlane™ day hospital

**NOW HIRING:**

**OPHTHALMOLOGIST (VITREORETINAL SURGEON)**

**Location:** Gaborone, Botswana
**Facility:** Day Hospital Botswana (Pty) Ltd t/a Medlane Day Hospital
**Position Type:** Full-Time | Senior Role
**Medlane Day Hospital** is expanding its Ophthalmology Centre of Excellence and invites applications from an experienced and highly skilled Ophthalmologist (Vitreoretinal Surgeon) to join our multidisciplinary specialist team in Gaborone, Botswana.
The successful candidate must possess advanced training and extensive experience in the medical and surgical management of retinal diseases and demonstrate excellence in both clinical care and academic practice.

**Minimum Requirements**

1) Medical Degree (MBBS, MBChB or equivalent) registrable with the Botswana Health Professions Council (BHPC).
2) Fellowship in Ophthalmology from a recognized international college.
3) Completed Fellowship or Subspecialty Training in Vitreoretinal Surgery from an internationally accredited institution.
4) Minimum of five years' independent post fellowship experience in vitreoretinal surgery.
5) Proven expertise in the management of complex retinal diseases including diabetic retinopathy, retinal detachments, macular disorders, retinal vascular diseases, ocular trauma and inherited retinal conditions.
6) Demonstrated proficiency in pars plana vitrectomy, scleral buckling, membrane peeling, macular hole surgery, complex retinal detachment repair, silicone oil procedures and laser retinal surgery.
7) Extensive experience in intravitreal pharmacotherapy, retinal imaging interpretation, fluorescein angiography and optical coherence tomography (OCT).
8) Experience in establishing and leading retinal services, multidisciplinary collaboration and mentoring junior ophthalmologists.
9) Active participation in clinical research, teaching and continuous professional development and contribution in publications significant to prevention and treatment retinal diseases.
10) Membership or Fellowship of recognized international ophthalmic societies will be an added advantage.

The successful applicant will be expected to contribute to the continued development of Medlane's retinal service, participate in outreach programmes, support teaching and research activities, and maintain the highest standards of patient care.
Interested applicants should submit a detailed curriculum vitae, copies of qualifications, proof of professional registration and contact details of three professional referees to:

**To Apply:** Send your CV, credentials, and a short statement of interest to maggie@medlane.co.bw OR call +267 3914099 for inquiries.

**Closing Date**: Monday 27 July 2026
Join us in restoring vision—and raising the standard of care.

## NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master's Reference: **ESHMY 003**

**IN THE ESTATES** of the Late **KGOPISO RAMMUTANA** who died at Princess Marina Hospital ,Gaborone –District, Botswana on the **17TH December 2023.** 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 Mahalapye on this 08 day of JULY 2026**

**THE EXECUTRIS DATIVE**
**Lydia Rammutane**
**PO BOX 31632**
**SEROWE**
**CELL: 77630697**

## 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 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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Gaokgobe Mokhurutshe | GFHFT-000192/25-26 | 08th September 2026 | 09000hrs | SARM2 |

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 8th DAY OF JULY 2025**
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

## NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS Administration of Estates Act [Cap.31:01]

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| Name of Deceased Person | Estate Number | Date Of Meeting | Time | Master |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TEBOGO SESINYI | ESHFT-000569-26 | 02-09-26 | 0900HRS | SARM 2 |

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 7 TH DAY OF JULY 2026**

**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

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

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| Name of Deceased Person | Estate Number | Date of Meeting | Time | Master |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| LUCY L. KGOSIETSILE | ESHFT-000538-26 | 08/09/26 | 0900HRS | SARM |

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 24TH DAY OF JUNE 2026
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

**NOW HIRING:**

Medlane day hospital

## REGISTERED THEATRE NURSE

**Location:** Gaborone, Botswana
**Facility:** Day Hospital Botswana (Pty) Ltd t/a Medlane Day Hospital
**Position Type:** Full-Time | Senior Role
Medlane Day Hospital is seeking to recruit a highly motivated, experienced and patient focused Botswana Registered Theatre Nurse to join our growing multidisciplinary surgical team in Gaborone, Botswana.
The successful candidate will play a key role in ensuring the safe and efficient delivery of perioperative nursing care across a range of surgical specialties including ophthalmology, general surgery, orthopedics, ENT, and other day surgical procedures.

**Minimum Requirements**

- Diploma or Degree in General Nursing from a recognized institution.
- Current registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Botswana.
- Post Basic Qualification in Operating Theatre Nursing.
- Minimum of five years' experience working in an operating theatre environment.
- Sound knowledge of aseptic technique, infection prevention and control, instrument sterilization and perioperative patient care.
- Competence in both scrub and circulating nurse roles.
- Experience assisting in ophthalmic surgery will be an added advantage.
- Ability to prepare operating theatres, manage surgical instruments and equipment, and maintain accurate theatre documentation.
- Strong communication, organizational and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to work effectively within a multidisciplinary team while maintaining the highest standards of patient safety and professionalism.
- Willingness to participate in an on call roster when required.

**Key Responsibilities**

- Prepare operating theatres and equipment before surgical procedures.
- Scrub and circulate during a wide range of surgical procedures.
- Ensure adherence to infection prevention and patient safety protocols.
- Maintain accurate theatre records and instrument counts.
- Assist with stock control, theatre equipment maintenance and quality improvement initiatives.
- Deliver compassionate, safe and evidence based perioperative nursing care.

Interested applicants should submit a detailed curriculum vitae, copies of qualifications, proof of professional registration and contact details of three professional referees to:

To Apply: Send your CV, credentials, and a short statement of interest to maggie@medlane.co.bw OR call +267 3914099 for inquiries.

**Closing Date: Monday 27 July 2026**

Join us in restoring vision—and raising the standard of care.

## IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN
## NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

**Master's Reference:** ESHFT 000410-24

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late Dumano Jori Sephela – ESHFT 000410-24 who died at Nyangabgwe Referral Hospital, Francistown District on **29th November 2023.**

**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 10TH DAY OF JUNE 2026**

Tapologa Dumano **Executor Dative**
P O BOX 36091
FRANCISTOWN

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

## NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

**Master's Reference: ESHMY 000092-26**

**IN THE ESTATES** of the Late **ISAAC MATEBELE** who died at Mosenya ward,Serowe ,Central-Serowe District, Botswana on the **01st March 2025.**
**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 Mahalapye on this 09 day of July 2026.**

**The Executor**
**Moeteledi Isaac**
**P O Box 3835**
**Serowe**
**Cell: 75599321**

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

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| Name of Deceased Person | Estate Number | Date of Meeting | Time | Master |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| KELEPEMANG BOITSHENYO | ESHFT-000531-26 | 15/09/26 | 0900HRS | SARM 2 |

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 2ND DAY OF JULY 2026
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

## NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master's Reference: **ESHGB 00045/26**

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **PARTWELL BWEZANI** who died at Gaborone,Commerce Park, Gaborone District, Botswana on the 8th day of October 2025

**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……On this ……Day of ……2025**

**……**
**The Executor Dative**
**Mary Bwezani**
**P O Box 2236 GABORONE**
**Cell:77168590**

KOPANO

Kopano School, Selebi-Phikwe **invites suitably qualified applicants for the following positions:**

**Primary & Secondary Level - Class Teachers for Pre-Primary - Standard 1-7, Secondary School subject specialists (Cambridge International Curriculum) – English, English Literature, Mathematics, Science – Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Setswana, French, History, Geography and Business Studies. Specialists in Art, Music, Setswana, PE and ICT, and Special Needs Teachers.**

**The successful candidate will ideally have the following qualifications and experience.**

- Bachelor of Education or Postgraduate Diploma in Education and/or a Diploma in Primary Education.
- Minimum of 4 years of teaching experience in Private Schools
- Experience teaching the Cambridge International Curriculum at the Primary and Secondary level. (Cambridge Primary Checkpoint, Lowery Secondary Checkpoint, IGCSE).
- Be willing to become fully involved in the school's curricular and co-curricular activities.
- The ability to swim and coach swimming would be an added advantage.

Apply to the **School Head Kopano School, P.O. Box 206, and Selebi-Phikwe** or email your full CV, certificates and references to **admin@kopanoschool.ac.bw**

**Closing date:** 21 July 2026

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## FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

**Master's Reference:** ESHGB001639/25

**IN THE ESTATE** of the Late **ALEXANDER FOWLIS** who died at Gaborone Private Hospital, Gaborone, **Gaborone District,** Botswana on the **20th** day of **December 2021**.

**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.

**DATED at Gaborone on this 7th Day of July 2026.**
**The Executor** Neil Brigham Alexander Fowlis
C/O Gaobatwe Law
P O Box 1131 AAD GABORONE
**TEL:** 396 1043

## 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 the deceased relatives for 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** - Thamani Ontiretse
**Estate Number:** ESHFT - 000567- 26
**Date of Meeting :** 16.09.26
**TIME:** 0900HRS
**MASTER:** SARM

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS DAY 7TH OF JULY 2026**
**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

## FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

**Master's Reference:** ESHGB-000212/26

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **JOHN MORO** who died at Tswagare Farms, Tswagare, Barolong District, Botswana on the **19th** day of **November, 2025**.

**THE FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT** in the **Estate will lie open** for the 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.

**DATED AT_ON THE_DAY OF _2026**

**The Executor** Elias Felix Ocitti
P. O. Box 21058 GABORONE
**TEL:** 71 626 073

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**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 | Number | Meeting | Time | Master |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| CHIDENISA SANDAKAZANA | ESHFT-000436-26 | 02-09-26 | 0900HRS | ARM |

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 23TH DAY OF JUNE 2026**

**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN**
ESHFT-000143-25

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **DUMILO FAITH SETLHARE- ESHFT-000143-25** who died at Francistown District, Republic of Botswana on the **12th day of June 2014.**

**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 24th DAY OF JUNE 2026**

KELENNETSE JAMBO
EXECUTOR DATIVE
P O BOX 107
LETLHAKANE

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

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN** ESHFT 00000618-24

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **NORMAN BRIGHT ESHFT 00000618-24** who died at Riverside Hospital, Francistown District on the **20th** day of **August 2023.**

**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 29th DAY OF JUNE 2026**

**JOYCE GAOLEBALE BRIGHT**
Executor Dative
**P O Box 10353, Tatitown**

**And To: Master Of The High Court**
Private Bag F13
**Francistown**

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN**
*ESHFT 000789-24*

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **ONTHUSITSE KATUNG ESHFT 000789-24** who died at Letlhakane District on the 15th November 2023

**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 29th DAY OF JUNE 2026**

**MAREA KATUNG**
EXECUTOR DATIVE
**LETLHAKANE**

AND TO: Master of the High Court
P O BOX 957
**FRANCISTOWN**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS** Master's Reference: ESHMY 000005-26

**IN THE ESTATES** of the Late **KOBAMELO NICHOLAS MOALAFHI** who died at Flowertown ward Mahalapye, Central- Mahalapye District, Botswana on the **28th August 2025** and **HANNAH MOALAFHI** who died at Lenmed Health Bokamoso P. Hospital, Mmopane, Botswana on the 2nd July 2016.
**NOTIC 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 Mahalapye on this 07th Day of July 2026.**

**The Executrix Dative**
Lorato Moalafhi
P O Box 2107
Mahalapye Cell: 71640556

**AND** The Executor Dative
Kabelo Gadilatolwe
P O Box 2107
MAHALAPYE
Cell: **74340634**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**
Master's Reference: **ESHMY 000192-26**

**IN THE ESTATES** of the Late **THEETSO DITAU** who died at Sekgoma Memorial Hospital, Serowe, Central-Serowe, Botswana on the **22nd May 2025.**

**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 Mahalapye on this 8th Day of July 2026.**

**The Executor Dative**
**Julius Ditau**
**P O Box 30460**
**SEROWE**
**Cell: 73530306**

**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 High Court at **Mahalapye High Court** on the date and time specified opposite the names of their deceased relatives for purposes of recommending for appointment, a person or persons as Executor/ Executrix Dative as well as identifying beneficiary and to discuss any other business relating to their deceased relative.

| Name of Deceased | Person Estate Number | Date of Meeting | Time | Master |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Arabang Mokgalagadi | ESHMY 000369-26 | 31.08.26 | 09000hrs | SARM |

**DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 07th DAY OF JULY 2025**
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN** ESHFT-**000476-26**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **GAOFOSE MHAPHA -ESHFT-000476-26** who died at Bokamoso Private Hospital on the **24th** of **May, 2026**

**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 10th DAY OF JUNE, 2026.**

Mr Maduo Kingsley Mhapha
**Executor Dative**
P O Box 2416
**Francistown**

Mrs Nandi Olebile Gopolang
**Executor Dative**
P O Box 2416
**Francistown**

**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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| PELOTONA MOSWEU | ESHFT-000575-26 | 16/09/26 | 0900HRS | ARM |

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 08TH DAY OF JULY 2026**

**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

**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 | Number | Date Of Meeting | Time | Master |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| MMANKHA BOTHOKO | ESHFT-000537-26 | 02-09-26 | 0900HRS | ARM |

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 24TH DAY OF JUNE 2026**
**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS** Master's Reference: ESHGB-001771/25

**IN THE ESTATE** of the **Late Edward Seleka Sephiri** who died at Plot 878 Shaudi Ward, Gabane, Kweneng District, Botswana on 26th June 2025.
**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.....2026.**

Executor Testamentary
Khumoyabeng N A Mokalake
P O Box V1669
RAMOTSWA CELL: 73649334/72159225

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**
**Master's Reference:** ESHMY **000253-26**

**IN THE ESTATES** of the Late **BOKHABE BASIMANEBOTLHE** who died at Nyangagwe Referral Hospital, Francistown, Francistown District, Botswana on the **16th December 2019.**
**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 Mahalapye on this 7th Day of July 2026.**

**The Executor Dative**
**Pelotshweu Monyena**
**P O Box 1982**
**Mahalapye**
**Cell: 77041621/ 77962724**

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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| GAOLAPELWE MOLWANTWA | ESHFT-000036-24 | 02-09-26 | 0900HRS | ARM |

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 24TH DAY OF JUNE 2026
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

**NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS**

**Administration of** Estates Act [Cap.31:01]

**NOTICE IS HEREBY** given by the virtue of section 31 of **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 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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| PEX MOLEELE | ESHFT-000571-26 | 16/09/26 | 0900HRS | SARM 1 |

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 08th DAY JUNE 2026**

**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

## 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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| DIKANAYE SIWANE | ESHFT-000570-26 | 16-09-26 | 0900HRS | DRM |

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 08TH DAY OF JULY 2026
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

## IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA
**HELD AT MAUN. Masters Reference ESHMN-000062-25**
**FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT.**

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **Mosheti Rethopa** ESHMN-000062-25 who died at Letsholathebe Memorial Hospital Maun on the 5th May 2024. Notice is hereby given that first and final liquidation and distribution account in the estate will be open for inspection at the chambers of the Assistant Registrar and Master of the High Court at Maun for a period of twenty one (21) days from the date of publication hereof.

**DATED AT MAUN THIS 8TH day of July 2026.**

Mpontshang Mosheti **Executor Dative**
Box 280 Maun
Cell Number: 73966114

**AND TO:** Master of High Court
Bag 0271 Maun

## 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 purposes of recommending for appointment, a person or persons as **Executor/Executrix Dative a**s 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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| MOTSHEREGANYI TIMOTHY | ESHFT-000572-26 | 16-09-26 | 0900hrs | SARM2 |

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 08TH DAY OF JULY 2026**

**MASTER OF HIGH COURT**

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

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| Name of Deceased Person | Estate Number | Date Of Meeting | Time | Master |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| OBOLETSE SAMSON AND ANNAH MOROTSI | ESHFT-0000483-26 | 01-09-26 | 0900HRS | SARM 2 |

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 22ND DAY OF JUNE 2026
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

## NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
**Master's Reference: ESHGB 000875/23**

**IN THE ESTATE** of the Late **MODIBEDI MATSETSE** who died at Princess Marina Hospital, Gaborone, Gaborone District, Botswana on the **18th day of September 2023.**

**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 _____ on this ____Day of_____2026**

**The Executor Dative**
**Naledi Stella Kabo Matsetse**
**P O Box 30337**
**TLOKWENG**

## NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
Master's Reference: **ESHGB 000331/25**

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **CYNTHIA PILANE** who died at Sir Ketumile Masire Hospital, Gaborone, Gaborone District, Botswana on **11th August 2021.**

**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 _____ on this _____Day of_____2026.**

Executor Dative
Sandie Kabelo Pilane
P O Box 1720
**GABORONE**
**CELL: 76400167**

## 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 **Mahalapye High Court** on the date and time specified opposite the names of their deceased relatives for 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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **GOBONAONE THANDIWA AKANYANG** | **ESHMY 000391-26** | **31.08.26** | **0900HRS** | **SARM** |

**DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 09TH JULY 2026**
**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

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

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| Name of Deceased Person | Estate Number | Date Of Meeting | Time | Master |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| OGOMODITSE O JOSEPH | ESHFT-000402-26 | 02-09-26 | 0900HRS | AR |

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 24TH DAY OF JUNE 2026**

**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

## NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS
*Administration of Estates Act (Cap.31:01)*

**NOTICE IS HEREBY** given by the virtue of section 31 of 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 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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| DIKALA GOSENYANG | ESHFT-000474-26 | 01/09/26 | 0900HRS | SARM 1 |

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 17TH DAY JUNE 2026**
**MASTER OF HIGH COURT**

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A LOST TITLE DEED

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned intends to apply for a certified copy of lost Title Deed No 2442/2021 dated **22 day of December 2021** Made in favor of Joint Estate of the late Nimrod Garayi and surviving spouse Oripah Garayi in respect of the Lot

**CERTAIN:** piece of land being Lot 8761 Gaborone

**SITUATE:** In Gaborone Administrative District

**MEASURING:** 525m²(five hundred and twenty five square metres)

**HELD UNDER:** Deed No. 2442/2021 Dated 22 December 2021
All persons having objections to the issue of such copy are hereby required to lodge the same with the Registrar of Deeds for Botswana at Gaborone within three (3) weeks from the last publication of this notice

**Date at Gaborone on this 2nd day of July 2026**
APPLICANT
Name JANET GARAYI
Address BOX 20335 GABORONE

## NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETING
**Admiration 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 in of deceased and persons having claims against the above estate, are being called upon to attend before the **Master of the high court at Mahalapye High Court** on the date and time specified opposite the names of their deceased relatives for purposes of recommending for appointment, a person or person as Executor /Executrix Dative as well as identifying beneficiaries and to discuss any other business relating to their deceased relative

| Names of Deceased Person | Estate Number | Date of meeting | Time | Master |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **KHUTSAFALO BABUILE** | ESHMY00172_26 | 24.08.26 | 0900HRS | SARM |

**DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 12 JUNE 2026**
**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

## URGENTLY REQUIRED

Research Coordinator for CIET research programme in Botswana
**Responsibilities:** Coordinate CIET research activities in Botswana, managing project planning, implementation, and reporting.
**Minimum qualifications:** First degree in health or social sciences; minimum 5 publications in international peer-reviewed journals.
**Required experience:** At least **10 years** of undertaking population health research in southern Africa; training, supervising, and monitoring field research teams.

Applications: Submit full CV and letter of application to
P O Box 1240, Gaborone, Botswana or cietbotswana@gmail.com
before **25th July 2026.**

## NOTICE FOR A CERTIFIED COPY OF LOST DEED

**Notice is hereby Given** that the undersigned intents to apply for a **certified Copy Of Deed No: TL 261/2022** dated **11th** day of **March 2022.**

Made in favour of **David Dorp Segobaets**o In respect of:

**CERTAIN** : Piece of land being Lot **22550 Mochudi**
**SITUATE** : At Mochudi (Cadastre 28) in the Bakgatla Tribal Territory
**MEASURING** : **2857 m²** (Two thousand Eight Hundred and fifty-seven square meters)
**HELD UNDER** : Title Deed No. TL261/2022 Dated **11th day** of **March 2022** In favour of **David Dorp Segobaetso**

**All person having objection** to **the issue of such copy are hereby required to lodge the same in writing** with the registrar of **Deeds, PRIVATE BAG 0020 Gaborone** within **three (3) weeks** of the last publication of this notice hereof.

**DATED AT Gaborone on this 02nd day of July 2026**

**APPLICANT**

## 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 Mahalapye High Court on the date and time specified opposite the names of their deceased relatives for 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 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| MABLE MPOFU | ESHMY 000446-26 | 25.08.26 | 09000HRS | SARM |

**DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 6 TH JULY 2026**

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# Collaboration effective in anti-crime fight

**Semakaleng Edward**
**TATI SIDING**

House breaking, theft and gender-based violence remain dominant criminal activities in Tatisiding.

Speaking at a crime prevention exposition on Friday, station commander for Gerald Police Station in Francistown, Ms Emily Kula said in order to address the growing incidents, community members should work together in unison as fragmented efforts would not bear much fruit.

"House breaking and theft currently stands at six in Tatisiding from January to June while threat to kill and rape numbers add up to eight, which is a concern," she said.

Ms Kula said the police were working hard to eliminate crime in their policing area, explaining that some of the strategies they used included addressing school children at variuos schools, the objective being to sensitise them and encourage them to shun crime.

"We also hold public meetings to try and bring awareness to the community about crime," she added. Kgosi Mmopi Mmopelwa of Tatisiding's Gulubane ward concurred on the importance of community members working as a unit in the fight against crime.

He said crime could be tackled more effectively when residents pulled in the same direction.

Thus, he encouraged residents to each play a role in the fight against crime, and he also urged them to share crime prevention messages with each other in order to heighten awareness and ensure that everyone played a role in fighting the societal ill.

Chairperson of the steering committee of the expo, Mr George Abel said the objective of the expo was to educate the community on the negative impact of crime, as well as to encourage the formation of neighbourhood watch committees in the village.

Further, he said the expo was also intended to promote the spirit of community policing, which he said was an effective strategy in fighting crime. ***BOPA***

*Assistant Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education, Mr Justin Hunyepa (centre) touring stalls during Tatisiding Crime Prevention Expo on Friday. He said every household and community had a duty to protect children, nurture them and eliminate the conditions that bred crime.* Photo: Ogopoleng Kgomoethata

# Officials encourage food handlers to raise the bar

**Relief Lephutshi**
**KANYE**

Following a recent operational inspections of businesses by the Kanye District Council's department of environmental health last month, the exercise had compelled the council to conduct a food handling workshop to counteract the poor food handling practices by some businesses, especially those licensed to trade.

Highlighting on the objectives of the workshop recently, Kanye District Council's Chief Public Health Officer, Mr Songa Mosweu said the workshop was not only about compliance, but building a culture of food safety and public health accountability.

He said the inspections had revealed some gaps on areas of hygiene, food storage and preparation.

Thus, he said the workshop provided corrective measures on the said issues through education.

Mr Mosweu said training provided kitchen staff and business managers understand what to do, saying expectation was that food handling standards would be reinforced.

Again, Mr Mosweu said this would also contribute to reduced risk of foodborne illnesses, hence protecting both the consumer and reputation of food business.

When sensitising kitchen employees on food safety and hygiene, Ms Malebogo Ralefala, a food scientist at the National Agricultural Research and Development Institute (NARDI), highlighted on food safety and culture, citing the traditional way of preparation meat and serving times. She said oftentimes it contradicted standard temperatures at which the meat should be consumed after cooking hence resulting in upset stomach in some people.

She further shared required temperatures for raw and cooked foods, saying temperatures should be adequate and maintained at a level they could maintain the nutrient value.

Participants were apprised on food processing, food contamination as well as the shelf life of some products and on that note, they were advised on proper voluntary surrender and disposal of food stuff, and disposal tools were shared and explained to them.

One of the attendees, Ms Masingwaneng Kotlhao of Flamingo Supermarket in Tloung Ward, said food handling businesses were entrusted with giving people safe food and therefore urged business operators to ensure that customers could trust them with their health.

Kanye Business chairperson, Ms Patricia Tomlinson applauded Kanye District Council and NARDI, for organising the workshop.

She encouraged participants to use the education shared with them to better the way they handle food, from preparation to the consumer as well as cleaning their kitchen environments.

She said they should not look at public health enforcers as enemies to their businesses but as partners.

For his part, Kanye District Council Deputy Council Secretary-Infrastructure, Mr Emmanuel Kganetso, said food handling in shops was a concern and warned that food contamination was a danger, which was birthed by poor food hygiene practices.

Mr Kganetso urged food handlers to exercise caution and follow standard procedures on handling food. ***BOPA***


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# EXPRESSION OF INTEREST NOTICE

## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI): CO-OPTED MEMBERS OF BOARD COMMITTEES AIR BOTSWANA CORPORATION

Air Botswana Corporation invites suitably qualified and experienced persons to submit expressions of interest for consideration as Co-opted Members of selected Board Committees.

The Corporation seeks to strengthen Committee-level governance, independent oversight, technical capability and turnaround assurance in the following Committees: Business Development Committee; Human Resources Committee; Quality, Safety and Security Committee; and Finance, Risk and Audit Committee.

### Nature of Appointment

1. The appointment is for Committee-level service only.
2. Co-opted Members shall not be members of the Board of Air Botswana Corporation and shall not vote at Board level.
3. Co-opted Members may participate and vote only at Committee level, subject to the applicable Committee Terms of Reference and Board-approved governance framework.
4. The engagement shall not constitute employment with Air Botswana Corporation.

### Required Skills and Experience

Applicants should possess strong technical competence in one or more of the following areas and should preferably have experience in turnaround strategy, institutional recovery, restructuring, transformation or performance improvement within a regulated, commercial, public enterprise, aviation, transport, infrastructure or similarly complex operating environment.

| Committee | Committee Relevant Skills and Experience |
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| **Human Resources Committee** | Strategic HR, executive recruitment, organisational design, industrial relations, performance management, succession planning remuneration governance, organisational restructuring, culture transformation and change management. |
| **Quality, Safety and Security Committee** | Aviation safety, aviation security, quality assurance, regulatory compliance, IOSA/ ICAO standards, operational risk, safety culture, audit assurance, compliance remediation and safety maturity improvement. |
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2. At least ten years' senior-level experience in a relevant discipline.
3. Demonstrable governance, oversight or advisory experience.
4. Demonstrable experience in supporting, leading or advising on turnaround strategy, recovery planning, restructuring, transformation or institutional performance improvement will be an added advantage.
5. Sound ethical standing and independence of judgement.
6. No material conflict of interest with Air Botswana Corporation.
7. Willingness to undergo fit-and-proper assessment, reference checks, qualifications verification and conflict-of-interest screening.

### Submission Requirements

1. Application letter indicating the Committee of interest.
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5. Declaration of interests.
6. At least two professional references.

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Arts & Culture

# Bimbo passion for music continues to inspire

**Letticia Nnokotema**
**TSABONG**

For many artists, music begins as a hobby. For Thabo Bimbo, also known as Tizo, it became a calling that has evolved into a career spanning nearly two decades.

It has earned him recognition as one of Botswana's dedicated performers and he has used his talent to uplift communities and mentor young people.

Born in Draaihoek, he attributes his musical identity to the rich cultural heritage of his upbringing. Surrounded by traditional music and cultural expression from an early age, Bimbo developed a deep appreciation for music that would later shape his artistic journey.

His passion continued to grow throughout his childhood until, after completing Form Five in 2005, he made the life-changing decision to pursue music professionally.

His breakthrough came after being introduced to the professional music industry by mentor Evans Modubule, known in the music industry as Mr Tagg, who recognised his potential and encouraged him to develop his talent. Just a year later, Bimbo released his debut kwaito album, Lekgwatlha, in 2006.

The album introduced audiences to his distinctive sound, blending contemporary kwaito rhythms with influences drawn from Botswana's cultural heritage.

Determined to sharpen both his artistic and entrepreneurial abilities, Bimbo pursued a Diploma in Music Design at Limkokwing University of Creative Technology, graduating in 2019.

His career continued to gain momentum in 2008 when he joined, So Hype Records, under the management and production of Massie Hule, a move that opened new opportunities for collaboration and artistic growth.

Two years later he released his second album, It's On, featuring collaborations with well-known artists including T.H.A.B.O, Punah and Shanti Lo, demonstrating his versatility and continued evolution as a musician.

Bimbo's energetic stage presence has seen him entertain audiences at events such as the Tsabong Orange Togetherness celebrations, the Maitisong Festival, the Khawa Dune Challenge and Cultural Festival, the Tsabong Annual Agricultural Show.

Despite his success, Bimbo admits that his musical journey has not always been easy.

"My passion for music is what keeps me going. I nearly gave up almost two years, but after losing a close friend, I released a dedication song titled: Tsala Yame. That song helped me heal and reminded me why I started making music. Since then, I came back fully into music," he said.

The emotional experience became a turning point in his career, strengthening his determination to continue using music as a platform to tell stories that resonate with people.

While music is his passion, community service has become equally important to him. He has performed for children at SOS Children's Village in Tlokweng, supported fundraising initiatives for underprivileged children, organised entertainment concerts for boarding school students and delivered motivational talks to young people in Kgalagadi.

His commitment to nurturing emerging talent has also seen him facilitate music workshops at Tsabong Unified Secondary School and serve as a judge during school competitions, where he shares his experience with aspiring performers.

Bimbo says his greatest dream is to create opportunities that were not readily available when he started his career.

"I hope to establish a fully facilitated recording studio in Tsabong to help harness and nurture talent in Kgalagadi South," he said.

He believes such a facility would allow young musicians to develop their skills locally while reducing the need to travel long distances in search of recording services and professional guidance.

Bimbo is preparing to release a new single soon, produced by DJ Skizo Bw.

He said the project challenged him to step outside his comfort zone by blending house, amapiano, afro-pop and traditional music into one production.

For him, embracing different genres reflects his willingness to grow as an artist. ***BOPA***

*Having spent nearly two decades in the music industry, Bimbo continues to thrive through his passion for music and is set to release a new single before the end of July.*

*Botswana singer, Ontefetse Osego has been awarded an opportunity to participate in the famous* Britain's Got Talent *competition, slated for London in October.* Photo: Baldwin Nyamande

# Osego earns slot in *Britain's Got Talent*

**Keith Keti**
**SEROWE**

Guided by a relentless drive, sharp problem-solving skills, and deep emotional intelligence, Ontefetse Osego continues to dazzle in music circles, continuously innovating and inspiring those around him.

A uniquely gifted individual with an effortless mastery of music, Osego regularly vocalises, croons, and warbles highly complex songs and lyrics with absolute ease.

His rise to prominence began in 2016 when he emerged victorious in Botswana's local talent competition, My Star Botswana, winning the Best of the Best Champion title, which served as a springboard for his greatness.

In an interview, Osego noted that he was the only Motswana to hold that specific title.

Since then, he has worked tirelessly to build his musical career with a clear vision: taking Botswana's local talent to international platforms.

Driven by his musical prowess, Osego has been awarded an opportunity to participate in the famous Britain's Got Talent competition, slated for October this year in London.

He expressed that the opportunity is not just a personal dream, but a massive stage for the country to showcase its rich, diverse talent, culture, creativity, and youth potential to the world.

Given that *Britain's Got Talent* is one of the largest international entertainment platforms globally, watched by millions of viewers across continents, Osego highlighted that his participation will bring tangible benefits to Botswana.

The move will offer international exposure, promote tourism and cultural diversity, unlock global networking opportunities, and advance career development. It will also foster international partnerships for local creatives.

Furthermore, participating in the competition will allow him to study international production standards, artist branding, talent management, event coordination, and entertainment business structures, knowledge he intends to bring back to benefit the country.

He aims to use the platform to create future opportunities for other equally talented Batswana.

Osego is dyed-in-the-wool to represent Botswana with discipline, professionalism, humility, and patriotism, adding that this journey is bigger than individual fame because it builds bridges for future generations.

He believes his participation will inspire many young Batswana to believe in themselves, their talents, and their dreams.

Additionally, he noted that this milestone will elevate the local arts and entertainment sector to greater heights, steer young people away from drugs, crime, and hopelessness, and build confidence and national pride.

"My participation in *Britain's Got Talent* will help young people develop careers in music, media, production, fashion, sound engineering, and events management," said Osego.

He underscored his obligation to teach Batswana youth to view talent as a career, a business, and a tool for national development.

Osego's biggest dream is to establish a powerful, professional talent platform in Botswana and Africa that will unite African cultures through music and entertainment, foster relations with reputable artists, and create employment.

He believes this will ensure high-quality, memorable productions that honour legends while building international connections.

"I have observed the professionalism of international productions and memorial services abroad, and I believe Botswana deserves world-class entertainment and tribute productions that honor our icons with excellence and dignity," he said.

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# Bale merges fine art and eco-conservation

**Keetile Bontsibokae**
MOLEPOLOLE

Kenneth Bale said his artistry focused on contemporary African identity, emotional storytelling, conservation and symbolic blue-toned portraiture.
Photos: Courtesy of Kenneth Bale

At just eight-years-old, Kenneth Bale discovered that a pencil and sketchpad could say the things his voice could not.

Buffeted by academic struggles and the devastating, early loss of his mother, art became his quiet sanctuary.

Today, the Francistown-born creative has transformed that personal survival mechanism into a loud and vibrant professional calling.

Professionally known as 'Artistic Bale,' he is no longer just painting to escape, but to trigger a national movement that links contemporary African identity directly with environmental survival.

Currently splitting his creative time between Gaborone and the Mokolodi Nature Reserve, Bale is building a distinct body of work that merges fine art, visual literature and environmental consciousness.

"My work focuses on contemporary African identity, emotional storytelling, conservation and symbolic blue-toned portraiture. Through independent practice and creative development programmes, I have focused on merging fine art with environmental awareness through projects like Blue Tapestry," he explains.

Looking back, the evolution from a childhood sanctuary to a professional career was cemented during a period of global stillness.

Though art was a lifelong companion, Bale turned professional during the 2020 pandemic lockdown, using the isolation to fully commit to his career as a visual storyteller.

"While I struggled academically and personally, sketching and painting gave me direction. Art became my escape, my voice and eventually my purpose. I am deeply inspired by everyday life, people, the streets and traditional African storytelling, but my biggest inspiration emanates from pain, survival and the need to heal," he recalls.

Since taking that professional leap, Bale has built an impressive resume. He was recently selected as one of five artists to participate in a live painting activation during the World Athletics Relays event in Botswana.

He has also completed two art residencies and successfully hosted four solo exhibitions. His creative growth is heavily tied to his affiliation with the Art Residency Centre (ARC), a platform that exposed him to collaborative environments and mentorship. His environmental background and volunteer work at Mokolodi Nature Reserve heavily influence his physical medium, he frequently sources raw materials from local hardware shops, recycling centre and found objects.

That culminated in Blue Tapestry, a multidisciplinary exhibition that was held from May 30-31 this year at the Worldview Conference Centre in Mokolodi Nature Reserve. Supported by in-kind sponsorships and venue collaborations with the reserve and local businesses, the project beautifully espouses visual art with environmental awareness.

Despite his rising profile, Bale remains candid about the hurdles that African artists face.

"One of the biggest challenges is limited access to funding, professional exposure and sustainable creative opportunities. Many people still underestimate art as a serious career, making it difficult to secure investment. Balancing creativity with survival, managing materials, transport, exhibition costs and marketing independently, is a constant tightrope walk," he says.

Furthermore, Bale points to intellectual property theft and a lack of legal awareness as systemic issues plaguing local creatives. Yet, he views these hurdles as refining fires.

As technology and artificial intelligence rapidly reshape the creative landscape, Bale remains unthreatened.

"I don't see AI as the death of traditional art, but rather as a challenge for artists to become more original and intentional. The danger comes when technology creates work without cultural depth, emotional experience or human struggle. Traditional art carries history, touch, imperfections and spirit. The future belongs to artists who can balance innovation while preserving authenticity," he says.

This human element is exactly what draws people to his work.

"Kenneth's work feels deeply human," notes an avid supporter. "Every painting carries emotion and memory in a way that makes you stop and reflect."

Pavithra, an art enthusiast and collector, agrees 'What draws me is the vulnerability and symbolism. His use of blue tones creates an incredible psychological depth that is both personal and universal.'

With Botswana celebrating 60 years of independence in September, Bale believes that artists play a vital role as cultural reservists and patriots.

Bale's ultimate vision is to build a globally recognised creative movement where art serves as a tool for healing, identity and environmental awareness among young people.

He aims to establish studios, mentorship spaces and travelling exhibitions that give youth, especially those from broken or overlooked backgrounds and a sense of belonging.

To achieve the nationwide, Bale argues that systemic change is required thus calls on the Ministry of Sport and Arts to pivot its approach."Stay authentic to your voice and your story. The world might make you feel like you need to imitate trends to be seen, but your uniqueness is your greatest strength," says Bale .***BOPA***

# Osego earns slot in *Britain's Got Talent*

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Osego is no newcomer to the industry; his music career dates back to his college days at Moeng Senior Secondary School in 2009, where he regularly led the school assembly with powerful songs.

In recognition of his outstanding musical performance, the school management gave him a set of musical instruments—comprising a guitar, drums, and a keyboard to help him further develop his talent.

During his debut appearance on "My Star" in 2013, he was noticed and sponsored by Choppies Botswana to hone his vocal skills at the Campus of Performing Arts (COPA) in Pretoria, South Africa. Later, the then Ministry of Youth Empowerment, Sport and Culture Development (now the Ministry of Sport and Arts) sponsored him to study sound engineering at CityVarsity in Cape Town, South Africa, from 2015 to 2017.

Reacting to the news, the Chief Executive Officer of the National Arts Council of Botswana (NACB), Mr Gaokgakala Lemmenyane, said in a Thursday interview that having a Motswana creative invited to audition on a global platform is a proud moment for the country and a major achievement for the creative sector.

"It shows that our artists can compete at the highest level and that Botswana's talent, culture, and stories have global appeal," Mr Lemmenyane said.

He added that the National Arts Council actively encourages local artists to pursue opportunities beyond Botswana's borders.

He noted that there has never been a better time to do so, as the Global North is increasingly open to and interested in African talent, showing a growing appreciation for African music, fashion, dance, and storytelling.

To this end, Lemmenyane said this kind of exposure helps artists build sustainable careers, access new markets, and showcase Botswana to the world.

He believes that participating in global platforms portrays Botswana in a positive light, celebrating the country as a beacon of success and a renowned 'diamond of Africa'.

Furthermore, he noted that when artists perform on international stages, they become cultural ambassadors.

This creates awareness and curiosity about Botswana's culture, heritage, and creative industries, helping position the country as more than just a wildlife-driven tourism destination.

He explained that modern travellers increasingly seek authentic cultural experiences. Showcasing Botswana's music, dance, fashion, and artistic talent to global audiences will enhance its international profile and boost cultural tourism.

Mr Lemmenyane also emphasized that arts and culture are powerful tools for cultural diplomacy. When a Motswana artist appears on an international platform, they build connections between people and countries, fostering mutual understanding and strengthening relationships.

From a bilateral relations perspective, he stated that the NACB is always looking for opportunities that create market access for artists, encourage cultural exchange, and strengthen partnerships between Botswana and other countries.

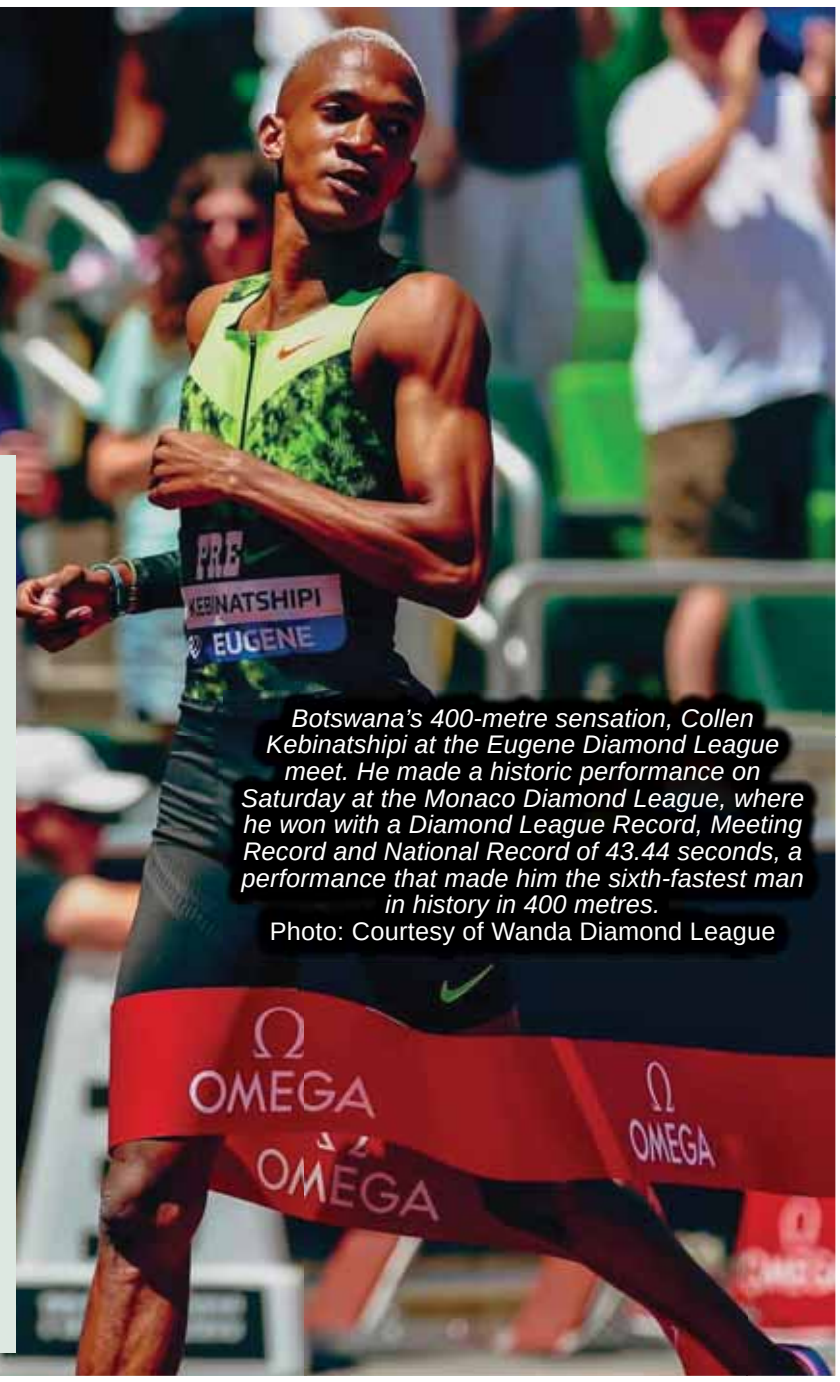
He believes such opportunities open doors for collaboration, skills transfer, and greater participation in international creative markets.

Offering advice, the CEO spoke on the need for continued investment in talent development, arts education, mentorship, funding, and international exposure to ensure Botswana artists continue to shine on the global stage.

He added that strong collaboration between the government, the private sector, and industry stakeholders is paramount to creating growth opportunities for artists to compete globally.

"At the same time, our creatives must remain authentically Botswana," he said, reiterating that the world is increasingly looking to Africa for unique stories, sounds, and cultural expressions. .***BOPA***

# ‘Chasing world record not priority yet’




*Botswana’s 400-metre sensation, Collen Kebinatshipi at the Eugene Diamond League meet. He made a historic performance on Saturday at the Monaco Diamond League, where he won with a Diamond League Record, Meeting Record and National Record of 43.44 seconds, a performance that made him the sixth-fastest man in history in 400 metres.*
Photo: Courtesy of Wanda Diamond League

**Anastacia Sibanda**
**GABORONE**

Although the global track and the field community is talking about Botswana’s 400-metre sensation Collen Kebinatshipi breaking the world record, his own coaching team has deliberately chosen to stay out of the conversation.

Fans and sports media started the conversation after his race at the Monaco Diamond League where he won the event with a Diamond League Record, Meeting Record, and National Record of 43.44 seconds, a performance that made the 22-year-old sprinter the sixth-fastest man in history in 400m.

Now, onlookers everywhere expect him to challenge Wayde van Niekerk’s legendary world record of 43.03 seconds.

However, his coach Chilume ‘Chippa’ Ntshwarang has made it clear that chasing the world record was not their main priority right now.

Ntshwarang said the athlete’s physical fitness was currently at its highest level, adding that the primary goal right now was for Kebinatshipi to run and enjoy competing on the international athletic circuit.

The coach said that while the runner’s body condition was perfectly positioned to drop even faster times, they currently had no world record discussions inside their training camp.

Furthermore, he said their running approach was an evolving strategy, testing different methods to gauge what worked best for them on the track.

According to Ntshwarang, the athlete used to come out of the starting blocks very fast in his past races, adding that this year, they decided to try a different tactic by controlling the first 200m of the race first, allowing Kebinatshipi to save enough energy to produce a much stronger finish at the very end.

“We are currently trying different approaches to see what can work best for us, but currently I can say all the strategies are working for us,” he said.

As it stands, this silence is a careful choice designed to protect the 22-year-old runner. While pundits debate the numbers and mathematical projections, the coaching staff chooses to stay quiet, given that the heavy pressure of chasing historical times can easily hurt an athlete’s physical and mental progress.

By staying out of the public debate, Kebinatshipi’s team keeps him focused on long-term success rather than quick fame.

Ntshwarang said their daily training centred entirely on basic race tactics, physical fitness, and steady improvement.

In the same Monaco meet, fellow Botswana star, Letsile Tebogo also competed, finishing fifth with a time of 10.04 seconds in the 100m event. ***BOPA***

# Six nations to slug it out for top spot

**Thato Mosinyi**
**GABORONE**

Euphoria hits the basketball fraternity as Botswana readies for International Basketball Federation (FIBA) 3x3 Under 23 Nations League hosting to be played at the Royal Aria Stadium in Tlokweng from July 20 to 26.

The tournament is guaranteed to bring the crème de la crème of basketball that Africa South Conference can offer under one roof, as six nations are expected to slug it out as a pathway to the Los Angeles 2028 Summer Olympic games.

Elite squads from Algeria, Angola, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Madagascar and Botswana will lock horns for a podium finish and secure a place at the Olympic Q-series 2028 games in Tokyo and Shanghai in May 2028.

The hosting of the games is a monumental and ornamental achievement and therefore would put the icing on the cake given that the country had already hosted major regional tournaments like the African Union Sports Council Region 5.

In addition, the country had also hosted under 20 Youth Games and the Zone VI basketball club championships preliminaries.

However, Botswana Basketball Association (BBA) president, Mothusi Thipe said in an interview that the country was ready to host and compete in the tournament highlighting the importance of hosting a tournament of such magnitude.

Thipe said the Local Organising Committee (LOC) was fully mobilized to deliver a world-class FIBA 3x3 Nations League Tournament.

Further, he said the LOC was finalising all operational logistics, venue branding, and team hospitality frameworks to guarantee a seamless, high-octane for athletes and fans alike.

With regard to team Botswana’s readiness, Thipe said BBA recently organised a training camp under the tutelage of a renowned French tactician, Richard Billat, whose international proficiency brought depth to the sport.

He said the high-performance camp was to equip participants and to ensure that theww athletes could match their opponents pound for pound.

Working hand-in-hand with Billat was a dedicated cohort of exceptional local coaches, and tactical and technical minds of Shallo Matsetse, Dingane Motswadira, Atang Lefolwane,Calvin Mophato and Motheo Semausu who guided the players through daily drills, tactical spacing and simulated high-pressure game scenarios.

These team of experts, he said focused on the unique, rapid-fire demands of the 3x3 format being more oriented on rapid transitions, individual shot-creation and relentless defensive switching.

He said among the core focuses of the high-performance camp was the development of a lethal women’s roster capable of utilising home-court advantage to the maximum.

Therefore, he noted that the training camp provided an intensive environment for the rising stars of both the girls’ and boys’ squad to solidify their chemistry and individual skill sets.

Also, he said they used the training camp to ensure that the squad was fine-tuned and conditioned for perimeter shooting and half-court execution, signaling their readiness to cause havoc. ***BOPA***

# Jwaneng to host inaugural TKC Golf Day

**Kehumile Moekejo**
**JWANENG**

The Trans Kalahari Corridor Secretariat (TKCS) has identified Jwaneng as a strategic place to hold the inaugural Trans Kalahari Corridor Investment and Connectivity Gold Day on September 12.

With a proposed theme: A Swing for a Purpose, A Wave for a Story-Driving Trade, Linking Markets, the event is aimed at highlighting golf as a platform for promoting investment and enhancing regional collaboration for government and the private sector.

Subsequently, Jwaneng was selected as a strategic location, owing to its proximity to the corridor and availability of adequate golf facilities.

“This is one of the initiatives that we came up with to help with transforming the TKC into an economic corridor,” TKC marketing and communications manager, Ms Ankwetse Hunda said during a breakfast meeting with Jwaneng District leadership recently.

She noted that the event coincided with Botswana’s 60th anniversary independence in order to accord organisations and local authorities an opportunity to reflect on their growth since independence.

In addition to stimulating economic activity along the corridor, the initiative is also intended to bridge the gap between markets available within the corridor partners and beyond.

Additionally, she said the event aimed at attracting investment opportunities in areas such as transport infrastructure, logistics as well as mining value chains, thereby positioning Botswana as a destination of choice for investors.

Jwaneng Mayor, Mr Ronica Ntsimako embraced the initiative, which he said resonated with their aspiration of positioning Jwaneng for a sustainable future beyond diamond mining, which entails unlocking opportunities in various sectors including sport and tourism.

He said the council, in collaboration with other stakeholders, continued to invest in infrastructure that would enhance the economic opportunities along the corridor, as well as contributing to the national objective of economic diversification.

He applauded TKCS for its commitment to exploring economic activities that could benefit the communities along the corridor.

While he noted that Jwaneng was ready to host the envisioned Golf Day and other similar events, he underscored the need for road users to exercise utmost responsibility to ensure that the economic opportunities offered by the corridor were sustainable and impactful.

Consequently, Jwaneng District Commissioner, Mr Goleba Kgari implored businesses and industry players to position themselves to make the most of the upcoming event, which he said would go a long way in stimulating the local economy.

He said this was an opportunity to promote tourism, which was one of the key priorities of the Botswana Economic Transformation Programme. ***BOPA***

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*Minister of Sport and Arts, Jacob Kelebeng (centre) and other officials with Team Botswana during the Glasgow 2026 sendoff ceremony in Tlokweng on Friday.*

# Kelebeng psychs up athletes

**Anastacia Sibanda**
**GABORONE**

Nothing beats winning a competition fair and square.

This was the message from the Minister of Sport and Arts, Jacob Kelebeng, to the 25 athletes who will represent Botswana at the Commonwealth Games hosted in Glasgow, Scotland.

Kelebeng recognised the important of winning but said, it should be done with integrity, discipline and humility, always adhering to the principles of clean sport and fair play.

"Let your conduct on and off the field reflect the values of Botho that define us as a people. Win with humility, fall short with dignity, respect your competitors, and always remember that you are ambassadors of Botswana," he said.

Kelebeng said the country continued to assert itself as growing powerhouse in track and field events.

It is clear that the world has learned to respect the name Botswana therefore, as the athletes depart to Glasgow to solidify that reputation, they must demonstrate what the country is capable of and edge out the very best in the world, Kelebeng said.

He said over the years, the government had recognised the important of sport as a strategic sector worthy of sustained investment and that meant investing money and resources in sport.

"We will continue to invest in our athletes, coaches and support personnel because sustained success should never be left to chance, it must be built through vision, preparation and hard work," said Kelebeng.

Botswana National Olympic Committee president, Tshepo Sitale, said they were confident that the team they had assembled would bring good results. "But as you will be competing, enjoy yourself, no pressure. Do it for yourselves and the country," he said.

Sitale said the competition was a strategic mission and were halfway into the Olympics

The games start on July 23 and will conclude August 2.

Botswana will compete in five codes: athletics, boxing, swimming, lawn bowls and judo. ***BOPA***

*Minister of Sport and Arts, Jacob Kelebeng (left) handing over the national flag to Chef de Mission, Tebogo Ntesang during the Glasgow 2026 Team Botswana sendoff ceremony in Tlokweng on Friday. Kelebeng encouraged the team to win with integrity, discipline and humility.*
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