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BEIJING - President Advocate Duma Boko (left) during a fireside chat at the Botswana-China Business Forum yesterday. President Boko said the elevation of Botswana-China relations to a Comprehensive Strategic Cooperative Partnership would now make it seamless for businesses to operate. Photo: Courtesy of BW Presidency

Botswana open for business

Taboka Ngwako
BEIJING

The elevation of Botswana-China relations to a Comprehensive Strategic Cooperative Partnership will now make it seamless for businesses to operate, says President Advocate Duma Boko.

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Financial constraints hamper project delivery

Keamogetse Setilo
SEROWE

Financial constraints facing government have contributed to delays and non-delivery of infrastructure and development projects, Member of Parliament for Serowe South, Mr Leepetswe Lesedi, has said.

Addressing a consultative meeting at Masuga kgotla recently, Mr Lesedi said the prevailing economic challenges had forced government to defer several planned projects across the country, including those

in his constituency.

He said the P10 million Constituency Community Project funding, which was budgeted for annually to support small-scale community initiatives such as road maintenance and other grassroots developments, could not be disbursed during the current financial year due to tight fiscal conditions.

Mr Lesedi explained that government revenues were under pressure, forcing the prioritisation of recurrent expenditure over development spending.

He further noted that Serowe District Council had also been affected by the financial constraints.

He said the council chairperson, Mr Atamelang Thaga, had informed him that the council received P18 million from the Road Levy Fund, earmarked for the construction and maintenance of high-priority internal roads in his constituency.

However, he said the council had been forced to redirect the funds to other pressing needs, including the payment of Ipelegeng workers, the school feeding scheme and support for beneficiaries of

the social protection programme receiving coupons.

Mr Lesedi acknowledged that diverting the funds was not ideal, but said it was necessary to address immediate needs, noting that failure to pay Ipelegeng workers and provide meals to learners would have negatively affected livelihoods and schoolchildren.

On other issues, Mr Lesedi said Parliament had recently debated and adopted a Bill stipulating that anyone found in possession of human body parts should be charged with murder.

He said the law was intended to curb ritual killings, which had shocked the nation in recent years.

He urged residents to desist from criminal activities and cautioned against using superstition to justify such acts, emphasising that human life was precious and should be protected at all costs.

Mr Lesedi also encouraged residents to report suspicious activities to law enforcement agencies.

Meanwhile, Lontone Village

Development Committee chairperson, Ms Tlamele Masuga, raised concerns over poor service delivery in the area.

She said leaking Water Utilities Corporation (WUC) pipes remained unattended in the area for a long time, resulting in water wastage and raising concerns about the risk of waterborne diseases.

Ms Masuga said despite numerous reports to WUC, no action had been taken, while residents continued to experience intermittent water supply.

She further raised concern over electricity cables leaning towards some homesteads, posing a serious risk to residents, particularly children.

She said the matter had been reported to the Botswana Power Corporation (BPC), but no action had been taken.

Ms Masuga appealed to local leadership to intervene and ensure that the two utility corporations addressed the problems urgently before they resulted in loss of life.

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Assistant Minister of Transport and Communication, Mr Letlhogonolo Barongwang (centre) and Kgatleng District authorities during an inspection of the 14km Bokaa-Kopong road recently. The road serves as an alternative to bypass heavy traffic in Gaborone and eases congestion on the A1 for vehicles going toward Lentsweletau, Molepolole and catchment areas. Photo: Mmoniemang Motsamai

Botswana celebrates World Food Day

Thandy Tebogo
MOSHUPA

Botswana hopes to raise global awareness about hunger, promote food security, encourage action against malnutrition, food waste and climate stress on agri-food systems, as it celebrates World Food Day in Moshupa today.

The event will be held at Moshupa mini-stadium, where Assistant Minister of Lands and Agriculture Mr Motsamai Motsamai is expected to officiate.

World Food Day is celebrated every October 16, to mark the founding of (FAO) of the United Nations in 1945.

According to Assistant Representative Programmes, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) Botswana, Ms Lesedi Mmopelwa the day celebrated food heroes, recognised the efforts of farmers, fishers, food producers and all those across the agri-food value chain who work tirelessly to bring food from farm to table and help nourish communities.

Therefore, she said it encouraged Botswana to look at innovative and sustainable solutions that could support farmers and make local food systems more resilient.

“It is important to us as Botswana because it brings us back to something fundamental to our lives, which is, access to safe, nutritious and affordable food. It is also an important day for recognising farmers who play critical role in feeding our communities and strengthening food security,” she emphasised.

On the theme: Innovate today, nourish tomorrow, she said it highlighted the importance of harnessing science, technology, innovation and traditional knowledge to build agri-food systems that are more efficient, inclusive, resilient and sustainable.

Globally, she said it called for collective action to address

hunger, improve food security and nutrition, and ensure that food production met the needs of a growing population without compromising resources for future generations.

For rural communities such as Moshupa, she said the theme was a reminder that innovation did not always have to involve advanced technology, it could include adopting climate-smart farming practices, improving water management, using drought-resistant crop varieties, diversifying food production and applying indigenous knowledge to preserve biodiversity and strengthen resilience to climate change.

By combining local knowledge with modern agricultural science and technology, Ms Mmopelwa said communities could improve productivity, reduce post-harvest losses, increase access to nutritious food and create sustainable livelihood opportunities, particularly for smallholder farmers, women and young people.

She highlighted that FOA had supported Botswana’s climate-smart agriculture approaches that helped farmers adapt to drought, erratic rainfall and water scarcity.

These, she said included integrating traditional farming knowledge with modern agricultural practices, improving water management and strengthening livestock feed production.

She said FAO recognised the vital role women played across agri-food systems, from producing and processing food to trading and selling agricultural products.

Ms Mmopelwa indicated that FAO promoted a gender-responsive approach to agricultural development, with an emphasis on strengthening rural livelihoods and ensuring that women could access the knowledge, technologies and opportunities they need to thrive.

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Barongwang calls for routine roads maintenance

Mmoniemang Motsamai
BOKAA

The recent inspection tour of the 14km Bokaa-Kopong road has revealed urgent need for routine maintenance in order for the road to continue to be drivable for motorists.

During a tour by the Assistant Minister of Transport and Communications, Mr Letlhogonolo Barongwang, principal roads engineer for the Department of Roads Maintenance, Mr Mphetang Mmolawa acknowledged the delays in the processing of the road that had heaps of gravel dumped on critical spots.

Mr Mmolawa said the road remained a critical gravel route connecting Bokaa and Kopong and further decongesting the main roads, hence it required spot improvements time and again; funds permitting.

He said a number of local contractors were currently facing challenges of grader breakdowns that continued to halt rural road maintenance across a number of districts, something he said was being addressed.

During the tour, it was also revealed that the contractor was currently on-site executing spot improvements by supplying gravel,

though the project has faced noticeable delays, especially in the processing of the road.

This comes in the wake of a number of complaints by councillor for Bokaa South, Mr Tshepo Moloko, who decried that the road did not undergo routine maintenance despite its impact on daily travel for residents of the affected villages from Bokaa all the way to Lentsweletau.

He called for routine maintenance of the road especially during adverse weather conditions as road users were often left stranded.

Once the road has been upgraded, it would act as a major bypass, allowing motorists travelling from the north toward Molepolole to bypass heavy traffic in Gaborone and significantly ease congestion on the A1 highway.

Meanwhile, in another road inspection site visit of the A1, Mr Mmolawa revealed that highway has reached its design lifespan and that it needed major maintenance.

He revealed that by December, the contractor would have completed design for major maintenance of the A1, after which an Environmental Impact Assessment would be carried out.

The project, he said, entailed the portion from Rasesa to Artesia

and that during maintenance, the project would make provision for widened shoulders to be used during the maintenance period.

He also said during maintenance, the road would be upgraded as per the required standards for major roads because currently the road was narrow.

Following the tours, Mr Barongwang said the ministry was currently conducting road infrastructure inspections across the country in order to find ways to expedite service delivery and speed up maintenance where possible.

He said there was a long-term plan by the ministry to expedite maintenance of shorter routes, which could decongest major corridors and that most districts would be inspected to determine which routes should be expedited.

He implored the project team in Kgatleng District to expedite the spot improvement of the Bokaa-Kopong road to make it safe for road users.

The assistant minister further underscored the need for permanent and sustainable processes such as soil stabilisation that transformed unstable ground into strong and durable foundations for roads and further increases its lifespan. **BOPA**

Botswana open for business

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“Normally, it is businesses that take the lead, but in this particular instance, the government of the

People’s Republic of China and the Republic of Botswana have now elevated their relationship to the highest level possible,” President

Boko said during a fireside chat at the Botswana-China Business Forum in China yesterday. He added that meant that

businesses would now be facilitated seamlessly to participate, to do business in Botswana and through Botswana to the rest of Africa.

Responding to concerns about security and stability often associated with Africa, President Boko assured Chinese investors that Botswana was the safest entry point to Africa, citing its record of political stability and highest credit rating on the continent.

He cited Botswana’s recent peaceful change of government after almost 60 years of rule by one party.

“Botswana has a record that speaks for itself, the uninterrupted, undisturbed record of political stability is there for all to see and this is evidence that Botswana is safe and therefore, Botswana is an example not just for Africa, but for the world,” he said.

Furthermore, President Boko said Botswana was positioning itself as the capital of Africa for investors, stating that Africa came to Botswana because that was where safety, predictability, stability, credibility, trust resided.

“You will do very well, while doing very good, you will do good work for people and the continent and you will do very good work for your businesses in terms of

returns, he said.

Meanwhile, Ambassador of Botswana to China, Professor Lekoko Kenosi encouraged business leaders from both countries to use the forum to establish lasting commercial relationships.

He also pointed to cooperation in the diamond industry, including the Beijing Declaration on Natural Diamonds and Sustainable Development, as an example of growing engagement.

The vice president of the Shanghai Diamond Exchange, Mr Yan Jin said China’s natural-diamond market had faced a sharp adjustment since 2022, but was showing signs of recovery.

Therefore, he highlighted the potential for Botswana, a major diamond producer, to work with China as a significant consumer, manufacturing and retail market.

Mr Yan also described efforts to make natural diamonds more appealing to younger Chinese consumers by broadening their stories beyond engagement and marriage.

He said a 2024 promotional campaign reached a wide audience and that sales of natural diamond products at participating retailers rose. **BOPA**



BEIJING - President Advocate Duma Boko (centre), Minister for State President, Defence and Security, Mr Moeti Mohwasa (left), Minister for International Relations, Dr Pheny Butale (second left), Senior Vice President for Public Affairs and Communications, Mr Jeff Wang (second right) and Huawei Botswana managing director, Mr Li Dalu during the signing of a Cooperation Agreement on Digital Transformation between Botswana and Huawei covering Cloud Computing, Smart Education, Telemedicine and Public Security as well as Artificial Intelligence. Photo: Courtesy of BW Presidency

Duo signs news dissemination MoU

Taboka Ngwako
BEIJING

Botswana and China have signed a Memorandum of Agreement on Cooperation in the Field of Broadcasting Media and News Dissemination.

The agreement was signed by the Minister for State President, Defence and Security, Mr Moeti Caesar Mohwasa on the margins of the state Visit by President Advocate Duma Boko’s state visit to China.

Under the agreement, the government of China is represented by the Xinhua News Agency, while Botswana is represented by the Ministry for State President, Defence and Security, through Botswana Television.

According to the agreement, the objective is to establish a legal framework for cooperation between the two parties in the field of news dissemination through broadcasting platforms, including television and internet.

The two parties will cooperate in

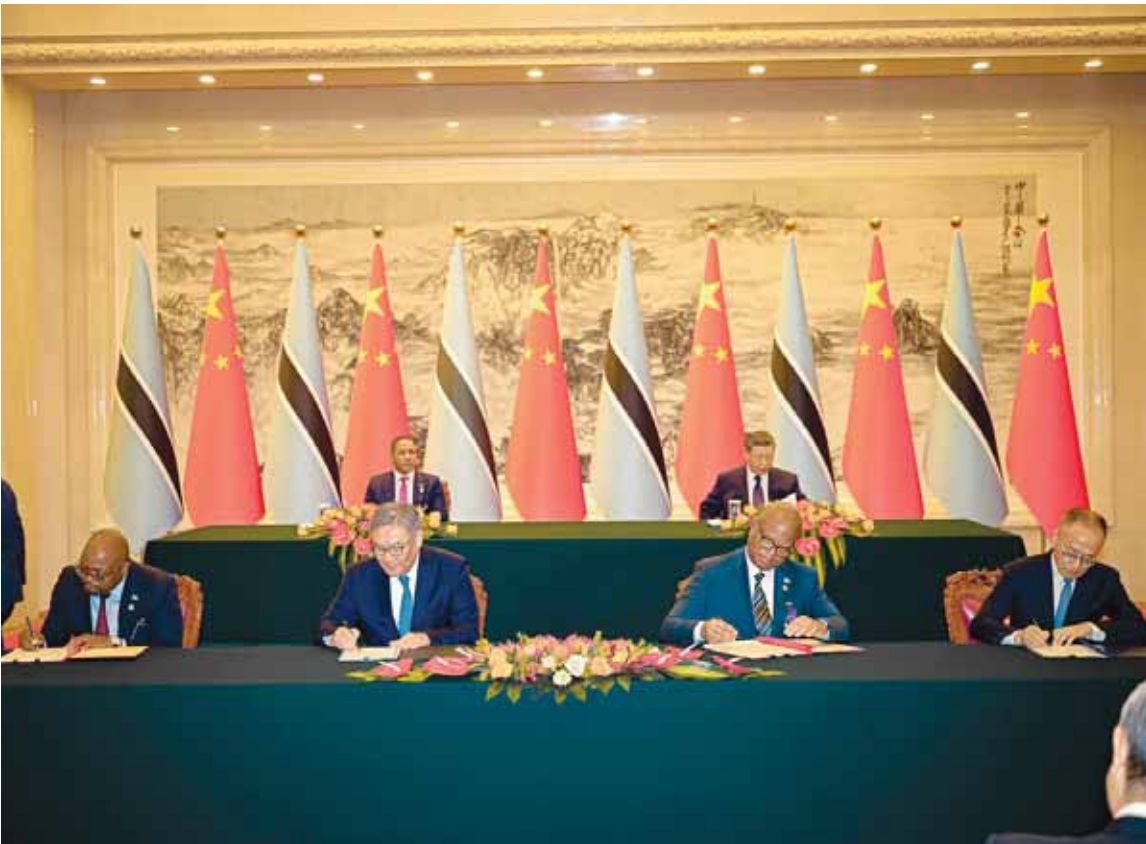
news dissemination through their respective broadcasting platforms and any other area agreed upon within the context of the MoA.

The signing is premised on the friendly relations between

Botswana and China and the desire to enhance cooperation on the principle of equality and mutual benefit.

The MoU is one of 11 bilateral instruments that were signed

during President Boko’s visit to China, which runs from 12 to 17 October and seeks to deepen cooperation in trade, agriculture, digitalisation, education, defence and other sectors. **BOPA**



BEIJING - Minister for International Relations, Dr Pheny Butale (left) and Minister for State President, Defence and Security, Mr Moeti Mohwasa (second right) signing bilateral cooperation agreements with China officials recently. The agreements include cooperation in broadcasting, media and news dissemination. Eleven instruments were signed ranging from the health and communication sectors. Photo: Courtesy of BW Presidency

Botswana grateful for China assistance

Taboka Ngwako
BEIJING

President Advocate Duma Boko has acknowledged China’s assistance to Botswana over the past five decades, saying it has received support in infrastructure development, training and scholarships to young learners and cooperation on the international scene.

President Boko said this during a meeting with the State council of China premier, Mr Li Qiang in Beijing, China yesterday.

“We are grateful for this and

to deepen relations between Botswana and your country. I must relay my profound respect to your country,” President Boko added.

He also thanked Premier Li for the warm welcome extended to him and his delegation.

In his welcome statement, Premier Li concurred with President Botswana on the solid friendship Botswana and China shared.

He said President Boko and President Xi Jinping had agreed to a strategic framework to enhance cooperation that would benefit both nations. **BOPA**

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Rev. Ramaribana breaks glass ceiling

The aim is to identify, mentor and prepare women for decision-making positions, ensuring that their participation in church governance becomes a recognised pathway rather than an occasional exception.

Naomi Leepile
TSABONG

For generations, women have prayed from the pews, nurtured congregations and carried the burdens of their communities, often without occupying the highest seats of church leadership.

However, Rev. erend Felicia Ramaribana, is changing the narrative her election as president of the United Congregational Church of Southern Africa (UCCSA) at the church’s assembly in Swakopmund, Namibia is more than a personal milestone.

It is a breakthrough for women in the church, particularly in Botswana, as she is the first woman from the Synod of Botswana to lead the regional denomination.

Rev. Ramaribana also becomes the second woman to hold the presidency in the UCCSA’s history. Her election signals a shift towards a more inclusive vision of spiritual leadership, one that recognises women not only as faithful servants but also as decision-makers, theologians and agents of change.

For her, the journey to the regional pulpit had been shaped by years of service among congregations and communities, alongside a deep interest in how scripture can speak to the lived experiences of ordinary people, particularly women.

Her ministry began in 2004 when she joined Mmadinare Congregational Church as an intern. Two years later, she was ordained, beginning a journey that would take her to Palapye, Maunatlala, Francistown and Orapa.

“In Francistown, I served as a congregational minister and moderator of the Lephoi Region. My work also extended beyond the pulpit to the classroom, where I served as resident school chaplain at Maun Secondary School, as well as acting minister of Matlapana congregational church,” she said.

These experiences have placed her at the intersection of faith, community development and the everyday challenges facing families and young people.

Her academic pursuits have further shaped her approach to ministry. Rev. Ramaribana who holds a Bachelor of Theology (Honours) and a Master of Theology in Old Testament Biblical Studies from the University of KwaZulu-Natal said her research explored liberation hermeneutics and womanhood, approaches to scripture, focusing on how biblical interpretation could contribute to the upliftment of rural women.

“It is a perspective that resonates with my vision for a church in which women’s contributions are recognised not merely through praise for their service, but through meaningful representation in leadership,” she said.

Reflecting on her election,

Rev. Ramaribana approached the achievement with humility, viewing it as a tribute to generations of women who have served and prayed faithfully, often away from the spotlight.

Their contribution, she believed, should pave the way for women who aspire to lead.

As she begins her tenure, which runs until 2028, one of her priorities is to establish a permanent pipeline for women’s leadership.

“The aim is to identify, mentor and prepare women for decision-making positions, ensuring that their participation in church governance becomes a recognised pathway rather than an occasional exception,” she said noting that empowerment should extend beyond representation.

She also emphasises financial independence as a path for women trapped in abusive relationships or destructive domestic circumstances.

Financial self-reliance, she argued, could give vulnerable women greater freedom to make decisions about their lives and seek safety when necessary.

With gender-based violence firmly on her presidential agenda, Rev. Ramaribana challenges religious interpretations that used submission to justify abuse, arguing that faith should never become a reason for anyone to endure violence.

Her position is that churches should strengthen their response to domestic abuse through trained pastoral teams, confidential referral networks involving social workers and programmes that helped young people develop healthier attitudes towards relationships.

Such an approach, she said required change in how some pastoral interventions were handled. “Rather than advising survivors to endure abuse or return to unsafe homes, ministers must be equipped to recognise the warning signs of violence and prioritise the safety of those seeking help,” she said.

She also believed that pRev. enting GBV required engaging men and boys before harmful attitudes become entrenched.

She suggested that through youth programmes addressing consent, self-control, accountability and respect, the church could help nurture a generation that understood that masculinity was not measured by dominance or violence, but by responsibility and respect for others.

Her vision also extends to families experiencing marital difficulties, maintaining that while marriage was sacred, human beings within those relationships took precedence.

“By bridging my grassroots ministry experience with a robust regional platform, the aim is to leave a lasting legacy of justice, equity, and renewed family strength throughout the UCCSA,” she said.

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Reverend Felicia Ramaribana

Tawana Land Board allocates 11 000 ploughing fields

Kedirebofe Pelontle SHAKAWÉ

Tawana Land Board has allocated a cumulative 11 000 ploughing fields across its six sub- land boards, with some allocations still pending beyond the outgoing board’s three-year tenure.

Land Board Secretary, Mr Patrick Mutakela, said this during the final Tawana Land Board meeting held in Shakawe on Tuesday to reflect on the outgoing board’s performance.

He said land boards, as administrators of residential, agricultural and tourism land, played a critical role in promoting social stability, sustaining livelihoods, attracting investment and facilitating development.

The six sub- land boards under Tawana are Maun, Sehithwa, Nokaneng, Gumare, Shakawe and Seronga. Mr Mutakela said the Maun Sub-Land Board had allocated 787 plots to youth over the past three financial years, describing youth access to land as essential for empowerment, household establishment, entrepreneurship and economic sustainability. He added that Tawana Land Board had allocated 1 920 plots covering 602

hectares under the Bonno Housing Programme, demonstrating its contribution to strategic national development. On land transfers, Mr Mutakela said the Maun Sub-



Tawana Land Board Secretary
Mr Patrick Mutakela

Land Board had processed 1 332 of the 1 671 inherited transfer applications by September 2026. During the same period, it had also processed 601 of the 1 021 current transfer applications.

He commended the outgoing chairperson and board members for their diligence in land administration despite challenges, including geographical constraints, administrative issues, inherited backlogs, illegal occupation, land disputes and competing land uses. In his welcome remarks, Shakawe Sub-Land Board chairperson, Mr Ridah Shoma, said land boards should make appropriate decisions that empowered communities and facilitated investment to stimulate economic growth.

He noted that poor land administration could negatively affect people’s livelihoods, stressing the importance of community sensitisation to help the public understand the complexities of land administration processes. Mr Shoma said improved public understanding could help build trust, particularly amid delays in land allocations.

He also called for organisations responsible for land administration to be placed under one ministry to expedite processes. **BOPA**



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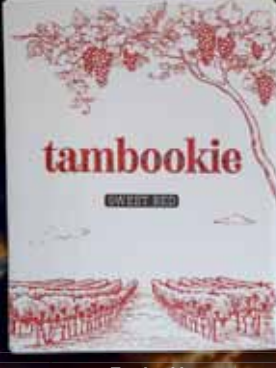
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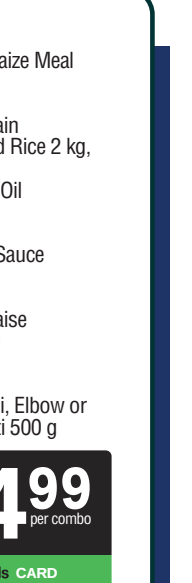
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Botswana sustainability week targets new opportunities

Mpho Mosojane
GABORONE

Botswana Sustainability Week 2026 (BSW26) is expected to drive investment in sustainable development and unlock new economic opportunities.

The fourth edition of the annual event, scheduled for Maun from October 21 to 23, will bring together leaders, investors and policymakers under the theme: The Business of Sustainability: Activating Private Sector Leadership to Drive Botswana's Next Growth Economy.

The summit aims to shift the national sustainability conversation from awareness and policy discussions to practical, bankable environmental, social and governance (ESG) investments. Hosted by the Green Loop Foundation, the event has received government endorsement through

Parliament, the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Environment and Tourism.

It will focus on sustainable financing and project funding across 18 sectors.

Green Loop Foundation founder, Ms Lindiwe Modise, said the platform would explore sustainability opportunities, co-investment models and community-based natural resources management frameworks to ensure local communities benefit from sustainable development initiatives.

"Our aim is to deliberately shift the conversation away from basic ESG awareness into active investment decisions. BSW26 is built to be a practical catalyst for mobilising private capital directly into sustainable, impactful, community-led projects that will safeguard economic transformation," she said.

Key corporate and sector

stakeholders, including Botswana Tourism Organisation (BTO) and Chobe Holdings Limited, have joined the initiative as investment and catalytic partners, with the aim of aligning national policy priorities with private sector financing. BTO Environment and Eco-Certification Manager, Mr Mokganedi Ntana, said the partnership reflected a shared commitment to strengthening sustainable tourism and promoting community development. "Our partnership with BSW26 reflects a joint commitment to build a resilient, eco-conscious tourism sector.

True sustainability relies on turning progressive ideas into measurable local value, creating jobs, protecting vital natural infrastructure and empowering communities across Ngamiland and beyond," he said. The three-day programme will focus on

long-term ecological rehabilitation and socioeconomic resilience, with technical capacity-building workshops covering infrastructure, food security and cross-border investment opportunities.

Among the key highlights will be the official launch of the Maun Education Park, an initiative intended to link ESG investment with environmental education at community level.

The event will also provide updates on the One Million Tree Campaign, which seeks to restore indigenous and fruit trees while establishing community nurseries across Botswana.

Through these initiatives, BSW26 seeks to strengthen collaboration between government, the private sector and communities in mobilising investment for environmental conservation, job creation and sustainable economic growth. **BOPA**



GreenLoop Foundation founder, Ms Lindiwe Modise (left) and Botswana Tourism Organisation acting executive manager - marketing, Ms Tebogo Ramakgathi updating the media on the fourth Botswana Sustainability Week 2026 (BSW26) in Gaborone recently. BSW 2026, which is scheduled for October 21 to 23, at Sedie Hotel in Maun is expected to drive investment in sustainable development and unlock new economic opportunities. Photo: Washa Bofelwang

Tholo poultry expo promotes agricultural diversification

Booster Mogapi
GABANE

The seventh edition of Tholo Holdings poultry exposition 2026 will be officially opened on Saturday in Gabane. The expo, which commenced on Thursday provides a platform for farmers, suppliers, experts and other agricultural stakeholders to share knowledge, network and explore business opportunities.

The poultry expo will be held under the theme: From farm to Fork; The Future of Poultry.

Speaking during Tholo Holdings press conference on Tuesday in Gabane, Tholo Holdings Operations Manager Mr Kabelo

Kaparang said what started as cattle auctions and farmers' day had grown into a poultry expo which reflected their commitment to developing the agriculture sector in Botswana.

He said diversification of the agricultural sector remained paramount not only to Tholo Holdings but the country at large especially in the advent of the Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD).

"Botswana needs to diversify its economy, and agriculture presents a real opportunity to create jobs, support entrepreneurship and strengthen food security".

Mr Kaparang said challenges such as FMD outbreak have highlighted the need to strengthen other agricultural sectors including

poultry, adding that agriculture allowed people to start small and grow their business overtime.

He further said with the right support, skills and market access, it could make a meaningful contribution to economic recovery.

The operations manager added that poultry offered opportunities for relatively quick returns, particularly in broiler production where chickens could reach market weight within approximately five to six weeks under good management.

Mr Kaparang said at Tholo Holdings they were increasing their poultry feed manufacturing capacity and working to improve chick availability to help farmers access essential inputs and grow their operations.

"We want to give farmers access to practical knowledge, industry experts, suppliers and potential business patterns and by supporting local farmers we can also stimulate economic activity and create opportunities for businesses throughout the agricultural value chain."

The operations manager added that agriculture was a business opportunity and one needed not to start big but to begin with what was possible, acquire necessary knowledge, understand market, and grow gradually.

Mr Kaparang said agriculture had the potential to create jobs, grow businesses and contribute to Botswana's economic recovery. **BOPA**

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Access Bank Botswana to leads landmark BSE listing

GABORONE - Access Bank Botswana has announce its role as Un-sponsored Depository and issuer of the Botswana Depository Receipts (BDRs) linked to Dangote Petroleum Refinery & Petrochemicals FZE, which are proposed to be listed exclusively on the Botswana Stock Exchange (BSE). A press release from the banks says in its capacity as depository, Access Bank Botswana intends to facilitate an offering of up to US\$500 million in Dangote Refinery shares through the issuance of BDRs to investors in Botswana and the participating SADC markets. The BDRs are expected to commence trading on the BSE on December 14 2026. Dangote Refinery operates the world's largest single-train refinery, with a processing capacity of 700 000 barrels per day. For the period ended June 30, 2026, the company reported revenue of US\$13.9 billion and profit of US\$1.82 billion. Its Nigerian initial public offering of up to 4.1 billion shares at ?525.00 per share could raise approximately US\$1.58 billion to support plans to double its capacity to 1.4 million barrels per day by 2029. **BOPA**

Board advises farmers to insure tobacco crop as El Nino looms

HARARE - The Tobacco Industry and Marketing Board (TIMB) on Tuesday urged growers to insure their 2026/27 crop, saying uninsured losses can wipe out a season's income and threaten livelihoods. TIMB public affairs officer, Rhyno Chikuni said the advice was part of its push to make farmers treat tobacco as a business. "Over the past seasons, some farmers lost everything to adversities such as barn fires, hailstorms, theft in storage or in transit. When the crop is not insured, it means the farmers would have lost everything for that season. It means failure to settle contractors' debts. It means loss of livelihoods. It means failure of the farmers to transition into the envisaged middle-income society by 2030," he said. **New Ziana**

Namibia launches compulsory mass vaccination drive against FMD

WINDHOEK - Namibia has launched a compulsory vaccination drive in the Karasburg State Veterinary District, the epicenter of an ongoing foot and mouth disease (FMD) outbreak, a government official announced Wednesday. In an update, Romeo Muyunda, deputy director for public relations at the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform, said the exercise will begin on Wednesday and run in three rounds over three months. "Animal owners must present their animals as instructed by the District State Veterinary Office, at the time and place to be communicated by the Office," he said, noting that the campaign covers all farms south of the B3 and C10 roads up to the Orange River, plus a band of two farms north of those roads. **Xinhua**

Grow 365 equips youth with skills in hydroponics

Goweditswe Kome
MASUNGA

The scorching sun beats down on Botswana's parched earth, leaving traditional farmers watching helplessly as their crops wither in dry, dusty fields. As climate change intensifies and rainfall becomes increasingly unreliable, water scarcity continues to threaten agricultural production in the semi-arid country.

Yet, amid the cracked soil and sweltering heat, a quiet agricultural revolution is taking root.

Local farmers are defying the harsh conditions through innovative farming methods, producing food for their communities while supplying major retail outlets.

Director of Grow 365, Ms Tshepo Setoutwe equips young people with a hands-on training in hydroponics, a modern farming technique that enables plants to grow without soil by using nutrient-rich water.

Ms Setoutwe said hydroponics offered an alternative to conventional farming in Botswana's semi-arid climate, where water scarcity and unpredictable rainfall continued to undermine agricultural production.

"In a country where every drop counts, hydroponics uses up to 90 per cent less water than traditional agriculture," she explained.

Unlike conventional farming, which loses water through soil absorption and evaporation, hydroponic systems recirculate water through plant roots, reducing wastage.

Crops can also be grown under shade nets or in controlled greenhouses, protecting them from extreme heat and frost while enabling year-round production.

Ms Setoutwe said the system offered several benefits, including higher yields, efficient use of space and faster plant growth.

Plants could grow up to 30 per cent faster because their roots had consistent access to nutrients.

The enclosed growing environment also reduced exposure to pests and diseases, lowering the need for chemical pesticides.

Ms Setoutwe added that water from the re-circulating system could be reused to irrigate conventional soil-grown plants when it was changed, further improving water efficiency. Hydroponics could also be integrated with solar energy to power water pumps, particularly in rural areas where access to reliable electricity remained a challenge.

However, Ms Setoutwe acknowledged that the technology had limitations, including high initial costs for pipes, pumps, solar panels and greenhouses.

She said setting up a functional system required specialised knowledge, making formal training essential to prevent costly

"In a country where every drop counts, hydroponics uses up to 90 per cent less water than traditional agriculture."

mistakes.

The system also depended on continuous water circulation, meaning power outages could damage crops within hours if backup arrangements were unavailable.

Although diseases were less common in controlled

environments, she warned that infections entering a shared water system could spread rapidly among plants.

Despite these challenges, Grow 365's training initiative seeks to equip more young Batswana with practical skills to pursue sustainable

agricultural ventures.

One of the trainees, 28-year-old Mr Shathani Mokonyoli, described the training as worthwhile and an eye-opener. He said he intended to share the knowledge acquired with other community members to encourage a shift towards farming

methods that required less water. Mr Mokonyoli said hydroponics was particularly suitable for Botswana's semi-arid conditions, adding that the system could use about 500 litres of water over a month, which could subsequently be recycled for irrigating soil-grown plants.

He said adopting hydroponics could also help address land constraints because the system required relatively little space. **BOPA**



Director of Grow 365, Ms Tshepo Setoutwe (second right) demonstrating hydroponic farming to trainees recently. She said the system's recirculation of water could save up to 90 per cent of the water used in traditional farming, while water drained during system changes could be reused to irrigate soil-grown plants. Photo: Goweditswe Kome

Govt secures market for FMD vaccinated cattle

Aobakwe Molefhi
GOOD HOPE

Government has secured market for cattle vaccinated against Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD). Speaking at a kgotla meeting in Good Hope yesterday, Director of veterinary services Dr Kobedi Segale said countries like Angola, Ghana, South Africa and Ethiopia had agreed to buy Botswana beef.

The development comes after Botswana beef exports was suspended from entering EU market following FMD outbreak in March this year, prompting the country to explore alternative markets. Dr Segale however said for the time being, beef from

Zones 11 and 13 would be consumed locally while other zones would be eligible to export to the secured market.

He said negotiations to secure new market for beef from the now red zone 11 and 13 had been challenging as the decision to purchase the beef ultimately rested with consumers.

He further urged farmers not to lose hope, noting that local market also offered lucrative opportunities. Meanwhile, Dr Segale said the department last detected FMD virus on September 12, with no new cases reported since then. As a result, a decision was taken to ease restrictions on the slaughter and consumption of

beef in restricted areas of Zone 11.

"After surveillance that would be done soon, we hope to ease restrictions so that communities in affected areas can now start slaughtering for own consumption, weddings and funerals", he said.

Dr Segale urged farmers to adhere to any new and existing protocols to avoid falling back into the ban.

He said as the country continued to battle FMD, government would maintain strict control measures to contain the virus and prevent its spread to unaffected areas.

Dr Segale said farmers must register their livestock under Baits 3 and ensure they had proper ear

tags and branding indicating that they had received three doses of FMD vaccine for them to sell.

"If you do not satisfy all the requirements you will not be allowed to sell or even slaughter your animal for home consumption," he cautioned.

Furthermore, he said cattle would undergo a mandatory quarantine period of 30 days for them to be sold at Botswana Meat Commission.

Dr Segale explained that government would identify quarantine points within farmers' localities and that farmers would be responsible for the welfare of their cattle throughout the 30-day quarantine period. **BOPA**



CCBB CONGRATULATES FLORA JIKA ON BPI LEADERSHIP AWARD

Coca-Cola Beverages Botswana (CCBB) proudly congratulates our General Manager, Flora Jika, on being honoured with the prestigious Broad Pool of Ideas (BPI) Leadership Award.

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The awards have also recognised distinguished African leaders, including former President of Malawi, Dr. Joyce Banda and former President of the African Development Bank, Dr. Akinwumi Adesina.

This well-deserved recognition is a testament to Flora’s exceptional leadership, unwavering commitment to excellence and positive impact.

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The Chairperson of Ntlo ya Dikgosi, Kgosi Malope II informs the General Public of the Official Opening of the 7th Meeting of the 5th Ntlo ya Dikgosi which will be held on Monday 19th October 2026, Ntlo ya Dikgosi Chamber, Gaborone

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The lensman takes final breath



Kefilwe Mokgaotsane pays tribute to Bonolo Lekula, a fellow Btv pioneer

In 1998, Botswana stood on the brink of history. After more than three decades of self-rule, the nation was still waiting to see its story told in moving pictures on its own television channel. That dream was finally taking shape, and a team of just 65 people had been assembled to bring it to life.

We were young, full of potential and ready to learn. Much of our training was practical. We were learning while building, discovering while doing, and helping to create something that would eventually become part of our national identity.

We spent a full year on on-the-job training at SABC North West in Mafikeng, South Africa. It was a remarkable training ground, where we learnt from some of the finest in broadcasting, arts and culture.

But Mafikeng was more than a place of professional development. It was where we grew into our craft, discovered the world beyond our training rooms and built friendships that would stay with us for a lifetime.

Coming from Borolong, close to the South African border, Bonolo knew the terrain. By day, he was our evolving photographer, sharpening his eye and learning the demands of television. By night, he became our social guide, taking us to the Units and the high-density areas, ensuring we experienced Mafikeng beyond the confines of our training.

Bonolo arrived with a skill already in hand. He had a foundation in still photography; all that remained was to sharpen that eye and translate his talent

Bonolo was a craftsman who pursued excellence and expected his teammates to do the same. For him, good enough was never quite enough. The pictures had to tell a story, the script had to serve the pictures, and the editing had to bring everything together.

into videography. He had the skill. I was raw talent, eager, hungry and ready to learn. Truthfully, all 65 of us were learning.

He brought the eye; I brought the curiosity and the questions. I was the journalist, and he was the videographer. That is how our professional relationship began, and how our lives became intertwined in the making of Botswana's television history. We could not have known then just how much history we were making, or how precious those early days would become.

Bonolo was a craftsman who pursued excellence and expected his teammates to do the same. For him, good enough was never quite enough. The pictures had to tell a story, the script had to serve the pictures, and the editing had to bring everything together. He was outspoken when the final product fell short of what he knew could be achieved. If something needed improving, he would say so. If the work could be better, he expected the team to go back and make it better.

For all his uncompromising standards, Bonolo took pride in getting the story right. When an assignment came together as he had envisioned it, you could feel his satisfaction. And if it was

my story, he had his own way of acknowledging it. He would simply say, "Mkhefisto!" That one word carried its own meaning between us. After all the scrutiny, criticism and insistence on getting things right, it was an affectionate acknowledgement.

Among the expressions that captured this uncompromising approach were two familiar refrains from the BTV pioneer vocabulary. When he felt someone had fallen short of the expected standard, he could reach for the memorable expression, "o okometse television ka fenstere ee tintilweng." And when a story failed to meet his expectations, there was the dreaded verdict: "o bapile le story."

But his pursuit of the perfect picture, however, sometimes brought him into conflict with protocol. For Bonolo, the instinct was simple: get the picture, capture the moment and tell the story. But presidential assignments have boundaries, and the determination to get the shot could sometimes bring consequences.

Bonolo was a man who could never go unnoticed. His imposing physical presence made him instantly recognisable, but his personality ensured that he was never merely another body in the room.

He moved with authority and carried himself like a man who knew he had a job to do. In Bonolo's world, the journalist and the videographer had to be noticed. He dressed well and appropriately for assignments, and he expected his colleagues to do the same.

If there was one thing that made Bonolo unforgettable, it was his humour. He was unapologetically funny. When he was in his element, authority was not necessarily a reason to restrain himself. Presidents Dr Festus Mogae, Lt Gen. Dr Seretse Khama Ian Khama and Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi knew him well. Ambassador Kitso Mokaila could also fuel the mischief, sometimes to a point where they flirted with the boundaries of protocol.

Of the 65 pioneers who came together in 1998 to bring Botswana's television dream to life, many eventually left BTV to pursue other careers and opportunities. Bonolo, however, stayed. And I have stayed too, with several others. He remained with BTV to the end, devoting his professional life to the institution whose beginnings he had helped shape.

He captured the unfolding story of Botswana: its leaders and its people, its defining moments and its everyday realities. He became

more than a man who had been present at the birth of national television. He became part of its enduring memory.

One of his most enduring gifts was his ability to work with younger talent. He did not reserve his experience for those who had been around as long as he had. He engaged younger colleagues, shared the demands of the job and passed on lessons that could only come from years behind the camera.

His influence lives on in the eyes of the younger professionals he mentored: in how they frame a picture, approach an assignment, understand the relationship between pictures and words, and appreciate the responsibility that comes with telling a national story.

For those of us who were there from the very beginning, Bonolo's passing is a deeply personal loss. I remember the young man who brought his photographic eye to a national dream, the colleague who made difficult assignments lighter, the craftsman who refused to settle for mediocrity, and the friend who made the journey worthwhile.

The pioneering 65 were entrusted with a dream, and together we helped give Botswana a television voice of its own. Bonolo carried that responsibility throughout his working life. As I bid him farewell, I find comfort in knowing that his story does not end with his departure from this world. It continues in the images he captured, the national moments he helped preserve, the colleagues he supported and the younger professionals who will carry forward the lessons he left behind.

He now joins other incredible pioneers we have lost along the way: Julius Ketsitlile, Victor Dithong, Simon Moilwa, Mpho Sephuma and Lesego Marope, whose contributions remain woven into our collective memories.

Now, the responsibility passes to the younger hands he helped shape. They will frame the pictures, tell the stories and record the moments that future generations will look back on. In their work, some part of Bonolo will remain.

The lensman has taken his final breath. But his eye for the story, his unmistakable voice, his laughter and his imprint on Botswana television will not be buried with him. His memory will live on through the history he helped record and in the younger hands entrusted to carry that history forward. Rest well, Javas.



Bonolo was a craftsman who pursued excellence and expected his teammates to do the same. He has served as presidential videographer.

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Basotho ba akgola puso ya Botswana

A re ba gorogile mo Botswana ka nako ya dintwa tsa Mfecane le ka dikgoberego tsa kwa Lesotho ka dingwaga tsa bo 1970, mme ba tshabela kwa mafelong a a farologaneng go fitlhela ba tla go goroga mo Botswana kwa ba ileng ba tshela ka kagiso le morafe wa Morolong.

Aobakwe Molefhi
TLHARESELEELE

Mo^tshwaraganya ditirelo tsa palamente kwa Lesotho Rre Khosi Makubakube a re ba itumelela ka fa lefatshe la Botswana le tshwereng Basotho ka teng. Faabua le BOPAKwa Tlhareseleele bosheng, kwa Basotho ba neng ba ipelela moletlo wa peo ya Kgosi ya bone, Kgosi Paul Letshikhoana, rre Makubakube o supile fa Basotho ba Tlhareseleele ba tlhologa kwa Lesotho kwa motseng o o bidiwang

Ba Zone 11 ba tlaa tlhaba - Dr Segale

Aobakwe Molefhi
PHITSHANE MOLOPO

Mookamela lephata la matlhoko a leruo Dr Kobedi Segale a re e tlaare kgwedi eno e ise e fele, barui ba ba mo mafelong a a ntseng a thibetswe go ja nama le go gweba ka yone mo Zone 11, ba letlelelwe go tlhaba leruo la bone. Fa a buisa phuthego ya kgotla kwa Phitshane Molopo ka Laboraro, Dr Segale o supile fa lephata la gagwe le ise le tshware dikai tsa bolwetse jwa thako le molomo fa e sale ka kgwedi ya Lwetse mo kgaolone eo. A re seo ke sone se ba gwetlhileng go sekaseka ditsamaiso tse di ntseng di le teng tsa go laola bolwetse, go re barui jaanong ba simolole go akola leruo la bone. A re e re ka jaana ntwa kgaatlhanong le bolwetse jwa tlhako le molomo e ise e fele, go tlaa nna le ditsetlana tse barui ba tshwanetseng go di sala morago fa ba tlhaba kana ba rekisa. Dr Segale a re maikaelelo ke go tlhola bolwetse la bofelo mo diruiweng mme e tlaare morago go nne le mokwalo o o supang gore kwa pele go iwa jang. O boleletse setshaba gore fa ba ka ithokomolosa melawana e e tlaa bong e beilwe, puso e tlaa bowa gape e emisa go gweba ka leruo. O tlhalositse fa morui a tlaa tlhaba kana a rekisetsa dintsho le manyalo fela fa diruiwa tsa gagwe di kentetswe bolwetse jwa tlhako le molomo mekento e meraro. O tswelletse a supa gape gore diruiwa di tshwanetse gore di bo di kwadisitswe mo lenaneong le

Dikgwele. A re ba gorogile mo Botswana ka nako ya dintwa tsa Mfecane le ka dikgoberego tsa kwa Lesotho ka dingwaga tsa bo 1970 mme ba tshabela kwa mafelong a a farologaneng go fitlhela ba tla go goroga mo Botswana kwa ba ileng ba tshela ka kagiso le morafe wa Morolong. Dintwa tse e ne e le tsa go lwela lefatshe le mafelo a go gweba mme merafe e e nenge tshwaragane jaaka wa MaZulu e ne e kgona go gapa lefatshe le leruo la merafe e mengwe

lesha la Baits 3 e bile di rwesitswe manyena. Dr Segale a re go tlhoka go kenta ke molato, a supa fa barui bangwe ba ne ba gana go isa dikgomo kwa megotlheng nako ya go kentiwa. O supile fa dikgomo tse di mo sekganeding sa bolwetse jwa tlhako le molomo, ke gore Containment Zone, di sa tshwanela go fudusiwa ka gore di ka tloga tsa isa bolwetsie kwa bo seong teng. A re kgaolo ya Zone 11 e tshwanetse go itse gore jaanong e tlile go tshela le mogare yo wa tlhako le molomo, a tlatsa ka gore gangwe le gape puso e tlaa nna e kentela mogare oo gore o seka wa boela gape. E ne e rile fa a amogela baeng, Kgosi Odirile Sekwenyane wa Phitshane Molopo a supa fa bolwetsi jo bo apesitse barui kobo ka letshoba. O supile fa bo okeleditse barui lehuma ka jaanong basa kgone go iphema mathata ka thekiso ya leruo la bone. Kgosi o ne a supa fa dikgwedi tse di latelang e le tsa manyalo a mantsi mme setshaba se eletsa goja nama mo medirong. O supile fa a tshwenngwa ke gore fa goka diegwa go rebolwa goja nama lego rekisa leruo, bangwe baka tloga ba raelesega mme ba felela ba anamisitse bolwetse ba re baa ikutswa. O boletse fa morafe wa gagwe o ntse o tshwere ka thata go obamela melawana le ditsamaiso tsa bolwetse joo, a supa fa ba setse ba agile terata e e kganelang leruo go tlhola kwa Afrika Borwa ya selekanyo sa dikhilomethara di le lesome le boroba bongwe. **BOPA**



Kgosi Botiki Motshegare (molemeng) le Kgosi Olefile Ikgopoleng (bobedi molemeng) ba abela Kgosi Paul Letshikhoana setilo sa dikgole mo boemong jwa dikgosi tsa Barolong kwa peong ya ga kgosi kwa Tlhareseleele bosheng. Mo^tshwaraganya ditirelo tsa palamente kwa Lesotho, Rre Khosi Makubakube, a re maikaelelo ke go bona gore Basotho ba Tlhareseleele ba ka tsosolosa jang ngwao ya bone le tirisanyo mmogo le Basotho ba Lesotho. Senepe: Aobakwe Molefhi

e e neng e sa itshegetsatsa sentle. A re mo ngwageng o o fetileng, Kgosi Paul Letshikhoana le Kgosi Lotlaamoreng II wa Barolong ba ne ba etela Lesotho mme ba feta ba kopana le Kgosi Letsie III, ka maikaelelo a go bona gore Basotho ba Tlhareseleele ba ka tsosolosa jang ngwao ya bone le tirisanyo mmogo le Basotho ba Lesotho. Rre Makubakube a re loeto leo, le thusitse Basotho go ikgakologelwa le go tshwaragana ka jaana ba sa bolo go faladiwa ke dintwa tse go neng go lwelwa lefatshe le merafe e mengwe. O supile fa mo ngwageng o o fetileng lefatshe la Lesotho le ne la tsisa molelo wa kgolagano mo Tlhareseleele mme seo sa tsosolosa mowa wa lerato le go gakologelwa kwa ba tswang teng. “Kgosi Letshikhoana o supile fa tiro ya molelo wa kgolagano e tlaa ba thusa gape go gakologelwa dilo dingwe tsa ngwao ya Sesotho tse ba neng ba di lebetse,” ga bua jalo Rre Makubakube. O tswelletse a tlhalosa gore e ne yare bosheng mafatshe a Lesotho

le Botswana ba nna le bokopano mme nngwe ya dintlha tse di neng tsa lebelelwa e ne e le go tsosolosa le tshomarelo ngwao. Rre Makubakube o tlhalositse gape gore tirisanyo mmogo ya mafatshe oo mabedi e tswa kgakala, a supa fa Basotho ba ne ba tsena sekole kwa University of Botswana. A re mo nakong ya gompiano mafatshe ao a mo thulaganyong ya go tsaa metsi kwa Lesotho baa tsisa mo Botswana. “Keletso ya rona ke gore mo isagong, go nne le ofisi ya tsa mafatshe a sele ya Lesotho mono ka gore Basotho ba ba nnang mo Botswana ga se ba Tlhareseleele fela, go na le ba bangwe kwa bokone jaaka kwa bo Nata,” rre Makubakube a tlhalosa. Fa a bua mo boemong jwa banni ba Tlhareseleele, Rre Mokgotli Mochotlwane o supile mo potsolotsong fa ba itumetse fela thata ka jaana e le lantlha ba bona kgosi ya Basotho e tlhonga mo lefatsheng la Botswana. O supile fa tiro eo, e ba file serite

ka go bo Kgosi Letsie III a bone go le botlhokwa gore a romele monnawe e bong Kgosi Seeiso Bereng Seeiso go tla go tlhoma Kgosi Letshikhoana go nna ene moeteledipele wa Basotho mo Botswana. Rre Mochotlwane o supile fa tiro eo e tlaa netefatsa gore Basotho ba kgone go golagana ka fa tlase ga tsamaiso ya ga Kgosi Letshikhoana. “Se se raa gore Basotho botlhe ba ba mo Botswana kwa mafelong a a tshwanang le bo Selebi Phikwe, Nata, Kasane le Ghanzi ba ka fa tlase ga ga Kgosi Letshikhoana, le gone go ba thusa gore fa ba kopa sengwe kwa Lesotho e tlaa nna ene lentswe la bone gore dikopo tsa bone di goroge kwa go Kgosi Letsie III. Rre Mochotlwane o supile fa Basotho ba gorogile mono Botswana ka go faladiwa ke dintwa le go tla ka tsa tiro, a tlhalosa fa mafatshe oo mabedi a ne ana le tirisanyo mmogo mo go tsa thuto, mme lefatshe la Lesotho gape le ne le ntsha barutabana gotla go bereka mono. **BOPA**

Go tshwara dijo sentle go botlhokwa

Relief Lephutshi KGOMOKASITWA

Letsatsi fela morago ga go keteka moletlo wa boipuso kwa kgotleng, morafe kwa Kgomokasitwa o ne wa itemogela go sa tsoga sentle mo go bakileng gore dipalo tsa batho ba ka tshwara makgolo a mabedi le masome a supa ba iponatsa kwa kokelwaneng. Mo potsolotsong le BOPA, Mokwaledi Mogolo wa khansela ya Moshupa Rre Edwin Pheko, o tlhalositse fa go belaesega gore seemo se se wetseng motse wa Kgomokasitwa sa botsogo se ka tswa se bakilwe ke mokgwa wa go tshwarwa ga dijo. A re go leka go batla tharabololo ya seemo se, go ne ga dirwa diteko tsa mehuta e le mebedi; e leng

tlhatlhobo ya mantle le ya dingwe dijo tse di neng tsa jewa kwa Kgotleng ka letsatsi la boipuso. “Dipatlisiso tsa mantle di supile fa go na le kgotleleso go dijo e e bakiwang ke mogare wa Salmonella,” ga tlhalosa Rre Pheko. A re Salmonella ke mogare o o ka fitlhelwang mo mantleng ka jaana o tshela mo maleng a batho, diphologolo tsa naga le tsa mo gae. O ne a tswela ka go tlhalosa fa teko ya bobedi e ne ya dirwa mo masaleleng a dijo tse di neng tsa jewa ka letsatsi la boipuso. A re maiteko a go batlisisa a ne a tswela ka go sala morago motlhala wa merogo le kwa marekisetso go batlisisa fa merogo eo e ka bo e ne e sa tshelwa melemo mme ga seka ga supega sepe. Rre Pheko a re

seemo se ke sesupo sa gore go tshwarwa ga dijo go seka ga tswa lola. A re go botlhokwa go sedimosetsa ba ba mo tirong ya go baakanya dijo le kapei ya tsone ka botlhokwa jwa go tsaya sebaka sa thuto le kgakololo ka bophepa le go tshwarwa ga dijo. A re se se ka kgonagala ka jaana go na le badiri ba botsogo mo di kokelwaneng. O tlhalositse fa ka maswabi go nnile le dintsho tse pedi tse go sa tlhomamisegeng fa di ka tswa di bakilwe ke Kgotleleso eo ka jaana go tlhokega gore go dirwe tlhatlhobo go bona se se ka tswang se bakile dintsho tseo. E ne ya re mo potsolotsong go le pele, Kgosi Tshetlha Radimpa a tlhalosa fa seemo se se ba makaditse thata. **BOPA**



PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE ISSUED IN TERMS OF SECTION 10 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA) ACT (CAP 65:07)

NOTIFICATION FOR PUBLIC REVIEW OF ENVIRwONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR THE PROPOSED 24 BED LODGE AT KAVUMU ISLAND, NG/12, BY BUKAKHWE CULTURAL COMMUNITY TRUST (BCCT)

The major findings of an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Study undertaken for the proposed construction and operation of the lodge are as summarised hereunder.

A.Nature and Magnitude of the Activity

BCCT proposes to develop a 24-Bed lodge, featuring ten standard guest units, one family unit, a central guest area, staff accommodation units, and a service centre. The lodge will operate on solar power, use an aboveground wastewater treatment system, and be constructed with semi-permanent materials to minimise environmental impact.

B.Rationale for the Project

The proposed Lodge has the potential to deliver lasting social, cultural, economic, and environmental benefits to the Bukakhwe community of Gudigwa. With a population of approximately 800 people facing limited livelihood opportunities, the lodge represents a sustainable solution creating jobs, generating income, and reducing dependence on external aid. Beyond economic empowerment, the lodge will serve as a platform for cultural preservation, enabling the Bukakhwe people to share their traditions, indigenous knowledge, and heritage with visitors.

Location of the Activity

The proposed project site is located within NG/12 at GPS coordinates -18.869S and 22.849E (Decimal degrees, WGS 1984).

C.Anticipated Impacts and Proposed Mitigation Measures

The environmental impacts and mitigation measures identified by the EIA study are presented in detail in the EIA report and summarised in the table below. A detailed Environmental Management Plan to help manage and monitor potential impacts is included in the report.

Bio-physical Impacts	Proposed Mitigations	Project Phase
Soil erosion	The contractor should schedule excavations when there is minimal rainfall and excavate efficiently so as not to leave soil exposed for a prolonged period. Monitoring of vehicle movements along the access routes.	All project phases
Spread of aquatic weeds and invasive species	All vehicles and boats must be thoroughly cleaned before entering the concession area as well as continuous monitoring of water bodies.	All project phases
Loss of vegetation and disturbance of plant communities	Cutting of mature and protected trees should be prohibited. Vegetation clearance should be strictly limited to designated construction zones.	Construction phase
Noise pollution	Restricting noisy activities to daylight working hours. Locating noise-generating machinery away from sensitive areas.	All project phases
Air Pollution	During windy season, it is advisable to avoid or minimise activities that generate dust. Burning of waste materials at the project site is prohibited. Where necessary, provide PPE to employees exposed to dust.	All project phases
Soil contamination	Used oil must be kept in sealed containers within a bunded area. Engaging a certified oil collector for safe disposal. Drip trays and spill kits must be readily available on-site.	All project phases
Land pollution	Provision of waste receptacles, temporary storage in a waste cage and regular collection and disposal by a licenced waste collector will be adopted.	All phases
Surface and ground water contamination	Oil contaminated soil should be dug immediately. The STP and the pipelines should be regularly monitored for possible breakages and other faults.	All project phases
Socio-economic impacts	Proposed Mitigations	Project phase
Creation of employment opportunities	Engagement of local subcontractors. Local citizens should be given priority where possible. Maintain gender balance during hiring.	Construction and operation phases
Skills transfer	Providing on-the-job training and work experience opportunities	All phases of the project
Enhancement of the local economy	Salaries and wages for the employed workers as well as trade that may result from the project implementation	Construction and operation phases
Health and Safety Impacts	Proposed Mitigations	Project phase
Risk of occupational health and safety incidents	A SHE officer to conduct toolbox talks. Provision of PPE to workers, induction of workers on proper use of PPE and other construction equipment.	All project phases
Risk of fire outbreaks	Fire extinguishers should be provided and should be serviced regularly. Induction on firefighting emergency preparedness plan to employees. Effective housekeeping of flammable products.	All project phases
Increased HIV/AIDS prevalence rate	A SHE officer must be employed for conducting health and well-ness campaigns to raise awareness on disease prevention and ensure compliance with safety protocols on site.	All project phases

D.Conclusions and Recommendations of the Study

According to the results obtained from impact analysis, there are no fatal flaws or red flag either socio-economic or biophysical that would prevent the implementation of the project. The anticipated environmental and social impacts can be effectively managed through the application of the recommended mitigation and monitoring measures set out in this EIA report and routine Environmental monitoring is crucial to ensure compliance is maintained.

E.Environmental Management Plan Placement

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

- 1.Department of Environmental Protection, Maun office
- 2.Gudigwa Village Kgotla

F.Correspondences

All comments, concerns and objections from interested and affected parties should be addressed in writing to District Environment Coordinator, Department of Environmental Protection, P O Box 35, Maun. Tel: 6801237, Email: deamaun@gov.bw or hand delivered to Plot 523, Light Industrial, Mophane Street next to Motovac, in or within two (2) consecutive weeks from the first appearance of this notice on Government Gazette or by 9th of October 2026 and the second appearance on the 16th of October 2026.

KITSISO YA SECHABA

KITSISO E, E NTSHIWA KA NTLHA YA TSETLANA YA MOLAO WA TSHEKATSHEKO TIKOLOGO WA BOLESOME (CAP 65:07)

KITSISO SECHABA MABAPI LE TSHEKATSHEKO YA TIKOLOGO KA GO AGIWA GA LODGE YA MAROKO A LE MASOME A MABEDI LE BONE KO KAVUMU ISLAND,KWA NG/12 ,KE BA BUKAKHWE CULTURAL COMMUNITY TRUST (BCCT)

Dintlhakgolo tsa dipatlisiso tse di bonweng fa go dirwa ditshekatsheko tsa seemo sa kamego ya tikologo ka nako ya kago le tiriso ya lodge di sobokilwe fa tlase.

A.Tlhaloso ya mohuta wa tiro

Ba BCCT ba ikaelela go aga lodge ya maroko a Bojanala a le masome a mabedi le bone mo bosigong bo le bongwe fela. Kago e tla akaretsa matlwana a baeng a le lesome, e le nngwe e ka robala lelwapa.go agiwe lefelo le legolo la ditirelo tsa baeng, matlwana a boroko a badiri le lefelo la ditirelo tse di faphegileng jaaka go baakayetsa dikoloi. Lodge e tla dirisa motlakase wa marang a letsatsi, mafaratlhatlha a kgopo le go tlhatswa metsi a leswe ,mme e agiwe ka didiriswa tse e seng tsa se nnela ruri go fokotsa tshenyio mo tikologong.

Boleng jwa tiro

Lodge e e akanyeditsweng e na le bokgoni jwa go tlisa tse di molemo di akaretsa mo go tsa ngwao, setso, itsholelo le tikologo mo setshabeng sa Bukakhwe sa Gudigwa. Ka palo ya batho ba ka nna 800 ba ba lebaneng le dikgwethlo tsa botshelo, lodge e ikaya e ka rarabolola mathata a ka go tlhama ditiro, go dira madi ka dipoelo, le go fokotsa go ikaega mo dithusong tsa kwa ntle. Go fetisa mo go tsa itsholelo, lodge e tla nna bothokwa mo go bolokeng ngwao , e fa batho ba Bukakhwe sebaka sa go abelana le go rekisa ditso le dikitso tsa tsa bone le baeng.

Lefelo la tiro

Tiro e e tla dirwa mo lefelong la NG/12, GPS coordinates -18.869S and 22.849E (Decimal degrees, WGS 1984).

B.Ditlamorago tse di ka bakiwang ke tlhabololo, methhale ya go fokotsa manokonoko a ditlamorago tse di siamang kana go nonotsha tse di siameng.

Ditlamorago tsa tikologo tse di neng tsa lemogwa ke thulaganyo e ya ditshekatsheko tsa tikologo le methhale ya go di reba bogale, di sobokilwe ka tsela e e latelang.

Ditlamorago tsa tikologo	Legato la tiro	Maiteko a go ka fokotsa
Kgotlhego ya mmu	Nako ya kago Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Go fokotsa go kgaolwa ga dimela, fa e se fa go thokega. Letla mafelo a amegileng go thoga gape Fokotsa motsamao o mo ntsi wa dikoloi thatathata mesepele e mekhuswane ka go dira lenaneo le le thomameng
Go thoga ga mo-hero kgotsa ditlhare tse di sa tlholegeng mo nageng ya NG/31	Magato otlhe a tiro	Go rurifadiwe gore dikoloi le dikepe di phepadiwe thata pele fa di ka tsena mo lefelong la tiro.
Kgotlelesego ya mmu le metsi	Nako ya kago Nako ya go dira ga kampa Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Go tshwanetse ga epiwa go bo go tlhatswiwa mmu o o tshetsw-eng ke leokwane fa le ka tshologa ka phoso.
Go kgaolwa ga ditlhare	Nako ya kago	Ditlhare tse ditona le tse di sireleditsweng ka fa molaong di seka tsa kgaolwa. Tiro e diriwe mo lefelong le le sekasekilweng fela.
Modumo o montsi	Nako ya kago Nako ya tiriso Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Didirisiwa tsa kago di tshwanetse tsa baakanngwa gangwe le gape go fokotsa modumo o o feteletseng. Nako ya dikago e diragale ka dinako tsa maphakela go filtha maitseboa go itsa go kgoreletsa batho le diphologolo b aba mabapi
Kgotlelesego ya phefo le lerole le le feteletseng	Magato otlhe a tiro	Go fokotsa tiro e ka bakang go thunya ga lerole ka nako ya di-phefo. Go tshubiwa ga matlakala kwa nageng ga go letlelesege.
Kgotlelesego ya tikologo	Magato otlhe a tiro.	Go rurifadiwe gore go na le didirisiwa tse di beelang matlakala ka nakwana le go Thapa kompone e nang le tseletso ya go latlha matlakala ka fa tshwanelong
Ditlamorago tse di amang matshelo a batho le itsholelo		
Go thamiwa ga mebereko	Nako yak ago le ka tiriso ya kampa	Go thapa dikompone tsa mo gae go dira tiro le go fa tshono banni ba metse e bapileng le lefelo la tiro.
Go amogana kitso	Magato otlhe a tiro	Go ruta batho tiro mo mmerekong le go ba tlhatlhelela boitsean-ape jwa tiro.
Go godisa itsholelo ya lefatshhe	Magato otlhe a tiro	Dikatso tse babereki ba di amogelang go dira tiro le dithekiso tse di diragalang ka nthla ya ditlhabololo tse.
Ditlamorago tse di amang tshireletsego le botsogo		
Dikotsi mo tirong	Magato otlhe a tiro Nako ya kago Nako ya tiro	Go thapa moitseanape wa tsa pabalesego le tikologo (SHE officer) go rurifatsa le go rutuntsha ka tsa itshireletso. Babereki ba neelwe kapari ya itshireletso.
Tlhagogo ya molelo	Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Go rurifadiwe gore didirisiwa tsa go tima molelo di teng ka dina-ko tsothle. Go rutuntshiwe babereki ka ditsela tsa go lwantsha molelo fa o ka tlhagoga.
Koketsego ya mog-are wa HIV/AIDS le makoa a mangwe	Magato otlhe a tiro	Moitseanape wa tsa itshireletso le tikologo otlha thapiwa go rutuntsha batho ka makoa kago farologana le go itshireletsa mo segajajeng sa bolwetsi jwa HIV/AIDS.

C.Tshoboko ya ditlamorago le methhale ya go di tsibogela

Go ya ka madio a ditshekatsheko tsa tikologo, ditlamorago tse di ka bakiwang ke go dirwa ga tiro e, ga se tsa bodiphatsa jo bo kwa godimo. Ke tse di ka hemiwang kgotsa tsa kganelwa go ya ka fa go gakolotsweng ka teng mo mokwalong oo feletseng wa tshekatsheko ya tikologo . Ka jalo tiro e, e ka letlelelwa go tswela.

D.Mafelo a go ka bonwang dikwalo tsa ditshekatsheko mo go one

Meriti ya mokwalo wa tshekatsheko tikologo oo feletseng e ka bonwa kwa mafelong a a latelang:

- 1.Ofisi ya Lephata la Tshomarelo Tikologo, ofisi ya Maun
- 2.Kgotla ya motse wa Gudigwa

E.Ditlhaeletsanyo

Dikagelo tsothle go tswa go banale seabe le bangongoregi di ka kwalelwa mo atereseng e, Go Mookamedi wa Lephata mo kgaolong, Lephata la Tshomarelo Tikologo, P O Box 35, Maun, Mogala: 6801237, Email: deamaun@gov.bw kana wa isa ka letsogo kwa ofising ya Lephata la Tshomarelo Tikologo, Plot 523, Light Industrial, Mophane Street, go bapa le Motovac, mo lebakeng la beke tse pedi go tloga tsatsi la kanamiso ya nthla ya pego kgwedi ya Phalane e tlhola malatsi a le boferabongwe le e tlhola malatsi a le lesome le boratarole ngwaga wa 2026.



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JANE ONKOKAME REQUIRES farm worker at Shashemooke, apply to Box 2054 Shashemooke tel 72 279 071

FARM WORKER WANTED: Contact The Director, Copel Rancho. P O Box 400, Serowe 74 854 828

10 FARM WORKERS urgently wanted J.J Vegetables Pty Ltd P.O Box 155 Sefhare 74 033 492 / 75 233 837

FOUR FARM WORKERS required in Taung Ramotswa respond to 75015448

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LOOKING FOR A HERDBOY in Thamaga. P. O. Box 1047 Thamaga Dilege. Contact 71 839 693

FARM WORKER WANTED. I Ofentse Motsomatshekudu of Ngware/ Malwelwe lands. I'm looking for one farm worker. My number is 74 470 742, ID number 542 713 507.

FARM WORKER WANTED at Maiswe Bobonong 75 258 008 Kemoreng Dialwa.

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FARM WORKER WANTED urgent. Contact 72 255 267 Joseph Peloetletse.

1 FARM WORKER AND 1 HERDBOY wanted in Bobonong, P O Box 922 Bobonong.

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FARM WORKER WANTED 76 000 091

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WANTED HERD BOY P O Box 742 Mahalapye 71 676 907

LOOKING FOR FARMWORKER in Radisele, please contact Sephikwe Khama 72 169 967.

FARM WORKER WANTED at Phokoje farms near Kubung in Kweneng District. Contact Tubego Kesiilwe at 72944246 and P.O Box 372, Thamaga

FARM WORKER WANTED in Modipane 72 993 427 / 74 138 730, Closing date 28 October 2026, Thabiso Tshose

FARM WORKER WANTED at Diphuduhudu lands. Apply to: Kelebogile Basiami, Box 60626 Gaborone

FARM WORKER WANTED male or female at Nneneke Kanye with drivers license 73 667 439 closing date 26/10/2026

FARM WORKER WANTED. Aged 40 and above. Contact Shadreck 71403466 in Serowe. Closing date: 03.11.2026

2 FARM WORKERS WANTED at Macheke lands in Kopong. Apply to: Delphene Ramokgau. Box 47203 Gaborone.

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DIAMANTE PTY LTD is looking for a farm worker. For more information call 72 138 575. Closing date- 5 November 2026.

FARM WORKER WANTED at Marokolwane lands in Bokaa. Minimum years in integrated farming. Contact Mafashion Seithathi Maabong cell: 75 475 213.

HORTICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK producer needs 1 male farm manager in Phokoje ward Mahalapye. BSc in Agricultural management, 5 years experience. To oversee farm operation, livestock and crops. Contact: 72 157 471 Samuel Matsheka. Closing date: 01/11/2026

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NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

PLOT 1156 EXTENSION 10, Palapye is planning to erect a boundary wall. Any objection phone 74 108 940 or Palapye Building Control 493 0800 within 14 days of publication.

OWNER OF PORTION A of 544-NQ at Tholotsane Lands Tonota proposes change of land use from agriculture to mixed use (Agriculture & Commercial-Fuel Depot). Any objections contact Tonota District Council Physical Planning Office on 248 4248

MORIBO LOUNGE BAR would like to open the Bar at Boseja ward Mochudi. Any clarification kindly contact Commercial Office Kgatleng Council

I CHARLOTTE M. NGWENYA of plot 6363 Extension 6, wishes to inform all her neighbours in an intent to change land use from single residential to multi-family residential. Any objection from above mentioned, please contact Palapye Physical Planning Department or contact +267 71 487 951 within 14 days of this publication.

KOKETSO S. SETLHABI an owner of a 3 HA ploughing field at Mmatshipa lands wishes to inform neighbouring landowners that she would like to change land use from agriculture to commercial and subdivide the same plot. Any objections should be forwarded to Kgatleng District Council, Physical Planning Department at 577 7411

OWNER OF PLOT No. 4763 at Letlhakane/ Metsiaela intends to change land use from residential to multi-family residential. For any objections contact Boteti District Council, Letlhakane, Physical Planning Office on Telephone No. 297 8278 or Gomotsang Dintle on cellphone No. +267 75 285 982

PRODUCTION MANAGER POSITION

To plan, coordinate, manage, and oversee all diamond cutting and polishing production activities to ensure that production targets are achieved efficiently, in accordance with company policies.

Key Responsibilities and Duties

- Develop and implement production plans, schedules, and operational targets.
- Monitor daily, weekly, and monthly production performance against established targets.
- Ensure optimal utilization of plant, machinery, equipment, and human resources.
- Coordinate all stages of diamond production, including ore processing, recovery, sorting, and handling, as applicable to the operation.
- Monitor production cost indicators and report significant variances to management.
- Recommend initiatives to improve productivity and operational profitability. Prepare daily, weekly, and monthly production reports.

Qualifications and Experience

- At least 15–30 years of relevant experience in diamond polishing production, including supervisory or management experience.
- Demonstrated experience in production planning, process optimization, cost control, and team leadership.

TECHNICAL ADVISORS AND TRAINERS

To provide technical advice and professional training to employees involved in diamond cutting and polishing. The Technical Advisor and Trainer is responsible for improving technical competence. The position supports management and production teams through technical assessments.

Qualifications and Experience

- Relevant experience in diamond cutting and polishing
- At least 15-30 years of relevant technical or operational experience, preferably including training, coaching, or supervisory responsibilities.

POSITION: FINAL POLISH GRADER

Minimum Requirements and Key Competencies

- Extensive Grading Knowledge: Strong and comprehensive knowledge of diamond colour, clarity, cut, polish, and symmetry, with the ability to assess polished diamonds accurately and consistently.
- GIA Laboratory Standards: In-depth understanding of GIA grading standards, terminology, grading procedures, and diamond evaluation criteria.
- Microscope Proficiency: Excellent microscope skills, with the ability to identify, assess, and accurately locate inclusions, blemishes, clarity characteristics, and other factors affecting a diamond's final grade.
- Diamond Repair and Improvement Assessment: Comprehensive knowledge of diamond cutting and polishing processes to determine whether a stone can be repaired or further improved to achieve better clarity. The candidate must be capable of evaluating potential clarity improvements while carefully considering carat weight retention, pointer loss, and the commercial value of the diamond.
- Relevant Experience: A minimum of 10 years of proven professional experience in final polish grading, preferably with extensive exposure to GIA grading standards and laboratory submissions.
- GIA Communication and Dispute Resolution: Ability to communicate professionally and effectively with GIA regarding grading discrepancies, including cases where the candidate has reasonable grounds to question or challenge a grading result.
- Quality Control and Decision-Making: Strong analytical skills and sound judgement to ensure consistent grading accuracy, maintain quality standards, minimize avoidable weight loss, and maximize the final value of polished diamonds.

Candidate who meet the required qualifications and experience should forward their CV's/Resume, accompanied by a cover letter, certified copies of certificates and identification document (ID) to: hr.botswana@brilliantstar.be

Closing date for applications is on the 20th October 2026

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A LOST TITLE DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to apply for a certified copy of lost Title Deed No. FT 1224/2014 dated 27th day of November 2014 made in favour of **Mathodi Elizabeth Masilo** in respect of Lot

CERTAIN: Piece of land being Lot 3932, Selebi Phikwe
SITUATE: in the Selebi Phikwe Administration District
MEASURING: Measuring 586m2 (five Hundred and Eighty Six Square Metres)
HELD UNDER: Deed No. FT 1224/2014 dated 27th November 2014

All persons having objections to the issue of such copy are hereby required to lodge the same with the Registrar of Deeds for Botswana at Francistown within **three (3) weeks** from the last publication of this notice.

Dated at Gaborone on this 13th day of October 2026

The Executor | Fetogang Monamati
P.O Box 641 AAD, Gaborone

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CHANGE MARRIAGE PROPERTY REGIME

1. Anthony John Lee and Terri Lee, married in community of property to each other at Benoni RSA on 03 January 1993.

2. The above-named intend to apply to the High Court of Botswana, after three (3) consecutive publications of this notice, for an Order granting leave to make the proposed change.

3. Any person, creditor of 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 as proposed, are requested to inform the above-named parties' Attorneys of the below stated address, D S Goosen Prokureurs, upon the publication of this or any of the subsequent notices, or make representations before the High Court of Botswana once the contemplated application is lodged.

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 13th DAY OF AUGUST 2026

Daniël S. Goosen Attorney
Eighth Respondent's Legal Practitioner
The Attic Falcon Crest Suites
2571 Julius Nyerere Street
Extension 9 Gaborone
Botswana Cell: 76233204
info@goosenprok.co.za /
danie@goosenprok.co.za



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

MUSTARD SEED INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL & SPORTS ACADEMY

Mustard Seed International School & Sports Academy invites applications from suitably qualified persons for the following positions for Term 1 and 2027 Academic Year:

POSITIONS:

- **Teaching:** Primary Teachers, Preschool Teachers, Music, Physical Education, ICT, High School: Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Mathematics, STEAM, English, Geography, Chinese, History, Guidance and Counseling, Agriculture, Business Studies
- **Administration:** Operations Director
- **Agriculture:** Farm Worker

REQUIREMENTS:*

Diploma/Degree in relevant field. Minimum 5 years experience. Computer literate. Ability to coach atleast two Sport codes/Clubs: Swimming, Cricket, Hockey, Tennis, Badminton, Drama, Basketball, Coding & Robotics

• **Operations Director:** Degree in Business Admin or related field + experience in school operations, finance, HR & compliance.

TO APPLY: Submit CV with 3 referees, certified certificates, Omang/National ID/Passport copy & cover letter stating position applied for to:

The HR Manager,
Mustard Seed International School, Plot 31402, Phuduhudu ward,
Along A1 After Riverview Mall, Palapye
Email: info@mustardseed.ac.bw (+267) 74 744 533
Closing Date: 02 November 2026

NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

CHANGE OF LANDUSE. Owner of plot 22034, Ramotswa intends to change land use from single residential to multifamily residential. Anyone with objections, contact Gamalete District Council Physical Planning at 539 0375 within 14 days of publication of this notice.

I IRENE MASHWE OWNER of Plot 82125 would like to erect a boundary wall in Gaborone North. For any enquiries please contact the Gaborone City Council, Building Control office 0800 600 061.

GAOGAISIWE G MOLEOFI of Plot 15256 Tshikinyega ward Mahalapye informs neighbors of intention to erect boundary wall. Any objection to this should be forwarded to Mahalapye District Council Physical Planning Office at 471 8636/16 within 14 days of this publication.

I, Caremark Enterprises PTY LTD T/A Eden Greens in Senamane, Bakgatla Tribal area, wish to notify my neighboring plot owners that I intend to change my land use from Integrated farm to Mixed Use Agriculture Commercial Hotel .Any objections to this publication should be directed to Kgatleng District Council within 14 days of this publication, or contact +267 5777411 / +267 5710298

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master's Reference: ESHMY 000234-26

IN THE ESTATE of the Late **LETHAPA MOALOSI RAMONOKO** who died at Sekgoma Memorial Hospital, Serowe, Central District, Botswana on the **25th January 2023.**

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

DATED at ____ on this ____ Day of ____ 2026

The Executrix Dative
Florence Ramonoko
P O Box 1294, Serowe
Tel: 75 683 197

APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFIED COPY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned intends to apply for a certified copy of a title Deed No TL 84/2003 dated **26th day of February 2003** in favour of Susan Thobega in respect of:

CERTAIN: Piece of land being Tribal Lot 8077 Mogoditshane

SITUATE: at Mogoditshane in the Bakwena Territory

MEASURING: 1818 m² (One thousand Eight hundred and Eighteen meter Square)

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

DATED AT Gaborone ON THIS **7th DAY OF October 2026**

S Thobega
APPLICANT

FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

Masters Reference: ESHGB-001018-24

IN THE JOINT ESTATE of the late **PRADIP BABUL SHA** who died at Kgale View, Plot 2024 Gaborone, Gaborone District, Botswana on the **7th day of October 2024.**

FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT in the Estate will lie open for inspection at the office of the Master of the High Court at Gaborone for a period of **twenty-one (21) days** from the date of publication hereof. Any objection on the Estate Account may be lodged to the Master.

DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS DAY OF 2026

AKHEEL JINABHAI & ASSOCIATES

Partners Akheel Jinabhai
Consultant Partners Mark Mase (Oties Brendi F1 Abi) | Lebogang George
Associates Mary Maseko | Janyanyah Maher | Ane Rinde

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The Executor Dative

Virag Pradip Sha

C/O

AJA House, Unit 2, Matante Mews
Plot 54373 CB0, Gaborone
P O Box 20575, Gaborone Botswana

Tel: (+267) 316 3125 Fax: (+267) 316 3124
Email: info@aja.co.bw
Web: www.aja.co.bw
Plot 17396 Boseja Ward Maun, Botswana

JOB ADVERTISEMENT:
ELECTRICAL TECHNICIAN

Company: Gaborone Electronics (Pty) Ltd Plot 20619, Block3 Broadhurst Industrial-HQ

Location: Gaborone, Francistown & Maun, Botswana

Gaborone Electronics (Pty) Ltd, a provider of commercial laundry, catering, butchery and bakery equipment, invites applications for the position of Electrical Technician.

Key Duties

- Installation, commissioning, maintenance and repair of commercial laundry, catering, butchery and bakery equipment.
- Electrical wiring, fault-finding, troubleshooting and equipment testing.
- Attend to equipment breakdowns and provide technical support to customers.
- Ensure compliance with electrical safety standards and manufacturer specifications.
- Ensure high-quality service delivery and customer satisfaction

Requirements

- Craft Certificate in Electrical Trades / Electrical Installation or other relevant electrical qualifications.
- Minimum 10 years' experience as an Electrical Technician or in a related role.
- Knowledge of electrical systems and commercial equipment.
- Good communication and problem-solving skills.

How to Apply
Interested candidates should submit their **CV and cover letter** to:
Private Bag 00425, Gaborone, Botswana
Email: hr@geggroup.co.bw
Closing Date: 26 October 2026
Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

LEGAE ACADEMY

VACANCY FOR MARKETING AND OUTREACH ASSISTANT

Legae Academy, an Independent International Senior Secondary School in Botswana offering the Cambridge curriculum, invites applications from suitably qualified and experienced candidates for the following position at Legae English Medium School:

1) MARKETING AND OUTREACH ASSISTANT

KEY DUTIES:

- Promote Legae English Medium School to prospective parents, nursery schools and other organisations.
- Visit nursery schools and potential partners to build relationships and promote the school.
- Assist with marketing events, open days, promotional stands and displays. Manage and regularly update Legae English Medium School social media platforms, including Facebook, Instagram and TikTok.
- Create engaging content, including photos, videos, reels and posts.
- Develop new ideas and campaigns to promote the school and increase enquiries.
- Assist with promotional materials and presentations.
- Follow up on prospective parent enquiries and assist with arranging school visits.
- Keep basic records of outreach activities and enquiries.

IDEAL CANDIDATE:

- Relevant qualification in Marketing, Communications, Business or similar.
- Fluent in English and Setswana.
- Confident, well-spoken and presentable.
- Creative, energetic and comfortable speaking to people.
- Social media and basic Microsoft Office skills.
- Self-motivated and able to work independently.
- Driven, ambitious and willing to learn.
- Previous experience would be an advantage but not essential.
- Valid driver's licence would be an advantage.

Applications should be emailed to Recruitment@legaeacademy.co.bw
Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for interviews.

DEADLINE: 30/10/2026

P O Box 750, Mogoditshane, Botswana
Tel: (267)3924333 Fax: (267)3923003
www.legaeacademy.co.bw

LOST DEED OF TRANSFER

NOTICE is hereby given in terms of Regulation 46 (4) Cap 33:02 that the undersigned intends applying in terms of Regulation 46 (1) Cap 33:02 for a certified copy of DEED OF TRANSFER NO. 235/98 DATED 04th DAY OF MARCH 1998 and made in favour of THE MOKOLODI WILDLIFE FOUNDATION in respect of the below mentioned property, namely:

CERTAIN: piece of land being Portion 10 a Portion of Portion 6 of the Farm Crocodile Pools No. 15-KO;

SITUATE: in the South East Administrative District;

MEASURING: 1329,4773 Ha. (One Thousand Three Hundred and Twenty Nine decimal Four Seven Seven Three Hectares);

WHICH PROPERTY: is held under Deed of Transfer No: 235/98 dated 04th day of March 1998 and made in favour of The Mokolodi Wildlife Foundation;

SUBJECT TO: all such conditions as are mentioned in the aforesaid Deed.

All persons having objection to the issue of such copy, are hereby requested to lodge the same in writing with the Registrar of Deeds, Private Bag 0020, GABORONE within 3 (Three) weeks of the last publication of this notice.

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 29TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2026

Osei-Ofei LEGAL.
Attorneys for the Applicant, First Floor, Unit 18, Kgale Mews, Gaborone International Finance Park, P O Box 26546, GABORONE

SHARPS ELECTRICAL

Sharps Electrical (PTY) Ltd

Sharps Electrical (PTY) Ltd wishes to recruit a **Project Electrical Engineer** to work within our contracts department. Candidates are expected to have a suitable technical qualification and must have a good contracting track record that can be substantiated if required.

Qualifications, Experience and Skills Requirements

The incumbent should have at least the following :

- At least a Diploma in Electrical and Electronic Engineering.
- Minimum of 15years' experience in a similar position with emphasis on project implementation.
- Knowledge of preventative maintenance, breakdown attendance and proper installation of lifts & Escalators of all brands.
- In addition, the candidates shall have an ERB or the credentials to register with ERB

Behavioural Competencies

- Strategic orientation
- Assertiveness
- Ethical

The successful candidate must be prepared to relocate to any site within Botswana.

Remuneration will be market related and commensurate with the qualifications and experience of the candidate.

Applications should be made by no later than the **30th October 2026.** Applicants should send their curriculum vitae to, referenced "Project Electrical Engineer ":

The Human Resources Manager
P.O. Box 603 Gaborone
Tel: 00267 3952341

Email: veronica@sharps.co.bw

KGK DIAMONDS BOTSWANA PTY. LTD.

9 October 2026

VACANCY OPERATIONS MANAGER

KGK DIAMONDS BOTSWANA PTY LTD is a leading Diamond company seeking an experienced-driven Operations Manager to oversee our daily operations and ensure efficiency and profitability.

Responsibilities:

- Oversee cost effective manufacturing operations for Diamond Cutting and polishing.
- Manage consistent output of 400 + factory employees on a daily basis.
- Deliver on productivity targets within allocated budgets.
- Liaise with suppliers, stakeholders, senior management and contractors.
- Distribute responsibilities across departments, building efficiencies and utilize available manpower to improve results.
- Conduct workforce training and development.
- Supervise a range of skilled and unskilled workers.
- Ensure quality controls and equipment maintenance programs are enforced.
- Implement and enforce company OH&S standards in line with relevant legislation and continuously improve business process.

Qualification & Experience:

- Bachelor's degree in commerce or related degree qualification in Management.
- At least 10 years' experience in Diamond cutting and Polishing or related field.
- Strong leadership and communication skills.
- Good knowledge of MS Office and Excel.
- Experience in negotiation and building relationship with suppliers.
- Motivation to drive continuous improvement processes and ensure the capacity is maximized.
- Ability to manage dynamic and changing workforce as well as being able to work extremely well under pressure.
- Dedication to the details, from budget management to locating inefficiencies

Those who meet the requirements may send their applications (CV, certificates and references) to: **hr.botswana@kgkbw.com**

or

P O BOX 2169 ABG Gaborone,Botswana

CLOSING DATE :29/10/ 2026

Plot No. 20588, Block 3 Industrial Gaborone, Botswana. PO Box 2169 ABG Gaborone Tel: (+267) 391 7637 Email: kgkgroup.com
Company Registration No BW00000862700

NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

PLOT 1156 EXTENSION 10, Palapye is planning to erect a boundary wall. Any objection phone 74 108 940 or Palapye Building Control 493 0800 within 14 days of publication.

OWNER OF PLOT No. 4763 at Letlhakane/ Metsiaela intends to change land use from residential to multi-family residential. For any objections contact Boteti District Council, Letlhakane, Physical Planning Office on Telephone No. 297 8278 or Gomotsang Dintle on cellphone No. +267 75 285 982

I THE OWNER OF PLOT 18232 hereby notice my neighbours of my intention to build a screenwall. For objections please contact Tlokweng Council Physical Planning at 369 5041.

THE OWNER OF LEASE AREA 2602-KO Crocodile pools intends to subdivide and change land use for the above plot. Any objections should be directed to Ramotswa District Council. 538 1212

CHANGE OF LAND USE: I the owner of Plot 5523 at Tlokweng / Selokwana wish to inform the public about changing the land use from single family to Multy Residential. Any objection can be raised within 14 days at Tlokweng Council Physical Planning Tel: 369 5000

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master's Reference: ESHGB 001023-24

IN THE ESTATE of the late **FRIDOLINAH N. MOKWENA** who died at Bokamoso Private Hospital, Mmopane, Kweneng District, Botswana on the 13th day of September 2024. **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Debtors and Creditors in the above Estate are hereby required to pay their debts and file claims of whatever nature with the undersigned within thirty (30) days after the publication hereof.

DATED at _____ on this _____ Day of _____ 2026.

The Executor Oletile Evernard Mokwena
P O BOX 1656 **MOGODITSHANE** Cell: +267 71737898

NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETING FOR THE LATE

SEBATIAN JOSEF HEINZ HERMANN FELTZ – ESHGB-001231/25

IN PURSUANCE of **Section 31 of the Administration of the Estates Act {Cap31:01}** the heirs and next of kin of the deceased persons specified above hereby invited to attend a Next of Kin meeting on **6th day of August 2026 at 0900 hours** before The Master of the High Court. At the Master's Office, Gaborone High Court Building.

At the respective meeting, the next of kin meeting are to recommend person(s) to be appointed as Executor(s) / Executrices Dative, identify beneficiaries and to discuss any other business relating to the estate of their deceased relative.

DATED AT GABORONE this 18th day of June 2026.

FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

Master's Reference: ESHMY 000262-26

IN THE ESTATES of the Late **MATHINE DIKUPA** who died at Xhosa 1 Ward, Mahalapye , Central-Mahalapye District, Botswana on the **31st December 2024.** **FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT** in the Estate will lie open for inspection at the Chambers of the Registrar and Master of the High Court, Mahalapye for a period of Twenty-One (21) days from the date of publication thereof.

DATED at _____ on this _____ Day of _____ 2026.

Executor Dative Masetho Dikupa P O Box 920
MAHALAPYE Cell: 71761067

APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFIED COPY OF TITLE DEED

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends applying for certified copy of Deed of Transfer No. 1554/2024 dated 2nd October, 2024 made in favour of Psychologists Botswana Proprietary Limited in respect of:

CERTAIN: piece of land being Lot 10329, Gaborone;
SITUATE: in the Gaborone Administrative District;
MEASURING: 458m² (Four Hundred and Fifty Eight Square Metres)
Any person having objections to the issue of such copy is hereby required to lodge the same in writing with the Registrar of Deeds within three (3) weeks from last publication of this notice.



Plot 387, Independence Avenue
Private Bag BO 177, GABORONE
Tel: 3906311/3121999

正邦 **Z.B Construction & Installation Consulting (Pty) Ltd**
Lot 2, Riverside Ward, Maun | P O Box 21497, Maun | Email: zhengbang40@gmail.com

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Date: 13/10/2026
ZhengBang Construction and Installation Consulting Proprietary Limited is looking to hire the following trades for our new project at Khoemacau Mine:
Deputy General Manager x1
Operations Manager x1
Construction Manager x1
SHE Officer x1
SHE Rep x2
Accountant x1
Shutter Hand x6
Concrete Hand x6

Electrician x1
Heavy Duty Equipment Operators x6
Optical Grinding Operator x4
Mechanic x1
Fire Mashall x1
Batch Plant Operator x1
Funnel Cutter Operator x1
General Labourers x30

Please send your CVs to zhengbang40@gmail.com.
Fluency in Chinese language would be an added advantage.
Closing Date: 3rd November

Lot 2, Riverside Ward, Maun | P O Box 21497, Maun |
Email: zhengbang40@gmail.com

OWNER OF PLOT 747 Ext 4, Palapye want to change land use from single to multi-residential. Any objection and more information contact Palapye District Council 493 0821

LENAH MAMCY VICTOR Owner of Plot: 12381 in Tlokweng Discovery Ward intends to change of landuse from single family residential to Multy Residential Development. Any objection please contact Tlokweng Council Physical Planning Dept +267 369 5000 / 392 5242 withn 14 days

HORTICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK producer needs 1 male farm manager in Phokoje ward Mahalapye. BSc in Agricultural management, 5 years experience. To oversee farm operation, livestock and crops. Contact: 72157471 Samuel Matsheka. Closing date: 01/11/2026

ROBERT NTHULA OWNER of plot 30091, would like to change land use from residential to multi-residential at Khurumela, Palapye. Any objections contact 71 420 007 or 72 171 430

FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

Masters Reference: - ESHGB 000120-25

IN THE ESTATE of the late **BARITONE W. MORARA & ELECTA MORARA** Who died at Sepitswane Ward, Ramotswa, Ramotswa District, Botswana on the 5th day of November 2024 and 10th September 2023 respectively.

THE FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION ABD DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT In the Estate will lie open for inspection at the offices of the Master of the High Court at Gaborone for a period of Twenty –one (21) days from the date of Publication hereof.

Any objection to the Estate Account may be lodged with the Master.

DATED at Gaborone on the 13th day of October 2026

Felicia Pinkie Apadile, P O BOX 1097, GABORONE, TEL: 76750757

12 October 2026

A Diamond Cutting and Polishing factory located in Block 8 Industrial, Gaborone is looking for 3 x qualified and experienced polished Diamond Valuers to join our team.

Requirements:

- Should have previous full stone polishing skills
- A good understanding of colour grading

- Highly proficient in cut quality
Please note that the proficiency of your skills will be thoroughly tested during the job interview.

Send your detailed CV's and Covering Letter to:

The Recruiter
P.O. Box 2039ABG
Sebele Mall Gaborone

Closing date: 30 October 2026

FILE NO. ESHGB 000762-24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master's Reference ESHGB 000762-24

In the Estate of the Late JOHANNES TAELO LEBAKENG who died at Princess Marina Hospital, Gaborone, Gaborone District, Botswana on the **17th December 2023.**

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

Dated at _____ on this _____ Day Of _____ 2026

The Executrix
Annah Lebakeng

PO Box F47
Francistown
Cell: 72191694

FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

Master's Reference: ESHMY 000043-26

IN THE ESTATE of the late LEFETOGILE DAVID who died at Sekgoma Memorial Hospital, Serowe, Central-Serowe District, Botswana on the 31st of May 2024.

FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT in the Estate will lie for inspection at the Chambers of the Registrar and Master of the High Court, Mahalapye for a period of twenty-one (21) days from the date of publication thereof.

Dated at Mahalapye on this 16 day of JULY 2026

THE EXECUTOR DATIVE | Kgomoitso Lefotegile
P O BOX 2971, Serowe | CELL: 72454852

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master's Reference: ESHGB 000934/24

IN THE ESTATE of the late **MOTSUMI KENALEMONGWE** who died at Princess Marina Hospital, Gaborone District, Botswana on the 1st day of June 2024.

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

DATED at _____ on this _____ Day of _____ 2026

The Executrix
Gomolemo Kenalemongwe
P O Box 138
THAMAGA
CONTACT :74788727 / 76960678

Swy Botswana

JOB ADVERT

Date: 01 October 2026
Company: Swy Botswana Engineering Proprietary Limited

Swy Botswana Engineering Proprietary Limitedis looking for experienced and qualified candidates for the following positions.
Applicants must have at least 2 years of relevant experience.
Available Positions
1. Interior Decorator
2. Chinese-English translation

- 3. Logistics and Materials Officer
- 4. Chinese cuisine chef
- 5. Welder
- 6. Crane driver
- 7. Riveter
- 8. Fitter
- 9. Pipefitter
- 10. Equipment Installation Technician
- 11.IT
- 12.site manager
- 13.civil manager
- 14.Mechanical manager
- 15.electrician

Closing Date: 30 October 2026

How to Apply
Interested and qualified candidates should submit their updated CV and copies of relevant qualifications to:
Swy Botswana Engineering Proprietary Limited@ac.bw

I, GAPE IKANENG, OWNER OF PLOT 3893 in Khurumela Ward, Palapye, wish to change land use from single family to multi-family residential. Contact cellphone No. 71 511 457. For any objections please contact Palapye Administrative Authority. Telephone no. 492 1092 within 14 days of this publication.

ANNIE ISAAH OWNER OF PLOT 2476 Mogoditshane Nkoyaphiri intends to change land use from residential to multi-residential. Enquiries Mogoditshane district council. Telephone 316 6646 within 14 days of publication of this advert

MODISE SEMATHANE OF PLOT 5298 at Pitsane proposes change of land use from residential to civic and community (Pre School). Contact Kanye District Council on 544 0217 or owner on 72 547 905 within 14 days of advert to object or view proposal.

CHANGE OF LAND USE owner of plot 8183 at Bopedi ward in Ramokgonami, wishes to change land use from commercial (general dealer) to single-family residential. For objection contact Mahalapye District Council, Physical Planning Office on 471 8636 /16 within 14 days of publication.

CHANGE OF LAND USE Mr. Khutsafalo Peter Mabaka, owner of a commercial plot at Bobirwa ward in Sefhare, wishes to change land use from commercial (general dealer) to single-family residential. For objections contact Mahalapye District Council, Physical Planning Office on 471 8636 /16 within 14 days of publication.

PROPERTIES

PLOT FOR SALE AT TOPISI. Call 74353890

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

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

Name of Deceased Person: Keobokile Galetole
Estate Number: ESHMY 000346-26
Date of Meeting: 09.11.26
TIME: 0900HRS
MASTER: SARM

DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 21st DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2026
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

FIRST AND FINAL DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

Master's reference: ESHMY 000089-26

IN THE ESTATE of the late **BUTLER SEATLA DINTWA** who died at Unit 12 F12 Jwaneng, Jwaneng District, Botswana on the 8th day of December 1998.

FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT in the Estate will lie for inspection at the Chambers of the Registrar and Master of the High Court, Mahalapye for a period of twenty-one (21) days from the date of publication thereof.

Dated at Mahalapye on this 04 day of August 2026

THE EXECUTOR DATIVE Sheila Dintwa
P O BOX 10579 PALAPYE
CELL: 71 482 914

VACANCIES

KARO AUTO SERVICES (PTY) LTD located at plot 347 Mogoditshane is looking for two hybrid electric mechanics. Requirements: 2-3 years experience as a mechanic. Closing date: 25 October 2026 +267 72556074

TILE ADHESIVE PLANT EXPERT is needed with over 5 years experience. Please share your CV to info@sherashiya.com

EXTRA HEAVY DUTY DRIVER wanted cross border with knowledge of mechanic 5 years experience and above. Apply Siyabalandela Investments Pty Ltd Box 502974 Rail Park Gaborone. Pilane Industrial, call: +267 76 171 114

INTERIOR ARCHITECT & LEAD FURNITURE DESIGNER, OurVision Square Consultancy (Pty) Ltd seeks a qualified professional with a master's degree and relevant board registration. A valid driver's license is advantageous. Email your CV to ovsquarebw@gmail.com

PLANT OPERATOR WITH ATLEAST 3 years experience and certificate in operating excavator and bulldozer wanted. Apply to Fine Well (Pty) Ltd , P O Box 81498 Gaborone. Closing date 05.11.2026

RADIOGRAPHER / SONOGRAPHER'S SERVICES needed at Masedi Clinic, should be a holder of Degree, at least 15+ years experience in high quality diagnostic imaging X-RAYS, CT Scans, Fluoroscopy. P O Box 405616, Broadhurst Gaborone. Closing date 30/10/2026.

LOOKING FOR FASHION DESIGNER Irene Fashions. P.O.Box 548 Lobatse. Cell No 71 707 333, with Diploma in Fashion and Designing. 10 years experience. Closing date 28-10-26.

VACANCY: OPERATIONS MANAGER - Agri Bucket Enterprises. Location: Botswana | Full-time. Requirements: MBA or equivalent Master's degree, 5+ years' operations management experience, and verifiable experience importing legumes from SADC countries into Botswana. Apply: Send your CV, certified qualifications, references, and supporting documents to agribucket25@yahoo.com. Closing date: 27 November 2026

WE ARE LOOKING FASHION DESIGNERS for men and ladies wear. Abraham's Fashion Design Pty Ltd, P. O Box 1789 Molepolole, Cellphone: 72 421 977 / 78 612 804. Closing date 24/10/2026

URGERNTLY LOOKING for a caretaker responsible for an elderly couple at Kavimba. Contact 72297759

MIGHTYS FASHION IS LOOKING for a Designer in Serowe Specialising in Mens Wear. Contact:71 669 554 / 4630145

FASHION DESIGNER WANTED. Cell 77 578 363. P. O. BOX, 178 Lethakane

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ADVERTS BOOKINGS

FRANCISTOWN

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LIQUOR ACT

(Cap.43:11) | Form 2 | (Reg 3(1))

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A LIQUOR LICENSE

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has applied for BAR LIQUOR license in terms of section 13 of the Liquor Act (Cap. 34:11) in respect of the premises situated at PITSANE, and the Liquor Control Authority has determined that the application shall be heard by the Liquor Control Authority on the 29 day of October, 2026.

Any person who wishes to object to the grant of the license should within twenty-one (21) days of the last publication of this notice, give notice in writing to the Liquor Control Authority of his intention to oppose the application and state the grounds on which his objection is based.

Name : LENCWE BAR

Submitted By : KEAOBOIFA CATHERINE KANDELA

Address : P O BOX 4388, GABORONE

Date : 05/10/26

FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

MASTER'S REF: ESHMY-000006-26

IN THE ESTATE of the late MELATO THOMAS MPHOTH0 & TSHIRELETso MPHOTH0 who both died at Serorome, Ward, Palapye, Palapye District, Botswana on the 27th June 2021 and Nyangagwe Referral Hospital, Francistown District, Botswana on the 02nd January 2026 respectively.

THE FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISRIBUION ACCOUNT in the estate will lie open for inspection at the offices of the Master of High Court at Gaborone for a period of twenty-one days (21) form the date of publication hereof.

Any objection to the Estate Account may be lodged with the Master.

DATED at on the Day of 2026.

Executor Dative, Keabetswe Force Mphotho, Plot 7599, Ext 6, Palapye, Cell: 71842211

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

ESHFT 204-25

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the late Machinegun Chabaesele – ESHFT/ 204-25 who died at Central District on the 17/01/2025.

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

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 30th DAY OF AUGUST 2026

Executor Dative Susan Chabaesele
P O Box 547
Mahalapye

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

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED COPY OF DEED OF FIXED PERIOD STATE GRANT NO. 2559/2008

DATED THE 13TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2008 MADE IN FAVOUR OF WILLIAM BILL BOITSHWARELO GAREEBINE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of a DEED OF FIXED PERIOD STATE GRANT NO.2559/2008 DATED THE 13TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2008 made in favour of WILLIAM BILL BOITSHWARELO GAREEBINE in respect of;

CERTAIN Piece of land being Lot 6108, Lobatse;

SITUATE In Lobatse Extension 24;

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

HELD UNDER: Deed of Fixed Period State Grant No. 2559/2008 dated 13th day of October

2008 made in favour of WILLIAM BILL BOITSHWARELO GAREEBINE;

All such persons having objection to issue of such copy are hereby required to lodge such objection in writing to the Registrar of Deeds for Botswana at Gaborone within (3) weeks of the date of second publication of this notice.

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 07TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2026

MATLALA ATTORNEYS PRIVATE BAG B0224 GABORONE

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Masters Reference: ESHMY 000151-26

IN THE ESTATES of the late METLHA TEFISO who died AT Phase 4 Plot 23802, Gaborone, Gaborone District, Botswana on 08th December 2025.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Debtors and Creditors in the above Estate are hereby re3quired to pay their debts and file claims of whatever nature with the undersigned within thirty 30 days after the publication hereof.

DATED at.....on this day of 2025.

The Executor Dative, Jacaranda T.Tefiso , P.O BOX 3663, Serowe Cell: 75719330

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

ESHFT-000349-24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the late MORRIS SINGIRO BANDA - ESHFT-000349-24 who died at Francistown, Francistown District, Republic of Botswana on the 04th day of February 1983.

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

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 03RD DAY OF AUGUST 2026.

NEGROS OTLOGELENG
EXECUTOR DATIVE
P O BOX 25
MANDUNYANE

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

APPLICATION FOR A COPY OF A LOST DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Intends to apply for a certified copy of a lost deed being Deed no 599/1994 dated 23rd June 1994 in favour of REGINALD LEFTILHILE KETSHABILE in respect of the under mentioned:

CERTAIN: Piece of Land being Lot 21434 GABORONE

SITUATE: At Gaborone TOWNSHIP EXTENSION 55

MEASURING: 600m² Six Hundred Metre Square

HELD UNDER: 599/1994 dated 23rd June 1994

IN FAVOUR OF: Reginald Leftilhile Ketshabile

All persons having objections to the issuance of such a copy are hereby required to lodge the same in writing with the Registrar of Deeds P Bag 0020 Gaborone, Attorney General Chambers within three (3) weeks of the last publication hereof.

Applicant: REGINALD LEFTILHILE KETSHABILE

Contacts: (+267) 75 452 829 Dated 17th September 2026

NOTICE FOR A CERTIFIED COPY OF LOST DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned intends to apply for a certified copy of DEED No. 83/2006, dated 2nd day of March, 2006, made in favour of Galebutswe Moscow Nakedi. In respect of:

CERTAIN: Piece of land being Lease No: 1311-KO

SITUATE: On lot 65871, Gaborone, in the Gaborone Administrative District

MEASURING: 612 M² (Six hundred and twelve Squire Metres)

HELD UNDER: Deed No. 83/2006 dated 02/03/06 in favour of Galebutswe Moscow Nakedi.

All persons having objection to the issue of such copy are hereby requested to lodge the same writing with Registrar of Deeds, PRIVATE BAG 00200 Gaborone within three (3) weeks of the last publication of this notice hereof.

DATED AT: ON THIS: DAY OF....., 2026.....

APPLICANT
71346290

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A LOST TITLE DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to apply for a certified copy of lost Title De ed No. TG 85/2013 dated 6th day March 2013 made in favor of Daniel Lesego Bosupeng. In respect of the lot

CERTAIN; Piece of land being Tribal Grant 1074-KP

SITUATE; Bakgatla Tribal Territory

MEASURING; 4879 sqm

HELD UNDER; Deed No TG 85/2013 dated 6th day March 2013

All persons having objections to the issue of such copy are hereby required to lodge the same with the Registrar od Deeds for Botswana at Gaborone within three (3) weeks from the last publication of this notice .

Dated at Gaborone on the 12th day of October 2026

APPLICANT
Name; Grace Nnanao Bosupeng Address; 71 Lentsweletau

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master's Reference: ESHMY 000347-26

IN THE ESTATES of the Late LETWELETSE GAREBAO who died at Sefhare Primary Hospital,Sefhare,Central-Mahalpye District, Botswana on the 09th August 2025.

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

DATE at MAHALAPYE on this 28 Day of JULY 2026.

Executrix Dative, Goitseone Dithothi, P O Box 12, MAHALAPYE, Cell: 71912109

NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS

Administration of Estates Act (Cap.31:01)

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

Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
MANURSE RAKGOLE	ESHMY 000340-26	17.11.26	0900HRS	SARM

DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 08TH OCTOBER 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS

Administration of Estates Act (Cap.31:01)

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

Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
GAGOOPE MOGASHA & KEBOUTULE MOGASHA	ESHMY 000325-26	17.11.2026	0900HRS	SARM

DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 08TH OF OCTOBER 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

ESTATE OF THE LATE NONOFO MAKWAPA

Masters Reference – ESHGB-000846-26

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I, Moses Kesamang, have been appointed as the Curator Bonis of the Estate of the Late Nonoyo Makwapa. All Debtors of the Estate are hereby required to pay their debts and all Creditors of the Estate to file their claims of whatever nature, with the undersigned within thirty (30) days after the publication hereof.

By the Curator Bonis, Moses Kesamang, mkess67@gmail.com, Plot 26860, Moshamu Ward, Serowe, PO Box 3313, Gaborone

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

Master's Reference: ESHMY 000196-26

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the late KHUSTAF WASUBERA ESHMY 000196-26 who died at Newstance House No. 2392, Tatisiding, North-East District, Botswana on the 21ST day of June 2024.

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

DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 09TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2026

ANNAH WASUBERA

THE EXECUTRIX P O BOX 1707 MAHALAPYE CELL: 71444764/72867836

Official implores fire officers to be agile

Kehumile Moekejo
JWANENG

The 2026 cohort of sub-fire officers have been urged to exercise sound judgment, make timely decisions and provide effective leadership as they take on greater responsibilities.

Now that you are sub-officers, you will increasingly be expected to provide direction, supervise personnel, maintain discipline, make sound decisions and ensure that operations are conducted safely and effectively with accountability.

Acting Director of Fire Emergency Services, Mr Stanley Lekoko, said the officers' new ranks required them to provide direction, supervise personnel, maintain discipline and ensure safe and effective operations. He was speaking at the graduation ceremony of the 2026

cohort of sub-fire officers in Jwaneng recently.

A total of 37 officers from various councils across the country graduated after completing an eight-week course, alongside members of the Botswana Defence Force (BDF).

Mr Lekoko said graduation marked the beginning of greater responsibility and professional growth, requiring the officers to demonstrate leadership and accountability.

"As firefighters, you were expected to respond to instructions, perform assigned tasks and operate effectively as members of the team. Now that you are sub-officers, you will increasingly be expected to provide direction, supervise personnel, maintain discipline, make sound decisions and ensure that operations are conducted safely and effectively," he said.

He urged the graduates to lead by example and uphold the highest standards of discipline, professionalism and mutual respect across all ranks.

Mr Lekoko said their new roles required wisdom, decisiveness and the ability to find effective solutions to challenges encountered during operations.

He further reminded the officers that, as members of a disciplined service, they were expected to maintain good conduct both on and off duty, noting that their behaviour could affect public confidence in the organisation.

"The public must be able to trust a fire officer. They must know that when you arrive at an emergency, you are there to protect life, property and the environment," he said.

He also encouraged the graduates to pursue continuous professional development to keep pace with emerging technologies in the fire services industry.

Mr Lekoko cautioned them to remain alert to the challenges posed by new building materials and the increasingly complex fire behaviour associated with them.

Meanwhile, Jwaneng Mayor, Mr Ronica Ntsimako, said fire officers, as first responders to emergencies, had a responsibility to demonstrate discipline and make prompt decisions.

He said courage, teamwork and endurance were essential to effective service delivery, particularly when communities faced fires, road traffic accidents and other emergencies.

"When our communities face fire, road traffic accidents and other emergencies, people look to the fire and rescue service for help. At such moments, there is often no room for hesitation. Communities depend on your training, judgement, courage and ability to work together," he said.

He commended the instructors for imparting knowledge and skills that would contribute to safer communities, while also applauding the BDF for collaborating with the fire services to strengthen emergency response and protect communities. **BOPA**



PUBLIC TENDER NOTICE

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

1. BURS/HR/SER/29/2026-2027- PROVISION OF COMPREHENSIVE STAFF MOTOR VEHICLE AND RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY INSURANCE COVERS FOR THE BOTSWANA UNIFIED REVENUE SERVICE FOR A PERIOD OF 60 MONTHS

PPRA Code & Grade under the following categories	Code: 127 - Insurance & Pension
	Sub code: 03 - Motor Vehicle Insurance, AND
	Sub code: 05 - Fire and other property damage insurance, AND
	Sub code: 06 - Brokerage and risk related Services
Procurement Method	Open Domestic Bidding (reserved for 100% citizen companies)
Fee	P500.00
Collection Date	14th October 2026
Tender Closing	6th November 2026

2. BURS/ADM/SER/30/2026-2027- PROCUREMENT OF SERVICES FOR THE PROVISION OF CASH IN TRANSIT SERVICES AT VARIOUS BURS OFFICES FOR A PERIOD OF (TWO) 2 YEARS

PPRA Code & Grade under the following categories	Code: 100 – Security Services
	Sub code(s): 02 – Specialist Security Service
Procurement Method	Open Domestic Bidding
Fee	P250.00
Collection Date	14th October 2026
Tender Closing	6th November 2026

3. BURS/ADM/SUP/31/2026-2027– ONE (1) YEARS FRAMEWORK CONTRACT FOR SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF TONER CARTRIDGES AND INKS

PPRA Code & Grade under the following categories	Code: 211 – General Supplies
	Sub code: 02 - Stationery
Procurement Method	Open Domestic Bidding (100% Citizens - Reserved)
Fee	P250.00
Collection Date	14th October 2026
Tender Closing	6th November 2026

4. BURS/HR/SER/32/2026-2027– PROCUREMENT OF CONSULTANCY SERVICES TO UNDERTAKE A BEST COMPANY TO WORK FOR SURVEY FOR THE BOTSWANA UNIFIED REVENUE SERVICE OVER A PERIOD OF FIFTEEN (15) WEEKS.

PPRA Code & Grade under the following categories	Code: 315 – Human Resource Services
	Sub code(s): 02 – Job Evaluation, compensation & Reward Management
Procurement Method	Open Domestic Bidding (reserved for 100% citizen companies)
Fee	P500.00
Collection Date	14th October 2026
Tender Closing	6th November 2026

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 on request from procurement@burs.org.bw.

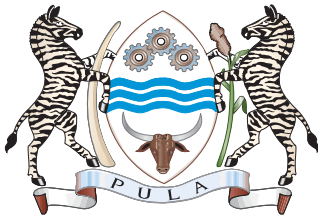
The Invitation to Tender can only be collected on production of the official receipt from; Botswana Unified Revenue Service, Procurement Unit (Motsentsela), South Block, Ground Floor, New BURS Headoffice, Lot 54379, Eastern Commercial Road, CBD, Gaborone.

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

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, Ground 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 bid opening procedure shall be followed.

TOLL FREE NUMBER: 0800 900 900

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Republic of Botswana

MINISTRY OF SPORT AND ARTS

EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT

VACANCY CIRCULAR NO. 3 OF 2026

Applications are invited from suitably qualified, talented, decisive, and self-driven citizens of Botswana for the position of:

1. DEPUTY MANAGER – FACILITIES MANAGEMENT
SALARY: D1 (P386,892 – P426,660) PER ANNUM
TENABLE: Ministry Headquarters

MAIN PURPOSE OF THE JOB

To manage and coordinate projects for the maintenance of all buildings in the Ministry.

KEY PERFORMANCE AREAS

- 1. Develops and reviews facilities management regulations, procedures and requirements.
- 2. Monitors implementation of facility management regulations, procedures and requirements.
- 3. Plans and administers the maintenance schedule for buildings within the Ministry.
- 4. Advises Senior Management on areas to consider for outsourcing and leads their implementation.
- 5. Sensitises other staff members on the approved practices and procedures of proper building maintenance.
- 6. Monitors adherence to Government regulations and environmental health and safety standards in relation to facilities.
- 7. Undertakes and documents a termly risk assessment of all buildings and other health and safety checks as directed by the Health and Safety regulations.
- 8. Administers and monitors service contracts in collaboration with the Contract Management Office to ensure work is properly performed and that claims for payment are made.
- 9. Supervises the work of contractors in connection with the maintenance and improvement of buildings and building facilities.
- 10. Conducts periodic inspections of buildings and evaluates the complexity of any needed repairs to determine the best solution and job cost.
- 11. Oversees the implementation of approved procedures to ensure the ongoing efficient operation of assigned buildings.
- 12. Prepares reports on the operational effectiveness of the facilities.
- 13. Prepares a budget for the maintenance of all the buildings.
- 14. Initiates and manages procurement of any building's maintenance needs by the Ministry.
- 15. Undertakes any other related duties assigned by Management to meet the exigencies of the service.

QUALIFICATIONS

Degree in Estate Management/Property Management/ Facilities Management/ Construction Management/ Engineering/Building Services or any related field.

EXPERIENCE

At least ten (10) years post-qualification experience in Estate/Property/Facilities Management.

KEY SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

- Working with People
- Leading and Supervising
- Deciding and Initiating Action
- Adhering to Principles and Values
- Relating and Networking
- Planning and Organising
- Persuading and Influencing
- Presenting and Communicating Information
- Delivering Results and Meeting Customer Expectations
- Analysing
- Creating and Innovating
- Writing and Reporting
- Adapting and Responding to Change
- Learning and Researching
- Applying Expertise and Technology

BENEFITS

- 1. Leave: 30 working days per annum
- 2. Optional Contributory Medical Aid Scheme (Government pays 50% and Employee pays 50%).
- 3. Contributory Pension Fund (Government contributes 15% and employee contributes 5% of basic salary).

VACANCY CIRCULAR NO. 7 OF 2026

Applications are invited from suitably qualified, talented, decisive, and self-driven citizens of Botswana for the position of:

2. ASSISTANT MANAGER – EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

SALARY: D2 (P337,008 – P371,628) PER ANNUM
TENABLE: Ministry Headquarters

MAIN PURPOSE OF THE JOB

To coordinate the employment relations function and assist in facilitating the implementation of employment relations policies, procedures and labour agreements.

KEY PERFORMANCE AREAS

- 1. Provides advice and guidance on interpretation of laws, policies, rules and procedures on employee relations to customers.
- 2. Promotes good communication and harmonious relationships between the employer and employees.
- 3. Assists in the development of grievance and dispute resolution mechanisms in the Ministry.
- 4. Provides technical advice to the Ministry on Labour disputes referred to mediation and arbitration.
- 5. Analyses disciplinary proceedings and penalty recommendations, and advises Management on the substantive/procedural merits of cases.
- 6. Provides technical support to the Ministry Management at consultative meetings with recognized Public Service Trade Unions.
- 7. Monitors the implementation of the joint resolutions reached by the Ministry and the recognized Public Sector Trade Unions.
- 8. Facilitates capacity building on employee relations in the Ministry.
- 9. Provides technical expertise on employee relations matters.
- 10. Facilitates the formulation and implementation of the Employee Relations Annual Work Plan and targets to achieve the objectives and initiatives of the Unit.
- 11. Resolves staff grievances and provides advice and support on employee relations matters.
- 12. Monitors compliance with government policies, rules and procedures on employee relations.
- 13. Prepares budget estimates for the Unit.
- 14. Supervises and identifies skills gaps of supervisees and recommends appropriate training.
- 15. Undertakes any other related duties assigned by Management to meet the exigencies of the service.

QUALIFICATIONS

Degree in Human Resource Management/Public Administration or related fields. Training in Labour Law/Industrial Psychology will be an added advantage.

EXPERIENCE

At least ten (10) years of relevant work experience, two (2) years of which should have been served at D3 Salary Scale in the Public Service or equivalent level in Private/Parastatal Institutions.

KEY SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

- Working with People
- Leading and Supervising
- Deciding and Initiating Action
- Adhering to Principles and Values
- Planning and Organising
- Delivering Results and Meeting Customer Expectations
- Analysing
- Writing and Reporting
- Adapting and Responding to Change
- Learning and Researching

BENEFITS

- 1. Leave: 30 working days per annum
- 2. Optional Contributory Medical Aid Scheme (Government pays 50% and Employee pays 50%).
- 3. Contributory Pension Fund (Government contributes 15% and employee contributes 5% of basic salary).

VACANCY CIRCULAR NO. 8 OF 2026

Applications are invited from suitably qualified, talented, decisive, and self-driven citizens of Botswana for the position of:

3. PRINCIPAL MANAGEMENT ANALYST I
SALARY: D2 (P337,008 – P371,628) PER ANNUM
TENABLE: Ministry Headquarters

MAIN PURPOSE OF THE JOB

To provide guidance to Departments and Agencies on the implementation of Human Resource Management Reforms.

KEY PERFORMANCE AREAS

- 1. Addresses customer queries on policies and procedures.
- 2. Provides professional advice to Departments and Agencies on Management Services issues.
- 3. Monitors organizational reviews undertaken by private consultants by providing expert advice as a member of the technical team.
- 4. Provides professional guidance and examines alignment of the organizational structure with the processes and core mandate of the Ministry/ Department for quality check.
- 5. Provides consultancy services on manpower utilization studies in Ministries, Departments and Agencies.
- 6. Provides professional guidance and examines Job Effectiveness Descriptions for quality check.
- 7. Provides professional guidance and examines Competency Based Career Paths for quality check.
- 8. Facilitates the development of the implementation strategy for approved recommendations.
- 9. Monitors the implementation of approved recommendations for reviews and manpower utilization exercises.
- 10. Monitors the implementation of Human Resource Management reforms and evaluates its impact in re-inventing Government as and when required.
- 11. Provides consultancy services on the identification of processes.
- 12. Provides consultancy services on the documentation of processes.
- 13. Provides consultancy services on the identification of processes.
- 14. Assesses jobs and recommends appropriate grades to the supervisor.
- 15. Assesses grades and structural implications of manpower requests.
- 16. Analyses and consolidates reports for various projects.
- 17. Recommends improvements in the business analysis field.
- 18. Undertakes any other related duties assigned by Management to meet the exigencies of the service.

QUALIFICATIONS

Degree in Management Services or Human Resource Management/Public Administration/Industrial Psychology/Business Administration/Management or related fields. Membership of the Institute of Management Services or an equivalent professional body is also desirable.

EXPERIENCE

At least ten (10) years of relevant work experience in management services or equivalent, two (2) years of which should have been served at D3 Salary Scale as Principal Management Analyst II in Public Service or equivalent level in Private/Parastatal Institutions.

KEY SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

- Working with People
- Leading and Supervising
- Delivering Results and Meeting Customer Expectations
- Analysing
- Writing and Reporting
- Adapting and Responding to Change
- Applying Expertise and Technology
- Formulating Strategies and Concepts

BENEFITS

- 1. Leave: 30 working days per annum
- 2. Optional Contributory Medical Aid Scheme (Government pays 50% and Employee pays 50%).
- 3. Contributory Pension Fund (Government contributes 15% and employee contributes 5% of basic salary).

VACANCY CIRCULAR NO. 9 OF 2026

Applications are invited from suitably qualified, talented, decisive, and self-driven citizens of Botswana for the positions of:

4. ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (2 POSTS)
SALARY: D2 (P337,008 – P371,628) PER ANNUM
TENABLE: (Sport and Recreation, Arts and Culture) Headquarters

MAIN PURPOSE OF THE JOB

To coordinate human resource functions of: recruitment and selection, training and development, employee relations and other human resource management and administration issues.

KEY PERFORMANCE AREAS

- 1. Provides advice and guidance on interpretation of human resource management policies to customers.

- 2. Attends to customer enquiries and queries.
- 3. Facilitates recruitment-related processes.
- 4. Analyses and shortlists candidates for interviews.
- 5. Attends to staff welfare issues.
- 6. Resolves staff grievances.
- 7. Administers disciplinary cases.
- 8. Facilitates the implementation of the anti-corruption strategy.
- 9. Supervises and manages the performance of supervisees.
- 10. Supervises training and development functions.
- 11. Monitors compliance with human resource management policies.
- 12. Prepares manpower estimates/requirements.
- 13. Prepares procurement plan.
- 14. Monitors human resources votes ledger.
- 15. Identifies skills gaps of supervisees and recommends appropriate training.
- 16. Provides induction to newly recruited staff.
- 17. Facilitates the implementation of plans, strategies and programmes for Records Management, Security, Secretarial, Cleaning and Transport Services.
- 18. Ensures the implementation of sound operational guidelines for Records Management, Security, Secretarial, Cleaning and Transport Services.
- 19. Undertakes any other related duties assigned by Management to meet the exigencies of the service.

QUALIFICATIONS

Degree in Human Resource Management or Public Administration, Industrial Relations or Strategic Management or Business Administration.

EXPERIENCE

At least ten (10) years of relevant work experience, two (2) years of which should have been served as Chief Administration Officer I on D3 Salary Scale in the Public Service or equivalent level in Private/Parastatal Institutions.

KEY SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

- Working with People
- Leading and Supervising
- Deciding and Initiating Action
- Adhering to Principles and Values
- Relating and Networking
- Planning and Organising
- Persuading and Influencing
- Presenting and Communicating Information
- Delivering Results and Meeting Customer Expectations
- Analysing
- Creating and Innovating
- Writing and Reporting
- Adapting and Responding to Change
- Learning and Researching

BENEFITS

- 1. Leave: 30 working days per annum
- 2. Optional Contributory Medical Aid Scheme (Government pays 50% and Employee pays 50%).
- 3. Contributory Pension Fund (Government contributes 15% and employee contributes 5% of basic salary).

IMPORTANT

Applicants should quote the vacancy circular and provide the following details.

- (a) Updated detailed Curriculum Vitae
- (b) Certified copies of certificates, Omang and at least two recent work-related references (not more than six months old) confirming the required experience.

NB: Applications from Public Officers must be routed through the Heads of Department. Applications not so routed will not be considered. Applicants not meeting the minimum requirements will not be responded to.

“By submitting your application or CV, you acknowledge that the processing of your personal data is solely for recruitment purposes. Your information may be shared with authorized personnel and approved recruitment partners in line with the Botswana Data Protection Act, 2024”.

Applications should be addressed to:

Permanent Secretary,
Ministry of Sport and Arts,
Private Bag 00384, GABORONE

or hand delivered to;

Ministry Headquarters,
Central Square Building, Plot 54355, CBD
2nd floor, Office Numbers 209 or 220.

For further information, contact 3698227 or 3698315

CLOSING DATE: 29th October 2026

'Land allocation delays frustrating'

Portia Keetile
LESOMA

Residents of Lesoma have expressed frustration over prolonged delays in land allocations, the situation they said stalled development and denied them economic opportunities.

Speaking during a kgotla meeting addressed by Chobe Member of Parliament (MP) Mr Simasiku Mapulanga, Kgosi Lesoma Lesoma said more than 6 000 applicants had been on the waiting list for over seven years now.

He proposed expanding the village boundary by converting part of the neighbouring forest reserve, situated between the A33 road and the residential area, into tribal land.

Kgosi Lesoma said the community had repeatedly submitted village expansion proposal to the Ministry of Lands and Agriculture, but government was yet to approve it, leaving development in Lesoma at a standstill.

Residents said lack of tribal land had deprived them of significant economic opportunities, despite the village's strategic location along a major economic corridor near the Kazungula One Stop Border Post and the renowned Chobe National Park.

They said that shortage of land for residential and commercial

purposes prevented them from benefiting fully from the economic activities associated with the two attractions.

The residents called on government to expedite the expansion of Lesoma's boundaries by de-gazetting portions of the forest reserve for residential and commercial development.

Chobe Land Board deputy chairperson, Mr Andrew Basiamang, said the proposal to expand Lesoma dated back to 2003, when the land board consulted residents who then proposed that part of the forest reserve be de-gazetted for residential purposes.

However, he said the Ministry of Lands and Agriculture had indicated that complex, unresolved issues required further engagement among relevant sectors.

Mr Basiamang said that the backlog of plot applications in Lesoma stood at 6 700 as of October 9. He advised residents to formally invite responsible minister to address them on the matter.

MP Mapulanga said converting the portion of the forest reserve along the A33 highway into tribal land could yield more than 3 600 residential plots, significantly easing the shortage.

He said expanding the village would stimulate growth across

various economic sectors in Lesoma and created opportunities to attract investors.

He called for a united approach advocating for the proposed expansion, saying the matter

should be pursued not only by Lesoma residents, but by the wider Chobe community. **BOPA**

Training opens doors for women

JOHANNESBURG

After nearly two decades in business and several work-related trips to China, South African entrepreneur, Beauty Sonny found herself back in a classroom, learning to look at her business in a new way. At the closing ceremony of a China-supported entrepreneurship workshop in Johannesburg on Monday, Sonny described the two-week course as a "14-day MBA." "We thought we knew our businesses," said Sonny, a director of Monenebe Maintenance and Projects, a company involved in equipment rental. She said the course introduced practical tools, including the Business Model Canvas, that helped her identify weaknesses in her business model and rethink how to make her business more sustainable.

Sonny was among 61 South African women entrepreneurs who completed the two-week workshop under the Global Female Entrepreneurship Empowerment Program, led by Beijing Foreign Studies University (BFSU). The initiative aims to strengthen women's entrepreneurial skills

through business education and practical training while fostering business cooperation. For other participants, the lessons addressed challenges that had emerged as their businesses grew. Years ago, Naomi Mashigo and her husband started a small shop in a rural community. Their shop has since grown into a supermarket employing 14 people. But for Mashigo, a small business owner, expansion brought new challenges, particularly in managing finances and staff. She said the training offered practical insights into these challenges, with assignments encouraging participants to examine their own businesses rather than work only with hypothetical cases.

The role of small businesses in creating employment was also highlighted by South African First Lady Tshepo Motsepe, who attended a workshop-related event on Oct. 8. She thanked China for providing training opportunities and encouraged participants to grow their businesses, create more jobs and contribute to their communities.

Gui Bo, a program leader and

instructor, said the workshop focused on business model analysis and innovation, helping participants identify weaknesses in their existing operations and explore ways to improve them.

The workshop also brought participants together with Chinese businesses operating in South Africa.

Ms Beverly Matoro, 46, founder of Bev's Kids Transport in Johannesburg, operates three vehicles carrying more than 60 schoolchildren each day.

She hopes to collaborate with Chinese technology companies to develop an app under her own brand, which she could eventually offer to other school transport operators. BFSU President Jia Wenjian said the program sought to connect entrepreneurship education with practical business needs while fostering closer ties between Chinese and African communities.

He said the university planned to deepen cooperation with enterprises to help translate training into business growth and job creation. **Xinhua**



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TENDERING PROCEDURES

T 1.1 TENDER NOTICE and INVITATION TO TENDER

Tender Reference No. MSPDS/DBS/012/2026-2027

- Tender Title: **PROCUREMENT FOR SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF SPARE PARTS FOR MEDIUM WAVE TRANSMITTERS(TRAM 50-LCD, TRAM 25-LCD) FOR DEPARTMENT OF BROADCASTING SERVICES**
- Sealed Tender offers are invited for **PROCUREMENT FOR SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF SPARE PARTS FOR MEDIUM WAVE TRANSMITTERS(TRAM 50-LCD, TRAM 25-LCD) FOR DEPARTMENT OF BROADCASTING SERVICES**
- The Procuring Entity is **Department of Broadcasting Services**
- Procurement Method is: **OPEN DOMESTIC METHOD**
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Department of Broadcasting Services, Procurement Office no: 13, Transport Block, Mass Media Complex, Plot 37795, Wellie Seboni Rd, G/West Phase 2, Gaborone, Botswana

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Arts
& Culture

CPC museum: China historical fortress

Taboka Ngwako
BEIJING

The Museum of the Communist Party of China (CPC) is not just a storage of artefacts, it holds the story of how modern China was built.

President Advocate Duma Boko had an opportunity to tour the facility that stands on around 150 000 square metres along Beijing's central axis, on Wednesday, as part of his State Visit to the People's Republic of China.

Opened in 2021 to mark the

party's centenary, the museum attracts over 1.5 million visitors a year. It houses more than 2 600 images, 3 500 cultural relics and artefacts covering the period from 1921 to now, arranged chronologically from the party's secret founding to its present day



BEIJING - A display in honour of President Xi Jinping at the Museum of the Communist Party of China. The inscription reads "I will have no self and I will not fail the people" - President Xi's governing motto.



BEIJING - A replica of the Red Boat on which the Communist Party of China was founded in 1921, on display at the Museum of the Communist Party of China. The boat hosted the final session of the 1st CPC National Congress on Nanhu Lake, Jiaxing. Photos: Taboka Ngwako



BEIJING - President Advocate Duma Boko viewed statues of Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels during a tour of the Museum of the Communist Party of China in Beijing. The museum documents the Party's history from 1921 to present.

leadership of 1.4 billion people.

The tour included the four main sections: The Founding of the CPC, The Long March and the War of Resistance, The Founding of New China, and Socialism with Chinese Characteristics in the New Era.

In the first hall is a full-scale replica of the historic site where the party was born.

Curators shared that on July 23, 1921, 13 delegates representing just over 50 members met secretly in a brick house in Shanghai's French Concession. When police raided the meeting, they fled and reconvened on a small boat on Nanhu Lake in Jiaxing, Zhejiang Province.

The boat, replicated in the museum as the iconic Red Boat, is regarded as the birthplace of the Communist Party of China.

From there, the exhibition traces China's revolution and displays detail the fall of the Qing Dynasty in 1911, the May Fourth Movement of 1919 that awakened national consciousness, and the civil wars that left China divided, occupied and impoverished.

At the centre of the museum is the Long March, a period in 1934, when 86 000 soldiers of the Red Army broke out of Jiangxi and began a 12 500 kilometre strategic retreat that lasted 370 days, to escape encirclement by Kuomintang forces.

The museum displays their worn straw sandals, rusted rifles, hand-sewn uniforms, abacuses and the crude hand-drawn maps they used to cross 24 rivers, 18 mountain ranges and the vast Songpan grasslands.

Only about 8 000 reached Yan'an in Shaanxi in 1935. The march, which established Mao Zedong's leadership, is presented as the crucible that forged the party's resilience and its deep connection to the people.

Other galleries show the 14-year War of Resistance Against Japanese Aggression (1931-1945), the eventual victory in the War of Liberation, and the historic proclamation of the People's Republic of China by chairperson, Mao Zedong on October 1, 1949, from the Tiananmen Rostrum.

President Boko also viewed halls dedicated to socialist construction, Deng Xiaoping's Reform and Opening Up in 1978 which ushered in four decades of unprecedented growth, and the New Era under President Xi Jinping, including the poverty alleviation campaign that lifted over 800 million people out of poverty and the Belt and Road Initiative.

For President Boko, who has described China's rise as "an

economic and political miracle never seen in history," the visit offered a masterclass in long-term planning, institutional continuity and national cohesion.

President Boko concluded his tour by viewing the museum's finale, a 4D immersive theatre showcasing China's achievements in the New Era from the Tiangong space station, the 45 000-kilometre high-speed rail network, to green development and ecological conservation projects.

He also signed the visitors' book in the museum's grand hall before departure. **BOPA**

What's On This Weekend!

16 October

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A French-developed, screen-free digital literacy programme workshop for children @Alliance Française de Gaborone from 2pm to 4pm

Exclusive kiddies fashion showcase

@ The Grand palm at 5pm

17 October

Angola Embassy Food Festival

@ The Place Endaweni, Phakalane from 12pm to 5pm

Fashion without borders Botswana

Exclusive fashion showcase @ Grand Palm at 6:30pm

Cellar Experience 2026

@ The Grand Palm at 12pm

Beneath the Surface 9.0

@Wagga Gardenex, Gaborone at 11am

NORA Simply Elegant 10 Year Anniversary Beauty Masterclass

@Molapo Crossing from 10am to 3pm

Young actor uses film to highlight plight of war children

CAIRO

For Egyptian young actor Omar Sherif, playing Seif in the Chinese film “Once Upon a Time in the Middle East” was more than an acting experience. It was an opportunity to draw attention to the suffering of children caught in war and remind the world that they deserve to live in peace and choose their own futures.

“When I read the script, what touched me the most was how it talked about children caught up in war and showed care for them,” Sherif said in a recent interview with *Xinhua*. At the time, the war in Gaza was raging, making the story particularly meaningful to him.

“I wanted to play this role to show people that children of war struggle just to survive and live their own lives,” he said. Against the backdrop of continuing conflicts across the Middle East, the film’s message carries particular weight.

Beyond the destruction and displacement that dominate news coverage, it draws attention to the ordinary needs of children whose lives have been disrupted by violence: food, safety, someone they can trust, and the freedom to decide who they want to become.

“I wish this film makes people care more about war children and

stop seeing them as just numbers,” he said.

In the film, Seif is a kind-hearted person who sometimes struggles with anger. For Sherif, however, the character’s real strength lies not in his ability to fight, but in his capacity to control his anger and prevent it from destroying his future.

The character’s needs, the actor said, are universal, transcending nationality, language and political boundaries. His Egyptian background helped him connect emotionally with the story of conflict in the Middle East, even though he had never personally experienced war in Egypt.

Much of his understanding of war came from television and social media.

To portray Seif convincingly, he relied on the script and the director’s guidance, drawing on his own emotional responses to the suffering he had witnessed from afar.

For Sherif, the film’s most moving moment comes when Seif bids farewell to Xu Fu, a character who has become especially important to him.

Having lost his colleagues, Seif faces the departure of one of the few remaining connections in his life. The farewell captures the loneliness and emotional loss that accompany conflict, reminding

audiences that the consequences of war extend far beyond physical destruction.

“It was the most emotional scene for me,” Sherif recalled, adding that he cried so intensely that it took him some time to return to himself even after the director called “cut.”

The experience also left a lasting impression on the young actor personally.

After spending months working with the cast and crew in China, he found it difficult to say goodbye to the people with whom he had built close relationships and shared unforgettable memories.

His journey to China had begun long before the film.

With Chinese roots on his father’s side, he had grown up watching Chinese action films featuring actors such as Bruce Lee and Jackie Chan.

But his first visit to China came when he was barely a teenager, after he was selected for the role from a huge pool of young actors who auditioned for the film.

Preparing for the role required him to learn Chinese and cook in Egypt for three months before continuing his training in China.

“I thought it would be easy to speak Chinese, but it was so hard and required a lot of practice,” he said.

Yet the difficulties also brought



CAIRO - Actor Omar Sherif during an interview with Xinhua in Egypt recently. For Sherif, playing Seif in the Chinese film *Once Upon a Time in the Middle East* was an opportunity to draw attention to the suffering of children caught in war and remind the world that they deserve to live in peace and choose their own futures. Photo: Xinhua

him closer to the film and the people behind it.

Returning to Egypt, he felt that China was no longer simply a country he had known through movies, but a place associated with people and personal memories.

Sherif hopes Seif’s story will resonate with audiences far beyond the screen. For him, the character’s name carries a final, deeply personal message: Seif means “sword” in Arabic, but he would rather use his hands to cook than to fight.

“I want children to live their lives, become what they want to be and choose their own futures,” he said. “I want them to live in peace.” *Xinhua*

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BFA pledges continued support for Mares



Tumisoang Molewa
GABORONE

The Botswana Football Association (BFA) has pledged continued support for the senior women national football team, the Mares through training camps following its exit from the Los Angeles 2028 Olympic Games qualifiers.

The Mares were eliminated from the qualifiers by Twiga Stars of Tanzania with a 7-0 aggregate scoreline.

In their first leg encounter in

Gaborone on October 9, they lost by a solitary goal and suffered a 6-0 defeat in Tanzania on Tuesday.

In an interview, BFA acting chief executive officer, Bathusi Rathari, said the association would continue engaging the team through camps, particularly in the absence of an ongoing women's league.

He said with no ongoing women's league to provide regular competitive action, training camps remained an important avenue for keeping players engaged and preparing them for future

international assignments.

For her part, the team's coach Gaolethoo Nkutlwisang acknowledged that the team fell short of expectations.

However, she said the team would regroup and prepare for upcoming competitions.

She also said there was a need to restructure the squad to create more opportunities for younger players, noting that senior players who had served the team for an extended period, should make way for the next generation to prove themselves. **BOPA**

Sankoyo submit required documents to BFA

Esther Mmolai
MAUN

Sankoyo Bush Bucks Football Club has submitted the required documents to the Botswana Football Association (BFA) following the postponement of all its league fixtures over non-compliance with domestic club licensing requirements.

The First Division North League Management Committee postponed the club's scheduled fixtures after issues arose from its application for a domestic club licence for the 2026/2027 season.

In an interview, club chairperson Edson Thiya said management had worked round the clock to address the matter after receiving communication about the postponement.

He explained that the licensing issue stemmed from an outstanding payment dispute involving four players dating back to the club's time in the Premier League.

"We owed them over P200,000, and our club is struggling financially, hence the delay in paying them," he said.

Thiya said the club had reached an agreement with two of the players after making partial payments and agreeing on payment plans to settle the outstanding balances.

However, he said the other two players rejected the club's offer, although management remained hopeful that ongoing negotiations would yield an amicable solution.

He urged supporters to remain calm, expressing confidence that the club would overcome its financial challenges and return to the field.

Thiya said the club was now awaiting a resolution from the BFA following the submission of the requested documents.

So far, Sankoyo Bush Bucks have played two league matches against newly-promoted Mosetse and Tutume Rangers football clubs, sharing the spoils in both encounters. **BOPA**

Botswana wins praise for hosting capabilities

Anastacia Sibanda
GABORONE

Botswana Tennis Association (BTA) hosted the Billie Jean King Cup Africa Group III for the first time in July and this did not go unrecognised as the world tennis governing body hailed its success as a global case study.

According to BTA president Oaitse Thiye, the tennis body, during its AGM in Kazakhstan, singled out the tournament for its intense off court impact, particularly its success the introduction of tennis to entirely new demographics.

The tournament, often referred to as the Women's World Cup of Tennis, had previously suffered from low local visibility.

Thiye said the AGM highlighted that despite hosting the Billie Jean King Cup for the first time, BTA was able to reach new audience.

"These were people who previously did not understand what the Billie Jean King Cup was, or

even that there is a Women's World Cup of Tennis," he said.

Thiye said the true benchmark of the tournament's success extended far beyond the standard boundaries of competitive play.

While the national team achieved sporting glory by securing a promotion into the Europe/Africa Group II, the big achievement was in mass public education and sports advocacy.

"The tournament succeeded in demystifying the elite echelons of international tennis, breaking down barriers, and capturing the imagination of a brand-new generation of sporting

enthusiasts," he said.

According to Thiye, the international tennis community congratulated BTA for using the event to elevate the profile of the women's game across the region.

He said the long-term developmental spin offs were expected to bear fruit for years, adding that by cultivating a passionate, knowledgeable local fan base, the BTA has laid the structural foundation for sustained public engagement, ensuring that the path of the women's national team remain a matter of national interest.

"With these new fans, in the coming years, more people will be asking how our women's national team is progressing in the competition, it was very important that we hosted such an event, and our ladies were successful," he said. **BOPA**



Botswana Tennis Association's hosting of the Billie Jean King Cup has been recognised at the World Tennis Annual General Meeting in Kazakhstan, as a global case study in expanding tennis' reach and attracting new audiences to the sport.

Briefs

African Stars face Orlando Pirates in Gaborone

Football fans will have an opportunity to watch continental club action when Namibia's African Stars host South African side Orlando Pirates in the CAF champions league second preliminary round at the Botswana national stadium tomorrow at 3pm

Matebele and Rollers set for league encounter

Township Rollers are listed to face Matebele FC in a Botswana Premier League encounter at the Gaborone United stadium on Sunday at 7pm

Molapo Pink Run promotes breast cancer awareness

The third annual Molapo Pink Run is scheduled for Saturday at Molapo Crossing Mall, bringing together community members through physical activity and breast cancer awareness. "Run For Hope. Run For Awareness." Registration is scheduled to begin at 5:30am, with the race starting at 6am

Trans Kalahari Half Marathon set for Ghanzi

Athletes and recreational runners are expected to converge at Ghanzi Engen Mall tomorrow for the inaugural Trans Kalahari half marathon. The event will feature a 21.1-kilometre half marathon alongside 10-kilometre and five-kilometre races.

Police XI



Tonota FC out to consolidate top spot

Kelebogile Taolo
FRANCISTOWN

As the FNB Premiership heats up, log leaders Tonota FC will aim to cement their position at the top when they host, equally on form, an opponent in Police XI.

The duo will headline the double header encounters at the Obed Itani Chilume Stadium tomorrow.

The other match featuring Enesia FC against Mochudi Centre Chiefs will follow later.

Tonota FC, affectionately known as Spondo Se A Debola, currently perched at the summit of the FNB Premiership log with 11 points after registering three wins and two draws from five matches, remains unbeaten.

Their opponent, The Jungle Kings suffered their first defeat of the season, succumbing to a 0-1 defeat at the hands of Gaborone United on Wednesday evening at GU Stadium.

Despite the defeat, Police XI remain the best defensive side in the league, having conceded only once in five matches.

Meanwhile Enesia FC, who are placed 12th on the log position with five points from five matches, will hope for home ground advantage to work in their favour against Magosi.

Enesia will be seeking to redeem its pride after suffering a 3-4 defeat against Jwaneng Galaxy midweek.

However, their efforts to conquer Centre Chiefs on home ground will not be a walk over, as they will be facing a formidable side, currently sitting on sixth position with seven points.

Magosi will arrive in the Ghetto in high spirits after a morale-boosting 2-0 victory over archrivals Township Rollers in the past weekend.

Meanwhile, the week six FNB Premiership encounters will start tonight with Extension Gunners hosting TAFIC FC at GU Stadium.

In other Saturday fixtures scheduled at various venues: Sua Flamingoes will host BDF XI at Sowa Town Council Stadium, Morupule Wanderers welcome Prisons XI at Palapye Stadium. NICO United will host GU at Sam Sono Stadium, while a battle of the diamond mining towns will see Orapa United hosting Jwaneng Galaxy at Itsekeng Stadium.

The weekend fixtures conclude on Sunday, when Matebele FC host Township Rollers at GU Stadium. **BOPA**



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