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Murmu hails Botswana dedication to peace

By Bonang Masolotate

GABORONE - Botswana stands tall in its commitment to peace, stability, and inclusive development, says the President of India, Ms Droupadi Murmu. President Murmu said when addressing Members of Parliament Wednesday at the National Assembly Chamber on Wednesday.

"The National Assembly of the Republic of Botswana is the temple of democracy of your proud nation," she said, adding that the country's remarkable progress from modest beginnings to a modern, confident, and prosperous society was a blessing to everyone.

She said the country was a shining example of democracy, good governance, and effective leadership.

President Murmu said that India and Botswana shared a natural friendship built on mutual trust and respect, shared values, and a common belief in democracy and human dignity.

«It is a friendship that has been built not with words and promises, but on the bedrock of hard work, dedication, and people-oriented delivery,» said President Murmu.

Over the decades, partnerships between the two countries had not only been reinforced by past collaboration but also by the promise of a bright future, she said.

President Murmu noted that it was an honor for India to have been an early partner in Botswana's nation-building journey.

The two nations cooperation has expanded across many sectors, including education, health, technology, agriculture, defense, trade, and investment.

President Murmu said India was proud of the ongoing partnership in capacity building and human resource development.

In the last decade alone, she said more than 1 000 young Batswana have studied and trained in India, returning home with new skills, expanded knowledge, and lasting friendships.

President Murmu hailed the people-to-people connections between the two countries, as the real strength and driver of their enduring ties of friendship and cooperation.

She said democracies needed to be sensitive to the dreams and aspirations of their people, especially the expectations of their youth.

"To achieve this, there is a need to ensure robust and durable economic growth and harness new opportunities to benefit people," she said.

President Murmu said India companies were active in

Botswana>s diamond, energy, and infrastructure sectors and noted that there was immense hope for collaboration in renewable energy, digital innovation, pharmaceuticals, and mining.

She emphasised the need for business communities from both countries to work together to harness the full potential of their economic partnership. This would be in consonance with Botswana's Vision 2036 initiative, she said.

"India is the fastest-growing major economy in the world, driven by structural reforms, digital transformation, expanding infrastructure, and a youthful workforce," President Murmu said.

She said the government of India aimed to transform the country into a fully developed, inclusive, and resilient nation by the centenary of its independence, emphasising innovation-led industrialisation, clean energy transition, global competitiveness, and equitable prosperity.

India and Botswana can contribute meaningfully to a fairer and more sustainable world order, she said and thanked Botswana for the support of India's efforts for a reformed and expanded UN Security Council.

The role of Africa cannot be overstated, as it is the continent of the future. With its youthful demographics and vast natural resources, the continent can fuel the growth of the global economy.

The collaboration between India and African countries can help unlock the energies of our 2.8 billion people, which is 40 per cent of the worlds population,» she said.

President Murmu said India was firmly committed to prospering across sectors and sharing its development experience with Botswana.

Leader of the House and Minister for State President, Mr Moeti Mohwasa, viewed President Murmu>s visit as a demonstration of an enduring friendship and strategic partnership between the two nations, built on mutual respect, shared values, and common aspirations of democracy, development, and human dignity.

"The visit is evidence of India's unwavering commitment to international cooperation, good governance, and human progress," he said.

Mr Mohwasa noted that the visit underscored the importance of collaboration across multiple sectors.

Leader of the Opposition, Mr Dumelang Saleshando, on the other hand, said the visit by President Murmu gave hope to the girl child who aspired to be in leadership positions. *BOPA*



India President Droupadi Murmu addressing Members of Parliament on Wednesday. She said India and Botswana shared a natural friendship built on mutual trust and respect, shared values and a common belief in democracy and human dignity. Photo: Thompson Keobaletswe

'Increase women representation in Parliament'

By Pako Lebanna

GABORONE - Botswana, a country held in reverence globally as a virtuous exemplar of democracy on the African continent, should work on increasing female representation in Parliament to further cement its democratic credentials.

The President of India, Ms Droupadi Murmu expressed the views while paying a courtesy call on the Speaker of the National Assembly, Mr Dithapelo Keorapetse in Gaborone on Wednesday.

Upon learning that only six members, the deputy speaker, four cabinet ministers and one opposition legislator, constituted the female contingent of Botswana's 69-member National Assembly, Ms Murmu called for the country to think of measures to increase their representation.

Welcoming, Ms Murmu, Mr Keorapetse concurred that Botswana needed to work on strengthening the representation of women in the parliamentary chambers.

He said the country's first past the post electoral process, had not made it easy for affirmative action measures to increase female and youth representation.

Nonetheless, he said the country could assess how to improve the political representation to more adequately reflect the nation's demographics.

Mr Keorapetse said after the 2024 general elections which

ushered in the 13th Parliament, there had been a high turnover of representatives, with 60 per cent of Members Parliament (MPs) being first time legislators, who required training on legislative and oversight parliamentary committee functions.

To that end, Mr Keorapetse said, after a courtesy call to his office by Indian High Commissioner, Ambassador Bharath Kuthati, earlier this year, a discussion had commenced about the Botswana Parliament exploring training and benchmarking for MPs and parliamentary staff at India's upper and lower chambers of Parliament as well as regional assemblies.

"Our two countries have excellent relations that have existed for nearly 60 years now and they will be further cemented by this, the first visit by an Indian head of state to Botswana, a woman who will inspire our young female population to aspire to leadership," Mr Keorapetse said.

In her visit to Parliament, Ms Murmu was accompanied by the Union Minister of State for Railways, Mr Veeranna Somanna and two Indian MPs. *BOPA*

India President Droupadi Murmu (left) and Speaker of National Assembly, Mr Dithapelo Keorapetse during the former's visit to Parliament on Wednesday. Mr Keorapetse said Botswana needed to work on strengthening representation of women in Parliament. Photo: Thompson Keobaletswe

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India resilience impresses Boko

By Lesedi Thatayamodimo

GABORONE President Advocate Duma Boko has called for stronger economic and technological collaboration between Botswana and India.

Speaking at a state banquet in honour of India President

Droupadi Murmu in Gaborone on Wednesday, President Boko emphasised the opportunities for partnership in industrial development, information technology and the diamond sector.

He urged Indian financial institutions to explore innovative financing mechanisms to support Botswana's diamond trading, polishing and jewellery manufacturing industries and sectors central to the nation's economy.

"The highest amount of money to be made in the diamond business lies in financing and

value addition," he said, calling for 'outside-the-box thinking' and cooperation with Indian firms renowned for their expertise.

President Boko also invited Indian professionals to establish training and operations in Botswana.

"We want some of those cutters and polishers to come here, to set up here, to transmit and share their skills, these are unique skills and the world recognises Indian craftsmanship," he said.

Acknowledging remarkable progress in digital transformation and poverty alleviation, President Boko said Botswana desired to learn from India's innovations in delivering government services to vast populations.

"Our aim is to know the best that is known in any setting and contribute to the world's storehouse of knowledge," he said.

He further praised India's remarkable resilience and economic achievements, which had propelled it to become one of the world's largest economies.

Meanwhile, President Boko commended President Murmu for her historic first state visit to Botswana, describing it as a milestone in the nearly sixdecade-long diplomatic relations between the two nations.

He highlighted that the visit ushersed in a new era

cooperation, saying, "it is a moment of profound significance because elevate the relationship to the highest level now, we bring our peoples closer, we cement this longstanding relationship and we appreciate your blessing with assistance that India has rendered to us over the years."

President Boko noted that Botswana and India had enjoyed firm foundation of friendship, mutual respect and shared vision to improve the quality of life of people.

He also lauded President Murmu's lifelong commitment to education, health, gender equity, culture and language.

"It is fitting that such a personality occupies high office of President of a Republic of 1.4 billion people, a huge achievement and a great responsibility," he said.

For her part, President Murmu praised Botswana's remarkable journey since gaining independence in 1966, commending the nation for building one of Africa's most stable democracies.

"The people and leadership of Botswana, with a profound spirit of resilience and unity, have taken their nation to revolutionary heights," she said.

President Murmu applauded Botswana's prudent leadership and its emergence as a beacon of hope for developing nations, acknowledging the country's success in governance, social cohesion and forward-looking development strategies.

She expressed India's keen interest in supporting post-colonial Botswana's transformation economic programme, which aimed to reduce dependence on traditional sectors and foster a diversified, knowledge-driven economy, emphasising on key areas of collaboration, including capacity building, technology exchange, digital innovation and infrastructure development.

President Murmu further highlighted opportunities for cooperation in solar energy, grid modernisation, mining, manufacturing agriculture, and tourism areas aligned with Botswana's drive toward a more diversified economic model.

In addition to economic both cooperation, leaders reaffirmed the importance of people-to-people ties and committed to expanding academic exchanges, cultural programmes and tourism initiatives that promoted greater mutual understanding.

The banquet was attended by former president, Dr Festus Mogae and wife Barbara, former vice president, Mr Slumber Tsogwane, cabinet ministers and members of the Indian diaspora in Botswana. BOPA



President Advocate Duma Boko (centre) and India President Droupadi Murmu (third left) arriving for a state banquet hosted in honour of the visiting president in Gaborone on Wednesday. Photo: Godfrey Mpuse.

Botswana donates cheetahs to India

By Baleseng Batlotleng

MOKOLODI - President Advocate Duma Boko has handed over eight cheetahs to President Droupadi Murmu of India, to mark another step in strengthening the existing ties and deepening cooperation in wildlife management between the two nations.

Speaking at a brief handover ceremony at the Mokolodi Nature Reserve yesterday, President Boko said the symbolic donation also addressed human and wildlife conflict in Botswana as some of the animals were in danger of being killed within local communities.

The President said their translocation ensured protection and survival and was also seen as a notable contribution to global efforts to preserve endangered species. For his part, Minister of Environment and Tourism, Mr Wynter Mmolotsi, said the gesture would unlock opportunities for Batswana, particularly in areas of tourism and ecosystem management.

Minister Mmolotsi said Botswana advocated for the sustainable use of wildlife resources and was a leader in biodiversity development and

would continue to do so.

"The donation would go a long way in showing a shared commitment in developing different wildlife species between the two countries," he said. Department of Wildlife and National Parks director, Mr Moemi Batshabang said Botswana remained a stronghold of the cheetah population globally, estimated at 1 700 individuals, approximately 24 per cent of the world population.

The world population of

cheetahs is estimated at just over 7 100, representing a 40 per cent decline over the last 40 years owing to a number of reasons including human conflict, among others.

Mr Batshabang said they were confident that the translocation of the eight would not have a negative effect on the conservation of the species in the country.

He noted that the eight animals, consisting of two families of a mother and three cubs each, were captured and rescued as problem animals.

Mr Batshabang added that Botswana had taken note of the progress made by the project cheetah in India and were convinced that the translocation

species conservation through development and exchange of expertise and sharing of practices in wildlife management.

captured The animals, originally from Ghanzi area, were released into a quarantine facility by experts at the Mokolodi Nature Reserve undergoing a few logistics for some time before being hunting and mating. BOPA

of the eight would benefit the translocated to India to assist in the regeneration of cheetah population.

Project Cheetah is a unique initiative aimed at reintroducing cheetahs to India, decades after their extinction.

Majority cheetahs translocated there are reportedly adapting well to their new environment and exhibiting natural behaviours such as



Former President Festus Mogae (second left) and wife Barbara joined dignitaries at a state banquet honouring visiting India President Droupadi Murmu in Gaborone. With them is Minister for State President Mr Moeti Mohwasa (right). Photo: Godfrey Mpuse.

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Govt makes strides in transforming tourism

By Bonang Masolotate

GABORONE - Botswana's tourism sector is undergoing transformation, to be peoplecentric, says the Minister of Environment and Tourism, Mr Wynter Mmolotsi.

The minister, who is also the MP for Francistown South, made the statement in Parliament on Wednesday during the debate on the State-of-the-Nation Address (SONA).

For instance, he said it took the government less than four months to open Chobe National Park, to allow passage through the park after 6pm, a decision that had been in the making since 1967.

Mr Mmolotsi said that the Chobe community had, over the years, lobbied the previous government and their representatives to have the park opened, as they could not access even health facilities after hours. He said the development showed that government cared for the well-being of communities.

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Minister of Environment and Tourism, Mr Wynter Mmolotsi said after realising that communities in Chobe and North West were not adequately benefiting from their concessions, the government came up with the Community-Based Natural Resources Management law, to empower those communities.

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This decision, he said, had brought hope to communities since they were now benefiting from their natural resources.

Also, he said Parliament had allowed for eco-tourism projects in the forest reserves, which had been laying idle in Chobe and North West, adding that such projects would be run by Batswana.

Minister Mmolotsi further said there were issues of non-renewal of concession leases for businesses operating in Chobe and North West, leading to some businesses relocating, but the government had stepped in to address the problem.

The Ministry of Environment and Tourism recently launched city tourism in order to diversify the tourism product across all parts of the country, Minister Mmolotsi said. He said all efforts done thus far would ensure that tourism contributed more to the country's economy as well as creating muchneeded jobs.

Mr Mmolotsi said the economy was currently not doing well, which affected the implementation of some of the promises made by the UDC government, but assured the nation that the promises made by the UDC would be fulfilled.

He said that upon taking power, the UDC was faced with stabilising the economy and giving investors confidence.

Serowe West MP, Mr Onalepelo Kedikilwe, said he was impressed with the SONA as presented by President Advocate Duma Boko, as it pointed to the country's true north. However, he said as the government lured investors to the country, it was important to also invest in the local communities to ensure that employment opportunities were availed to rural communities. For instance, he said there was plenty of land that could be used by investors in the Serowe constituencies.

Mr Kedikilwe said it was not ideal for investors to be based in towns, as that disadvantaged those living in rural areas. Also, he said that the contribution of the agriculture sector to the economy was insignificant at two per cent, hence efforts for the sector to do more were noble. By contributing just two per cent to the Gross Domestic Products (GDP), the agriculture sector has almost collapsed, hence the need to revitalise it, Mr Kedikilwe said.

He welcomed the idea of increasing milk production in the country as that would benefit local economies. He also talked about the need to address shortage of medicines in public hospitals. health facilities. *BOPA*

Explore unconventional approaches - Saleshando

By Pako Lebanna

GABORONE - Botswana's current economic situation requires government to think outside the box and speedily implement policies that could transition the nation's fortunes and transform people's lives, Leader of the Opposition, Mr Dumelang Saleshando has said.

Speaking at the National Assembly on Wednesday, in his response to the State-of-the-Nation Address (SONA) that had been presented by President Advocate Duma Boko on Monday, Mr Saleshando said government should work on innovative solutions since the nation was faced with a myriad of challenges.

In response to the health situation, Mr Saleshando said Botswana should come up with a national workforce strategy to recruit and retain health workers and give incentives for them to work in rural areas.

He called on government to work on cost cutting measures, proposing the lessening presidential external trips, reducing the size of the Cabinet, and spending less on state-led public events to better manage public funds.

Mr Saleshando further said the legislative framework should be reformed to enable Parliament to become independent from the executive and better execute its oversight role. While in agreement with government on private sector growth, Mr Saleshando said he was worried that in the relentless pursuit of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI), Botswana could attract investors who implemented poor labour practices.

Also, he was critical of the proposed citizenship by investment initiative, lamenting that offering Botswana citizenship to global investors in exchange for payment could run the risk of luring criminal elements attempting 'state capture.'

Mr Saleshando said Batswana were currently disillusioned, worried about lack of medication in public health facilities, high unemployment levels, low wages, workplace retrenchments, lack of access to land and home ownership opportunities as well as a generally depressed economy.

He said government should expedite the implementation and legislation of a P4 000 living wage, which he said should be the bare minimum basic salary of the lowest earning employee, instead of it being the culmination of the basic salary and benefits.

As part of empowering citizens and encouraging their participation in the tourism sector, Mr Saleshando proposed the development or a citizen tourism development fund. He further said the National Internship and Apprenticeship Programme needed to be transformed towards ensuring young graduates to be absorbed into full employment, and for the Youth Development Fund to be similarly reviewed.

Furthermore, Mr Saleshando said the country's foreign missions should be delegated to assist Batswana gain business and job opportunities across the world including in multilateral organisations.

He said within the next 12 months, the Botswana Congress Party



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(BCP) would bring to Parliament a motion on a comprehensive constitutional review.

Mr Saleshando said the and for them to Umbrella Democratic Change manifesto. **BOPA**

should avoid the mistakes made by their predecessors in government, the Botswana Democratic Party and for them to implement their manifesto. *BOPA*

VAT Amendment Bill consultations on

GABORONE - Vice President also Minister of Finance, Mr Ndaba Gaolathe says consultations with the Tourism Sector in the Value Added Tax (VAT) amendment bill are ongoing with a meeting scheduled for November 17.

Answering a question in Parliament on Wednesday, Mr Gaolathe said the Tourism sector had requested clarification on certain clauses in the draft Bill, particularly Part IIIA which outlined rules for remote services, a critical gap identified in the current VAT framework.

Mr Gaolathe said the provision had significant implications for the tourism sector. Accordingly, he said the ministry ensured that the tourism industry was included in the discussions as it would be directly affected by the proposed amendment.

He said the meetings between tourism operators, Botswana Unified Revenue Services (BURS), Hospitality and Tourism Association of Botswana, Botswana Tourism Organisation, the Ministry of Finance, Office of the President and Business Botswana were being held to find an optimal solution to the issues raised by tourism operators.

He also said consultation were essential to address concerns and mitigate any unintended consequences before the Act came to effect.

The Vice President in his capacity as Minister of Finance was answering a question by Member of Parliament for Maun North, Mr Dumelang Saleshando.

Mr Saleshando had asked the minister if the recently enacted Value Added Tax Amendment Bill No. 22 of 2025 was in operation.

He said if the bill was in operation, the minister was to further disclose if any key sector of the economy had made presentations to him on possible adverse impacts of the new law on their operations and how such concerns had been addressed. *BOPA*

Mogapi shares views on SONA

By Marvin Motlhabane

GABORONE Former journalist and communications consultant, Mr Spencer Mogapi, has emphasised the need for government to strengthen its communication strategies.

In an interview post President Advocate Duma Boko's Stateof-the-Nation Address Mogapi said it was critical for the administration to take control of its messaging and deliver clear, consistent narratives directly to the public.

Mr Mogapi observed that although the country's economic performance had been below expectations over the past year, there were positive developments that deserved greater visibility. Among these, he cited the government's investments in green energy projects, many of which were yet to be publicised.

He said President Boko sought to instill hope among citizens amid economic challenges, presenting a vision for recovery. He particularly pointed out the revitalisation of the agricultural sector, which he identified as a key revenue source following the decline in diamond industry's profitability.

Mr Mogapi also said the president's plan to increase the national cattle herd was a vital initiative for strengthening Botswana's agricultural sector.

He also commended improvements in payment turnaround times at the Botswana Meat Commission (BMC), which he stated had dropped to a week.

He argued that this could encourage farmers to return to BMC instead of selling to butcheries and feedlots, which had previously been preferred due to delayed payments.

However, he warned that BMC must continue to reduce payment delays to regain farmers' trust and business. Turning to dairy production, Mr Mogapi welcomed government's plan to import 1 000 Gilorando cattle from Brazil to boost milk production and promote skills transfer. He stressed the need for adequate land allocation to committed farmers to ensure sustainable practices, rather than continued reliance on subsidies that had yielded limited economic benefits.

Regarding production initiative scheduled to begin in December, Mr Mogapi acknowledged public skepticism over its success.

Nonetheless, he appreciated that the required policies and land allocations had been finalised to support its launch.

On the mining front, Mr Mogapi highlighted President Boko's interest in increasing Botswana's stake in De Beers from 15 to 35 per cent, describing it as a strategic move to enhance the country's control over diamond marketing and production.

He further praised government's fiscal management efforts, noting a reduction in budget deficits due to spending control measures introduced by the Minister of

These adjustments, he said, demonstrated a shift toward improved financial discipline.

He said while there were significant positive moves and initiatives by government, the effectiveness of its communication strategy appears to hinder public awareness and engagement. Bridging this gap, he said, would be essential to rebuild trust and strengthen citizen engagement.



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President Advocate Duma Boko's interest in increasing Botswana's stake in De Beers from 15 to 35 per cent has been described by former journalist and communications consultant, Mr Spencer Mogapi as a strategic move to enhance the country's control over diamond marketing and production.

'Partial pensions withdrawal strives for balance'

consideration of allowing partial access to pension funds during active service needs to balance the need for short-term financial relief with the long-term goal of ensuring adequate retirement income, says Minister of Finance, Mr Ndaba Gaolathe.

Mr Gaolathe was responding to a question from the Member of Parliament for Molepolole North, Mr Arafat Khan. Mr Gaolathe said the current framework was primarily designed to promote long-term savings and financial security after retirement.

However, he said the ministry had noted developments in neighbouring countries, including the introduction of the 'two pot' retirement system in South Africa. He said government had not implemented a similar model, however a consultancy on the Botswana Pension System was undertaken through the Non-Bank Financial Institutions Regulatory Authority (NBFIRA) in 2023; which assessed the effectiveness and adequacy of the Botswana pension system, to inform government's response to public calls for withdrawal flexibility especially from active pension members.

Mr Gaolathe said the study confirmed that the existing framework regulatory effective in regulating the pensions

While partial withdrawals could provide relief in times of financial hardships, Mr Gaolathe said they might also reduce retirement income if not carefully managed. He said the ministry acknowledged that some public officers experienced financial distress

during their service years, and that a well-designed and regulated system that allowed limited withdrawals could offer relief while maintaining the integrity of retirement savings. However, such reforms must be informed by robust actuarial assessments, sound policy design and broad stakeholder consultations to mitigate potential fiscal or social risks. Furthermore, he said government had observed declining life expectancy; but said the core objective of pension schemes was to ensure postretirement income security and dignity.

He also added that with early retirement incentives, the Directorate of Public Service Management would continuously

explore various human resource strategies to rejuvenate the public workforce as a measure to address vouth unemployment. Government, Mr Gaolathe said continuously reviewed policies

governing pension administration to ensure that they remained responsive to the evolving socioeconomic environment. He said the ministry remained committed to ensuring that

Botswana's pension system was sustainable, equitable and responsive to both the needs of public officers and the broader macroeconomic realities.

He said ongoing consultations and studies would inform any future policy proposals, and that any proposal in this regard would be developed in consultation with relevant ministries, unions and pension administrators to ensure fiscal sustainability and equity.

Mr Khan had asked the minister if they had ever considered allowing public officers to access a portion of their pension fund while still in active service.

He said the reforms would allow fund members to make partial withdrawals from their retirement savings before retirement, while preserving a portion strictly for post-retirement use.

He said the reform could enable public officers to continue saving for the long-term while offering flexibility to address financial distress during their service years.

assesses magistracy structure

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Administration of Justice (AOJ) justice to the people in Maun. is currently looking into, and assessing the restructuring of the Magistracy in Botswana, to do away with issues related to limited jurisdiction of magistrates.

The Minister of Justice and Correctional Services, Mr Nelson Ramaotwana, said this in response to a question from the Member of Parliament for Maun East, Mr Goretetse Kekgonegile.

He assured that once the process was completed, it would help eliminate delays and backlog in the justice delivery system.

He explained the ministry's plan for the process, with government support, to be in place by the second quarter of the next financial year.

Mr Ramaotwana said a full complement of four magistrates

The was needed to adequately deliver of the Administration of Justice

He also noted that N Magistrates Court should be operating with four magistrates, however, since 2017 it had been operating with three and two magistrates at different times.

"We currently have prosecutors in Maun," said Mr Ramaotwana adding that the court turn around times for criminal cases were 24 months and 18 months for civil cases.

However, he noted that because of manpower shortages, the times of disposal of cases had increased with a criminal case taking an average of 36 months and civil matters 24 months on average.

He admitted that the staff shortages were not unique to Maun but across all courts in the country owing to the expansion and growth without increase in resources both

Thus, he added, it was important to consider adequately increasing the staff complement of the Administration of Justice.

Mr Kekgonegile wanted the minister to brief the Parliament on plans to deal with extreme staff shortage in his ministry especially at the Judicial Services and Directorate of Public Prosecutions, in particular: the number of magistrates and prosecutors in Maun versus adequate numbers needed to operate the two institutions in Maun, the trial turn around and case disposal period at Maun Magistrate Court.

He also wanted specific plans and timelines in place to fill the posts to facilitate speedy disposal of cases. **BOPA**

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Relations key to diamonds advocacy

By Lorato Gaofise

GABORONE - Botswana advocates for natural diamonds and has embarked in a robust campaign focused on differentiating, defending and reclaiming the value the country's natural diamonds to safeguard against their waning demand.

Speaking during Diamond Trading Company Botswana (DTCB) tour by the President of India, Ms Droupadi Murmu on Wednesday, the Minister of Minerals and Energy, Ms Bogolo Kenewendo said the relationship that Botswana had with India was critical to the agenda and the success of the differentiation and defense campaign that the country had put forward. Through the campaign, Botswana aims to protect and promote the premium value of natural diamonds in the face of growing competition from lab-grown or synthetic diamonds. Additionally, the campaign is also meant to build a unique narrative

and value proposition around the country's natural diamonds, with emphasis on aspects like; ethical sourcing, traceability and local beneficiation, among others.

"At the heart of that is DTCB, because this is where you find the sorting of our diamonds and we are able to sell to both the Okavango Diamond Company (ODC) and De Beers Global Sightholder Sales from this very place, where then we see our diamonds ending up in all of the diamond players around the world," said minister Kenewendo.

For that reason, the minister expressed gratitude for hosting President Murmu and her delegation at the DTCB's stateof-the-art building, describing the building as Botswana's diamond trading hub. The DTCB building, the minister said was a sustainable building, which represented all thopes, dreams and impact of the diamond industry. Further, Ms Kenewendo explained that the primary mandate of DTCB, which is a 50/50 joint-venture between

Botswana and the De Beers Group, was to accurately sort and assesses the value and quality of each rough diamond mined locally by the Debswana Diamond Company before sale and allocation. She expressed delight that the ODC had started its model of contract sales, which featured a number of Indian businesses.

This, she said was yet another clear sign that the two countries were both partners in the diamond industry. "We look forward to our continued partnership to strengthen it, unlock financing opportunities and share innovations that are associated with it."

During her three-day State Visit, President Murmu visited the Three

Dikgosi Monument, addressed the Botswana National Assembly and paid a visit to Mokolodi Nature

The DTCB tour was also graced by the Minister for International Relations, Dr Phenyo Butale and DTCB managing director, Mr Sedireng Serumola, among other dignitaries. BOPA



India President Droupadi Murmu (left) and Minister of Minerals and Energy, Ms Bogolo Kenewendo during a tour of DTCB in Gaborone on Wednesday. Ms Kenewendo said the visit provided an opportunity for the two countries to strengthen partnership in trade and minerals. Photo: Gothusang Lesego.

Chinese firms confidence in EU hits six-year low

BRUSSELS Confidence Chinese companies operating in the European Union has fallen to a six-year low amid political headwinds and rising costs, said a report on Wednesday.

Chinese firms rated the EU business environment at 61 out of 100 in 2025, down from 73 in 2019, according to a report released by the China Chamber of Commerce to the EU and Roland Berger, a consultancy.

"Some 81 per cent of respondents cited greater uncertainty, pointing to the politicisation of commercial issues and a dense rollout of new rules that was described as a compliance maze," said the report.

Rising labour costs and political headwinds are creating "dual pressures" for Chinese enterprises in the EU, with labour costs now seen as the top challenge, followed by geopolitical complexity and shifting EU and member-state policies toward China, according to the report.

It says over 40 per cent of respondents said they had faced differential treatment linked to their Chinese identity, including longer approvals, fewer subsidy opportunities and limited dialogue with authorities. The data also showes that nearly 90 per cent of companies said the EU's "derisking" and broader economic security agenda had negatively

affected operations through tighter investment screening, market-entry barriers, and greater policy uncertainty, it said.

Despite the weaker sentiment, the performance of Chinese companies showed resilience. In 2024, 53 per cent of surveyed companies reported higher revenues, and 40 per cent said profits rose.

Nearly 3 000 Chinese-invested companies operated across all 27 member states by end-2024, employing more than 260 000 local staff, the report sated.

As the EU's Economic Security Strategy advances, Chinese companies face multiple hurdles, such as rising market access barriers, escalating compliance costs and increasingly complex procedures." review Commerce Chairman Jiandong in the report. Liu said China-EU economic relations were evolving from "complementary interdependence" to "strategic co-shaping," calling for "rulesbased dialogue" and practical cooperation in the green transition and advanced manufacturing.

The report, drawing on four months of surveys and interviews with 205 Chinese companies and organisations, sets out 336 recommendations to foster a more open and predictable market and strengthen China-EU cooperation. Xinhua

South Africa sets new inflation target at 3 per cent

Godongwana has announced a new inflation target of three per cent, with a one-percentage-point tolerance band.

Delivering the Term Budget Policy Statement in Parliament on Wednesday, Godongwana said the tolerance band provided flexibility to accommodate any unexpected inflationary shocks.

"This decision follows agreement between the Governor of the South African Reserve Bank and my consultations with the President and Cabinet. This new target immediately replaces the previous target range of between three per cent and six per cent and will be implemented over the next two years," the minister said.

South Godongwana said the short- that South Africa's economic African Finance Minister Enoch term fiscal costs of a lower target prospects were also shaped by which include lower nominal gross domestic product (GDP) and revenue growth -- would make achieving fiscal targets more challenging. "Yet the long-term benefits of taking this step far outweigh these costs. We remain committed to ensuring that our macroeconomic policies serve the best interests of all South Africans,"

> Godongwana said the South African government was also on track to stabilize debt.

> "Government debt will stabilise in 2025/26, at 77.9 per cent of GDP. This is the first time since the 2008 financial crisis that public debt will not grow as a percentage of GDP,"

Meanwhile, the minister noted

global developments, with the delayed effects of the unilateral tariffs imposed by the United States, coupled with rising protectionism, posing future risks to global productivity and price stability.

"Domestically, we forecast real GDP growth of 1.2 per cent for 2025, more than double the economic growth in 2024," said Godongwana, adding that the real GDP growth was expected to average 1.8 per cent between 2026 and 2028. According to Godongwana, the structural reforms that South Africa had embarked on, particularly in energy and logistics, would be key to lifting its rate of growth closer to levels demanded by developmental needs. Xinhua

Organisation promotes reading culture

By Esther Mmolai

MAUN - Statistics indicates that literacy level among primary schools is as low 37 per cent and the situation requires a community-based approach involving all stakeholders.

This was said by renowned author and director of Thari e Ntsho Storytellers, Ms Bontekanye Botumile during a donation of 360 educational books to Matlapana Primary School library in Maun on Wednesday.

The books are courtesy of an international agency, World Expeditions Foundation in collaboration with Lewis Safari and Thari e Ntsho organisation.

Ms Botumile said the aim was to foster and improve children's literacy as well as promote a culture of reading.

She appreciated that poor reading culture was exacerbated by limited availability of books and the prevalence of illiteracy among some parents.

Therefore, Ms Botumile said there were no proper models, guiding children to adopt the culture of reading at home as children were mostly exposed to television use.

By donating the books, she said the goal was to make reading a positive experience with hope that children will find that entertaining and inspiring. Children literacy is everybody's concern and all stakeholders including parents and the community at large should be involved in improving and supporting children literacy skills as part of preparing future leaders," she added.

Ms Botumile said all concerned stakeholders must come up with interventions to ensure availability of literature to make reading fun.

She said Thari e Ntsho Storytellers started a reading and writing programme to support public schools in improving children's literacy at community level.

The programme which started in 2018, aims to enhance reading and writing abilities among learners and eventually culminating into published anthology of stories written by the participants.

Ms Botumile said the project also equipped participants with knowledge on the use of library.

The school head, Ms Kebatho Segolodi appreciated the donors for recognising the school saying the books would indeed ignite a reading culture by increasing access to a variety of reading materials.

Ms Segolodi said promoting a reading culture laid the foundation for learning.

"We are very thankful for the donation as it will cultivate a love for reading and empower learners to unlock their full potential through education" she said.

Senior teacher for languages, Ms Lydia

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Diane also thanked the donors for their commitment to supporting education and improving literacy in schools.

Ms Diane said the books were more like a treasure as they could help ignite a passion for reading from a young age.

Ms Diane also challenged other schools to take advantage of the programme as it had the potential to turn things around in as far as school academic performance was concerned. BOPA



Thari e Ntsho director, Ms Bontekanye Botumile (centre) and Matlapana Primary School leadership and pupils during the donation of books on Tuesday. Photo Esther Mmolai



PUBLIC TENDER NOTICE

Note that a detailed tender notice for each tender is available on BURS website

PPRA Code & Grade under the following categories	Code: 103 - Collection and Disposal of hazardous Material Sub code(s): 03 - Clinical waste collection, disposal and related services and					
	Code: 132 - Cleaning Services					
	Sub code: 01 - Building cleaning services (including windows, carpets and others) and					
	Code: 137- Gardening and landscaping services					
	Sub code: 01-Gardening landscaping and maintenance					
Procurement Method	Open Domestic Bidding (100% Citizens - Reserved)					
ee	P500.00					
Collection Date	7th November 2025					
Compulsory Site visits	LOCATION	DATE	TIME			
	Tlokweng Border Gate including Canine Office	25th November 2025	0830hrs			
	Gabcon	25th November 2025	1200hrs			
	Plot 14415, Maakgadigau Road, Gaborone West					
	BURS Warehouse	25th November 2025	1230hrs			
	(between Gabcon and PPADB)					
	Sir Seretse Khama International Airport	26th November 2025	0830hrs			
	Sikwane Border Post	26th November 2025	1400hrs			
	Integrity (Kgale Mews - Plot 116 Millenium Office Park)	27th November 2025	0830hrs			
	Ramotswa Border Gate	27th November 2025	1130hrs			
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	i. Bidders to assemble at the Border/Premises main entrance					
	ii. Registration will open 30 minutes prior to the scheduled site visit time and will close once the site visit begins					
	iii. Company representatives are required to provide ID.					
	iv. For Sir Seretse Khama International Airport site visit there is a compulsory non- refundable permit fee for entry into the airport amounting to P364					
	to be paid by the bidder, which should be done at the airport before the site visit day.					
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Interested companies are advised to purchase tenders from 07:30 to 12:45 and 13:45 to 16:00 hours during weekdays, at BURS Head Office CBD, Finance Division – Tower block (Motswere), 4th Floor, South wing, Reception. In line with Government Policy Reform 2015: Affirmative Action in favour of youth, youth companies pay half price to purchase the tenders on production of citizen youth directorship proof.

Botswana Unified Revenue Service (BURS) ONLY accepts Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) or Point of Sale (POS) as only methods of payment. Bank details are available

The Invitation to Tender can only be collected on production of the official receipt from; Botswana Unified Revenue Service, Procurement Unit (Motsentsela), South Block, Ground Floor, New BURS Headoffice, Lot 54379, Eastern Commercial Road, CBD, Gaborone.

Any clarifications or quiries relating to the issue of these document should be forwarded to Procurement unit at procurement@burs.org.bw

You are required to wear a compulsory reflective jacket during the site visit at the airport v. No company representative shall be allowed to represent more than one company

12th December 2025 at 1000hrs

The response to the Tender, are to be hand delivered or couriered to BURS and deposited in the tender box located at Procurement Unit (Motsentsela), South Block, Groui Floor, New BURS Headoffice, Lot 54379, Eastern Commercial Road, CBD, Gaborone, not later than 10:00hrs on the day of closing. Bidders are informed that public to

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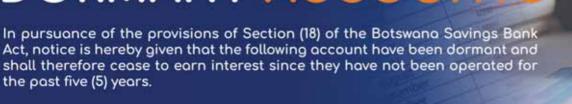






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TASHKENT - Attendees at the Transport and Logistics - TransLogistica Uzbekistan 2025 on Wednesday. The three-day exhibition showcased advanced technologies and solutions in road and rail transportation, multimodal transport, air freight, logistics, and warehouse management. Photo: Xinhua

Namibia to double creative sector contribution

WINDHOEK - Namibia president Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah on Thursday pledged to double the creative sector's contribution to the country's gross domestic product (GDP) from 1.5 per cent to 3 per cent within the next five years.

Nandi-Ndaitwah made the pledge during the 26th Bank of Namibia Annual Symposium, held under the theme: Unleashing the Power of the Creative Industries: A Catalyst for Economic Development in Namibia. In a statement delivered on her behalf in Windhoek, the president said Namibia's future would not be determined by its underground resources, but by the creativity and innovation of its people.

"For too long, Namibia's economy has relied on a narrow

base, mining, fisheries, and agriculture. These sectors do not have enough jobs, enough inclusion, or enough resilience," she said, adding that Namibia must shift from being merely resourcerich to becoming an architect of relevance in a world that rewards creativity and intellect.

The creative economy, which includes film, music, fashion, design, gaming, and digital content, is one of the world's fastest-growing sectors, generating over US2.3 trillion annually and contributing over 3 per cent to global GDP, she noted.

"Namibia, with its youthful, connected, and tech-savvy population, has all the ingredients to lead this transformation if we create the right conditions for our

people to thrive," she said.

To capitalise on this global trend, she said the government had made the creative industries a core pillar of its Sixth National Development Plan.She also called on the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology to fast-track the development of a distinctive national brand, leveraging the country's existing global recognition as a filming destination for productions such as Mad Max: Fury Road and The Mummy. Nandi-Ndaitwah, meanwhile, encouraged the youth to transition from being consumers of global content to producers of uniquely Namibian stories, products, and ideas, emphasizing that their creativity is an economic force. Xinhua

Rescued women receive counselling

By Taboka Ngwako

GABORONE - The Botswana Police Service have confirmed that the three women who recently escaped falling victim to a suspected human trafficking syndicate in South Africa have been repatriated to Botswana and were receiving counselling and psychological support at a safe house.

The three were rescued at O.R. Tambo International Airport in Johannesburg, South Africa over the weekend.

According to BPS spokesperson Assistant Commissioner Near Bagali, on November 6, a case of suspected human trafficking was reported at the Selebi Phikwe Police Station involving a 20-year-old woman whose parents said she had claimed to have found employment in the United Kingdom.

"The following day, two missing person reports were filed, which were later linked to the same suspected trafficking network," he said.

The women, aged between 20 and 23, were reportedly lured through social media platforms with promises of lucrative job opportunities in Sierra Leone.

The syndicate's planned travel route was to take them from

Botswana through South Africa and Nairobi before reaching their final destination.

According to media reports, suspicious travel patterns alerted airport authorities, prompting an investigation that exposed the trafficking attempt.

The swift coordination between the South African Police Service, INTERPOL, the Botswana Police Service and the Botswana High Commission in Pretoria led to the women being intercepted and safely removed from the situation before boarding their connecting flight.

Mr Bagali further revealed that investigations were ongoing to trace the recruiters behind the scheme, who were believed to operate across borders using social media to lure unsuspecting job seekers.

Mr Bagali credited the strong cooperation between Botswana and South African law enforcement agencies for the timely interception of the women at O.R. Tambo and their safe return home.

He also urged the public, particularly young people seeking employment abroad, to verify all job offers through legitimate channels and to avoid sharing travel documents or personal details with unverified individuals. **BOPA**



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Bakgweetsi ba lela ka ditsela

Ka Gaboselwe Olesitse

SELEBI PHIKWE - Bakgweetsi ba dikoloi tse di pegang setshaba ba re ga ba itumedisiwe ke boleng jwa ditsela tsa toropong ya Selebi Phikwe. Ba tlhalositse se mo bokopanong jo bo neng bo rulagantswe ke Ratoropo, Rre Oageng Makgosa ka Laboraro.

Maikaelelo a bokopano e ne ele go tla go amogana megopolo le gore go ya pele ba ka thusana jang go tlhabolola ditirelo tsa bone.

Mongwe wa bakgweetsi ba dikoloi tsa setshaba, Rre Johannes Mmereki o ne a tlhalosa fa ditsela tsa toropo di se mo seemong se se itumedisang.

Rre Mmereki o tlhalositse fa maiteko a khansele a go tsenya metshela kgabo a bonala mme kgang kgolo e le ba ba rumiwang go dira ditiro ka ba sa dire mo go kgotsofatsang.

O tlhalositse fa motshelakgabo o direlwa gore o kgone go fetisa metsi mme seo se sa diragale ka jaana e fetogile megobe mo dikoloi di sa kgoneng go tlolela ntlheng e nngwe fa dipula di nele.

A re go tlhoka go dira tiro ka thwaafalo ke go ne mo go dirang gore khansele e bo e le mo leshekereng la madi.

E rile a ama seemo sa ditsela,

Rre Mmereki o ne a tlhalosa fa ditsela le tsone di sa dirwa sentle ka go sena fa ba folosetsang bapalami teng mme se se baka gore ba gotlhagotlhane le ba sepodise ka ba ipelaetsa fa ba sa obamele melao ya tsela.

O ne a kopa boeteledipele jwa khansele gore ba ba seka sekele go ba direla fa ba ka folosetsang le go pegela batho teng. Rre Mmereki o kopile bogogi jwa toropo go nna ba ba akaretsa fa ba dira ditlogamaano tsa toropo gore le bone ba ntshe dikgakololo tse di ka isang toropo pele.

Rre Mmereki o ne a fa sekai ka ditotoma tse di dirilweng go fokotsa lobelo la dikoloi fa sekolong se segolwane sa Meepong a kaya fa di sa dirwa sentle.

O ne a supa ngongorego ya gore fa go dirwa ditlhabololo tse gantsi di ba amang ga ba bolelelwe mme se se baya tiro ya bone ka fa mosing.

E rile a tsibogela mafoko a bone, Rre Makgosa o ne a tlhalosa fa dilelo tsa bone di tserwe ka tlhwaafalo, ka jalo tse di maleba di tlaa dirwa. O ne a kgotlhatsa borre le bomme bao go tsaya tiro ya bone ka tlhwaafalo ka e le bone sefatlhego sa toropo.

O tlhalositse fa ba solofetse baeng mo topong ya Selebi Phikwe ba ba tsileng go bula dikgwebo mme go tlhoka gore ba bo ba le malala a laotswe le dikoloi tsa bone dile mo seemong sa go ka pega setshaba.

O tlhalositse fa boitsholo le setho sa bone e le tsone tse di ka okelang bagwebi mo toropong ya Selebi Phikwe mme itsholelo le yone e tokafale. *BOPA*

Balopi o kopela Kaartze tlhopho

Ka Cathrine Simane

TSABONG - Batlhophi ba kgaolo ya Kgalagadi Borwa ba kopilwe go tlhopha moemedi wa phathi ya BDP, Mme Diana Kaartze.

Kopo eo, e dirilwe ke moeteledipele wa phathi, Rre Mpho Balopi mo phuthegong ya sepolotiki ya go bapatsa le go rola Mme Kaartze kwa Tsabong ka Laboraro.

Rre Balopi a re Mme Kaartze o ka tshepiwa jaaka morongwa wa setshaba kwa palamenteng. A re o na le bokgoni jwa go tsibogela mananeo a ditlhabololo a a ka thusang banni ba Kgalagadi Borwa.

Rre Balopi o kopile batlhophi go busetsa serodumo sa phathi eo ka go tlhopha ka dipalo tse di kwa godimo mo ditlhophong tse di tlang tsa poeletso.

O kaile Mme Kaartze e le moemedi wa motia yo o tlhaloganyang dikgwetlho tsa kgaolo eo botoka.

Rre Balopi a re kgaolo ya Kgalagadi Borwa e saletse morago ka e tlhaelelwa ke ditlhabololo tse di itebagantseng le go tokafatsa matshelo a batho.

A re ditlhabololo di akaretsa mehama ya thuto, botsogo, temothuo o ka di buelela botoka, ka gore o kile a bereka a le gaufi thata le setshaba, a dira e le mooki. Rre Balopi a re phathi ya BDP e boloditse letsholo la go seka seka seemo sa kgaolo, ka jalo ba itemogetse selelo le matshwenyego a setshaba.

O kgotlhaditse batlhophi go ikgakologelwa mme ba seka ba itlhaba ka thipa mpeng.

Mongwe wa dibui, Mme Nnaniki Makwinja, o ne a supa fa kemedi ya bomme kwa palamenteng e le kwa tlase mme go le maleba gore ka letsatsi la ditlhopho, batlhopi ba netefatse gore Mme Kaartze a tsene ka dikgoro tsa palamente.

Mme Makwinja a re mme o tshwara thipa ka fa bogaleng, ka jalo, Mme Kaartze o tla kgona go buelela ditlhabololo tsa kgaolo.

Fa amogela thomo, Mme Kaartze o tllhalositse fa maikaelelo le keletso ya gagwe e le go tsosolosa ditlhabololo le mananeo mo kgaolong ya Kgalagadi Borwa.

Mme Kaartze a re puso ya BDP le yone e simolotse boikarabelo jwa go goga lefatshe ka nako ya go le leshekere, go sena lefa e le ditlhabolololo, mme mo dingwageng tse di masome a matlhano le boferabobedi e kgonne go tlhabolola mehama ya thuto, botsogo, temothuo le ditsela go nna mo seemong se di leng mo sone gompieno.

O buile ka lenaneo la Ipelegeng, are ke lone le le neng le tokafatsa matshelo a Batswana, bogolo jang ba ba tlhokileng lesego mo botshelong ka jalo are maikaelelo ke go ya go buelela banni mo kgaolong eo gore ba busediwe mo tirong ka mo nakong eno ba lela selelo sa khuranyo ya meno.

O ba kopile go tlhopha ka dipalo tse di kwa godimo mme ba tlhomamise gore kgaolo e tsena mo diatleng tsa BDP ka seo se ka tsisa pharolologanyo mo matshelong a bone bogolo jang mo go tsa temothuo ka ba ikaegile ka yone. *BOPA*



Babelaelwa mo polaong ya ga Mme Elicah Fana wa dingwaga tse 71, morago ga go itshupa kwa kgotlatshekelong kwa Francistown bosheng. Onalenna Fana (molemeng) le Ruth Fana ba tlaa boela kgotlatshekelong gape ka Sedimonthole a le 9, ka go santse go letilwe maduo a dipatisiso tsa sepodisi pele ga kgetse ya bone e ka isiwa kwa kgotlakgolo ya ditsheko. Senepe: Ogopoleng Kgomoethata





President Murmu historic visit in pictures

India President Droupadi Murmu has concluded a three-day state visit to Botswana, which she had embarked on, at the invitation of President Advocate Duma Boko. During her visit, President Murmu held bilateral talks with President Boko and addressed Parliament, reaffirming India's commitment to strengthening cooperation with Botswana. The India head of state also toured Diamond Trading Company Botswana. She further visited Mokolodi Nature Reserve, where eight cheetahs were donated to India as part of a wildlife conservation partnership between the two nations. Before her departure, President Murmu paid courtesy calls on Vice President Ndaba Gaolathe and Minister for International Relations, Dr Phenyo Butale. The state visit sought to deepen the long-standing bilateral relations between Botswana and India, with discussions focusing on expanding cooperation in health, education, agriculture, mining, trade and investment. The two countries established diplomatic relations in 1966 and continue to enjoy cordial ties marked by mutual respect and collaboration across various sectors.



President Boko (right) and President Murmu enjoying traditional dance during a welcome ceremony at Sir Seretse Khama International Airport. **Photo: Phenyo Moalosi**



President Murmu also visited the Three Dikgosi Monument site. **Photo: Gaseitsiwe Moruakgomo**



President Boko (right) and President Murmu addressing the media after official talks at the Office of the President. **Photo: Godftrey Mpuse**



Botswana Defence Force Band entertaining guests during a state banquet hosted in honour of President Murmu. **Photo: Godfrey Mpuse**



Vice President and Minister of Finance, Mr Ndaba Gaolathe (left) and President Murmu during a courtesy call. She also paid another courtesy call on Minister for International Relations, Dr Phenyo Butale. **Photo: Thompson Keobaletswe**



President Murmu (left) and Minister of Minerals and Energy, Ms Bogolo Kenewendo admiring a diamond mosaic of a tiger during a tour of DTCB. **Photo: Gothusang Lesego**



Mmokolodi Nature Reserve workers releasing some of the eight cheetahs donated to India by Botswana as part of the cheetah resuscitation programme. **Photo: Phenyo Moalosi**



Vice President Gaolathe (second left), President Murmu (third left) and Speaker of the National Assembly, Mr Dithapelo Keorapetse (third right) with Members of Parliament and other dignitaries during the President's visit to Parliament. **Photo: Thompson Keobaletswe**

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- Able to work effectively both independently and in a collaborative team environment

Suitably qualified applicants should forward their application along with CV and educational qualifications to:

Human Resources Officer Nashua Botswana P O Box 40439 Gaborone

through the following e-mail address: recruitment@nashua.co.bw

NB: ONLY emailed applications will be accepted. ONLY shortlisted applicants will be contacted. Closing Date: 05th December 2025



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ACCOMMODATION

MASHUSHA BED & BREAKFAST Gaborone Block 5 from P400.00. 73062819 / 3101996

BUSINESS SERVICES

LM GRASS FOR SALE cell 73355860 for P35/m2

FARM WORKERS

I AM LOOKING for a mature herdman/modisa at Bokaa. Contact Rejoice Mpofu on 71797562, P O Box 45762 Riverwalk Gaborone,. Closing date is 02 December 2025

KE BATLA MODISA ko Molapowabojang wa dingwaga from 25 upwards, number: 71369241

HERD BOY WANTED in Shashe Mooke. Olebile Jeremiah Sekgantsho. Bag F193 Francistown.

FARM WORKER NEEDED at Sesulela Ranch, Tuli Block. Contact No. 72109232

URGENTLY LOOKING FOR THREE farm workers at Lehokole fields Mahalapye, Call 73971145. P O Bo 404207 Gaborone

WANTED FARM WORKER P O Box 115 Shoshong 71621365

MODISA WANTED CALL 76544392

FARM WORKER WANTED apply P

FARM WORKER WANTED, apply P O Box 30005 Tlokweng. #75148184 Closing date 25/11/2025

PITSANE FIELDS, FARM worker needed urgently. P O Box 159 Pitsane. Tel 72407678

I AM LOOKING for a farm worker to work at a farm in Metsimotlhabe. Please send your applications to roserichiter@gmail.com. Contact number 72147884

KE BATLA MODISA wa dikgomo ko Bogwete mo Kgatleng. Write to: P O Box 201415 Mochudi. Call 74341891 Mr Kube.

FARM WORKERS WANTED at Mahatelo (One) and Gamolatlhegi (Two) Farms- Mookane Village. Call: 71306512 and 71710327.

FARM WORKER NEEDED by Mmamahiko Farms Kweneng District. Contact: 75913342.

LOOKING FOR A Farm worker. Call: 77657019

GENERAL FARM WORKERS wanted at Tsitlane Farms Ntlhantlhe. Apply to Maipelo Phirinyane 78468651.

WANTED HERD BOY and farm worker P O Box 202076, Gaborone 77313123

LOOKING FOR A farm worker to work on an agricultural farm with minimum 10 years experience. Application to be sent to: P O Box 20561, Gaborone

FARMWORKER FOR GOATS and farm home at Malotwana, in Kgatleng. Call 75070206/77581132.

FARM WORKER WANTED at Makomoto, Contact Ewetse Mathaba. Cell 72229296. Box 108

FARM WORKER AT Kadue farms 17km from Jwaneng, should be capable of managing the farm, age 21 and above. contacts: 71323421/71261354

KE BATLA MODISA ko Munga, Kachikau. Contact: 72469493

TWO FARM WORKERS in Mochudi Apply to: P O Box 4111 Gaborone 71302243

ONE FARM WORKER Wanted at Segolome lands Borolong Kuda Balondi. Box 20614 Monarch, 71702343

Farm worker wanted at Mawana. Along Chanoga road. Contact: 71464572.

THREE FARM WORKERS wanted Speed Duo (PTY) LTD. Box 1091 Mahalapye

ONE FARM WORKER wanted Mpho M Maikano. Box 10397 Tatitown 73312347

FARM WORKER WANTED at Bobonongfarms, Contact Lebogang Kanego, Box 267 Francistown, Cell: 72233499/71540033

FARM WORKER REQUIRED, Seleme lands, Rasesa. Reply to P O Box 20901, Mochudi. Call 71307960 **NEEDED URGENTLY:** 4 FARM

WORKERS Urgently at Setatse Farms in Palapye. Please apply to: P.O. Box 1711 Selebi Phikwe Conact 74540235/75099901

FARM WORKER WANTED in Makoro application to Tebogo Dambuza P O Box 205 AEJ Gaborone. Closing Date: 20/11/2025.

FARM WORKER WANTED in Chadibe by Mr Esau G. Mbanga. Box 301064 Francistown 74760636

FARM WORKERS WANTED at Selolwe farm. P O Box 1580 Francistown. Mosalagae Moss Sesupeng. Cell 71301715

FARM WORKER (GARDENER) Needed in Sebina. P O Box 20976 Francistown. Knowledge in vegetable farming. Tel 74208435

FARM WORKER WANTED Shashemooke, Contact 75491382 K.Tapela Box 1209 F/town

FARM WORKER REQUIRED to work at our farm in the Southeast district. Duties: general farm maintenance, animal care, planting, harvesting and machinery operation. Must be physically fit to work outdoors in all weather. Apply to: P O Box 394 Gaborone. Closing date: 25th November 2025

FARM WORKERS WANTED at 3G Ministries in Kopong. Write to P O Box 44 Kopong or call 77361669.

LOOKING FOR farm worker atg Gakgatla. Contact 74310107.

2 WANTED FARM workers at Matlhage farms. Mothusi Rapoo P O Box 306 Mochudi.

LOOKING FOR FARM workers at Bokaa Lands. Apply to: Batlhalefi Dobola Box 272 Morwa.

HERD BOY WANTED at Merolo cattle post Box 482 Shoshong 71857988

FARM WORKERS WANTED at Lotlhakane- East Lands. Apply to: Kabelo Ngope Box 684 Moshupa.

HOUSE MAIDS

LOOKING FOR HOUSE MAID IN BOTSHABELO KASANE CONTACT: MOWA 74547516

NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION. EVELYN O. Phofedi of plot 82381 at Gaborone North wishes to notify neighbours about erection of a boundary wall. Objections can be forwarded to Gaborone City Council Physical Planning office on 3657400 within 14 days of a publication.

NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION. MOTLALEPULA Gladys Phiri of plot no 9546 at Tlokweng, Letlapeng ward wishes to notify neighbours about erection of a boundary wall. Objections can be forwarded to Tlokweng Council Physical Planning office on 3695000 within 14 days of publication.

OWNER OF PLOT 24978
Mogoditshane intends to build
multi-res apartments. Any
objections contact Kweneng
district council planning within 14
days of this notice.

NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION.
RAPHAEL Nametsegang Mere of plot 6548 at Molepolole, Lekgwapheng ward wishes to notify neighbours about erection of a boundary wall. Objections can be forwarded to Molepolole Physical Planning office on 5922100 within 14 days of publication.

NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION. GEORGINAH Moatshe of plot no 20866 at Gaborone, wishes to notify neighbours about erection of a boundary wall. Objections can be forwarded to Gaborone City Council Physical Planning office on 3657400 within 14 days of publication.

NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION. KELETSO Dikoloti of plot no 3179 at Ramotswa, wishes to notify neighbours about erection of a boundary wall. Objections can be forwarded to Ramotswa Council Physical Planning on 5381200 within 14 days of publication.

MHENYA TSHIRELETSO BEING owner of ploughing field in Letsopeng, Machaneng intends to change land use from agriculture to mixed use (agriculture and commercial). Objections are advised to contact physical planning office, Mahalapye (4712145) within 14 days of this notification.

OWNER OF PLOT 5877, Mafitlhakgosi-Tlokweng would like to inform neighbours about changing land use from civic & community to students accommodation- dormitories. Objections to be forwarded to Tlokweng District Council Tel:

OWNER OF PLOT 3442 at Newstance, Tatisiding is proposing to change land use from residential to commercial guest house. Any objection contact North East District Council physical planning office on 2431136

NEIGHBOURS OF PLOT 394 Ratholo are informed of boundary wall erection. Any objection contact 4930860 within fourteen days of this notice.

I KATLEGO CLARA Paledi of residential plot 1143 in Mmankgodi informs neighbours that i intend to change land use from residential to commercial and develop the same. Any objections contact Mogoditshane/ Thamaga district council physical planning office on 3166653 within 14 days of publication of this notice.

OWNER OF PLOT no. 43409 at Golden Gate Estates, Francistown intends to build a double storey residential house and a boundary wall. For any objection contact Francistown city council physical planning office at +267 2411929

THE OWNER OF Plot 21224 Boikago Ward in Palapye would like to change land use from single residential to multi-residential. Any objections please contact physical planner Palapye Administration Authority 4921092/ 4923862.

I, ABRAHAM DIKOSHA NGWAKO (102019904), of Tlokweng, Lenganeng, Plot 1303, do hereby wants to erect perimeter wall.

I LOUNGO P LETSHWITI of Plot 28822 in Kgano Ward Kanye wishes to change land use from single family to multi family residential. Any queries contact Physical Planning Kanye on 5440217/ 206/ 250/ 274. Within fourteen (14) days of this publication.

OWNER OF PLOT 18531 at Madibana ward, Mochudi is proposing to change land use of a portion of his plot from singlefamily residential to multi-family residential. Any objection contact Kgatleng District Council Physical Planning office on 5773512.

BERNARD O. SEGOPOLO, owner of Plot 7 in Moroka village, wishes to change land use from residential to multi residential. For any objections, contact North East District Council Physical Planning office or call +26774200948.

OWNERS OF FARM 2599-KO, Crocodile pools intend to subdivide their property into 4 farm independent. Any objections may be forwarded to Malete landboard on 5381500 within 14 days of this publication.

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: 178/2000 dated 25th day of April 2000 made in favour of Tamtamoga Investment (Proprietary) Limited In respect of:

CERTAIN: PORTION 67(A PORTION OF PORTION 65)(A PORTION OF PORTION 3) OF THE FARM FOREST

HILL NO. 9-K

SITUATE: IN THE SOUTH EAST ADMINISTRATIVE DIRSTRICT

MEASURING: 5017m2 (FIVE THOUSAND AND SEVENTEEN SQUARE METERS)
HELD UNDER: TITLE NO. 178/2000 dated the 25th day of April 2000 made in favour of Tamtamoga Investments

(Proprietary) Limited.

All persons 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 22nd DAY OF October 2025

Tamtamoga Investments (Pty) Ltd

APPLICANT

Sunrise Logistics is looking for a competent extra heavy duty driver to join the team.

Requirements:

EC Drivers License.Age 30 - 45 years. Physically fit.Basic Mechanical knowledge, sobber habbits, at least 8 years experience. Experience of SADC routes particularly DRC including proof of having been to DRC.

Intrested candidates should email their CVs with Copy of national ID/ passport, traceable references and academic certificates to the below address before 20th of December 2025, Managing Director, Talent Centre (Pty) LTD, email: info@talentcentre.co.za, Postal address:P O Box 45441, Riverwalk, Gaborone, Phone:±26778729907

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED COPY OF LOST MORTGAGE BOND

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to apply for a certified copy of Deed of Fixed Period of State Grant No. 1442/2009 dated 29th day of June 2009, made in favour of **ESTATE LATE KOTLHAO MAMPE** in respect of the below mentioned property, namely:

Piece of land being Lot 6881, Lobatse;

SITUATE: in the Township of Lobatse Extension 26;

MEASURING: 375m2 (Three Hundred and Seventy Five

375m2 (Three Hundred and Seventy Five Square Meters); is held under Certificate of Registered State Title No, 1156/94 dated 13th

December 1994;

All persons 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 THIS 10TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2025.

CHILUME & COMPANY

Attorneys for the Applicant
Plot 5665/6, Kubu Road, Broadhurst Shopping Centre, Unit 1 P.O. Box 60778 **GABORONE**Ref: YKC/M023/05/22
Tel: 3916310 / Fax: 3916307

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CHANGE MARRIAGE PROPERTY REGIME (in terms of Section 8 (1) (f) of Married Person's Act, 2014)

BE PLEASED TO TAKE NOTICE that:

- NAMETSO GOITSEMODIMO and OTLAATLA GOITSEMODIMO, married in community of property on the 04th
 of August 2017 in Mochudi, intend to apply to the High Court of Botswana for leave to change their marital regime
 from in community of property to out of community of property.
- 2. The parties intend to apply to the High Court of Botswana after the expiration of the **three (3) weeks** statutory notice from the date of the first publication hereof.
- 3. Any person, creditor or debtor, who may have an interest in the assets and/or liabilities of the parties' estate, should they have objections to the parties changing their property regime, are to inform the parties' Attorneys, MBEWE LEGAL PRACTICE, before the expiration of the said three (3) week period, or make representations before the High Court of Botswana once the contemplated application is lodged.

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 22th DAY OF OCTOBER 2025

MBEWE LEGAL PRACTICE Applicant's Attorneys Plot 20727 Block 3 Industrial P O Box 81556,GABORONE TEL: 316 5578 / 72485212



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Colic Construction Development Co. (Pty) Ltd, a reputable construction company, is seeking qualified and experienced individuals to join our team . **Available Positions:**

1. Carpenters (10–15 positions)

Proficient in wooden formwork and rental steel formwork erection.

2. Rebar Workers (5–8 positions)

3. Plumbers (5 positions)

Proficient in the installation of various types of piping systems.

Electricians (5 positions)
 Proficient in the installation of both high-voltage and low-voltage systems.

Requirements:
Minimum of 5 years' relevant experience in the construction industry.

Ability to interpret to shair all drawings and work with minimal supervision.

Ability to interpret technical drawings and work with minimal supervision. Strong work ethic, reliability, and attention to detail.

Must be available to commence work immediately.

Location: Lobatse Start Date: Immediate Application Details:

Qualified and interested candidates are invited to submit their detailed CVs and certified copies of relevant documents to:

The Human Resource Department

Colic Construction Development Co. (Pty) Ltd P.O. Box 47597, Gaborone Email: coliccon@126.com

Contact: +267 3165881

Closing Date: 30th November 2025

THE OWNER OF plot at Monageng Metsimotlhabe would like to change from poultry to residential contacts Mogoditshane, Thamaga Landboard/ Council Tel: 3905334 within 14 days of this notice.

OWNER OF PLOT no. 7302 located in Tlokweng Mmaratanang, would like to notify neighbours of plots 7303 of constructing boundary wall. Any objectives forward to Tlokweng District Council, Building control office or contact telephone no. 3695000 within fourteen (14) days of publication of this notice.

Owner Of Plot No. 21113, Village Gaborone , Would Like To Change Land Use From Single Family
To multifamily residential Flats.
Anybody Who Would Like To View
The Plan / Drawing Can Do So
Contact Cellphone No. (+267) 71256098 During Working Hours.

Whoever has an objection to the proposal should forward it to Gaborone Physical Planning Office, in writing, within fourteen (14) days of publication of this notice

I EBRAHIM ISMAEL NADAT owner of Palapye Guest House wishes to change land use from commercial to mixed land use (Commercialtourism/ accomodation- Hotel and retail shops(at Serorome/ Palapye. Any objection contact 71124197 or Palapye Physical Planning office.

OWNER OF PLOT no 1650 in Kasane-Plateau, North zone Holdings would like to change land use of the above plot from single family residential to commercial land use (self catering). Any comments or objections should be addressed to Council Secretary, Chobe district council, Private Bag K30, Kasane, Att: physical planning unit, Tel: 6250275

OWNER OF A Portion 33 of farm No 43-NQ at North East District is proposing change of land use from Agriculture to multi-family residential single-family and recreation. Any objections contact North East District Council Physical Planning office on 2431136.

QUALIFIED TEACHERS - PEO MELA NURSERY **SCHOOL**

KEBONYE TUMAGOLE OF lot

30713 Letlhakane would like to

change land use from integrated

farm to mixed use (50% agriculture

and 50% commercial). For any

objection, contact Boteti physical

planning office within 14 days of

Applicants should possess:

Relevant teaching qualifications. Other relevant qualifications will be an added advantage.

Applicants must:

this publication.

- posses a minimum of 3 years experience relevant teaching experience
- have a driver's license and own vehicle
- Apply in writing, annexing a CV and References to:

Peo Mela Nursery School P O Box 149 Gaborone

Closing date 27th November 2025.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Masters's Reference: ESHGB 000638-24

IN THE ESTATE of the late Keodiretse Baseyo Ramajalwa who died at Princess Marina Hospital, Gaborone, Gaborone District, Botswana on the 14th day of March 2015.

NOTICE 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 Executrix Dative, Emma Phenyo Ramajalwa, PO Box 262 SHOSHONG, Cell: 74407071/73181521

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SELL PROPERTY TO À NON CITIZEN

This NOTICE is hereby given that undersigned John Mothibi intends to sell the following property to a non citizen.

: Piece of the land being plot 37985 Mogodistane. **CERTAIN**

SITUATED : At Bakwena Tribal Territory measuring 515 square meters.

HELD UNDER: A title under John Mothibi to Sichuunga Investment Pty Ltd for the sum of P150,000.(One Hundred and Fifty

All persons having objections with this said above property are requested to object in call to +267 72 252 516 / 72 194 460

VACANCY: ATTORNEY ONE POST

A reputable private law firm situate in Gaborone seeks to appoint a highly experienced attorney to manage complex commercial litigation and arbitration

Applicants must hold a minimum of a LLB degree from a recognised university and must be admitted to practice as an Attorney, Conveyancer and Notary Public in the Courts of the Republic of Botswana. The ideal candidate should possess not less than 10 years of post-admission experience with a focus on commercial litigation, alternative dispute resolution and corporate legal advisory services.

Applicants must have completed an approved Trial Advocacy training program and should be capable of independently conducting trials and arbitrations. Typed applications together with a comprehensive Curriculum Vitae, certified copies of academic certificates and work related references should be addressed

KELOBANG GODISANG ATTORNEYS, UNIT 2, BUILDING 8, PLOT 75783, SETLHOA OFFICE PARK, PO BOX 46106, GABORONE, Tel: 3181590, Email: partners@kgattorneys.co.bw, Closing date: 4th December 2025 Kindly note that only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

LOATS INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD T/A A.O CLINIC -PLOT 28582, UNIT 23/26, KB MALL, GABORONE

Vacancy in the following posts at our Medical Center:

- X 2 General Practitioners (Senior Medical Doctors)
- Degree in Medicine OR MBChB OR equivalent with BHPC Registration
- Minimum of 10 years of clinical experience in medicine.
- Applicants will be required to do a 2weeks of orientation before being interviewed.
- X 3 General Practitioners (Medical Doctors)
- Degree in Medicine OR MBChB OR equivalent with BHPC Registration
- At least 2 years minimum experience in General Medicine
- Applicants will be required to do a 2weeks of orientation before being interviewed.
- X 1 General Radiographer

Qualifications & Experience:

- Bachelor's Degree in Diagnostic Radiography or equivalent.
- Certification or specialized training in Ultrasound Imaging.
- Minimum of 10 years of clinical experience in diagnostic imaging.
- Registered or eligible for registration with the Botswana Health Professions Council (BHPC) or relevant authority.

SPACE FOR DIFFERENT SPECIALISTS ALSO AVAILABLE FOR RENT. (PEADIATRICIAN, DERMATOLOGIST ETC.,)

Address letters to HR, P O BOX 679 ABG SEBELE, GABORONE, Interested candidates should email applications; (Cover Letter, CV & Certified Documents) to hr@aoclinic.co.bw, only successful candidates will be contacted.

Applications will close 24 November 2025.

CHANGE OF LAND USE PUBLICATION

I Thapelo Ramatlae the owner of plot located in Thamaga Kgosing Boseja Ward would like to change land use from single residential to commercial.

Anybody who would like to view the plan can view them at office in Mogoditshane Sub District council during working hours from 0700hrs to 1330hrs.

Whoever has an objection to the proposal should forward it at Mogoditshane Physical office at 3105615 in writing within 14 days of the Publication of notice.

Change of Land Use

OWNER of Plot No. 1677, Metsimotlhabe, wishes change land use from multifamily residential to single family

For any objections or comments, please contact Mogoditshane-Thamaga District Council, Physical Planning Office on Telephone No. 3105615; Toll Free number 0800 700 600 within fourteen (14) days of publication of this notice.

Martone Planning Studio; Cell No: 71658936/72111462



SITUATION VACANT:

FARM WORKER WANTED AT MALOTWANA FARM (No.1 POSITIONS)

How to Apply

Applicants should send their applications with a detailed CV, certified copies of their academic qualifications and references to:

The Office Manager, Estate Property Investments (Pty) Ltd, P.O. Box 403200, Gaborone or hand deliver at Head Office, Plot 64268/9, Block 3 Industrial.

Applications can also be sent to; recruitment@estateconstruction.co.bw. or hand delivered to the above address on or before the 1st of December 2025.

CHINA RAILWAY SEVENTH GROUP

is looking for the following personnel in construction:-

Asphalt Batching Plant Manager **Quality Controller Paving Machine Operators Chinese Chef** Extra Heavy Plant Mechanics – Electronics Chinese Cook Extra Heavy Plant Equipment –Repairs **Project Manager** Lab Manager **Civil Engineer Manager** Road & Bridge Technicians **Structural Engineer** Material Manager **Quality Survey Supervisor**

Construction Equipment Supervisor Site Managers Maintenance Manager Site Foreman's Structural Engineers **Financial Analyst** Construction Manager Translator

Senior Maintenance Repairs

With 5 to 10 year work experience, Certificates, Diploma or Degree qualifications related to construction of major projects and relevant positions with traceable

Write to Admin Manager | P O Box 47489, Gaborone

Closing date: 26/11/2025

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED COPY OF LOST MORTGAGE BOND

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of Mortgage Bond No. 1539/97 dated 11th day of December 1997 passed by SAMUEL RALLY TAGWA in favour of **STANDARD CHARTERED BANK BOTSWANA LIMITED** in respect of the following property:

CERTAIN: Piece of land being Lot 5675, Lobatse; SITUATE: in Lobatse Extension 23:

MEASURING: 375m² (Three Hundred and Seventy Five Square Metres);

ns to the issue of such copies are hereby required to lodge their objections with the **REGISTRAR OF DEEDS FOR BOTSWANA AT GABORONE** within three (3) weeks of the date of the second

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 10TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2025.

CHILUME & COMPANY

Attorneys for the Applicant
Plot 5665/6, Kubu Road, Broadhurst Shopping Centre, Unit 1 P.O. Box 60778 **GABORONE** Ref: YKC/T007/09/22 Tel: 3916310 / Fax: 3916307

LOST TITLE DEED

of this notice.



NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of Deed of Fixed Period State Grant No. 1713/2003 dated the 19th day of August 2003 made in favour of **MOTLHOKOMEDI MACK** BOME, in respect of the below mentioned property, namely

CERTAIN : Piece of land being Lot 34189 Gaborone (a portion of Lot 65879 Gaborone);

SITUATE : In the Gaborone West Extension 36;

MEASURING: :642 m² (Six Hundred and Forty Two Square Metres);
WHICH PROPERTY: is held under Deed of Fixed Period State Grant No. 1713/2003 dated the 19th day of

August 2003 made in favour of MOTLHOKOMEDI MACK BOME; : to the reservation and conditions contained in the aforesaid Deed

All persons objecting to the issue of such copy are hereby requested to lodge such objection in writing with the Registrar of Deeds, Private Bag 0020, Gaborone **within 3 (Three) weeks** from the last publication

DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 15th DAY OF June 2025

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: 480 / 85 dated 13^{th} day of September 1985 made in favor of SHADRACK GAOBUSE KGOSIMORE in respect of:

CERTAIN:

Piece of land being LOT 16712 GABORONE IN GABORONE WEST EX 7 347m²,THREE HUNDRED AND FORTY SEVEN SQUARE METRES SITUATE: MEASURING: DEED NO: 480 / 85 DATE: 13/09/85
IN FAVOUR OF SHADRACK GAOBUSE KGOSIMORE. HELD UNDER:

All persons 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

DATED AT ON THIS..... DAY OF..... 2025

APPLICANT

CHANGE OF MARRIAGE PROPERTY REGIME

Pursuant to section 8(1) of the **Married Person's Property Act, 2014. NOTICE** is hereby given that **TSHEPHANG KEBOPETSWE** and **GABAIPHIWE TSAONE KEBOPETSWE** married in of Community of property on the 6th December 2019 in Mahalapye, wish to change their property regime to out of Community of property.

The parties intend to apply the High Court of Botswana after the expiration of the three (3) consecutive weeks from date of this publication hereof.

Any person, creditor or debtor, who may have interest in the assets and / or liabilities of the parties estate, should they have objections to the parties changing their property regime, are to inform the parties before the expiration of the said three (3) weeks period, or make fore High Court of Botswana once the contemplated application is

DATED AT GABORONE THIS DAY 27th OCTOBER 2025
TSHEPHANG KEBOPETSWE and GABAIPHIWE TSAONE KEBOPETSWE P O BOX 71284199 (+267) 71284199/ 72769346

APPLICATION FOR LOST DEED

NOTICE is hereby given that undersigned intends applying for the certified copy of Memorandum of Agreement of Lease No. TL 9/2021 dated 05th day of January 2021 made in favour of **DOT INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD** in respect of the below-mentioned property, namely;

CERTAIN: Piece of land being Lot 6835,Lentsweletau

At Lentsweletau (Cadastre 75) in the Bakwena Tribal Territorry; MEASURING: 966 m² (Nine Hundred and Sixty Six Square Metres);

All persons having objection to the issue of such copy, are hereby requested to lodge same in writing with the Registrar of Deeds, Private Bag 0089, Francistown within 3 (three) weeks of the publication of this notice.

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 28TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2025.

NDADI LAW FIRM P.O. BOX B0130 GABORONE

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NOTICE is given that Thato Senegelo have entered into an offer purchase agreement with Brian Mapiye in respect of the below mentioned

CERTAIN: Piece of land lot no: 7140

SITUATED: Manyana (cadastre 0137) in the Bangwaketsi Tribal Territory

MEASURING: 700m2 (Seven hundred square metres)

HELD UNDER: Deeds of customary land grant no: DR004303058

The Purchase is the sum of P25 000 Twenty five thousand pula only Any citizen of Botswana who objects to or is interested in entering into a similar transaction in respect in mentioned residential plot should do so in writing to the Moshupa Sub Land Board within 30 thirty of publication.

DATED AT GABORONE ON THE 14th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2025

Notice of Intention to Enter Into a Transaction With a Non-Citizen (in Terms of Section 34 of the Tribal Land Act, 2018)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in terms of section 34 of the Tribal Land Act, that Elvis Ofentse Makgatlhe (ID No. 844412009) intends to enter into a sale agreement with Rite Crew Holdings Proprietary Limited (represented by Venakata Ramana Pepakayala) (Passport No.Z5649504), a non-citizen, in respect of the below mentioned property, for the sum of P160 000.00 (One Hundred and Sixty Thousand Pula) namely:

CERTAIN: piece of land being integrated farm, Moologe SITUATE: Moologe Lands, in the Kgatleng District

MEASURING: A (78 327.83, 2 701 733.94) B (78 145.91, 2 701 842.38) C (77 926.76, 2 701 850.14) D (78 005.59, 2 702 061.48)

E (78 133.71, 2 702 050.80) F (78 319.21, 2 701 902.92) HELD UNDER: Certificate of Customary Land Grant dated 10th November 2020

made in favour of Elvis Ofentse Makgatlhe

SUBJECT: such terms and conditions as the aforesaid of Lease will more fully point

Any citizen interested in entering into a similar transaction in respect of the above property shall be given priority notwithstanding the agreement reached by the above parties.

Any citizen objecting to this transaction should do so in writing, giving reasons thereof, to Mochudi Sub Land Board, P O Box 1401, Mochudi, within thirty (30) days of publication of this notice

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 27^{TH} DAY OF OCTOBER 2025

OTHUSITSE MBEHA LAWYERS, Applicant's Attorneys, Plot 50362, Ground Floor, Unit 3, Fairgrounds, The Office Park, P O Box 70498, Gaborone, Telephone 3950033

Sino Power (Pty) Ltd

PLOT 24319 MOGODITSHANE, NKOYAPHIRI WORKSHOP

VACANCY

EXTRA HEAVY-DUTY MECHANIC WITH [EC] LICENCE NEEDED URGENTLY **Job Description:**

Diagnosing, troubleshooting mechanicaland electronic failures

- Qualifications • Heavy Duty Driver's Licence [EC]
- Motor Vehicle Mechanics • Knowledge in Hydraulics
- 8 10 year experience in driving extra heavy duty vehicles .

Responsibilities

Performing general and preventive maintenance services. Inspect all the trucks to make sure there are ready for the journey.

NOTE: All applications should include resume, certified copies of credentials Send email applications with job title CLEARLY stated in

the email heading to: sinopowerbotswana12@gmail.com

Contact: 3934248

IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT FOR THE GABORONE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT HELD AT BROADHURST CASE NO.:CCCMBR-000501-25

OSSY AND SONS INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD

PLAINTIFF

LA-TROBE (PTY) LTD

DEFENDANT

NOTICE FOR SUBSTITUTED SERVICE

TO: LA-TROBE (PTY) LTD a company duly registered and incorporated in terms of the Company laws of Botswana operating its business in Gaborone, Botswana with legal capacity to sue or be sued in its name and whose address for purposes of the proceedings is **PRIVATE BAG 853 ADD. GABORONE.** Further and better particulars are unknown the

(Hereinafter referred to as the "Defendant")

BE PLEASED TO TAKE NOTICE the summons has been issued against you in the above Clerk of the Magistrate Court by OSSY AND SONS (PTY) LTD a company duly registered and incorporated in terms of the Company laws of Botswana, operating in Gaborone, Botswana, with legal capacity with legal capacity to sue and be sued in its name and whose address for purposes of this suit is that is that of its Attorneys of record, MOTSUMI ATTORNEYS, PLOT 64268/9, UNIT A1, BLOCK 3 INDUSTRIAL, GABORONE, P.O BOX 550370, MOGODITSHANE

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT you are hereby commanded that within 7 days from the date of this publication, inclusive of the first day of such publication, enter or cause to be entered with the Clerk of the Court and the plaintiff or her Attorney at the address specified address herein at the suit of OSSY AND SONS INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD, in which action Plaintiff claims the following relief;

- Payment of the sum of BWP 45 000.00 (FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND PULA)
- Interest at the rate of 10% a tempore mora
- Further and alternative relief that this Honourable Court may deem appropriate.

TAKE NOTICE FURTHER that in default of you so doing the Plaintiff may proceed therein and judgment may be given in your absence.

TAKE NOTICE FURTHER that an order has been made that the publication of this Notice shall be deemed to be good

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2025

MOTSUMI ATTORNEYS PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEYS Plot 64268/9. Block 3 Industrial. GABORONE P. O BOX 550370, MOGODITSHANE

NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

THE OWNER OF plot 70127, Gaborone North wishes to consult plot 70128 on boundary wall construction. Objections should be directed to the Gaborone physical planning office at 3657400 within 14 days of publication,

I AHMAD ISMAIL NADAT, owner of ploughing field in Setate/ Palapye wishes to change land-use from ploughing field to mixed landuse (commercial filling station, quick shop truck depo) at Setatse/ Palapye. Any objective contact 71124197 or Palapye Physical Planning office.

PROPERTIES

PLOUGHING FIELD FOR sale in Mathethe 14 hectors undebushed, not fenced, has landboard resolutions P180 000 negotiable. Contact 71851833/ 72911266

GOODHOPE, 16 HECTARES for sale. Price: 360 000.00 Pula. Contact: 74073248/72747333.

RASESA COMMERCIAL PLOT, 1600 sam. Price: 350 000.00 Pula. Contact: 74073248/72747333.

SENTLHANE (LIONSPARK) LAND for sale. Size: 4.5 Hectares, Title- Deed. Price: 2.2 Million Pula. Contact: 74073248/72747333.

VACANCIES

PAN AFRICAN SAFARIS requires an Executive Chef with professional qualification in culinary arts or equivalent, atleast 8 years experience or more. Apply: Box 2, Gaborone. Closing date: 28/11/2025

FUEL MAJESTIC SEEKS to employ Extra Heavy Duty Driver (cross border) with Certificate in dangerous/ hazardous goods, atleast 10 years experience or more. Apply: Box 505191 Gaborone. Closing date: 28/11/2025

DULCAE (PTY) LTD, we are looking for 3 designers. Must have experience of 2 or 3 years. Contact: 71811273. P O Box 450, Palapye. Closing date 11/05/2026.

JOY INTERNATIONAL CHURCH in need of a Pastor. Certificate, Diploma in Ministry, Degree in Theology. Experience 10 years preaching. Apply to Box 5326 Gaborone. Closing 30/12/25

FRENCH TRANSLATOR, REQUIREMENTS :CULTURAL COMPETENT: GUIDING EXPERIENCE EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE OF WILDLIFE TERMINOLOGY UNDER 30 OF AGE. CONTACT: WILD AFRICA SAFARIS, EMAIL: wildafricasafarii@ gmail.com 71540040 / 72393802 /71565252

PRE-SCHOOL TEACHERS wanted urgently at Taty-Lily School at Tonota village with three years experience. Closing date 17 November 2025 Contact Ms Thatayaone Seepo at cell 74771270

BYTE SIZE COLLEGE. Urgently wanted: Policy Analyst, must have Degree in Political Science, 5-6 years experience in Tertiary Institution set up, research skills and BQA evaluated. Apply to HR: hr@bytesizecollege.org or submit at BYTE SIZE COLLEGE Gaborone Campus Reception.

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ST ARNOLD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL in Tonota is looking for a School Head with minimum 10 years of teaching experience.

The candidate should have at least a Bachelor's Degree in Education and has to be a practicing Catholic.

Competences required: managerial and communication skills, IT literacy, finance management, Visionary leader.

Manager, St Arnold's School, P O Box 428, Tonota or email: starnoldprschool@gmail.com. Tel. 72 637 933

APPLICATION FOR LOST DEED

NOTICE is hereby given that undersigned intends applying for the certified copy of Memorandum of Agreement of Lease No. 31/1986 dated 20th day of August 1986 made in favour of **ONTIRETSE SELETAMOTSE MOFSWANE** trading as **MOFSWANE SMALL GENERAL DEALER** in respect of the below-mentioned property, namely;

Piece of land being Tribal Lot 81, Palapye; CERTAIN: SITUATE: in Palapye, in the Ngwato Tribal Territorry;

MEASURING: 4918 (Four Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighteen Square Metres); All persons having objection to the issue of such copy, are hereby requested to lodge same in writing with the Registrar of Deeds, Private Bag 0089, Francistown within 3 (three) weeks of the publication of this notice

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 28TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2025.

NDADI LAW FIRM P. O. BOX B0130 GABORONE

NOTICE OF INTENDED CHANGE OF MARITAL PROPERTY REGIME

(In Terms of Section 8 (1) of the Married Persons Property Act, 2014

- 1. MICHAEL BOTHOLEZWE MODO and TACHENAMA MODO (nee Komi), married in community of property on 30th August 2019, at Masunga wish to change their matrimonial regime from in community of property to out of community of property
- 2. The parties intend to make an application to the High Court of the Republic of Botswana following publication of this notice in three consecutive issues of the Government Gazette and a newspaper of national circulation.
- 3. Any person or creditor who may have an interest in the assets and/or liabilities of the parties' joint estate and having any objection to the above intended matrimonial property regime change, should inform the parties attorneys, Othusitse Mbeha Lawyers, at the undersigned address, of any such objection before the expiration of the three (3) week period during which this shall be published, or make representation before the High Court of Botswana once the contemplated application is lodged.

 DATED AT GABORONE THIS 23RD DAY OF OCTOBER 2025

OTHUSITSE MBEHA LAWYERS Applicants' Attorney

Plot 50362, Ground Floor Unit 3, Fairgrounds The Office Park P O Box 70498 **GABORONE** Telephone: 3950033

"BEFORE H/W MOKONE"

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IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT FOR THE GABORONE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT HELD AT BROADHURST
CASE NO.:CCCMBR-000501-25

OSSY AND SONS INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD

DEFENDANT

PLAINTIFF

LA-TROBE (PTY) LTD NOTICE FOR SUBSTITUTED SERVICE

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(Hereinafter referred to as the "Defendant")

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TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT you are hereby commanded that within 7 days from the date of this publication, inclusive of the first day of such publication, enter or cause to be entered with the Clerk of the Court and the platfor one Att at the address specified address herein at the suit of OSSY AND SONS INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD, in which action Plaintiff claims the following relief

- Payment of the sum of BWP 45 000.00 (FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND PULA);
- Interest at the rate of 10% a tempore mora
- Costs of suit; and

Further and alternative relief that this Honourable Court may deem appropriate.

TAKE NOTICE FURTHER that in default of you so doing the Plaintiff may proceed therein and judgment may be given in TAKE NOTICE FURTHER that an order has been made that the publication of this Notice shall be deemed to be good

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2025.

MOTSUMI ATTORNEYS PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEYS Plot 64268/9 Block 3 Industrial GABORONE P. O BOX 550370, MOGODITSHANE

IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF GABORONE **HELD AT BROADHURST**

CASE NO. CCMBR-002217-24

In the matter between:-**EMMANUEL MAKOPOLA**

KUTLWANO RATHARI

Plaintiff

SUBSTITUTED SERVICE

TO: KUTLWANO RATHARI, an adult male of full legal capacity whose last known place of residence is Metsimotlhabe, otherwise whose further and better particulars are to the Plaintiff unknown

TAKE NOTICE that by summons issued against you on the 19th November 2024 by the abovementioned Plaintiff whose address for purposes of this suit is that of its Attorneys herein under stated, for the following claims;

- Payment of the sum of P6,000.00 being rental arrears;
- Payment in the sum of P610.00 being miscellaneous expenses; Interest on the above amount at 10% per annum a tempora morae;
- Costs of suit;
 - Further and/or alternative relief

And that an order has been made that the publication of notice of such summons shall be deemed to be a good and sufficient service of the summons on you. You are therefore required to enter an appearance to defend to the summons within 7 days after publication hereof, with the Clerk of the Court and to serve such filed appearance upon the Plaintiff's TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if you fail to give such notice, judgment may be granted

against you without further reference to you. DATED AT GABORONE THIS 10TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2025

SEKWENYANE LEGAL PRACTICE, Plaintiff's Attorneys, Plot 593, Off Sekgoma Way, Extension 4, Gaborone, P O Box 452 ABG, Sebele, Gaboro

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice issued in terms of Section 10 (2) of the Environmental Assessment Act (Cap 65:07)

NOTIFICATION FOR PUBLIC REVIEW OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS) FOR THE PROPOSED INDUSTRIAL MINERALS EXTRACTION (GRANITE AND DOLERITE) IN MALEGARE LANDS, NEAR DINOKWE VILLAGE IN MAHALAPYE DISTRICT BY STOP & FIX SUPPLIES (PTY) LTD

The major findings of an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Study undertaken for the proposed industrial minerals extraction are summarised hereunder.

i) Nature and Magnitude of the Activity

Stop & Fix Supplies (Pty) Ltd has made an application with intention to exploit industrial minerals (granite and dolerite) in Malegare, near Dinokwe Village in the Mahalapye District. The site is approximately 9.932 km from the main Kgotla of Dinokwe village The overall area (footprint) for the proposed quarry-stone measures approximately 200.79 km2. as per approved Prospecting Licence NO 0128/2023. Industrial minerals extraction is estimated to last for 42 years with probabilities of extension.

(ii) Rationale for the project

The material will be used for commercial (construction) purposes and supplied to the residents and other nearby villages for construction purposes.

(iii) Location of the Activity

The proposed project is located in Malegare Lands near Dinokwe Village, in the Mahalapye Sub-District. The site is approximately 9.932 km from the main Kgotla of Dinokwe village

(iv) Anticipated Environmental impacts of the Activity and proposed mitigation measures to respond to the negative environmental impact

The environmental impacts and mitigation measures identified by the EIA study are presented in detail in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and summarized in the table below. A detailed Environmental Impact Assessment to help manage and monitor potential impacts is included in the EIS.

	CONSTRUCTION PHASE	
Environmental impact	Mitigation	
Loss of vegetation	Clearing should be limited to the area required for mining activities	
3	Limit quarrying to the approved 0.50 km ² area to avoid clearin	
C	excess vegetation.	
Creation of access road	Limit clearance of vegetation for the access road to the proposed sit	
Recruitment of workers	As much as possible residents of Malegare, Dinokwe and Mahalapy District area should be considered when recruiting labour.	
Reduced air quality	Workers should be provided with adequate protective clothing in cluding nose masks Hauling trucks should be covered.	
Increase in ambient noise levels	Workers should make use of hearing protectors	
Waste Generation	At least one waste receptacle with a lid for each waste stream should be provided on site.	
	At least one portable flush chemical toilet for male and female each should be provided on site on a ratio of 1: 10 at least.	
	OPERATION PHASE	
Soil erosion	All disturbed slopes must be stabilized immediately to prevent ero sion and safety risks.	
	Excavation activities should be limited to the proposed site.	
	Progressive rehabilitation should always be undertaken to avoid degradation.	
Increase in ambient noise levels	All equipment should be maintained to ensure quieter runnin operation.	
	Speed limits of 40km/hr along the haul route should be enforce to attenuate noise from the haul vehicles that would be plying th access roads.	
	Workers should make use of hearing protectors	
Reduced air quality	Workers should be provided with adequate protective clothing in	
	cluding nose masks Adequate dust restraining measures including sprinkling of wate should be regularly done around the mining area and along the ac cess road.	
	Hauling trucks should be covered.	
Social conflicts	Conduct community engagement sessions and establish grievand mechanisms.	
Waste generation and disposal	At least one waste receptacle with a lid for each waste stream shoul be provided on site.	
	At least one portable flush chemical toilet for male and female eac should be provided on site on a ratio of 1: 10 at least.	
Potential soil, surface and ground water pollution	Portable spills containment and clean up equipment should be provided at the mining site.	
•	In the event of accidental spill, the contractor should expedite th clean-up of the area to prevent spread of the pollutant	
	All fuel, lubricants and hydraulic oil should be stored in clear marked containers with lids.	
Potential archaeological finds	Prior to site preparation and excavation activities', the project a	
,	chaeologist should sensitise the contractor and employees on th possibility of chance finds and educate them on what to do in th event of such sightings.	
	In the event of any chance findings the Department of National Museum and Monuments should be informed immediately.	
Slope Instability	Bench design, slope stabilization, geotechnical monitoring	
Visual Intrusion Quarry Vibration	Progressive rehabilitation, vegetation buffers, aesthetic screening Monitoring ensures operations stay within established environmen tal limits to protect nearby communities and property.	
	Open communication and consultation with affected communities are vital for managing expectations and ensuring acceptance of acceptable vibration levels.	
Ponding	Creating ditches to direct runoff away from operational areas an building bridges over watercourses helps control water flow.	
	Keeping quarry roads and surfaces clean removes dust and mud the would otherwise contribute to ponding and water contamination.	
	Water collected in settlement ponds or sumps may require treatmer to remove pollutants other than suspended solids before it can be safely discharged.	

Soil and water pollution	Proper maintenance of all equipment used during decommissioning
	All holes to be filled with soil and compacted after all has beer completed
Vegetation regeneration after re- habilitation	Restoration should be done immediately after completion
Increase in ambient noise levels	All equipment should be maintained to ensure quieter running operation.
	Speed limits of 40km/hr along the haul route should be enforced to attenuate noise from the haul vehicles that would be plying the access roads.
	Workers should make use of hearing protectors
Reduced air quality	Workers should be provided with adequate protective clothing in cluding nose masks
	Adequate dust restraining measures including sprinkling of wate should be regularly done around the mining area and along the access road.
	Hauling trucks should be covered.

(ii)Conclusions and Recommendations

The conclusion from the findings of the EIA is that the benefits of the proposed industrial minerals mining outweigh the disadvantages as the project will provide minerals for construction purposes to the residents and other surrounding areas.

Therefore, the consultant recommends that the project be allowed to proceed with appropriate implementation of the mitigation measures recommended.

(iii)Environmental Impact Statement Placement

Copies of the EIS can be reviewed at the following locations:

- Department of Environmental Protection (Serowe)
- Dinokwe main KgotlaMahalapve Public Library

Written comments or objections from those likely to be affected by the project and other interested persons should be submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection

(iv)Correspondences

All written comments relating to the public review should be directly forwarded to:

The District Environment Coordinator

Department of Environmental Protection

Private Bag 0028, Serowe

Tel: (+267) 463 0174 or 463 0176 **Fax**: (+267) 463 5937 or hand delivered to Palamaokuwe ward Serowe DEP Office

KITSISO

Kitsiso e ntshiwa mabapi le Kgaolo ya lesome ya molao wa Tshekatsheko Tikologo tshetlana ya (Cap 65:07)

KITSISO YA KANOKO SECHABA, YA TSHEKATSHEKO YA TIKOLOGO MABAPI LE TIRAGALO YA GO EPA DITSWA MMUNG TSA KAGO (GRAVELE, GRANITE LE DOLERITE) MO MOTSENG WA DNOKWE, KGAOLO YA MAHALAPYE.

Dintlhakgolo tsa dipatlisiso tse di bonweng fa go dirwa ditshekatsheko tsa seemo sa tshomarelo tikologo ka nako ya kepo ya ditswa mmung tsa kago (Gravel, Granite le Dolerite) e simolola di sobokilwe fa tlase.

(i) Boleng le Selekanyo sa Tiro

Stop & Fix Supplies (Pty) Ltd e dirile kopo ya go epa ditswammung tsa kago (granite, gravel le dolerite) mo masimong a Malegare, go bapa le Motse wa Dinokwe mo Kgaolong ya Mahalapye. Lefelo le le sekgele sa dikhilomethara di le borobabongwe go ela selekanyo sa lesomego tswa mo kgotleng kgolo ya motse. Lefelo (footprint) la tiro le lekanyediwa go nna selekanyo la sekgele sa 200.79 km2 go ya ka teseletso ya go batla ditswammung (Prospecting Licence NO 0128/2023. Go epiwa ga Ditswammung tse go akanyediwa gore go a go tsaya dingwaga tse masome mabedi le bobedi, mme go ka nna le katoloso.

(ii) Botlhokwa jwa tiro

Di tswa mmung tsa kago (granite, gravel le dolerite) di tla dirisiwa mo ditirong tsa kago mme di rekisediwe le baagi le metse e e bapileng.

(iii) Lefelo La Tiro

Tiro e e tla diragala mo Malegare gaufi le motse wa Dinokwe, mo Kgaolong ya Mahalapye. Lefelo la tiro le bokgakala jwa dikhilomethara di borobabongwe go ya ko lesomeng.

(iv) Ditlamorago tse di ka tlhagogang ka nako ya tiro le tse di akantsweng go ka dirwa go fokotsa manokonoko a kamego ya tikologo

Ditlamorago tse di ka tlhagogang ka nako ya tiro le tse di akantsweng go ka dirwa go fokotsa manokonoko a kamego ya tikologo tse di lemogilweng ka nako ya fago dirwa ditshekatsheko tsa kamego ya tikologo di akareditswe mo tafoleng e e fa tlase:

KA NAKU YA KEPU E SIMULULA		
Tse di amang tikologo	Metlhale ya go fokotsa ditlamorago	
Kgotlhego ya mmu	Ditiro tsa go epa di tshwanetse go dirwa fela fa go tlhokafalang teng. Tiro ya khwari e tshwanetse go lekanyetswa mo lefelong le le amogetsweng la 0.50 km² fela go tila go kgaola dimela fa go sa thokafaleng.	
Go dira tsela e e ka dirisiwang	Kgaola dimela fela mo lefelong le le leteletsweng fela.	
Phiro ya babereki	Go tshwanetse ga thapiwa banni ba Malegare kana ba motse wa Dinokwe le kgaolo ya Mahalapye ka dipalo tse diko godimo	
Kgotlelesego ya phefo	Babereki ba tshwanetse go neelwa di dirisiwa tsotlhe tsa itshireletso Kgatsha metsi go fokotsa lerole	

Modumo o o feteletseng	Didirisiwa tsotlhe di tshwanetse tsa bankangwa ka nako tsotlhe
	go itsa medumo Lebelo la 40km/hr le tshwanetse la dirisiwa thata go fokotsa
	modumo o o feteletseng wa dikatakata Babereki ba tshwanetse go dirisa di sireletse tsa ditsebe ka nako
	tsotlhe
Go leswefatsa tikologo	Go tshwanetse ga nna le ditanka tsa matalaka, tse di khurumel- wang mo lefelong la tiro. Ditanka tse, di tshwanetse tsa leta go
	tlhaolwa ga matlakala go ya ka mefuta ya one mo lefelong. Mafelo a boiteketso a nakwana a tshwanetse go nna teng, ebile
	a lekanetse go ya ka palo ya babereki.
	o epa Mebu mo lefelong/Khwari ————————————————————————————————————
Kgotlelesego ya mmu	Go tshwanetse ga baakangwa lefatshe morago ga tiro
	Kepo yotlhe e tshwanetse ya dirwa mo lefelong le le letlelets- weng
	Leka go busetsa lefatshe mo seemong se se siameng ka nako tsotlhe
Modumo o o feteletseng	Didirisiwa tsotlhe di tshwanetse tsa bankangwa ka nako tsotlhe go itsa medumo
	Lebelo la 40km/hr le tshwanetse la dirisiwa thata go fokotsa modumo o o feteletseng wa dikatakata
	Babereki ba tshwanetse go dirisa di sireletse tsa ditsebe ka nako tsotlhe
Kgotlelesego ya phefo	Babereki ba tshwanetse go neelwa di dirisiwa tsotlhe tsa it- shireletso
	Kgatsha metsi go fokotsa lerole
	Dikatakata tse di rwalang ditswammung (gravel, granite le dolerite) di tshwanetse go nna di khurumetswe.
Kgotlhang ya tiriso ya lefatshe	Go netefatsa gore tshekatsheko e tletseng mabapi le tiriso ya lefatshe mo kgaolong e moepo e dirwang mo go yone e dirilwe
	sentle pele ga tiro ya go epa ditswammung e ka simologa, se
	se dirwa jaana go netefatsa gore ditiro tsotlhe tse di amang lefatshe di akareditswe le gore Sechaba sotlhe se itsisitwe ka
Go leswefatsa tikologo	thomamo, go itsa dikgotlhang. Go tshwanetse ga nna le ditanka tsa matalaka, tse di khurumel-
ao iestretaisa unotogo	wang mo lefelong la tiro. Ditanka tse, di tshwanetse tsa leta go
	tlhaolwa ga matlakala go ya ka mefuta ya one mo lefelong.
	Mafelo a boiteketso a nakwana a tshwanetse go nna teng, ebile a lekanetse go ya ka palo ya babereki.
Kgonagalo ya kgotlelesego ya mmu le metsi	Didirisiwa tse di ka beeletsang le tse di ka tlhatswang fa go kgotlelesegileng di tshwanetse tsa nna teng ka nako tsotlhe.
	Fa go ka tshologa ole, rakonteraka o tshwanetse go fefogela go
	phepafatsa lefelo le le kgotlelesegileng go itsa go nwela ga ole mo mmung.
	Di ole tsotlhe ka mefuta ya tsone di tshwanetse tsa bewa d khurumetswe gape di tshwailwe.
Kgonagalo ya go bona matlotlo a tlho-	Ba bereki ba tshwanetse go rutwa ka botlhokwa jwa matlotlo
lego le ditso	a tlholego le ditso Ba lephata la ditso le matlotlo a tlholego ba tshwanetse go it-
	sisiwe fa go ka bonwa sepe sa masalela a botlhokwa a matlotlo a ditso
Go phomega ga mmu le go wa ga le-	Go epa mebu ka kelelelo, go itsa go phomega ga mebu le go
koma la khwari Phetogo ya tebego ya lefelo le go mas-	ribetsega ga makoma a khwari Go tokafatsa tebego ya lefelo le le epilweng ka go thodumela
wafatsa tikologo	gore ka nako tsotlhe go tlogelwe ditlhare le gore go dirisiwe metlhale e e tla tlogelang tebego ya lefelo e e faphegileng ka tebego.
Go roroma ga lefatshe fa go epiwa ditswammung	Go nefatsa gore tikologo le batho ba ba nnang go bapa le lefelo ba babalegile gotlhe le di tsa bone. Go tlhomamisa gore go nna
urswammung	le therisanyo magareng ga banni ba kgaolo le badiris ba khwar
	le go ela tlhoko gore go rorma ga lefatshe ke mo go amogelese- gang, ebile go ka seke go bake ditshenyegelo kgotsa dikgobalo.
	MORAGO GA TIRO
Kgonagalo ya kgotlelesego ya mmu le metsi	Didirisiwa tsotlhe ditshwanetse go nna mo seemong sa tiriso Mahuti otlhe a tshwanetse go katelwa abe a baakanyediwa
Go thoga ga dimela	Go tshwanetse ga netefadiwa gore ga go tseye nako gore go
Koketsego ya Modumo	busediwe lefatshe mo seemong sa pele. Didirisiwa tsotlhe di tshwanetse tsa bankangwa ka nako tsotlhe
noncescyo ya modulilo	go itsa medumo
	Lebelo la 40km/hr le tshwanetse la dirisiwa thata go fokotsa modumo o o feteletseng wa dikatakata
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Kgotelesego ya phefo	tsotlhe Babereki ba tshwanetse go neelwa di dirisiwa tsotlhe tsa
Kgotelesego ya phefo	Babereki ba tshwanetse go neelwa di dirisiwa tsotlhe tsa itshireletso
Kgotelesego ya phefo	tsotlhe Babereki ba tshwanetse go neelwa di dirisiwa tsotlhe tsa

(ii)Kgarelo le ditaelo tsa tshekatsheko

Pego ya kanoko ya tikologo ee dirilweng e supile fa ditlamorago tsa go epa di tswa mmung (gravel, granite le dolerite) di sena manokonoko a kalo mo tikologong gape banni ba ka reka di tswa mmung tsa kago gaufi.

Ka jalo go laelwa gore tiro e ka dirwa go setswe morago dintlha tse di akanyeditsweng go ka fokotsa manokonoko mo tikologong.

(iii)Kanamiso ya lenaneo la pabalelo tikologo

Mokwalo o o feletseng wa ditshekatsheko tsa tikologo o ka bonwa kwa mafelong a a latelang:

- Lephatla la tsa tshomarelo tikologo kwa Serowe
- (Department of Environmental Protection, Serowe)Kgotla Kgolo ya Dinokwe
- Mahalapye Public Library

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Wind power project empowers locals

CAPE TOWN - On a breezy afternoon in the future they can get jobs." across the arid plains of South Africa's Northern Cape Province, 31-year-old Xolani Taute stood beneath a towering white wind turbine, its blades slicing through the blue sky above the small town of De Aar.

Once an unemployed electrician with little prospect of further study or steady work, he is now a trainee wind turbine technician -- a testament to how renewable energy is transforming local lives.

"Longyuan has changed my life in many ways," Taute told Xinhua, his eyes lit up with excitement. "I am very proud of what Longyuan has done here in De Aar."

Four years ago, Taute was struggling to find work until he learned about Longyuan South Africa Renewables Ltd.

Longyuan SA, a wholly owned subsidiary of China Energy Investment Group's (CHN Energy) Longyuan Power Group Corporation, was recruiting for its De Aar Wind Power Project.

He applied and, to his surprise, was offered not just a job but a future. Longyuan SA sponsored his training at a technical college in Cape Town.

He later received hands-on training at the De Aar wind farm before joining the company in 2023 as a wind turbine technician trainee.

"They paid for my college and my accommodation, transport fee, food fee, everything," Taute recalled.

For him, the greatest benefit to local youth like him was not simply employment but the opportunity to learn and master new technology.

"By teaching people, you are giving them that skill for renewable energy," he

Completed in 2017, the De Aar Wind Power Project stands as a flagship example of China-South Africa cooperation under the Belt and Road Initiative.

With an investment of about ¥2.5 billion (about US\$352 million) and a total installed capacity of 244.5 megawatts, it is the first wind project in Africa developed, built and operated by a Chinese power company, emerging as the largest operational wind farm in South Africa.

Its 163 turbines generate roughly 770 million kilowatt-hours of clean electricity each year, powering some 300 000 South African homes and easing the country's power shortages.

Beyond delivering green energy, Longyuan SA has focused on "teaching people to fish" -- nurturing local talent, improving livelihoods and stimulating regional growth.

So far, the project has trained over 110 young technicians, with more than 80 percent of its workforce now composed of local employees, many of whom hold key operational and management positions.

"Now I am able to support my family, and my sisters and my brothers," said

"They changed my life." Thabiso Moleko, a deployment counselor with the De Aar Department of Employment and Labor, said that the wind power project had fostered skills development among

"People now are having these skills. They are not only going to use them within their company but also with other companies.

That means more job creation in the future, and poverty is decreasing, leading "It is like an advantage for them so that to greater economic growth in South Africa, not only in the Northern Cape but across the country as well."

Longyuan SA also runs a scholarship program worth about R4.5 million (about UD\$263, 200) annually to help students from humble backgrounds pursue their education.

So far, 390 students have benefited, including 30-year-old Daswin Basson, now a senior maintenance technician at the De Aar Project.

"It gave me the opportunity to build my career and make something of my life when I had no financial means to do so. I hope that I can continue with that work and can continue to give young people the opportunity to grow and succeed," Basson

During their lunch break, Taute and Basson came to a nearby sports field -once a barren patch of dirt, now a vibrant community hub restored with funding from Longyuan SA.

"We say that 'a child in sport is a child out of court,' and thus it is contributing to that. Our crime has dropped, and most of our youth are enjoying this facility," said Ronald Faul, De Aar sports facilities supervisor.

In a town with limited medical facilities, residents often spot a white mobile clinic bus making its rounds, which is another initiative by Longyuan SA.

Equipped with dental and eye-care units, the bus provides free medical services to around 9 000 residents each year and has served more than 50 000 people since its launch in 2020.

Nkulukelo Mazibuko, a 29-year-old optometrist on board, said the clinic was a lifeline for many.

"Some people, especially the old people, cannot walk to the clinic. They do not have money to go to the hospital either. When we come here, we provide service near them and it is free," he said.

The company's social responsibility programme also include sponsoring local old-age homes to ensure food and care for impoverished elders, building and operating early childhood centers to provide free education for hundreds of children from low-income and special-needs families, and investing millions of rand to repair the town's water infrastructure, replacing aging pipes and cleaning reservoirs to secure safe drinking water for more than 2 000 residents. Xinhua



CAPE TOWN- A wind turbines of De Aar Wind Power Project in De Aar, Northern Cape, South Africa. Completed in 2017. The project that nurtures talent, improving livelihoods and stimulating regional growth, stands as a flagship example of China-South Africa cooperation under the Belt and Road Initiative. Photo: Xinhua

PUBLIC NOTICE

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) UPDATE FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A DEDICATED TRUCK PARKING BAY WITHIN LOT 133 IN KAZUNGULA.

Solid Concepts trading as Kwanokeng Oil Pty Ltd invites members of the public to consultation meetings for the proposed construction of a trucking bay within bay within Lot 133 in Kazungula. The parking facility will ensure that heavy vehicles do not congest the forecourt or park along the public road reserve. In fulfilment of Section 7, subsection 2 of the Environmental Assessment Act as of CAP (65:07), Notice is hereby given for a public meeting for the proposed

Positive Impacts

Improve livelihoods

Positive impacts will include among others:

• Employment opportunities for locals

The Project

The project involves the construction of a truck parking bay in Kazungula.

Negative Impacts

It is anticipated that the activities outlined above will result in some of the following impacts;

- Increase in noise and vibration
- · Risk of fire
- Dust nuisance

All residents, interested and affected parties are invited to a Kgotla Meeting as scheduled below:

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Okowa joins ICJ bench

NEW YORK - Kenyan jurist Phoebe Okowa was elected a judge of the International Court of Justice (ICJ) on Wednesday to fill the seat vacated by Somalia's Abdulqawi Yusuf, who resigned effective September 30.

Okowa will serve the remainder of Yusuf's term, which runs until February 5, 2027. She is a Kenyan lawyer and professor of public international law at Queen Mary University of London and has served as a member of the UN International Law Commission since 2023.

Under the ICJ's Statute, judges are elected by secret ballot in both the Security

Council and the General Assembly. To be elected, a candidate must obtain an absolute majority in both chambers, which vote concurrently but separately.

There were four candidates for the post. Okowa won after three rounds of voting in the Security Council and four rounds of voting in the General Assembly.

The Hague-based ICJ has 15 judges elected to nine-year terms of office. Judges are eligible for re-election.

Should a judge die or resign during his or her term of office, a special election will be held to choose a judge to fill the unexpired part of the term.

The 15 judges must come from 15 different countries.

The court as a whole must represent the main forms of civilisation and the principal legal systems of the world. Xinhua





MOMBASA - African countries have agreed to strengthen collaboration in medical product research, development, and regulation to boost local manufacturing and reduce dependence on imports. The seventh biennial Scientific Conference on Medical Products Regulation in Africa was held in Kenya, with delegates reflecting on the growing urgency to address vulnerabilities exposed by emergencies like the Ebola outbreak and COVID-19. Photo: Xinhua

African countries pledge to boost medical product research

countries on Tuesday agreed strengthen collaboration in medical product research, development and regulation to boost local manufacturing and reduce dependence on imports.

The seventh biennial Scientific Conference on Medical Products Regulation in Africa (SCoMRA VII) was held in Kenya's coastal city of Mombasa, with delegates reflecting on the growing urgency to address vulnerabilities exposed by emergencies like the Ebola outbreak and COVID-19.

John Munyu, chairperson of Kenya's Pharmacy and Poisons Board, said unlocking Africa's potential in health product manufacturing and trade is a continental priority.

"Africa imports over 90 per cent of its medicines and produces less than one percent of its vaccines.

This is not just a statistic; it reflects our dependence and vulnerability, which the COVID-19 pandemic painfully exposed," he said.

"SCoMRA VII is not merely a conference; it is a strategic platform to make this vision real to catalyse local manufacturing, support intra-African trade under the Africa Continental Free Trade Area, and ensure that quality, safe and effective medical products reach every African," he added.

African Medicines Agency Director-General (AMA)'s Delese Mimi Darko underscored the institution's commitment to supporting local pharmaceutical manufacturing across Africa.

Darko said increased regional production would improve access to safe, affordable, and highquality medical products, while reducing dependence on imports.

Symerre Grey-Johnson, director of human capital and institutional development at the African Union Development Agency-New Partnership for Africa's Development, said Africa had made strategic moves to actualise medical product manufacturing through the establishment of the AMA.

Grey-Johnson noted establishment provided predictable regulatory functions and authoritative continental leadership. . Xinhua

Nearly 25 million people face acute food insecurity in DRC - UN

NEW YORK - Nearly 25 million people, over 20 per cent of the population, are facing high levels of acute food insecurity in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), a UN spokesperson said Wednesday.

The DRC remains one of the countries most affected by food insecurity, with the situation particularly severe in the east, said Stephane Dujarric, spokesperson for the UN secretary-general, at a daily briefing. According to the latest Integrated Food Security Phase Classification analysis, the number is projected to rise

the first half of 2026, he said. Dujarric said the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) remains deeply concerned about continued attacks against civilians in Beni and Lubero territories in North Kivu and also in Ituri province, with more than 1,000 people reportedly killed in the two provinces since the beginning of this year.

The impact on health services has been devastating, with at least six facilities attacked since the beginning of 2025 and a total of at least 28 health sites affected to nearly 27 million people in by armed attacks since 2024, dire crisis. Xinhua

said the spokesperson. He said OCHA reiterated its call on all parties to respect international humanitarian law and ensure the protection of civilians and civilian infrastructure.

Since January, the security situation in eastern DRC has worsened sharply amid renewed fighting involving the March 23 Movement rebel group, which seized several key towns, including Goma and Bukavu.

Humanitarian agencies say the escalating violence has displaced hundreds of thousands of civilians, deepening an already

AU, UN discuss peace, security development

African Union (AU) and the United Nations (UN) discussed implementation of the cooperation frameworks between the two organizations as well as the joint action and challenges linked to peace, security, development and human rights at their ninth annual conference at the UN headquarters in New York on Wednesday.

The high-level discussions, co-chaired by Chairperson of the AU Commission Mahmoud Ali Youssouf and UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres, also included topics such as financing for development, climate action, as well as the implementation of the African strategy for women, peace and security agenda.

"Cooperation between our organizations has never been stronger or more necessary," with the world in turmoil, rocked by deadly conflicts, widening inequalities, climate chaos and runaway technologies, Guterres told a joint press conference after the meeting.

"The impacts are felt deeply on the African continent," he said, listing three areas "where decisive action is needed" making Africa a priority, financing for development and innovation, and investing in peace.

Calling for reforming international financial the architecture so it reflects the world of today and better serves the needs of developing countries, particularly in Africa, Guterres said it must become "more inclusive, representative, equitable and effective."

The UN chief underscored that sustainable development and peace are interdependent and mutually reinforcing.

"In this respect, I wish to reaffirm my full support for the AU's Silencing the Guns initiative," he said, noting that today Africa is home to too many conflicts and too much suffering, including in Sudan, the Sahel, Mali, South Sudan, Somalia, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. In his remarks, Youssouf said the AU-UN annual conference is a strategic platform for a periodic consultation and coordination between the two

organizations. The AU and the UN have aligned their development agendas, Agenda 2063 and Agenda 2030, and the two organizations are also working closely on flagship programs of peace, he said. Youssouf noted that the AU and the UN have deployed together tremendous efforts for the adoption of the Pact of the Future last year and now the two organizations are very much involved in advancing the cause of climate justice and energy transition. The AU is also committed to working with all parties and stakeholders of the UN to achieve a transparent, equitable and just reform of the Security Council, Youssouf said. He also stated that although the two organizations are faced with financial strains, it is critical to continue to support peace operations, the fight against terrorism, as well as conflict prevention and resolution.

The first AU-UN annual conference was held in New York in April 2017, during which the two organizations signed a joint framework for an enhanced partnership in peace and security. Xinhua



Mahmoud Ali Youssouf



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Three local films score big

By Benita Magopane

GABORONE - Three local films, Route 2, Abashwe and Moporofete: The Prophet are set to debut exclusively on Mzansi Magic on Saturdays starting November 15 to 29.

The movies, produced by acclaimed Botswana filmmakers Afentse Lekolwane (Route 2), Johnson Otlaadisa (Abashwe), and Tumelo Chaba (Moporofete: The Prophet), mark Botswana's continued rise as a powerhouse in the film industry.

Lekolwane, best known for her sharp comedic delivery in hit series such as Beauty, is once again delivering the laughs with her latest creation, Route 2.

The film is a richly humorous and visually striking tale of survival, loneliness and the unpredictable magic of shared journeys.

It promises viewers emotional road trip that explores how human connection often emerges from the most unexpected detours in life.

Speaking at the MultiChoice Botswana press conference, Lekolwane said: "This film is not just a story, it is about the character," highlighting that the combi and the many hilarious props in the film acted as characters themselves, giving the story a richer comedic edge.

Meanwhile, Chaba's The *Prophet* is set to tug at the hearts of movie fans obsessed with themes of betrayal, vengeance, and redemption.

The story follows the life of a vengeful Jacob, who creates a fake prophetic ministry to exact revenge after his father loses a million-pula property to a manipulative church, a tragedy that leads to the untimely death of both his parents.

Yet, when love unexpectedly finds him, he faces a moral crossroads between forgiveness and vengeance.

Reflecting on his journey, Chaba described the film's backstory as one of rejection and perseverance, calling Mzansi Magic's interest in his project a breakthrough moment.

"This is my 'Now I'm here' moment," he said, one he hoped to relive again next year.

hopeless romantics, Abashwe is the film to watch.

The story follows the emotional journey of a resilient single mother who has long given up on

Scarred by past disappointments, she remains skeptical even when she meets a charming young executive who seems genuinely interested in her.

Otlaadisa expressed immense gratitude for the opportunity to leading storytelling platform, describing it as 'a filmmaker's dream come true'.

MultiChoice Meanwhile, Botswana managing director,

showcase his film on Africa's Stephanie Pillay, expressed her inspire and entertain audiences of that resonate deeply with local excitement, saying: "We are thrilled to bring these local films to our viewers. Our commitment to local content is unwavering, and we believe these films will

all ages."

At their core, the films celebrate Botswana's rich cultural heritage and diverse narratives while capturing compelling stories audiences.

They also stand as bold testaments to the exceptional talent of Botswana's filmmakers and actors. BOPA



Ministry of Sport and Arts deputy permanent secretary, Tebogo Matebesi (centre), MultiChoice managing director, Stephanie Pillay (fourth right) Route 2 film director, Afentse Lekolwane (third right) and other stakeholders during the launch of Mzansi Magic Botswana-made films in Gaborone on Tuesday. Photo: Teko Letsholo

Online literature beneficial to Chinese films

BEIJING - From epic fantasy dramas featuring gods and immortals to intimate stories of urban professionals navigating careers and relationships, what appears on Chinese screens is drawing from one prolific creative well, online literature.

In an industry hungry for proven hits, adaptations of serialised web novels have become a significant force in programming.

According to industry data, more than a third of the series set for release or under production in 2025 by China's three major streaming platforms, Qiyi, Tencent Video, and Youku, are based on such digital originals.

This trend underscores a major shift in how China's entertainment industry capitalises on the country's vibrant, crowd-sourced online fiction. For producers, the appeal is clear. These novels, often written in serial installments and honed by real-time reader feedback, arrive with a built-in

audience and a pre-tested story.

"The 'co-creation' model is the unique advantage," said Jia Wenting, IP content director at Fanqie Novel, adding that a story that survived the rigorous verdict of online readers had essentially already passed a market test.

He Liang, an associate professor at the Beijing Film Academy, described the process of adaptation as a 'structural remake'.

"You are transforming a sprawling, text-based narrative, often with internal monologues and complex subplots, into a visual and emotionally immediate experience," he said.

"The rhythm changes, the focus sharpens. The goal is to capture the essence while making it work as television."

The adaptations span a wide spectrum. Heartfelt realist dramas like, Like a Flowing River, which chronicles the lives of ordinary people amid China's economic reforms, share the spotlight with lavish

fantasy series like Lost You Forever, which features highquality visual effects that build immersive mythical worlds.

A significant and profitable segment focuses on modern women's lives, with shows like Nothing But Thirty exploring themes of career, family, and selfworth, resonating deeply with female viewers. Now, Chinese screen adaptations are travelling far beyond China's borders.

A research report from the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences highlighted a fruitful year in 2024 for the global reach of these adaptations.

Joy of Life 2, a historical suspense series, was released overseas on Disney+ and became the platform's mostwatched drama from the Chinese mainland.

Other series, including The Double, topped viewing charts in countries like Thailand and the Republic of Korea.

Content is the key, said Zhu Xinmei, director of the international communication institute of the development research centre under the National Radio and Television Administration.

"The growing international influence of Chinese screen series has boosted the confidence of overseas platforms in acquiring them

The industry is also turning to technology to refine its hits.

Artificial intelligence being used to analyze plot logic, assist in casting and set design, and even predict audience preferences, making the highstakes process of adaptation more data-informed.

As He Hong, head of the China Writers Association's online literature center, noted, the next step is to further streamline the pipeline 'from online creation to film and television production', aiming to deepen the synergy between writers and film and TV producers and enhance the appeal and reach of China's cultural stories. Xinhua



Botswana hosts J60, ITF tournaments

By Anastacia Sibanda

GABORONE - The Botswana Tennis Association (BTA) will, in the next two weeks, host two international events as the country stages two International Tennis Federation (ITF) World Tennis Tour Juniors tournaments at the National Tennis Centre in Gaborone.

The first tournament, the J60 Gaborone, will be hosted from November 17 to 22, while the second tournament, the J100 Gaborone, will run from November 24 to 29.

BTA vice president, Nonofo Othusitse, said in an interview that the tournaments had attracted participants from countries such as Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Great Britain, Israel, France, Poland, Italy, India and

Australia.

Othusitse said preparations for both events were being finalised and they were expecting the first wave of players starting today (Friday).

He encouraged individuals, organisations and companies to come on board and invest in this young talent.

He said that over the years, their players had proved beyond doubt that they had what it takes to take on the best in the world and therefore they only needed the opportunity and support.

During the tournaments, he said Batswana should expect to see players such as Ntungamili Raguin, Seabo Saleshando, Tinashe Phatshwane, Rethabile Moshaoa, Nina Sekonopo, Malak Macheng and Angel Chakanyuka on the court.

"Entrance to the matches is free and we would like to invite Batswana to support our young stars and witness the future champions on home soil. Matches will run from 9am up t around 4pm," he said.

Othusitse said hosting such tournaments was critical to both national tennis development as well as individual players.

"Firstly, it offers our players an opportunity and platform to be exposed to international events at a young age, as well as gaining international points vital for their world rankings," he said.

Furthermore, he said good results from the events contributed to improved chances of players qualifying for bigger international events such as junior Grand Slams

like the Junior Australian Open and Wimbledon.

"We now have Ntungamili who looks most likely to play the Junior Australian Open next January, provided we continue to offer him the much-needed support. We are projecting that he will break into the top 200 in the world by December 2025.

This is dependent on him playing more ITF Junior events," he said. BOPA



Battle of the titans tonight

By Anastacia Sibanda

GABORONE - A mother of all battles is expected as two Botswana Premier League giants, Gaborone United (GU) and Mochudi Centre Chiefs meet at GU Stadium this evening.

Unbeaten this season. GU are the log leaders with 25 points from nine games played; eight wins and one draw.

Mochudi Centre Chiefs on one hand are in position five with 19 points from 10 outings from which they won five games, drew four and lost one.

Although Gaborone United has proved to be a free-scoring team, may find it hard to penetrate Magosi's solid defence.

Boys' 'Swagger almost impenetrable backline, marshalled by defenders in Sisqo Haraseb and Thabang Khuduga.

The team will however, miss the services of Shanganani Ngada who is out on injury.

On the other hand, for them

to keep GU at bay, they have to guard Mpho Kgaswane, Thabo Maponda, and Lebogang Ditsele.

Sunday Standard sport editor, Botlhale Koothopile is of the encounter had been and still was a clash to look out for.

When Cnieis started emerging as a title-winning team during the Ernest Molome and the late Clifford Mogomotsi era, it disrupted the dominance of GU and Rollers as the two powerhouses of the elite league.

Their encounter with the two teams turned into fierce rivalries, which decided the fate of the league," he said.

As it stands, he said GU sits at the top after a seven-game winning streak while Chiefs' prospects had been a hit and miss.

He said they won two of their last five matches, lost one and drew two and were now six points behind log leaders GU.

Koothopile said GU would clearly be seeking revenge, given that in the last game between the two, GU lost by a solitary goal, a loss that nearly derailed their title

'Worse still, they were losing view that over the years, the to Piro, a coach who left their camp mid season to join Magosi. Therefore, this will be a grudge match. However. with (Moloi's) innate knowledge of GU, it will not be an easy game," he said.

> In other games to be played on Saturday, Morupule Wanderers will face Sua Flamingoes at Palapye Stadium.

Black Lions and Police will have a date at Royal Aria Stadium whereas Extension Gunners and Calendar Star will play at Lobatse Sports Complex.

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Seabo Saleshando

Orapa United will host Santa Green at Itekeng Stadium, while on Sunday a double header will be played at GU Stadium, with Matebele and Jwaneng Galaxy being first on the pitch at 4pm, followed by Township Rollers and BDF X1 at 7pm. BOPA

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GU, ASEC Mimosas in crucial clash tomorrow

By Anastacia Sibanda

GABORONE - Gaborone United ladies' team, affectionately known as the Red Roses, will face ASEC Mimosas of Ivory Coast in a crucial Group B clash of the CAF Women's Champions League at Right to Dream Stadium in Cairo, Egypt tomorrow.

The Red Roses are fighting for survival, currently sitting at the bottom of the Group B standings with just one point, following a goalless draw against JKT Queens of Tanzania and a subsequent 3-0 loss to the defending champions, TP Mazembe

Despite their table position, Group B remains open and a victory for the Red Roses could still secure their place in the semi-finals.

At the summit of the log are ASEC Mimosas with four points, followed by

TP Mazembe with three points and JKT Oueens in third with two points.

In an interview, Red Roses' coach, Raizor Monene, remained steadfast that his side could pull through, stating the team had prepared well for the final and crucial group game.

Monene conceded they had hoped for a better performance against TP Mazembe, but did not come to the party in the first half.

"In all aspects of the game we were poor... We managed to address it during halftime and came out an improved side in the second half," he said.

He admitted the penalty awarded to their opponents killed their game plan of mounting a comeback.

Monene highlighted that, given the log standings, all four teams could still reach the semi-finals, saying 'we have to win to make it.' While acknowledging the match against ASEC Mimosas would not be easy, he confirmed his team's determination.

Meanwhile, the final Group B match for the Red Roses against table-toppers ASEC Mimosas is an absolute must-win for the local side to have any hope of progressing.

The game pits a resilient, yet struggling, defense-first team against the group's current pace-setters.

On one hand, ASEC Mimosas have shown efficiency and clinical finishing, demonstrated by their 1-0 win against TP Mazembe and a 1-1 draw against JKT

They are disciplined and rarely afford opponents clear-cut chances.

For the Red Roses, their challenge is significant. While their defense was organised in the opening goalless draw, it collapsed against TP Mazembe.

They therefore must revert to their tenacious COSAFA qualifying form to neutralise ASEC's scoring threats.

As debutants, they have shown tactical discipline, but their major weakness is lack of attacking output, with zero goals scored in the tournament.

To win, the Red Roses cannot rely on defense alone, they need to find an offensive spark. They would require a multi-goal victory to boost their current minus three goal difference and potentially surpass TP Mazembe and JKT Queens, assuming the result of the other Group B game leaves the door open. For ASEC Mimosas, knowing a draw guarantees their passage, would likely play a controlled game while the Red Roses must be defensively perfect and tactically ambitious in attack, a level they are yet to consistently demonstrate in this tournament. BOPA

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