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President Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi (left) receiving letters of credence from Australia High Commissioner designate, Ms Tegan Brink in Gaborone yesterday. President Masisi said Botswana and Australia had a prolific symbiotic relations in the mining sector, citing Motheo Copper Mine in Ghanzi operated by Sandfire Mining Company which he said was committed to benefiting Batswana.

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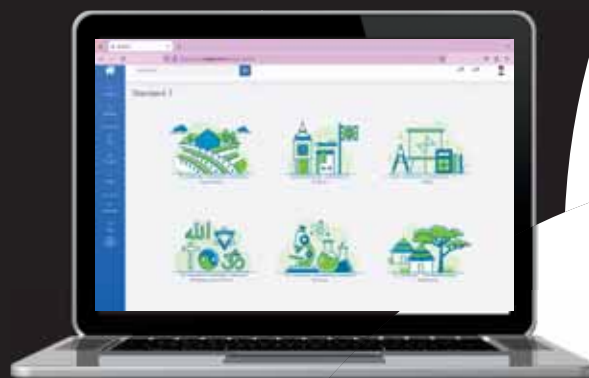
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# Panellists highlight need for reliable partnerships

By Thelma Khunwane

JOHANNESBURG - With the media constituting a major role in shaping and building nations, a panel discussion during the sixth BRICS Media Forum held in Johannesburg, South Africa on Sunday, saw participants discuss the importance of the media in strengthening exchanges among BRICS nations and Africa to invigorate Africa's growth.

One of the panellists, Cameroon News and Publishing Corporation (SOPECAM) general manager Ms Marie Nnana said African countries were faced with numerous challenges hence highlighting the need to build reliable partnerships as the best way out of most development setbacks.

"Such partnerships should in no way downplay the importance of self-reliant development as well. In other words, Africa must work with her friends, but there is a need to harness her own resources for national growth in the different African countries," Ms Nnana said.

She appreciated the philosophy behind the gathering in the BRICS Media Forum as a way of enabling

Africa and its partners to share experiences so as to improve the professional output and the well-being of their populations.

"The support from China has so far put into the various development initiatives across Africa, and Cameroon in particular, where I come from, can also be seen as part of efforts to sustain growth in Africa. The importance of such assistance which is generally tailored to the needs of the population has guided my interest in the theme: Strengthening Exchanges To Invigorate Africa's Growth," she added.

She said the leadership of President Xi Jinping had presented several opportunities, especially through the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) that matched global objectives and development strategies in most African countries. Such objectives, she said included the China-Africa Cooperation Vision 2035, the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the 2063 Agenda of the African Union. She said the programmes did not only tie in with the objectives that different African countries had earmarked

## Official calls on media to promote green technology

By Thelma Khunwane

JOHANNESBURG - Awareness of the importance of international cooperation and playing a better role as a link in promoting green technology around the world by media professionals remains key.

The sentiments were expressed by Xinhua's senior reporter, Ms Han Jie in her presentation on the role of the media in fostering innovation and driving green development during the sixth BRICS Media Forum panel discussion in Johannesburg, South Africa on Sunday.

Ms Han said while BRICS countries had listed sustainable development as a key area of cooperation in the strategy for economic partnership, it was important for the media to play a better role as a bridge.

"We should tell good BRICS stories of green development. Delegates for this forum have brought us good cases of green development. We hope to have more platforms like this one to share with each other stories of people from different countries who are pursuing and realising their dreams so as to fully showcase the achievements and prospects of each country," she said.

Ms Han also emphasised the need for media outlets to work together to leverage the strength of BRICS media for global development.

"We can share experiences, learn from each other in media integration and development, use new technologies to build new communication models and platforms and inject new and powerful impetus for green development of BRICS countries," she said.

She opined that the spirit of BRICS partnership of openness, inclusiveness and win-win

cooperation would guide the bloc's media to carry out diversified practical cooperation in order for the world to hear louder voices of BRICS through media efforts.

The panel discussion on the role of the media in fostering innovation and driving green development saw panellists share different views but unanimously highlighting the need to shape public opinion and promote sustainable practices. This included the need for the media to provide accurate and balanced information on issues related to innovation and green development.

Some panellists also discussed the challenges faced by the media in covering such topics, highlighting the lack of resources and expertise in specialised areas as one of the main impediments.

Some were of the view that media organisations needed to invest in training and capacity-building to enable journalists to effectively report on innovation and green development.

Furthermore, they outlined some opportunities for collaboration among the BRICS and African countries in promoting innovation and green development.

Panellists also held a common view that the media had a significant role to play in advancing innovation and green development in the BRICS countries and also underscored the importance of accurate and reliable reporting to raise awareness and foster positive change.

Panellists included South Africa's BRICS Sherpa Mr Anil Sooklal, Infrastructure Industrialisation and Trade, African Union Development Agency director Mr Amine Adoum, Radio Africa Group head of content Mr Paul Ilado, South African Bureau of Science & Technology Daily (China) chief correspondent Mr Feng Zhiwen, among others. **BOPA**



JOHANNESBURG - Panellists during the sixth BRICS Media Forum discussions on Sunday. They discussed the forum's three main topics on championing justice to shape new international order, strengthening exchanges to invigorate Africa's growth as well as fostering innovation to drive green development. Photo: Xinhua

for growth but contained specific projects capable of changing the lives and well-being of thousands of people in Africa.

"For instance, in Cameroon the ambition to attain the level of an emerging economy by 2035 projected by the Cameroon Head of State is intended to ensure that the population is capable of feeding itself, sending children to school and providing adequate health care," she said.

She noted the role of media practitioners anchored on being able to break down some of the major concepts that governments and their partners were putting in place for the well-being of the citizens and equally letting those in decision-making positions know how the policies were being perceived by the masses.

For her part, Ms Janna Tolstikova, who is TV BRICS International Media Network chief executive officer, emphasised the importance of highlighting the meaning of presenting Africa's own authentic national media to the global community along with its vision from local journalists and creators.

"Unfortunately, we face a lack of African national news in the global news feeds. Plenty of news about Africa is coming from international agencies, but it is not enough to shape our own vision of the agenda each country has," she said.

She indicated that Africa's economic growth had been steadily increasing over the past decade, adding however that there was still much untapped potential.

"This development can be done through various means, including trade, investment, knowledge sharing and, of course, professional media coverage of events on the international agenda," she said.

She also noted that Africa's media resources should have access to freely perform its own vision to global audiences to allow for more discourse on Africa's economic agenda, its struggles and solutions Africa has to offer the world.

Such, she said could be done through international information exchange that shaped the national agenda of each country to the audience of another country and brought them closer and built a base for further connections and mutual interests in various fields.

"We believe it helps to stimulate the development of each country and to enhance the common growth between the countries when we put a light on any field using media tools," she said.

On global information exchanges with Africa's media, Ms Tolstikova said TV BRICS' approach embraced multilateral high-quality information exchange

between different editorial boards, adding that if the method is used, there would be no need to create a new media source in a foreign language to spread the agenda in another media landscape.

She said focus should be on distributing a constructive peaceful agenda related to existing and potential cooperation between countries and urged that BRICS should source Africa's peaceful agenda using its local media content and local professional journalistic information.

She thus emphasised the need to strengthen exchanges between countries, saying it would lead to more sustainable, inclusive and faster economic growth, not only for Africa, but all other countries termed BRICS+.

Meanwhile, other panelists

emphasised the need for increased collaboration and cooperation in the media and communication sectors to promote a more balanced narrative on Africa's development and opportunities.

The importance of developing partnerships, sharing resources and best practices and promoting people-to-people exchanges to foster a more nuanced understanding of Africa was also the highlight of the discussion.

Panellists also discussed the significance of promoting African media's participation in international mainstream platforms to challenge the prevailing Western-centric narrative.

They called for a more inclusive and diversified media landscape that reflected the aspirations and achievements of Africa. **BOPA**

## Botswana, Germany Lutheran church circuits celebrate partnership

By Malebogo Lekula

KANG - Evangelical Lutheran Church in Botswana (ELCB) General Secretary, Mr William Sechele, has implored congregants to maintain the church's long standing practice in promoting philanthropic spirit amongst communities.

Speaking during the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of partnership between Botswana and Germany circuits, being South Western and Simmern Trarbach, on Saturday he stated that humanitarianism epitomised the Lutheran Church's practice since its establishment in the early 1700s.

He said during 1800s, Lutherans began to migrate to other parts of the world to establish churches.

He explained that the partnership between the South Western and Simmern Trarbach started in 1983.

The general secretary applauded the church's early missionaries for having played a critical role in spreading the gospel, as well as taking care of the needy by providing clothes, food, and study bursaries. He said the provision of such services helped to uplift the lives of local communities.

He cited Hukuntsi as one place that the church established projects such as drilling and equipping boreholes for farmers to water their animals as well as the establishment of the salt project in the area.

Mr Sechele encouraged communities to recognise and treasure such fortunes.

He underscored that the church still upheld the spirit of establishing projects that generate income for different communities.

Dean Markus Risch said children and families across the globe were affected by challenges such as droughts, floods and malnutrition and such calamities needed the church's intervention.

He called on all denominations to join hands and address such challenges not only through prayer, but by practical means.

Reverend Elizabeth Silayo encouraged congregants to remain steadfast in prayers with a common purpose to weather the storms besieging humanity. Rev Silayo also encouraged them to uphold the spirit of both by extending a helping hand to their neighbours, even across borders.

Welcoming the guests, Kgosi Basadi Seipone applauded ELCB for its contributions to the community during difficult times. She said through ELCB's community projects, some job opportunities had been created, thus facilitating skills transfer for community members.

She called on individuals and communities to join hands and support the partnership between the two circuits to ensure that it lasted for many more years. **BOPA**



President Masisi (left) with Mr Kuthati after the latter presented letters of credence in Gaborone yesterday. President Masisi said as Botswana was working on exploring its diamond mining value chain and trade, India would be a valuable partner. He further said since establishing bilateral relations, the two nations prided themselves in cordial relations. Photo: Pheno Moalosi

# President Masisi receives Australia, India envoys

By Moshe Galeragwe

GABORONE - Botswana and Australia have a prolific symbiotic relations in the mining sector, President Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi has said.

Receiving letters of appointment and letters of recall of their predecessors from the High Commissioner designates, Ms Tegan Brink and Mr Bharath Kuthati of Australia and India respectively yesterday, President Masisi noted that mining companies of Australian origin were currently engaged in the copper mining activities in the country.

He said Sandfire Mining Company was engaged in copper mining at Motheo Copper Mine in the Ghanzi area, a project committed to benefiting the local people.

President Masisi said the mining company was committed to what it was doing.

He said Australia had supported the country by offering scholarships, intensive in-service and pre-service training among others.

He said he was excited by the growing extent of cooperation between Botswana and Australia in the livestock sector.

Receiving the India High Commissioner designate, Dr Masisi said India had a significant

influence in the Commonwealth.

He said as Botswana was working on exploring its diamond mining value chain and trade, India would be a valuable partner.

President Masisi said since establishing bilateral relations, the two nations enjoyed cordial relationship.

President Masisi said India had a remarkable story of resilience with a strong and successful education system yielding specialists in health, technology and science.

Historically, Dr Masisi said, India was supportive of Southern Africa's liberation journey.

He said Botswana was committed to peace and prosperity in the world, therefore imploring India to be peace-loving for the good of the world. Additionally, Dr Masisi encouraged India to take a lead on issues of environmental management. Dr Masisi said Indian companies were welcome to invest in Botswana, expressing hope that the relationship between the two countries would equally benefit Botswana nationals by getting opportunities to invest in India. President Masisi observed that since India had a successful pharmaceutical industry, he was hopeful that the relationship would help address the challenge of shortage of drugs in Botswana's public health facilities.

Presenting her letter of appointment, High Commissioner designate of Australia, Ms Brink appreciated that Sandfire was positively engaged in shaping Botswana's economy through copper mining at Motheo and Khoemacau copper mines. Ms Brink said the company invested part of its profit in staff training and community development, therefore demonstrating true representation of Australia.

She said Botswana was held in high regard in the global arena for the way it has managed its minerals for the benefit of the whole nation.

Ms Brink said Australia was under a new government, following the 2022 election and therefore it was interested in reinvigorating its relationship with Africa.

She concurred with President Masisi that collaboration in the

agricultural space would be highly beneficial as Australia excelled in the sector and most of its produce was for the export market.

An expert in trade negotiations, Ms Brink said she would be delighted to offer her assistance to the country. **BOPA**

# Tsogwane urges teamwork among democrats

By Thato Modiakgotla

KANYE - Botswana Democratic Party Chairman, Mr Slumber Tsogwane has advised party members to work as a team to ensure victory during the 2024 general elections.

Mr Tsogwane, who is also Vice President informed democrats during the South West regional congress in Kanye on Saturday that working as a team towards achieving one common goal would assist the party retain state power come 2024.

"We should not compete against one another but rather work together as a team," he said.

"Let us take each year as an election time and continue working hard. It is vital for us to talk to electorates and show them why they should vote for the BDP again," he

# Morwaeng implores youth to be change agents

By Tebagano Ntshole

MOLEPOLOLE - Member of Parliament for Molepolole South, Mr Kabo Morwaeng has urged the youth to be agents of Mindset Change by becoming the pillars of change and good role models.

Speaking during a Mindset Change campaign for young people in churches in Molepolole on Sunday, Mr Morwaeng said as Christians, they should be exemplary to their peers.

The MP, who is also the Minister for State President, said young people were the only ones who could bring about the results they desired by being the change they wanted to see. "This means making amendments where things are currently not being properly done," he said, adding they should change and help others to do the same.

He said it was imperative for the youth to embrace the Mindset Change initiative and be exemplary even outside church.

"You have to learn to be efficient, productive and humble," he said.

Mr Morwaeng further implored them to embrace change and play a meaningful role in the country as it aspired to reach a high income status. "We need to change in

order for the country's economy to develop and for your lives to improve," he said, adding that they should all be determined and know that they could accomplish change.

He said the government, led by President Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi, had already started the wheel of change rolling with the importation of cattle from the United States and introduction of Information and Communication Technology in schools.

He said the government recognised the role the church had played in Botswana's economic and social development, hence it would continue to seek support as it could not develop the country on its own.

Vice Chairperson of the Ministers Fraternal, which organised the event, Rev. Keamogetse Mack, said the church was in full support of the government's endeavour to develop the nation.

Rev. Mack said change was important even in church. Assistant District Commissioner Ms Maitumelo Maemo urged the youth to encourage their peers to embrace Mindset Change.

"We should not leave everything to the government, but have do other things for ourselves," she said. **BOPA**

Democrats, he said, should have the winning mentality.

For his part, BDP Deputy Secretary General and Member of Parliament for Kanye South, Dr Lemogang Kwape highlighted that most of the promises in the party's manifesto had been achieved, hence the need to talk about such with electorates.

"Let us share with the general public what we have delivered, as well as what is in the pipeline. Continue talking good about the party," he added.

Molepolole North Member of Parliament, Mr Oabile Regoeng advised BDP members to adhere to the party's general code of conduct.

He further advised them against the negative use of social media, which could bring the party's name into disrepute. **BOPA**



BDP South West members during a regional congress in Kanye on Saturday. Vice President Tsogwane said working as a team would assist the party retain state power in 2024. Photo: Thato Modiakgotla

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# First Aid critical component in mining industry

By Kehumile Moekejo

**JWANENG** - The annual Botswana Chamber of Mines Inter-mine First Aid Competitions are instrumental in contributing to high safety standards in the mining industry.

Jwaneng Mine senior mineral resources manager, Mr Emmanuel Boiteto, said this on behalf of the general manager at the Jwaneng Mine Inter-departmental First Aid competitions on Saturday.

Mr Boiteto said the competitions did not only indicate the commitment towards First Aid, but also promoted the adoption of best First Aid practices in the industry.

He said the competitions challenged industry players to improve their skills towards attaining zero harm in their operations.

"It is indeed our hope that as the competition becomes intense year on year, it raises the bar of excellence of First Aid practice across the mining industry," he said. "This will hasten our efforts towards attaining zero harm in the mining sector."

Mr Boiteto said these also resonated well with Debswana's safety value, "Put Safety First," through which the company demonstrated its commitment towards prioritizing safety for its employees and stakeholders.

He said through that value, Jwaneng Mine had deployed best safety processes and systems as a reassurance of creating a safe

environment for all. Mr Boiteto said this year's theme, "First Aid for Everyone, Everywhere", was intended to implore and encourage individual contributions to respond to emergency situations to prevent injuries and possible loss of lives.

"Lessons learnt here should be applied to our daily work activities, at home and indeed on our roads," he said. "It is important to practically demonstrate that we 'Put Safety First' at all times."

Meanwhile, Mining and Project Management Office departments will represent Jwaneng Mine at this year's Inter-mine First Aid competitions after they emerged the overall winners of the 13 participating teams, followed by Ore Processing and Health Services departments.

In an interview, Mining department team leader, Mr Moremi Dingalo, said even though they had prepared well for the competitions, they omitted some procedures and that resulted in minor mistakes in various stages of the competition.

He noted that going forward they intended to work harder to close such gaps as they prepare to face other teams at the national competitions.

"I have realised that we made some minor mistakes so we have to work very hard to correct them," he added. "We need to work on clearing the area to eliminate hazards, as well as having constant checks on vital signs," he said. **BOPA**



Some of the people who took part in the Jwaneng Mine Inter-departmental First Aid competitions on Saturday. Mr Boiteto said the competitions challenged industry players to improve their skills towards attaining zero harm in their operations. Photo: Kehumile Moekejo

## IEC postpones voter registration

By Manowe Motsaathebe

**BOBONONG** - The Independent Electoral Commission (IEC) has postponed the registration for the 2024 general election to put in place measures that would help deliver quality registration.

Initially, the IEC had announced that the registration would be from October 4-31 but upon reassessing their readiness for the 'sensitive' national exercise, the Commission postponed the exercise to November 1-30.

Speaking during a special

meeting of the Bobirwa District Council on Thursday, the IEC Secretary, Mr Jefferson Siamisang, said some of the factors that contributed to the postponement were the unavailability of some materials sourced outside Botswana.

He said local companies did not have the capacity to produce the said material like paper used for registration books.

Consequently, the commission opted to postpone the registration with the intention of ending up conducting some quality registration exercise that would be beyond reproach from those keeping a hawk's eye on the commission.

"No one should be troubled by this postponement," Mr Siamisang, who clarified that registration would be delivered smoothly upon readiness, said. "It is not influenced by some political interests as some have already painted it."

While alive to challenges such as complaints, doubts and questions about their independence, especially by politicians, Mr Siamisang said the IEC sought to improve the registration exercise based on lessons from the past. During the 2018 voter registration exercise, the IEC roped in Botswana General Certificate in Secondary Education (BGCSE) holders while diploma holders were brought in as supervisors.

However, a lot of mistakes were noted, notably during by-elections.

Mr Siamisang said some registration officers delivered a shoddy job, which resulted in machines rejecting some voters. This caused a stir among some voters hence the need to rope in public officers to help in the registration exercise.

Resultantly, the BGCSE holders will be paired with public officers to smoothen the exercise. Justifying the roping in of public officers, he said, they could be relied upon since they have some legal instruments in place to guide them and are aware of punitive actions that could result from dereliction of duty.

Although alive to unemployment among the youth, Mr Siamisang said

voter registration and subsequent elections were a very sensitive exercise that should not be used to address issues of unemployment. Moreover, the IEC was considering hiring active retired officers and pairing them with diploma holders to bolster registration supervision. Registration, he said, will be carried out every day with reduced hours during weekends.

However, Mr Siamisang said it would be difficult for registration supervisors to keep registration books, a fear that councillors also expressed.

He said keeping books by supervisors would challenge them in collecting and dispatching them in time. In preparation for the registration exercise and educating the voters about elections, the IEC Secretary said he would hold kgotla meetings in all the constituencies as a means of propping up towards the 2024 polls.

Although constituency and wards maps are yet to be delivered from the Surveys and Mapping office, Mr Siamisang said, the mapping exercise will be completed soon.

He reminded voters of the registration requirements such as being 18 years and above, having a valid Omang and registering at one's principal residence.

He cautioned against voter trafficking, which he said was fuelled by candidates upon knowing where they would contest. "Some politicians argue that politics is a game of numbers and that a river is supplemented by tributaries as they seek to justify trafficking of voters," he said.

In case of transfers, which are legally permitted under Section 25 of the Electoral Act, voters are required to furnish IEC officers with valid reasons.

However, he observed that it is politicians who advance reasons on behalf of those they trafficked. He reminded councillors that council wards were established under the council borders contrary to beliefs they were under the constituencies.

He also said the Bobirwa District Council will have three new council wards following the completed demarcation exercise. **BOPA**

## Safety, stability key to child development

By Patricia Speakson

**SEROWE** - A Childline Botswana employee has underscored the need for children to live a safe place for them to realize their potential. Speaking during Childline Botswana's stakeholder engagement workshop in Serowe recently, social worker, Ms Onkatlile Nthutang, said some children found themselves congested at welfare institutions, a situation that she called for the implementation of foster care as a short term intervention measure.

She said a safe and stable environment as well as a proper and caring family setup were fundamental to every stage of a child development.

Ms Nthutang said the workshop was meant to share information and experiences on child protection issues in relation to alternative care, to reflect on roles of stakeholders on foster care as well as to develop implementation plan on foster care programme for the district.

Another Childline Botswana social worker, Ms Seitebatso Kegakilwe, said foster care had the ability to unite stakeholders and enable them to understand the programme so as to devise best

strategies that could counteract ill-treatment of children.

"Foster care is used to provide temporary care and often children will return home once the problems that caused them to go into foster care have been resolved and when it is clear that their parents are able to look after them safely," she noted.

Ms Kegakilwe shared that foster care was not new to Botswana, saying it was officially launched in 2007 through a collaboration between Childline Botswana and Department of Social Protection.

Therefore, she said, over the years there had been progress in implementing the programme and thus far 11 and 45 children had been placed in foster homes in Tutume and Kweneng districts respectively.

However, Ms Kegakilwe decried the fact that the foster care programme was faced with challenges of funding especially that most of the foster parents were not employed and social workers were also overstretched.

Although that was the case, Ms Kegakilwe stressed that foster care was a viable undertaking.

When giving an update on the child welfare cases in the area, social worker at Sekgoma Memorial Hospital, Mr Maikutlo

Ramasselwana, said they had a total of 2 394 children registered under the social and community development programme.

Of that number, 967 were orphans while 1 251 were needy pupils whereas the remaining 176 were children in need of protection.

Mr Ramasselwana said they experienced high numbers of children affected by social ills such as defilement, negligence, child abuse and rape.

"We are faced with challenges of low number of social welfare officers, high number of cases involving children and high number of children who are abusing drugs" he said.

Mr Ramasselwana said they addressed these challenges by organizing retreats for juvenile delinquents, disposing some cases affecting children at courts and providing psychological support to victims.

Mr Ramasselwana there was need to organize mass campaigns to teach the community about the Children's Act and training of the Village Child Protection Committees (VCPC).

However, attendees raised concerns of rigidity in dealing with cases affecting children. **BOPA**

# Debswana raises P2.9 million in GM's walk

By Thandy Tebogo

ORAPA - Orapa Letlhakane and Damtshaa Mines (OLDM) General Manager's walk has raised P2.9 million to support impactful socio-economic development projects in Boteti aimed at improving the livelihood and well-being of local communities.

The general manager of OLDLM Mr Mogakolodi Maoketsa said after the walk on Saturday that the amount raised would be added to the P1.5 million raised in 2022 and be given to the project that would be announced after consultation with Boteti district administration and Council.

That being the case, Mr Maoketsa applauded the walkers for their contributions which he relayed would go a long way in making a positive impact in

communities.

He stated that the year 2023 theme, "A little Step Extra is a Change," bears testimony to their aim, since the year 2023 was declared a year of excellence in all spheres of OLDLM operations and were challenged to raise the bar higher.

For his part, the guest walker, also the President of Botswana Chamber of Mines, Mr Montwedi Mphathi, said the GM's walk aligned with Debswana Diamond Company's value of "show you care," which challenged the company and its employees to deeply care about each other, their communities and the environment.

Mr Mphathi pleaded with all the attendees to individually and collectively respond to the government's reset agenda most importantly pillar Number Five

which advocates for mindset change.

He stated that as the nation aspired to transition to a high-income economy, every citizen and resident of the country must see themselves as agents of change for a better Botswana by 2036.

Mr Mphathi commended Debswana for leading by example and heeding the government's call for a partnership that would see Botswana realizing the goals espoused in Vision 2036.

The event and the initiative as a whole, he said, was a demonstration that if collaboration could continue, a positive difference in the lives of the people of Boteti would undoubtedly be made.

"The challenges we face as a

country could only be overcome if we unite for the empowerment of our people and development of communities," he said.

Also, Mr Mphathi commended the partnership that existed between the mines, its employees, the Boteti business community, Boteti District Council and the entire Boteti community.

Botswana Chamber of Mines, he said was proud to have members like Debswana Diamond Company who prioritized communities within their area of influence and to assist them to improve their lives.

The main sponsor of the walk, Komatsu Botswana Finance Manager, Mr William Modisagarekwe stated that as Komatsu, they wanted to play an active role in supporting

communities where they live and work.

Komatsu's Corporate Social Responsibility efforts, he said fell into three areas of focus being; enhancing quality of life, developing people and growing with society among others.

Mr Modisagarekwe said they worked hard to be a valued community partner across the country, supporting sustainable efforts that reach far beyond Komatsu. He said they did so by investing financial and employee volunteer resources in non-profit and non-

government organizations, partnering with communities and prioritizing programmes that addressed immediate needs whilst building a foundation for the future. **BOPA**

## Kamanakao sets tone for effective service delivery

By Mmoniemang Motsamai

MOCHUDI - Kgatleng District Council staff have been implored to restore confidence and trust on citizens.

This was said by Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development, deputy permanent secretary - Operations, Ms Mmamiki Kamanakao when addressing Kgatleng council staff recently.

Ms Kamanakao said following the Reset and Reclaim agenda, employees should be cautious of the fact that something must have gone wrong regarding how things had been done.

She said therefore, they should come out of their comfort zones and change their attitude towards work as well.

"The Reset agenda to you should mean that "We have made mistakes, wheels have come off. Let us acknowledge our mistakes and improve service delivery," she said.

In that regard, Ms Kamanakao said it was imperative for council to work towards improving organisational culture to become effective and serve diligently.

She said the recently launched Mindset Change should further be a constant reminder to employees that they should change their attitude towards work and ensure there was effective service delivery.

Ms Kamanakao pointed out that the employees should introspect and do away with things that had not yielded performance and prioritise on impactful service delivery.

"Let us drop the dumb and resist from doing things that have not bring out positive results," she said.

She pointed out that most concerning issues before the ministry was failure to prioritise projects, delayed project

implementation, inaccurate costing and lack of monitoring among others.

In that regard, she urged staff members to desist from compartmentalising themselves and work with other ministries of departments that influence the local government budget.

"If we rationalise budget and justify why we want some projects to be included in our budgeting, we can always be prioritised in the budget provision.

Let us challenge ourselves and make a good case as to why we need money," she said.

She encouraged them to drive performance and inculcate the culture of pre planning and not wait for the eleventh hour to submit budget proposals.

"This cut and paste of projects on the State-Of-Nation-Address and Budget speeches should come to an end," she stressed.

Other issues, she covered included addressing issues of staff welfare, staff motivation and poor communication and issues of abuse of junior staff, which she said were appalling among district councils.

She further urged the council to improve record keeping, infrastructure maintenance, social services provision, waste management and vegetation control, licensing and permits and improvement of monitoring and evaluation.

"I want you to start paying attention to some national pronouncements and align yourselves to decentralisation policy, read laws and move away from 'business as usual,'" she said.

For their part, employees requested the deputy permanent secretary to pay attention to staff welfare issues that demotivated them and issues of progression among other concerns. **BOPA**



First Lady Neo (second left) and Kgosi Moremi (second right) during an appreciation ceremony for the latter organised by Bomme ba goo Tawana on Saturday. Ms Masisi commended Kgosi Moremi for being a good leader and said she led in a way that united the community during her 20-year tenure as Batawana regent. Photo Kedirebofe Pelontle

## Batawana celebrate Kgosi Moremi

By Kedirebofe Pelontle

MAUN - Kgosi Keatilele Moremi's achievements during her time at the helm of Batawana bogosi speak highly of her as a leader of repute who led her people in an era of developments.

Speaking at her appreciation ceremony organized by a group of women who calls themselves Bomme ba goo Tawana on Saturday, the First Lady Ms Neo Masisi applauded Kgosi Moremi for being an excellent leader and said she managed to lead in a way that united the community during the 20 years period as Batawana Regent.

"Kgosi Moremi excelled at her position during her time and she even served as member of Ntlo ya Dikgosi.

As such her service should be a historical achievement in gender equality," she said. She observed

that leadership required someone with unique qualities.

She said for women, it was a challenge since women were faced with stereotypes and had only a few women role models in leadership positions to look up to.

For his part, the Assistant Minister of Local Government and Rural Development Mr Mabuse Pule commended Kgosi Moremi for her service as Batawana Regent and observed that leadership required someone with special qualities to unite people.

She said Kgosi Moremi's leadership qualities should be exemplary to other tribes that women were capable of leading since government supported gender equality.

Mr Pule also appreciated her for the smooth handing over of the Batawana bogosi to her

brother Kgosi Tawana II.

He said that was a commendable act that showed that Batawana were a peaceful tribe.

The assistant minister observed that some places were rife with conflicts associated with the Bogosi throne in Botswana and other parts of Africa.

As such, he said the Bogosi Act was under review as it seemed to have some loopholes.

In his welcome remarks, Kgosi Tawana II said the day was meant to appreciate Kgosi Moremi who led the Batawana for 20 years on his behalf.

In her remarks, Kgosi Moremi said she was thankful for the accolades from the different speakers. She observed that bogosi was not an easy task and she thanked the Batawana for their support during her tenure. **BOPA**



# Youth companies start work

By Gaboselwe Olesitse

**MMADINARE** - Mmadinare-based youth-owned companies Strive for Excellency and OPERUSH Holdings have been awarded a tender to construct toilet blocks at the bus rank and refurbish Home Based Care centre respectively in Mmadinare.

Bobirwa District Council Architecture Mr Ditso Mpotsang said during the consultative meeting with the village leadership in Mmadinare on Friday that the construction of the toilet block was expected to commence on September 1, with completion scheduled for December 8.

The refurbishment of the home-based care centre should be completed by November 29.

She said the two projects had been funded under the Constituency Community Projects (CCP) fund to the tune of over P733 000.

Mr Mpotsang encouraged contractors to complete the works in accordance with the contract, adding that they should deliver the two projects on time and budget.

He said the council and the village leadership would monitor the projects closely to ensure their completion.

For his part, the area MP Mr Molebatsi Molebatsi expressed gratitude towards Ms Sethebe Motsholapheko and Ms Modimoopelo Osupile of the two companies who are the female youth of Mmadinare.

He encouraged them to continue doing their best in the male dominated industry.

Mr Molebatsi also applauded Bobirwa District Council for empowering the youth, adding that awarding tenders to the youth

would help reduce the high rate of unemployment in the country.

Mr Molebatsi also thanked the council for other CCP development projects in his constituency, saying most of the projects were done and finished on time.

Kgosi Maureen Mphoeng of Mmadinare encouraged Bobirwa District Council personnel to work hand in hand with the community, especially the village leadership for them to appreciate the developments in their village.

She said consultation with the leadership, especially the Village Development Committee, was important in enhancing accountability. **BOPA**



*A veld fire ravaging the Tati River bank in Francistown recently. City of Francistown mayor, Mr Godisang Radisigo recently said the council had proposed a fund amounting P1 425 684 to implement a project dubbed Tati River Rehabilitation Project. Mr Radisigo said the intention was to rehabilitate the Tati River and its tributary Ntsho River. This, he further said, was also to control the growth of the reeds within the rivers and construct gabions within the severely degraded portions of the river to allow for accumulation of sand.*

Photo: Gaseitsiwe Moruakgomo

# ORI drills learners on scientific, research issues

By Esther Mmolai

**MAUN** - Okavango Research Institute (ORI) has been commended for its brilliant initiative, which aims to communicate science research, inspire curiosity and encourage learning amongst students in Maun.

The institute held a two-day 'STEAM festival' which accommodated numerous exhibits, and activities.

Prior to that, learners were taken on tour and demonstration of science facilities around Maun.

ORI offers multi-discipline programmes in natural resources and the graduate programme offers students the opportunity to carry out a natural science or social science research-based higher degree in the unique environment of the Okavango and Kalahari regions.

A Chemistry teacher from Maun

Senior Secondary School, Mr Gift Dick said the festival was an eye opener for both learners and teachers and wished it could be held annually.

"This is a welcome event as it can inspire learners to take science research seriously and we wish ORI could also allow schools to fully utilise their laboratory facilities as they were well equipped," he said.

Some school laboratories, he said lacked resources, hence teachers were improvising and imparting knowledge from books as opposed to practical experiments.

He believed that it would be helpful if ORI could open doors for schools to conduct practicals at their facility.

Another Physics and Chemistry teacher from Leapotswe English Medium School, Mr Shepherd Ngwenya concurred that the festival was educative and informative

as learners learnt science and application of knowledge in research. He appreciated that the event opened learners' minds as they learnt about the importance of the environment and conservation, adding that the majority of them lacked knowledge about the Okavango Delta and its justification of outstanding universal value.

"Learners can now link what they learnt to Biology and other science subjects, as well as how to manage the natural resources sustainably," said Mr Ngwenya.

Some learners also appreciated ORI for engaging schools, saying they had learnt a lot and cited the scientific information on the delta ecosystem and how to apply new teaching and technical innovations.

They were mostly impressed to have toured the institute herbarium, which housed over 80 per cent of specimens collected from the delta, which is the 1000<sup>th</sup> World Heritage Site.

They learnt that through the facility, they could use the standard reference collection to verify botanical and taxonomic information of their collection.

Meanwhile, Ms Maipelo Maphakwane from Delta Waters English Medium said, "ORI has renewed our thinking because we have realised that technology can change the game in classroom just by using creative teaching strategies, engaging students in meaningful and critical questions."

She hoped that the festival would motivate more learners to enroll in the more rigorous earth science courses in future and become experts in different science-related fields. She was impressed to learn about critical thinking skills, which

included the verbal reasoning skills needed to defend against common persuasive techniques.

One of the event organisers, Ms Nametso Ponchi-Tshekiso from ORI revealed that they organised the event in collaboration with the Ministry of Communication, Knowledge and Technology as a curtain raiser for the commemoration of national science week slated for Letlhakeng on August 21 -25.

She said they found it fit to collaborate with Maun schools and take learners on a tour of organisations dealing with science and technology-related fields to appreciate what they offer.

Dr Keotshpile Kashe from ORI appreciated that the ministry funded the event, which aimed at communicating science research in other ways.

He further noted that it was critical for learners to take part in the transformation of manufacturing industry by using science knowledge skills.

Science-related subjects, he said were the drivers of the 4<sup>th</sup> industrial revolution and knowledge-based economy, adding that science could also stimulate entrepreneurship among the society.

Technology, he said, could help to find solution to challenges as well as be used to make science more accessible and relevant to people.

Science teachers from different schools commended the organisers, saying the festival had the potential to enhance science teaching and learning.

The event, they said, had inspired learners, who believed that it would boost their achievements in science and make school work more relevant to their lives. **BOPA**

# Assemblage good for businesses

By Otsile Modise

**MOCHUDI** - Collaboration of Small, Medium and Micro Enterprises (SMMEs) is vital in skills sharing and interactions that could enable their growth and improve production.

Addressing Kgatleng Business Committee stakeholders Engagement workshop recently in Rasasa, Export Promotion and Development manager, Mr Calvin Ketshabetswe implored SMMEs to collaborate so that they could get better assistance.

"Working in assemblage can make you grow together and improve production," he said.

He said government was

determined to support SMMEs and promote market access for them.

In that regard, he encouraged SMMEs to take advantage of programmes availed by government to turn around the economy as the country transitions to a high income status.

Mr Ketshabetswe said through platforms like Botswana Development Export programme, Global Expo Botswana and others, their products stood a better chance to reach global markets.

He said the Market International Unit programme opened up many businesses opportunities for Batswana and that they should utilise it to market their products or services outside the country.

Mr Ketshabetswe highlighted the importance of branding their products for value-addition and appeal not only to domestic clientele.

Kgatlang Business Committee Engagement workshop was meant to engage small business community on the initiative of PushaBW initiative that aims to drive and instil prioritisation of local products procurement and sensitise consumers about local products.

The workshop gathered Kgatleng business community and key stakeholders to discuss and engage on the #PushaBW initiative by Brand Botswana, ways of marketing local products and the Business Exporters Development Programme. **BOPA**

# Workers appreciate Tonota wellness day

By **Thamani Shabani**

TONOTA - Public servants in Tonota took their time out on Friday to participate in a wellness day.

The event started with a walk from the bus rank to Tonota Primary School, where other activities were held.

In his address, Nyangabgwe Referral Hospital superintendent, Dr Ivan Kgetse, said there was connection between wellness days and mindset change in the workplace.

Wellness day, he said, enabled employees to shift from a place of stress and burnout to one of balance and self-care.

Dr Kgetse, therefore, encouraged employees to make healthy lifestyle choices as well as

prioritise their mental and physical health.

This would then lead to a more positive and productive work environment, he added.

However, Dr Kgetse said employees were not doing enough to promote wellness in the workplaces.

He called upon employees to dream big and device plans of what they wanted to achieve.

He explained that employees should have passion for their work and pursue more

learning.

In his remarks, Tonota Primary School head, Mr Talks Maleka, said the wellness day was the ideal way to promote good health among employees.

This day, he said, could be improved to include activities such as fitness classes, workshops on nutrition, stress management and even team-building exercises.

Giving objectives of the event, chief education officer for Tonota region, Ms

Wananani Gunda said they intended to increase awareness on the importance of health.

Ms Gunda said this was meant to inspire employees and provide an opportunity for them to interact with health professionals for tips on living healthy lifestyles.

The other objective was to raise awareness on various topics such as mental health, communicable and non-communicable diseases, amongst others. **BOPA**



Government employees during a wellness day for the Tonota Sub-region on Friday. Dr Kgetse said wellness days helped shift employees mindset from a place of stress and burnout to one of balance and self-care. Photo: Thamani Shabani

## Adopt healthy lifestyles - Molebatsi

By **Gaboselwe Olesitse**

SEFHOPHE - Assistant Minister of Agriculture, Mr Molebatsi Molebatsi, has donated P42 000 as three months gym subscription for teaching and non-teaching staff of Sefhophe Junior Secondary School as well as P3 500 for Form Three pupils going on boot camp.

The gesture, Mr Molebatsi said was meant to encourage the school community to lead healthy lifestyles.

Speaking during the school's sponsored walk in Sefhophe recently, Mr Molebatsi underscored the need to have a healthy work force.

"A healthy workforce is key to productivity," he said.

Mr Molebatsi, who is also the area MP, said the sponsored walk would go a long way in fighting non-communicable diseases.

"Second term in the school calendar is one of the longest and busiest terms.

As such it is good that you decided to have a cool off in the name of wellness," he said.

The sponsored walk was meant to prepare the school for a five-day boot camp for form threes to prepare them for their final examinations.

Mr Molebatsi said the effects of this sponsored walk would help change the lives of pupils for the better, something that could spill over to the rest of Sefhophe and surrounding villages.

Despite the challenges that the school had, he said it was doing well within the sub-region being at position four in 2022.

Furthermore, he said mental health was another aspect that should be given attention because society was going through a number of social problems.

He said the society was exposed to loads of stress, resulting in some resorting to drug and substance abuse.

"As one exercises, hormones that help counteract negative thoughts or feelings are released in the body," he said.

Sefhophe JSS representative, Ms Charity Magwemba, encouraged teachers and pupils to adopt healthy lifestyles by exercising daily and eating healthy food.

She said employees spent a long time in offices, which affected their physical and mental wellbeing.

She said they should at least walk 10 000 steps in a day to fight obesity.

Ms Magwemba also urged pupils to stay away from drugs and smoking, adding that delinquency was on the rise in schools due to drugs.

She also encouraged them to take their education seriously and strive to improve the academic performance of the school. **BOPA**

## Clean environment improves societal health

By **Thato Modiakgotla**

KANYE - It is vital to come up with strategies that will ensure that the environment is kept clean at all times.

This was said by the Member of Parliament for Kanye North, Mr Thapelo Letsholo during a collaborative litter-picking campaign organised by Kanye Seventh Day Adventist (SDA) College of Nursing, District Health Management Team, tribal leadership and Kanye District Council on Friday.

Mr Letsholo thanked all those who took part in the campaign to keep their environment clean in order to promote good health.

He further noted that the campaign also brought the residents together.

"I believe this is the beginning and we will continue with this great initiative," he said.

For her part, Mohumagadi Masetse Gaseitewe highlighted that the campaign was what Bangwaketse needed to live in a healthy environment.

She explained that the dirty environment led to different illnesses and tarnished the image of the village's beautiful environment.

"Let us lead by example and take care of our environment, for us and the generations to come," she said.

Mohumagadi Mmasetsibi further pointed out that the initiative was the beginning of the bigger picture of what could be achieved, if the community was united and collaboratively addressed other pressing issues such as crime, GBV and unemployment.

She also urged the community to engage her in various initiatives that could better the lives of the community.

Kanye District Council deputy secretary (technical), Mr Joseph Banyatsang highlighted that they were mandated to lead in keeping the environment clean.

However, he said due to limited budget they could not succeed working alone, hence they engaged different partners to assist.

"Batswana should understand that they could use litter to make an income, litter for cash," he said.

He urged residents to play their part in keeping the environment clean, noting that they should report those who dump litter illegally.

Kanye SDA College of Nursing principal, Dr Lillian Segwagwe thanked campaign participants, noting that a clean environment was vital for good health.

She said the environment was like human bodies, hence the need to always keep it

clean.

"Dirty environment leads to different illnesses. We should all take it upon ourselves to keep it clean at all times," she added.

Dr Segwagwe also advised Kanye District Council to come up with initiatives that

would motivate the community to keep the environment clean, such as clean wards competitions.

She assured the community that they would continue engaging them in such initiatives to keep the environment clean. **BOPA**

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## THE PROS AND CONS OF SOCIAL MEDIA by KEVIN MONCHO

Indeed, social media can be good and can also be bad. Living your life in the 21st century entirely depends on social media. The way it is being used truly has surfaced a lot of things.

Some jobs may be advertised on social media. Many have found jobs which were advertised on websites like Facebook. Some have opened their businesses through researching and getting a lot of ideas and end up being successful in their lives. They have also employed other fellows which decreases the rate of unemployment in a country.

Social media has made communication easier; this is shown by people being able to communicate with others in places like Europe and Asia, buying goods in those places. Others have found a chance to study while they are in the comfort of their homes since we are living in difficult times of pandemic diseases such as COVID-19. We found ourselves that during that time of lockdown, we were given assignments through WhatsApp which helped us not to lag behind in our studies.

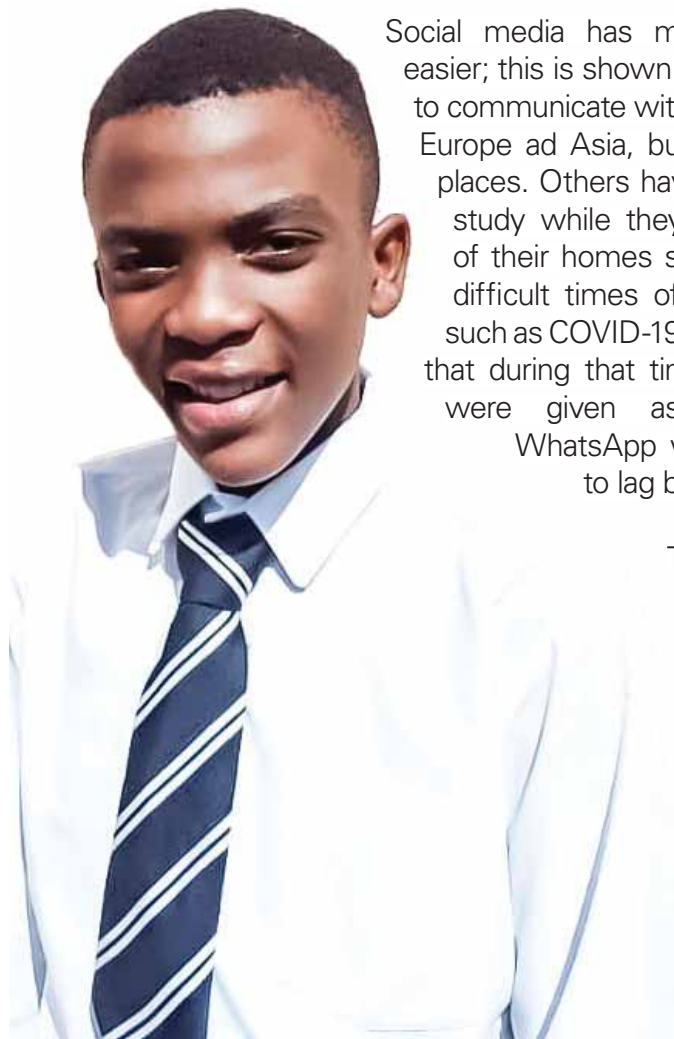
The media is a platform where one can get new skills and ideas. Someone who does not know how to cook can simply google and get a lot of cooking skills in baking, making

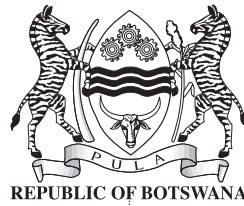
salads, preparing delicious meals and end up doing it perfectly as if they went to culinary schools or tutors. Sometimes you can research a certain disease and its treatment which can save you time to visit clinics and hospitals. Our teachers have also found a helper because some topics which used to give them a headache can be easily researched using social media and we are then given relevant information.

Even though social media plays an important role in today's life, it also has its own demerits. Criminals are using social media to steal people's money in their bank accounts. It has also been a concern that they are using social media to steal money from their accounts for instance, they will call you and tell you to feed them with your bank details and at the end you will find that they have stolen money from your account. It has also been a concern that some people use social media to insult others especially senior government officials which is extremely wrong.

Another disadvantage is that social media affect the level of productivity on the workplace. Platforms such as Facebook or WhatsApp can derail one's attention in the workplace. A person can spend a lot of time reading and commenting on meaningless Facebook posts instead of being goal oriented and striving for the good output and success of the company or institution. This will result in the decline in productivity as well as poor quality service delivery. The access usage of social media can also have a negative impact on health. Since exercise is the key to losing weight, most of the people get lazy because of excessive use of social media networking sites, which in result brings a disorder in the routine of their life. Another dimension is that excessive use of social media has destroyed mental health of many people because they keep comparing themselves with all their beauty idols.

Social media is something we should have, and it has advantages which are good for our lives. In my opinion, I agree that social media can be good hence its pros outweigh its cons.





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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**KITSISO**

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

**NOTIFICATION FOR PUBLIC REVIEW OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE PROPOSED GRAVEL BORROW PIT IN METLOJANE LANDS BY EH-CDK JOINT VENTURE.**

The major findings of the Environmental assessment undertaken by Royal Pioneers (Pty) Ltd for the proposed gravel mining are summarized hereunder:

**(a) Nature and magnitude of the study.**

The project proponent EH-CDK JOINT VENTURE intends to operate a gravel borrow pit in Metlojane lands. The license area is 100 m<sup>2</sup>. The project entails extraction of the gravel material to be used for the Goodhope subdistrict water supply scheme phase 2.2 contract 1.

**(b) Rationale of the project**

The material will be used primarily in construction of chambers and base foundation along the pipeline in the district.

**(c) Location of project activity**

The borrow pit is accessible from Metlojane- Hebron gravel road which will also be used as an access and haulage route.

**(d) Anticipated environmental impacts and proposed mitigation measures**

The environmental impacts and mitigation measures for the project are summarized below and presented in detail in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Project phase	Impacts	Mitigation measures/Enhancement
Pre-construction Phase	Environmental degradation from Mining	• application and issuance of mining rights/license.
	Increase in employment	• Labour should be sourced locally as much as possible. • There should be transparency at recruiting stages.
Operation phase	Air pollution	• Water must be sprinkled on site to wet the surface before excavation works. • Workers must be provided with nose masks while working on site to protect them from dust emissions as per the code of ethics.
	Soil erosion	• Pits must be properly backfilled to stabilize the soils in order to reduce effects of soil erosion.
	Loss of vegetation	• Areas to be cleared should be marked and removal of vegetation should be limited to marked areas only.
	Noise pollution	• Workers must be provided with noise protection gear such as ear muffs/ear plugs. • The contractor should ensure that all machinery and equipment are well maintained/serviced in order to reduce the magnitude of noise level they generate during operation.
	Increased risk of road related accidents	• Drivers must be sensitized to obey road traffic signs and speed limits.
	Land pollution	• The waste receptacles should be availed on site.
	Surface and ground water contamination due to oil spillages	• Machinery and vehicles used on site should be well maintained and serviced to prevent the occurrence of leaks and contamination of underground water
	Increased risk of spread of HIV/AIDS	• Employees should be sensitized on the importance of protecting themselves against HIV/AIDS
	Increased risks of occupational health and safety hazards	• Workers on site must be provided with personal protective clothing. • Provision of Occupational Health induction before construction activities
	Decommissioning /Rehabilitation Phase	Dust nuisance (Air pollution)
Potential risk of accidents		• Safety induction should be conducted for all employees
Land Pollution		• Waste receptacles should be placed at strategic positions to avoid scattering of waste around the site and an arrangement should be made for waste generated to be collected.

**(e) Environmental Impact Statement placement**

Copies of the Environmental Impact Statement can be accessed at the following areas by the public

1. Metlojane Main Kgotla
2. Department of Environmental Affairs (Gaborone)

**(f) Correspondences**

Written comments or objections from those likely to be affected by the project and other interested parties should be submitted to: The Director, Department of Environmental Affairs, Private Bag 0068, Gaborone and Telephone No. 3902050, Fax Nos. 3902051/3914687 or hand-delivered to Travaglini House. Plot No. 1271, Second Floor, Old Lobatse Road, Gaborone, before 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2023.

Kitsiso e, e ntshiwa ka ntlha ya Tsetlana ya molao wa tshaka tshoko Tikologo ya Section 10 (2) Environmental Assessment Act (Cap 65:07)

**KITSISO SECHABA KA KANOKO YA MOKWALO WA TSHEKATSHEKO TIKOLOGO MABAPI LETSAMAI SO YA LEFELO LA KEPO YA KERABOLE, KWA MASIMONG MATLOJANE KE BA KOMPONE YA EH-CDK JDitlamorago tsa dipatlisiso tse di bonweng ke ba komponi ya Royal Pioneers Investments (Pty) Ltd fa go dirwa ditshekatsheko tsa seemo sa tikologo mabapi le tiro ya go epa kerabole.**

(a) Boleng le selekanyo sa tiro

Kompone ya EH-CDK e ikaelela go tsamaisa lefelo le go epiwang kerabolo mo masimong a Metlojane. Moalo wa lefelo ke selekanyo sa 100 m<sup>2</sup>.

**(b) Mosola wa tiro**

Tiro e, e tlaa be e itebagantse le go epa kerabole ere morago e dirisiwe mo tirong e ya Goodhope Water supply scheme phase 2.2 contract 1

**(c) Lefelo la ditlhabololo**

Lefelo le le mo masimong a Metlojane, selekanyo sa dimithara di le masome a matlhano go tswa mo tseleng e e yang Hebron.

**(d) Ditlamorago tse di solofetsweng mabapi le tiro kakanyetso e, le metlhale ya go fokotsa manokonoko a tsone.**

Tshoboko ya ditlamorago tse di solofetsweng le maitlamo a go itebaganya le go fokotsa manokonoko mo tikologong a kwadilwe mo tafoleng e e latelang le mo mokwalong wa Tshakatsheko Tikologo.

Legato la tiro	Tse di amang tikologo	Dintlha tse di fokotsang manokonoko mo tikologong
ka nako ya thulaganyo / kago	Kgothelesago ya tikologo	• Go tshwanetse ga nna le mokwalo wa tseletso ya kepo gotsa ko go ba lephata la meepo
	Go tlhamiwa ga meberekho	• Go tshwanetse ga tlhapiwa beng gae pele, ka nako ya tiro. • Go tshwanetse ga hirwa ka tekatekano ka nako ya khiri e bile go se bofitlha.
Ka nako ya tiriso	Kgotlelesago ya phefo ntateng ya lerole	• Lefelo la tiro le tshwanetse go gasagasiwa ka metsi go fokotsa lerole. • Babereki ba tshwanetse ba fiwa ditlamelo tse di tlaa ba sireletsang mo go kganeleng lerole.
	Kgothelesago ya mmu	• Dikhuti di tshwanetswe go katelwa morago ga go epa kerabole go busetsa mmu mo seemong sa one
	Go kgaolwa ga ditlhare	• Go tshwanetse ga kgaolwa ditlhare mo mafelong aa amiwang ke tiro fela
	Koketsego ya modumo	• Babereki ba tshwanetse go neelwa di didirisiwa tsa itshireletso mo modumong o feteletseng • Go tshwanetse ga rurifiadiwa fa didirisiwa tsa tiro di le mo seemong se se itekanetseng go itsa go ntsha modumo o montsi ka nako ya tiro.
	Koketsego ya dikotsi tsa tsela	• Bakgweetsi ba tshwanetse ba lemosiwa bothokwa jwa go ela tlhoko melao ya tsela le go e obamela ka dinako tsothle
	Kgothelesago ya tikologo	• dikanti tsa matlakala ditshwanetse tsa nna teng mo lefelong la tiro.
	Kgotlelesago ya metsi a a ko tlase ga lefatshe e bakiwang ke go tshologa ga di ole	• Di dirisiwa tsa tiro le dikoloi tsa teng di tshwanetse go nna mo seemong se se siameng ka nako tsothle go itsa go tshologa ga di ole.
	Go anama ga mogare wa HIV/AIDS	• Babereki ba tshwanetse ba rutwa ka bothokwa jwa go itshireletsa kgaathanong le mogare wa HIV/AIDS
	Koketsego ya dikotsi mo tirong	• Babereki ba tshwanetse ba fiwa dilwana tsa itshireletso jaaka diatlana, ditlhako tsa itshireletso, dibipa dinko le ditsebe. • Babereki ba tshwanetse ba rutwa ka tsa ipabalelo mo tirong pele ga ba simolola tiro
	Ka nako ya bokhutlo	Kgotlelesago ya phefo ntateng ya lerole
Kgothelesago ya tikologo		• Dikanti tsa matlakala di tshwanetse tsa bewa mo mafelong a faphegileng go itsa gore a seka a gasagasama le tikotogo, gape go tshwanetse ga nna le thulaganyo ya go isa matlakala kwa lefelong le le tshwanetseng.

**(e) Mafelo a go beilweng meriti ya mokwalo wa maduo a tshakatsheko ya kamego ya tikologo**

Meriti ya mokwalo wa tshakatsheko tikologo oo feletseng e ka bonwa magelong a a latelang

1. Kgotla kgolo ya Metlojane
2. Lephatheng la Merero ya tsa Tikologo (Gaborone).

**(f) Dikakgelo**

Mekwalo yotlhe ya dikakgelo le dingongorego go tswa go ba ba ka amiwang ke ditlamorago tsa tiro kgotsa ba ba nang le kgaathego ka tiro e, ba ka e romela kwa go: Mookamedi, Lephata la Merero ya tsa Tikologo mo Gaborone mo atereseng e e latelang: The Director; Department of Environmental Affairs, Private Bag 0068, Gaborone, Telephone No. 3902050, Fax No. 3902051/3914687 kana ya isiwa ka senama ko diofising tsa Lephata la Merero ya tsa Tikologo kwa Travaglini House, Plot No. 1271, Second Floor, old Lobatse Road, Gaborone, pele ga kgwedi ya Lwetse e le lesome le bongwe, 2023.



## Tona o ba gwetlha go godisa dikgwebo

### Ka Malebogo Lekula

HUKUNTSI - Mopalamente wa kgaolo ya Kgalagadi Bokone Mme Talita Monnakgotlaogwetlhile bagwebi ba ba botlana go godisa dikgwebo tsa bone go

nna tsa sennela ruri go ka tokafatsa itsholelo ya kgaolo.

O buile se ka letsatsi la ditshupo tsa dikgwebo tse di potlana tsa kgaolo ya Hukuntsi bosheng.

Mme Monnakgotla o ne a supa fa bagwebi ba na le go phuaganya

dikgwebo tsa bone ka nako ya fa dipoelo di le boutsana.

A re seo, ga se a tshwanela go ba kgoba marapo, a re ba dirise dikgwetlho tseo e le tsela nngwe ya go ka ikanoka mme morago ba leke go fetola seemo.

Mme Monnakgotla o ne a ba gwetlha go etela diofisi tsa boipelego go ba lomaganya le ba ofisi ya Local Enterprise Authority (LEA), go ba rutuntsha ka go tsamaisa dikgwebo a re bagwebi ba na le mananeo aa ka ba thusang go tlhabolola dikgwebo tsa bone, le gone go di bapatsa kwa mafelong a kwa ntle ga kgaolo.

Rre Elliot Sebikiri, o ne a tlhalosa fa ditshupo tse, e le tsela nngwe ya go leka go bapatsa dikgwebo tse dipotlana tse di mo kgaolong tse bontsi jwa tsone e leng tsa tiro ya diatla.

A re ditshupo tseo, di tla thusa le bone bagwebi go lomagana le bagwebi ba ba bangwe go annywa dikitso tse ka tsone, ba ka tlhabololang dikgwebo tsa bone.

O ne a tlatsa ka gore ditshupo di fa bagwebi sebaka sa go kopana le bareki mme ba ba fe maele a go ntsha ditirelo tse di tsamaisanang le dikeletso tsa baji bareki.

Mo go tse dingwe, o ne a tlhalosa fa ditshupo tseo, di tla thusa go menagane go rotloetsa bao, ba eletsang go tsena mo kgwebong gammogo le gone go godisa serodumo sa bao, ba setseng ba itshetletse.

Mo mafokong a gagwe a kamogelo, Kgosi Merapelo Tshwenyagae, o ne a akgola barulaganyi ba ditshupo tseo, a re go tla thusa go lemotsha banana ba kgaolo gore go dira ka diatla go thusa go menagane go jesa malwapa.

O ne a gwetlha bagwebi gore ba seka ba nyatsa maiteko a bone ka jaana, ba tla tswela ba ntse ba gola go nna bagwebi ba tlhwalhwa.

A re seabe sa mogwebi mongwe le mongwe se botlhokwa ja kaana, se thusa mo go godiseng itsholelo ya kgaolo gammogo le ya lefatshe ka bophara.

Rre Lone Mphela go tswa Citizen Entrepreneurial Development Agency (CEDA), o ne a ba kgothatsa go tswela ba dira ka natla go thusa go fetola sebopego sa itsholelo ya lefatshe leno.

O ne a ba kopa go ikopanya go tlhama dikhamphani gore ba kgone go bona dithuso tsa madi a botoka gore ba kgone go ntsha ditirelo ka bokete go emelana le dikeletso tsa baji bareki.

Rre Mphela a re ba thusa dikgwebo di tshwana le tsa temo thuo, kago tsa matlo a bonno le tse dingwe mme go setswe morago ditshetlana tsa kadimiso madi le bokgoni jwa kgwebo ya moikopedi.

Mo mafokong a malebo, modulasetilo wa khasele ya Hukuntsi, Rre Moratwa Lekolori, o ne a rotloetsa bagwebi go fetola ka fa ba dirang ditiro tsa bone ka teng go tsamaisana le diphetogo tsa thekiso mo mebarakeng.

A re ba tshwanetse ka go simolola go ntsha ditirelo tsa bone kwa mahuring mme nne mo pontsheng go kgona go bona letseno le le botoka.

O ne a ba rotloetsa go dira ka bokgabane go ngoka bareki a re go dira jalo, go tla ba fa tshiamelo ya go phadisanya le bagwebi ba

dikgaolo tse dingwe, mme ba godise serodumo sa kgaolo ya Kgalagadi. **BOPA**

## Baithuti ba rotloeditse go tlhwafalela dithuto tsa maranyane

### Ka Kefilwe Selotlegeng

TUMASERA - Baithuti ba lokwalo lwa boraro ba sekole se segolwane sa Sesholo kwa Tumasera, ba rotloeditse go tsaya dithuto tsa maranyane ka tlhwaafalo.

Ba kgothatitse jalo bosheng ke bomme ba le bararo ba ba direlang kwa meepong ya Jwaneng le Morupule. Mongwe wa bomme bao, Mme Lesego Kebabsetse yo direlang kwa meepong wa Jwaneng o tlhaloseditse baithute gore ba tsile go ba kgothatsa le go ba lemotsha gore ba ka kgona lefa ntsa ba na le dikgwetlho tsa botshelo tse di farologanyeng.

Mme Kebabsetse o boleletse baithuti fa a tswa mo kgaolong ya Tswapong jaaka bone ka jalo dingwe tsa dikgwetlho tsa bone le ene o fetile ka tsone. A re diemo tsa malwapa a bone ga di a tshwanela go dira gore ba itlhoboge kana di ba kgoreletsa mo dithutong tsa bone.

Mme Kebabsetse o ba gakolotse gore go a kgonega gore ba bone se ba se batlang mo botshelong, mme go tlhoka gore motho a bo a iketeile sehuba a dira ka bonatla.

Fa Mme Boitumelo Gabofele go tswa kwa meepong wa Morupule le ene a ne a tlhlosetsa baithuti ka loeto lwa botshelo jwa gagwe se ele itemogelo ya gagwe ya botshelo.

Mme Gabofele o ba gakolotse gore ba tshwanetse ba batla go nna kwa godimo mo dithutong, a re ba ka kgona seo ka go dira ka natla. A re go dira ka bonatla ke selotlolo sa katlego, a ba rotloetsa gape gore letsatsi le letsatsi ba bue mafoko a a reng ke 'nonofile ke ka kgona.'

O ba rotloeditse go itshidila mmele, mo a reng go thusa go baakanya boboko le maikutlo. Mme Gabofele o ba kopile go dirisa maranyane a bo Facebook mo dilong tse di botlhokwa ka gore a borai a ka senya botshelo jwa motho.

Mothusa Mogokgo wa sekole se se golwane sa Sesholo, Rre Lordick Mokobi a re go botlhokwa go nna le bomme mo ditirong tsa maranyane segolo jang kwa meepong. Rre Mokobi a re ke ka moo ba biditseng badiri ba bomme ba maranyane kwa meepong go tla go kgothatsa bana bogolo jang ba bomme gore bantsi gore le bone ba ka tsena mo ditirong mme ba felela e le baetedipele. **BOPA**



Bangwe ba bagodi ba ba neng ba tsene pitso ya go isa ditlamelo tsa botsogo kwa bagoding kwa kgotleng ya Boseja Borwa kwa Mochudi bosheng. Mopalamente wa Mochudi Botlhaba, Rre Mabuse Pule o gateletse botlhokwa jwa go isetsa bagodi ditirelo go netefatsa gore ga ba babalelwe ke ditlhabi le go ba fefosetsa mosepele wa go ya kwa dikokelong. Senepe: Pelonomi Gare

## Ba Mogapi ba ipelela thobo

### Ka Kgotsafalang Botsang

MOGAPI - Morafe, dikgosi le dikereke ka go farologana kwa motseng wa Mogapi ba ne ba phuthaganetse kwa kgotleng ka Matlhatso go ipelela thobo e ba kgonneng go e bona mo temong e fetileng.

Maikaelelo a moletlo o, o tshwarwang ngwaga le ngwaga, ke go isa thobo kwa go kgosi gore a tle a abele ba ba tlhokileng lesego, baeng ba gagwe le ope fela yo tlhokang thuso ya dijo.

Molalediwa wa tlotla, Tona wa lephata la dikgaolo le tlhabolola magae, Rre Sethabelo Modukanele o galaleditse banni ba Mogapi go bo ba ile ba tla ka kakanyo ya go lebogela thobo, go thusa ka dijo ba bangwe ba ba tlhokileng lesego.

A re puso e rotloetsa thata ditiro tsa mofuta o, ke sone se e boneng go le maleba go nna le lephata le le itebagantseng le ngwao, go rotloetsa Batswana go ipela ka ngwao ya bone e e ikaegileng ka botho le go utlwela ba bangwe

botlhoko.

Rre Modukanele, yo e bile e le Mopalamente wa Lerala/Maunatlala, o rotloeditse banni ba Mogapi go tswela ba inaakanya le ditiro tsa ngwao go tlhabolola matshelo a bone.

A re tiro e ba e dirileng e supa tlotla e ba e neelang kgosi ya bone jaaka go ne go ntse bogologolo, mokgwa o a supileng fa o nyelela.

Fa a tswa la gagwe, Mopalamente wa kgaolo Rre Molebatsi Molebatsi o iteetse legofi banni ba Mogapi, gape a ba rotloetsa go tsena mo temong gore ba kgone go ntsha dijo tse dintsi.

A re mo nakong e sa fediseng pelo, puso e tla ribolola lenaneo le lesa la temo, le le tla thusang balemi ka bontlha bongwe jwa madi go gokela didiba le tse dingwe.

A re o solofela gore balemi ba tla atla lenaneo leo, a rotloetsa banni ba Mogapi gore ba seka ba salela kwa morago fa lenaneo leo le simolola.

Rre Molebatsi a re tiro ya go lebogela thobo e supa gore banni ba ne ba sa nna fela ba iphotlhere, mme ba kgonne go bona thobo le fa dipula di ne di le boutsana.

Kgosi Boago Monnaapula wa Mogapi, o lebogetse morafe wa gagwe go bo ba tswetse ka go ipelela letsatsi la thobo, a rotloetsa banana go tsenya letsogo mo ditirong tsa mofuta o gore le bone ba ithute.

O lebogetse botlhe ba ba nnileng le seabe mo go rotloetseng tiro e, bogolo jang morafe wa motse wa Mogapi, a tlhalosa fa letsatsi le le nnile teng e le moonoo wa lekgotla la baruti la motse oo.

Kgosi Monnaapula o lebogetse tshwaragano fa gare ga lekgotla leo le boetedipele jwa motse, a tlhalosa fa ba dira go tla ka diatla go tlhabolola matshelo a batho ba Mogapi.

Kgosi Monnaapula a re Batswana ba tswa kgakala ba ikaegile ka dikereke e bile dikereke di nnile le seabe mo go tlhabololang matshelo a Batswana. **BOPA**



Rre Modukanele a buisa banni ba Lesenepole bosheng kwa tirong ya go isa lenaneo la go fetola mekgwa le ka fa go dirwang dilo ka teng. Senepa: Portia Rapitsenyane

# Banana ba atla lenaneo la A re Chencheng

## Ka Portia Rapitsenyane

LESENEPOLE - Banana ka go farologana ba amogetse mogopolo wa ga Tautona Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi wa gore Batswana ba fetole ka fa ba dirang dilo ka teng ka mo nakong eno dilo ka bontsi di fetoga e bile go gatetswe pele mo lefatsheng leno.

Go ipaya mo dinakong, banana bogolo jang ba ba mo dikerekeng kana mo ditumelong tse di farologaneng ba buile ka lentse le le lengwe gore ba tshwanetse ba fetola tse ba ntseng ba di dira mme ba tlhobolela dikereke.

Ba ne ba bua jalo kwa motseng wa Lesenepole ka Tshipi kwa banana ba ba mo dikerekeng ka go farologana ba neng ba buisanya ka go fetola ka fa ba ntseng ba dira ka teng. Ka jalo ba ne ba kopa baeteledipele ba dikereke bogolo jang bagolo go ba letlelela go ntsha megopolo e e tla a ba isang kwa pele.

Mongwe wa banana mme Kealeboga Ramakatane a re gore motho a fetole ka fa a dirang dilo ka teng go tlhokana le gore a fetole tlhaloganyo ya gagwe mme a lebe dilo ka tsela e sele.

A re fa motho a leba dilo ka tsela e sele o tshwanetse a lemogwe ke ba ba mo tikologong ya gagwe mme ga a tshwanela gore a ipolele gore o fetogile ka jalo o ne a gwetlha banana go tshwaragana mme ba tseye dithuso tse ba di fiwang ke puso go itshelesa.

Mongwe wa ba-na-le bogole kwa motseng oo Rre Kaone Madibela o ne a kopa gore setshaba se sekaseke ba-na-le bogole ka le bone ba na le bokgoni. A re ba-na-le bogole ba na le ditlhaloganyo ka jalo ba tshwanetse ba fiwe maemo mangwe gore le bone ba ipone e le batho.

Mopalamente wa kgaolo ya Lerala/Maunatlala Rre Sethabelo Modukanele o ne a supa fa mogopolo wa go itebaganya le banana ba ba tswang mo dikerekeng tse di farologaneng e ne e le ka mabaka. A re banana ba ba tswang mo dikerekeng ka go farologana ba na le tiro e tona e ba tshwanetseng ba e dire mo

setshabeng mme ba tshwanetse ba amogele seo.

Rre Modukanele o ne a akgola banana ba baneng ba phuthaganetse kwa kgotleng ya motse wa Lesenepole go bo ba tsere tsela e e siameng ya go boifa Modimo mme a ba kopa go tswela ba dira jalo. A re banana ga ba a tshwanela go itlhuboga mme ba tshwanetse ba gatele pele.

O ne a supa fa sengwe le sengwe mo botshelong se na le matlhakore a mabedi mme banana ga ba a tshwanela gore e re ba dira sengwe se se molemo ba bo ba remelela mo mathateng a sone fela mme ba tshwanetse ba lebe bomolemo jwa teng.

Rre Modukanele o ne a rotloetsa banana go elets a go gaisa ba ba dirileng sengwe se se molemo mme ba dire sengwe le sengwe ka maikaelelo a gore ba tla a se dira go na le gore ba re ba tla a leka.

O ne a rotloetsa banana go dirisa maranyane mme go dira tse ba di batlang ka ba ka kgona go dira sengwe le sengwe ka one ba ntse ba le mo motseng wa bone.

Rre Modukanele o ne a ba kopa go diragatsa ditoro tsa bone ka tshosologo mme ba seka ba tsaya gore lefelo le ba leng mo go lone le ka kgorelets a tse ba di batlang mo botshelong.

O ne a kopa setshaba gore se seka sa ketefatsa lenaneo la go fetola tse ba ntseng ba di dira mme ba le tseye sentle ba fetoge ka dinako di tswetse ka go fetoga e bile di tlaa tswela di ntse di fetoga.

Mopalamente o ba gwetlhole go emisa dikgang tse di leng mo bangweng tsa gore botshelo bo thata a supa fa botshelo bo ne bo le thata mo dinakong tsa bogologolo eseng mo nakong eno. A re mo nakong eno go na le didirisiwa di tshwana le maranyane tse di tshwanetseng gore di dirisiwe go re di sologele Batswana molemo.

A re Tautona Dr Masisi a re Batswana ba tshwanetse ba lebe botshelo ka tsela e e farologaneng mme fa ba ka dira jalo ba ka kgona dilo di le dintsi.

Rre Modukanele a re Batswana ba tshwanetse ba simolole ka go itse gore ke bomang, e bile fa e le gore go

na le phoso e ba e dirileng, a ba e baakanye.

A re ka jalo puso e lebile le mananeo a yone gore e a tokafatse jaaka la Ipelegeng gore le sologele Batswana molemo.

O ne a kopa batsadi go emisa go dia bana ka dipuo tsa gore ba seka ba kgoba bana marapo ka dikgang tsa bo 'ga go kake ga kgonagala.'

**BOPA**

# Modiri wa Lephata la Dikitsiso o bolokilwe

## Ka Ikotlhaeng Rantopele

KANYE - Dibui ka go farologana di supile fa Mme Keemetse Moroka e ne e le motho yo o lorato, a na le botho e bile a dirisana sentle thata le babereki ka ene.

Ba tlhalositse se, ka malatsi a segopotso ka botshelo jwa gagwe ga mmogo le ka letsatsi la phitlho.

Mme Moroka, yo o neng a direla kwa lephateng la dikitsiso kwa Gaborone, o tlhokafetse kgwedi eno ya Phatwe e tlhola malatsi a le lesome le bongwe, mme a bolokwa ka Matlhatso kwa motseng wa Mmathethe.

Mogolwane wa lephata, Mme Kelebogile Jaba o tlhalositse fa Mme Moroka a simolotse go berekela mo lephateng leo ka ngwaga wa 2016, mme a thapiwa go nna morongwa, yo o neng a thusa go isa makwalo kwa le kwa fa godimo ga go folosa dithoto.

Mme Jaba a re Mme Moroka o tlhokafala jaana e nntse e le mmereki ka ene, e bile a supa fa a ne a dira tiro ya gagwe ka botswapelo. Mme Oduetse Goitsemang, yo e leng tsala, o supile fa Mme Moroka a simolotse go supa fa a sa tsogetse sentle ngwaga yo o fetileng go fitlhela a tlhokafala.

Motsadi, Rre Phapaano Tsimako, ene o supile fa ngwana wa gagwe e ne e le motho yo o



**Mme Moroka**

botho le maitseo, e bile a re seo se kailwe ke tshologelo ya badiri ka ene ba ba neng ba tllile go mmoloka, le ka fa ba mo supileng a ntse ka teng fa a santse a le mo botshelong.

Mme Moroka, wa dingwaga tse di masome a mane le boraro, o tsene sekole go fitlhelela lokwalo lwa bobedi (Form 2) kwa sekolong se segolwane sa Mmathethe.

O ne a simolola go bereka mo khamphaning ya Fashion Design kwa Gaborone ka ngwaga wa 2000, a tloga a ipereka mme morago a direla mo lephateng la bobega dikgang la dikitsiso ka 2016, ko a tlhokafalang a ntse a le mo go lone.

O tlogela bana ba le bararo ba basetsana, ngwana wa ngwana a le mongwe, mmaagwe le batsalwa le ene ba le ba le bane, borre ba le babedi le bomme ba le babedi.

**BOPA**



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#### DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACY 1. LECTURERS \*3

##### Responsibilities

The ideal candidate will be responsible for among others, the following:

- prepare students assessments
- Supervise laboratory support and work closely with lab assistants and tutors
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- Prepare lecture materials

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Minimum of Masters in Pharmacy, PhD will be an added advantage  
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P O Box 70587**

**Gaborone  
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**Correspondence will be given to shortlisted candidates**

**Closing date: 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023**

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**FARM WORKER WANTED** at Inalegolo. Apply: Matlabanyana Ranch Pty Ltd, P O Box 71667357 VB, Riverwalk, Gaborone. Closing date: 01/09/2023

**KE KOPA MOTLHOKOMEDI** wa dikoko ko masimong a Gakgatla. Please contact Mosetsanagape Gabarongwe, Cell no 73 420 808.

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## NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

**OWNER PLOT 2154,** Basimane, Nata notifies neighbours about change of land use from commercial motor spares to commercial guest house. Objections contact Tutume District Council Physical Planning at 298 3272.

**OWNER OF PLOT 23985 & 23986** in Phase 4, Gaborone, wishes to consolidate two plots. For any queries, neighbours should contact the Gaborone City Council planning department on 365 7496

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Administration of Estates Act (Cap.31:01)

**NOTICE IS HEREBY** given that by virtue of section 31 of the Administration of Estates Act (Cap:33.01), heirs and next of kin of the deceased and all persons having claims against the above estate, are being called upon to attend before the Master of the High Court at **FRANCISTOWN HIGH COURT** on the date and time specified opposite the names of their deceased relatives for purposes of recommending for appointment, a person or persons as Executor/Executrix Dative as well as identifying beneficiaries and to discuss any other business relating to their deceased relative.

Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time
1.SIBUSISIWE SETLHARE	ESHFT-000151-22	01-11-23	0900AM

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 16TH DAY OF AUGUST 2023**

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time
1.MICHAEL KESILOE BOGACU	ESHFT-000151-23	01-11-23	0900 AM

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 14TH DAY OF AUGUST 2023**

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

### NOTICE IN TERMS OF SECTION 34 OF THE TRIBAL LAND ACT, 2018

In accordance with the provisions of the Tribal Land Act of 2018, Section 34 thereof, notice is hereby given of a proposed transaction with the following details:

**DESCRIPTION OF LAND :** piece of land being Tribal lot 100, Maun  
**NAMES OF PARTIES :** Viking Voyagers Proprietary Limited and Stanbic Bank Botswana Limited

**VALUE OF BOND :** P1,242,000.00 (One Million Two Hundred and Forty Two Thousand Pula)

#### DETAILS OF PROPOSED

**TRANSACTION :** Registration of a Continuing Covering Surety Mortgage Bond in favour of Stanbic Bank Botswana Limited for the amount of P1,242,000.00 (One Million Two Hundred and Forty Two Thousand Pula) passed by Viking Voyagers Proprietary Limited

#### TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT:

(a) Any citizen interested in entering into a similar transaction in respect of the property in question shall be given priority notwithstanding the proposed transaction set out in this notice.

(b) any person wishing to object to the proposed transaction may give written notice of his objection with reasons therefor, to the Tawana Land Board with 30 (thirty) days from the date of publication hereof.

**DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 15TH DAY OF AUGUST 2023.**

MORIBAME MATTHEWS  
Plot 74769, Mowana Mews  
Western Commercial Road, CBD  
P O Box 46271  
GABORONE

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**APPLICATION FOR A LOST TITLE DEED**  
in Terms of Regulation 46(3) of the Deeds Registry Act

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**CERTAIN:** Piece of land being Lot 8154 Gaborone  
**SITUATE:** In Gaborone Township Extension 25  
**MEASURING:** 513m<sup>2</sup> (Five hundred and thirteen square metres)

Any such person having objection to the issuance of such copy is hereby requested to lodge the same in writing, with the Registrar of Deeds, Private Bag 0020, Gaborone within twenty-one (21) days from publication of this notice.

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LAW S.KHAN LAW ATTORNEYS  
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**MEASURING:** 405m<sup>2</sup> (Four Hundred and Five Square Meters).

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

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

Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time
1. JOSEPH LEKOKO SEKGA	ESHFT- 000168-22	26-09-2023	0930HRS

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS ----- DAY OF AUGUST 2023**  
**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

**Notice to Debtors and Creditors**  
*Master's Reference: ESHGB-000374/23*

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late Gysbert Johannes Kriel who died at Akasia, City of Tshwane District, South Africa on 21<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2021.

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

**DATED at Gaborone this 18<sup>th</sup> day of August 2023**  
The Executor, c/o ADOM and BOTHA ATTORNEYS,  
P.O. Box 27, Lobatse, Telephone No. 398 5256  
[info@adombotha.co.bw](mailto:info@adombotha.co.bw)  
ref: K133/2023



National Agricultural Research and Development Institute

NARDI	TENDERING PROCEDURES	T1.1 TENDER NOTICE and INVITATION TO TENDER
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- Tender Reference No. NARDI 019/2023**  
Sealed Tender offers are invited for **PROVISION OF 24 HOURS SECURITY GUARD SERVICES TO NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE FOR A PERIOD OF 36 MONTHS**
- The Procuring Entity is the **National Agricultural Research and Development Institute, Department of Corporate Services.**
- Procurement Method is: **OPEN DOMESTIC BIDDING**
- Tenderers who are domiciled in Botswana must, in order to be considered for the award of the contract, shall be appropriately licensed to provide Security Services according to the laws of Botswana, be registered with the Public Procurement Regulatory Authority in the following categories:  
**CODE: 100 SECURITY SERVICES (100% CITIZEN-OWNED COMPANIES)**  
**SUB CODE(S): 01 SECURITY GUARD SERVICES**
- THE TENDER IS RESERVED FOR 100% CITIZEN OWNED COMPANIES** as stated under Section 76 (2) of the Public Procurement Act.

**Directive on the Economic Diversification Drive (EDD)** will be applied in this tender as per the applicable EDD guidelines. For companies to benefit from this directive, they should submit certified true copies of their registration with the Ministry of Investment Trade and Industry as proof that they are service providers.

**Local Procurement Scheme** (Presidential Directive 19(B)/ 2013 – which is in line with the Citizen Economic Empowerment Policy and Section 66 (3) of the PPAD Act will also be applied in this tender. For companies to benefit from this Directive, they should complete certificate enclosed and submit certified copies of National identity card (Omang). There will be NO "DOUBLE-DIPPING" in this tender, where a contractor benefits, cumulatively, from more than one price preference scheme. Only one scheme will be used to benefit a bidder

- The physical address for collection of tender documents is:  
**Procurement & Supplies office**  
**National Agricultural Research & Development Institute**  
**Gaborone, Botswana**  
**Physical Address: Sethloa Village, Unit 2 Pinnacle Office Park**
- Documents may be collected during working hours from 0830 and 16:30 with effect from 14/08/2023
- A non-refundable deposit of P250 or P125 for youth owned companies *subject to the production of identity cards and proof of ownership* (Company Extract from CIPA), payable by electronic funds transfer must be made out in favour of the **National Agricultural Research & Development Institute**, Proof of payment is required on collection of the tender documents:

**Acc Name:** National Agricultural Research and Development Institute  
**Bank:** First National Bank  
**Account Type:** Business Cheque Account  
**Account Number:** 62797125484  
**Branch Code :** 284567  
**Branch Name:** Kgale View  
**Swift Code:** FIRNBVGX

- Queries or clarifications relating to the issuance of these documents may be addressed in writing not later than 14 working days before the tender closing date to Mr. Gomolemo Tshkiso at Tel No. 311 7667, Email address: [gomolemo@nardi.org.bw](mailto:gomolemo@nardi.org.bw)
- Clarifications relating to the technical matters of these documents may be addressed in writing not later than 14 days before the tender closing date to [tankiso@nardi.org.bw](mailto:tankiso@nardi.org.bw)
- A compulsory site visit /or pre-tender clarification meeting with representatives of the Procuring Department will take place at the following places**

Location	Distance from Gaborone	Date of Visit	Meeting Point & time	Time
Gaborone	0	28th August 2023	HQ	0830hrs
Sebele	2 km	28th August 2023	Buan Grounds	1000hrs

Sunnyside (between Otse & Lobatse)	60km	28 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	Sunnyside	1430hrs
Bull Performance Centre (Goodhope)	130km	29 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	Choppies Parking Area	1000hrs
Morapedi Office (around Goodhope)	150km	29 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	Morapedi Office	1230
Morapedi Borehole		29 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	Morapedi Borehole	1330hrs
Kanye	90km	29 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	Kanye Office	1545hrs
Matlolakgang (near Hatsalatladi)	120km	30 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	Thebephatshwa Turn off	HQ 1000hrs
Kang	400km	30 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	Choppies parking space	1530hrs
Maun	900km	31 <sup>st</sup> August 2023	Police Station	1400hrs
Boro (near Maun)		31 <sup>st</sup> August 2023	Boro Farm	1530hrs
Pandamatenga office	870km	2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2023	Department of Crop Production Sign Board	0900hrs
Pandamatenga Farm	23km from Panda office	2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2023	Pandamatenga Farm	1030hrs
Lesego Ranch (Near Serule)	340km	5 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Serule filling Station	1030hrs
Mmamanaka (Near Bobonong)	442km	5 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Police Station	1530hrs
Makhi	102 km from Serowe	6 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Serowe Boiteko Mall	0900hrs

- The closing date and time for receipt of sealed tender offers is 1000 hours on 22/09/2023
  - Late tender offers will not be accepted.
- The date, time and location for opening of the tender offers is:  
Time **1000HRS** on 22/09/2023.

**National Agricultural Research & Development Institute Head Office, Sethloa Village, Unit 2 Pinnacle Office Park, Procurement & Supplies office, ground floor.**

- The Bid Submission Method is: *Two Envelope Submission Method in which the sealed original and all the sealed copies of the Technical Offer are placed in one separate sealed envelope, whilst the sealed original and all the sealed copies of the Financial Offer are enclosed in another separate sealed envelope. The two sealed envelopes are then placed in one outer securely sealed envelope.*
- One (1) original tender document marked ORIGINAL and 2 duplicate copies of the original document marked copy in one sealed envelope clearly marked

**"Tender Reference No: NARDI 019/2023** titled **PROVISION OF 24 HOURS SECURITY GUARD SERVICES TO NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE FOR A PERIOD OF 36 MONTHS** shall be delivered to **National Agricultural Research & Development Institute Head Office, Sethloa Village, Unit 2 Pinnacle Office Park, Procurement & Supplies office, ground floor.**

- The name and address of the bidder should be clearly marked on the envelope.

**The Public Procurement Regulatory Authority Standardised Conditions of Tender for Services shall apply to this procurement, for which all the applicable Tender Data is contained in the tender documents.**  
{Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing, the National Agricultural Research and Development Institute is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender offer}.



## Dithubaruba cultural festival preparations at advanced stage

By Keagetse Motsumi

**MOLEPOLOLE** – Preparations for the 15<sup>th</sup> edition of the annual Dithubaruba Cultural Festival are at an advanced stage.

Speaking during the official launch of the event in Molepolole on Monday, Kgosi Kgari Sechele III of Bakwena said this year's festivities would be held at the newly constructed Ntsweng Heritage Site commonly known as 'Kwa ga Mmakgosi' on September 2.

Kgosi Kgari III said the festival provides cultural education that reflects ethnic diversity of the district, while providing leisurely activities that could be enjoyed by everyone.

"There is need for Batswana to continually gather in events such as Dithubaruba to celebrate and learn from one another," he noted.

He further emphasised the need to teach children to fully embrace their own culture and emulate only the positive elements of alien cultures as they adapt to a fast-changing world.

Kgosi Kgari III noted that amongst multitudes expected to grace the event were Bakwena tribes from South Africa among them Bakwena ba ga Phalane, Batlhaloga from Limpopo, Bakwena ba ga Mogopa, Bafokeng and Bahurutshe Boo Gopane together with their local artistes.

He shared that sponsorship

for this year's event estimated at P750 000 would be used to pay performing artistes, service providers and marketing of the event.

He also revealed that the Dithubaruba had welcomed on board a three-year sponsorship of P250 000 from ABSA Life Botswana.

"For that reason I wish prosperity to all businesses that supported the event and more importantly for helping preserve the culture that defines the society," said Kgosi Kgari III.

Meanwhile, ABSA Life Botswana managing director Thebe Modikwa said the sponsorship affirmed the organisation's commitment to the preservation of a rich cultural heritage, ensuring that future generations could trace their stories back and feel a sense of belonging and pride.

"Through Dithubaruba, we hope to honour your past and support a future where every Mokwena child grows up with a deep understanding of their heritage," said Modikwa.

He also said in an era of rapid globalisation it was tempting to let go of the past to immerse oneself solely in the currents of the present, thus ABSA Life Botswana was pleased to be part of the journey to ensure the spirit of Bakwena remains undiminished for generations to come. **BOPA**



*Mokwena women presenting dikgafela at the 14<sup>th</sup> edition of Dithubaruba Cultural Festival in Molepolole. The 15<sup>th</sup> edition will be held at the newly constructed Ntsweng Heritage Site commonly known as 'Kwa ga Mmakgosi' on September 2.*

## Gaborone gets ready for GMC

By Ketshepile More

**GABORONE** - Gaborone International Music Concert (GIMC) ninth edition returns with over 20 performances hosted on six stages from August 25-31.

The GIMC week will have revellers spoil for choice with fitness and aerobics, jazz, poetry, comedy, clap-and-tap music as well as champagne and picnic stages at various days and venues around Gaborone.

Of note to this year's GIMC edition is the absence of the mass festival, which usually wraps the week-packed activities.

According to a press statement from GIMC management, the music festival will not happen due to the unavailability of a suitable venue matching the size of the anticipated crowd.

"The safety of our patrons, artistes, suppliers and all stakeholders is of paramount importance and cannot be left to chance," stated the press statement.

The event, which has become one of the biggest, not only in the country but in the region, will kick-start the week's events with a fitness challenge in August, with fitness instructors such as Grace Motswana, Chyna Mokaila, Mandisa and Moi'Killa and Kaone alongside Nana providing yoga for the sassy elegant fitness fanatics.

On August 26, jazz enthusiast will convene at Molapo Piazza to experience a night of soulful jazz performances from the very best of Botswana and South Africa jazz maestros.

The vibrant Nono Siile returns to the GIMC stage with her prowess of contemporary and Setswana

traditional components displaying her Botswana heritage while embracing modern elements.

She excitedly shared her return to the GIMC jazz stage and said to her fans,

"It is amazing to be returning to GIMC jazz stage, clearly the management of GIMC and fans are happy with my work on stage," Siile said.

She promised fans a performance to remember, adding that she had enhanced her band and backing vocalists 'so it will be lit,' and with two more weeks of rehearsals she is excited to deliver the best for her fans.

She will be performing alongside Botswana's legendary geniuses Socca Moruakgomo and Banjo Mosele, as well as South Africa's soul-string crème Zonke and Vusi Nova.

Fans will be treated to the seamless blend of genres and cultural influences from Socca Moruakgomo – a more than just an entertainer, but a true reflection of cultural mosaic defining Botswana identity.

Representing the notion that music transcends cultural boundaries is Zonke, who is not only a singer, but producer and songwriter.

The charismatic artiste brings to the GIMC stage a fusion of soul, rhythm and blues as well as jazz elements.

While Vusi Nova, known for his frequent change of iconic style from what many say was an Usher look to flaunting that wrestling undertaker image and recently showing off his natural hairstyle with his Xhosa traditional gear look, the South African is expected

to give Botswana fans an energetic and sweet melody rendition of his various genres, such as Gospel and umbhaqanga/Maskandi among others.

Among the GIMC week activities is the elegant GIMC Champagne Picnic, which stands out as a symbol of graceful style, sophistication, glamour and glitz, bringing together fashion enthusiasts and authorities not forgetting lovers of bubbly for a sheer indulgence.

The Champagne Picnic has over the years empowered and boosted the value chain of the entertainment industry with anyone and everyone who attends the event always striving to look their best and going an extra mile in makeover such as nails, make up, outfit, chic hairstyles to look the part.

Following the Champagne Picnic is the comedy stage promising a load up on laughs with a line up of iconic comedians such as Thapelo Seemise, also known as Tips Shampoo, Chester Missing, Baldwin Balls, Tumelo Depay, Johny Pula and Triess among others.

Comedians are expected to take the fans on an incomparable journey of laughs and comedic brilliance.

The clap-and-tap stage is also one for the books with creative performance from Botswana and across borders delivering their best for the GIMC crowd.

Clap-and-tap stage will feature Ditsala Moreneng Gospel Choir, Baitshapi ba Jesu, Dineo tsa Tumelo, St John Metsimotlhabe Church Choir and others.

Tickets for GIMC are on sale at Webtickets Botswana. **BOPA**



*Dipela tsa ga Kobokwe performing at last year's Dithubaruba cultural festival in Molepolole.*

# Sesinyi powers Galaxy to victory

By Jeremiah Sejabosigo

LOBATSE - Jwaneng Galaxy coach Morena Ramoreboli is satisfied with his team's performance after beating Ugandan champions Vipers SC in the CAF Champions League first round on Sunday.

Galaxy controlled the first leg encounter played at the Lobatse Sports Complex with a solid all round performance and deservedly won 2-0 through a brace by Thabang Sesinyi.

The forward fired in a loose ball from close range to give Galaxy the lead after Vipers goalkeeper Alfred Mudekereza spilled the ball inside the six-yard area in the 15<sup>th</sup> minute.

Omaatla Kebatho came close to doubling the lead with an overhead kick as the hosts dominated the majority of the first half.

The striker hit two other attempts off target in a lively official debut

following his move from Orapa United.

The visitors upped their game in the second half but failed to trouble goalkeeper Goitseone Phoko, who enjoyed a comfortable afternoon in his first match in Galaxy colours after his shock move from Gaborone United. Vipers' Giancarlo Lopes Rodrigues was well policed by the Galaxy defence marshaled by captain Thabo Leinanyane and Fortunate Thulare.

Nqobizitha Masuku and Dynamo Fredericks also gave polished performances to stabilise things in midfield.

Apart from a close range shot from Sentamu Junior Yunus, which sailed narrowly over the posts, the visitors failed to pose much threat upfront. Sesinyi sealed victory in the 75<sup>th</sup> minute with a beautiful shot taken from the edge of the 18 yards area.

The victory puts Galaxy in a

strong position to advance to the next stage when the two teams clash in the second leg in Uganda over the weekend.

The winner of this tie will face South Africa giants Orlando Pirates in the next round.

In a post-match interview, Ramoreboli, who is looking to lead Galaxy into a successive CAF Champions' League group stages, pointed out that his players executed the game plan well.

"Credit to the boys. It was a difficult match, but we played well. They had a top striker and two strong centre backs with good technique.

For us to get the two goals we had to be patient and also try our best to make sure that we got into the right areas," said the South African coach.

"Credit to all the players as they played very well. One would expect that the new players would struggle

to adapt to our game model.

We need to give credit to the technical team for helping them to settle and adapt very quickly to how we want to play," he added.

Vipers' Brazilian coach Martins Neiva Leonardo said they lost to a better team.

However, he said the tie was not

over yet and his team plans to turn the tables back home in Uganda.

"We accept the defeat, no excuses.

They deserve the win, but it is not over yet. If Galaxy were able to score two goals at home, it is possible for us to score two goals in Uganda," he said. **BOPA**

## Players accountability vital - BFL CEO

By Moshe Galeragwe

GABORONE - The envisaged move to professionalise football is not only the responsibility of administrators but equally the accountability of players, says Senzo Mbatha, Botswana Football League (BFL) CEO.

Officiating at the Footballers Union of Botswana (FUB) ordinary congress in Gaborone on Saturday, Mbatha said the conduct of players speaks a lot and would guide how the country would conduct football going forward.

He said some players were known for reasons that no one would want to associate with because they were not seen as brands that one could invest in.

"I am pleading with you to work on your conduct and see yourself as a brand. Your public appearance and what you share on your social media accounts is important in building your brand," he said.

Mbatha said as football administrators engage with potential stakeholders, players would be presented as bait to lure sponsors, therefore their conduct mattered the most.

Therefore, Mbatha said players must introspect and ensure that they were well-positioned to be used as brand ambassadors as well as becoming public icons.

However, Mbatha said football administrators must work hard to shape and brand football players.

Responding to concerns that were earlier raised by FUB president, Onalethata Tshekiso, Mbatha said he was equally concerned by the delay in resolving player-club disputes, some of which were in relation to unpaid wages.

He said one of the bodies that must be under BFL in order to run a professional league was the dispute resolution chamber to ensure that all issues relating to professionalism and players' welfare were taken care of.

Mbatha said the status of professionalism would eventually be achieved and in the future BFL would be able to take teams to task to ensure that prior to approval of their compliance and licencing all disputes and debts were resolved.

Despite working towards running a professional league, Mbatha said the league was currently experiencing a serious shortage of support personnel among others; physiotherapists, doctors and emergency health service.

He said BFL was equally worried by the current affairs in football and constantly engage with FUB to at least attain the minimum requirements of a professional set-up.

Meanwhile, FUB president

said despite the role that football players contributed to the lives of the people, it was painful to note that they were forgotten as their welfare was compromised.

Tshekiso said FUB was doing everything in its power to attend to players' welfare.

However, he said despite the advancement in the world game, the situation in Botswana remained a concern.

He said if the BFA was failing to deliver, FUB would be under fire for failing to represent players satisfactorily.

He said the primary concern was the non-functioning of the National Dispute Resolution Chamber (NDRC).

Tshekiso said it was unfortunate to observe that all the 16 premier league clubs were recently fully licensed although some had unresolved cases and owed players.

He however applauded football players for staying committed albeit the trying circumstances under which they plied their trade.

The key to changing the current and future of the game of football, he underscored was in the hands of the players.

BFA Legal, Governance and Compliance Officer, Keene Manyothwane concurred with Tshekiso's sentiments that football players were employees and therefore have the right to unionise and have a disputes resolution chamber.

Manyothwane said some clubs negotiated with players in bad faith and were taking advantage of the latter lack of understanding of the principles and guidelines of contracts.

"Some player agents were not aware of what was entailed in FIFA statutes and therefore whatever they settle for was in most cases not good enough for the players," he added.

He said the NDRC or the employment court for football players was struggling to operate accordingly due to a lack of skilled manpower; something he blamed on rampant resignations due to lack of incentives.

Manyothwane also added that the NDRC statute was surpassed by time. He said the statute was drafted in 2019 and has shortcomings.

However, Manyothwane said the statute has been amended and awaits ratification on August 28, 2023, at the BFA National Executive Council (NEC).

He said the amended statute has brought with it penalties for defaulting teams leading to a deduction of points as well as registration and transfer bans. **BOPA**



Jwaneng Galaxy's Thabang Sesinyi (right) shielding the ball from Vipers Sports Club player, Abubakar Lawal during a CAF Champions League game in Lobatse on Sunday. Galaxy beat Vipers 2-0. Photo: Phenyio Moalosi

## Orapa United wins Carlos Sebina Soccer Challenge

By Thamani Shabani

FRANCISTOWN - Orapa United emerged this year champions of the Carlos Sebina (CS) soccer challenge after humiliating Morupule Wanderers 2-0 in the finals on Saturday.

The Orapa-based team took the reins of the prestigious cup from Francistown-based outfit, Calendar Stars who won it last year.

United went home P25 000 richer after walloping Calendar Stars 2-0 to make it to the finals whilst Wanderers humiliated Chadibe FC 4-1 in a penalty shoot-out after the duo played to a goalless draw during full-time.

In the finals, United dominated the first segment of the game, piling a lot of pressure on their opponents although they failed to score.

The two teams went to recess with an all-nil draw.

In the second stanza of the match,

United still returned an organised lot, creating clear-cut chances until Tshepo Malegasi registered the first goal in the 66<sup>th</sup> minute after receiving a telling cross.

Ten minutes later, Eric Ookame scored the second goal and put the last nail in the coffin before the match referee called it a day.

Meanwhile, top goal scorer of the tournament is Kelvin Bingala of United who went home P1 000 richer. Lesenya Malapela of United was declared goalkeeper of the tournament and won P750.

Koketso Majafi of United scooped the title of the best player of the tournament with Tsholofelo Speakson of Wanderers is the tournament's best young player and won P750.

In addition to prize money, United was also awarded P2 500 for laundry whilst their second runner-up, Wanderers got P1 000 for transportation.

All the six social clubs that

participated in the tournament received P1 000 as consolation prizes.

United Coach, Gadimang Tiiso said it was pleasing to see local businesspersons in the likes of Carlos Sebina, the brainchild behind the tournament, channeling their resources towards the development of football, which he said was a welcome development.

He explained that this was the second tournament this season that his team took part in, the first being the northern big six.

Morupule Wanderers coach, Zachariah Muzadzi also commended the tournament organisers for helping discover talent at the grassroots level.

He said though his team lost, it was a learning curve for his lads to have played in the tournament.

"Let me appeal to other companies to rally behind the CS soccer challenge so that it achieves its intended goals," he said. **BOPA**



Masalela

# Masalela takes to track today

By Anastacia Sibanda

GABORONE - Botswana's 800 metres runner Tshepiso 'Machine' Masalela will be in action today at the ongoing World Athletics Championships, held in Budapest, Hungary at 720pm.

Masalela will be carrying the nation's hopes to go all the way to the finals.

Over time, he has proved to be a fighter on track, who never gives up until the finish line.

Masalela, who will be in heat one lane four, will line up with amongst others, Algerian Mahomed Ali Gouaned, Kenyan Emmanuel Wanyonyi, Italian Catalin Tecuceanu and Gabriel Tual from France.

Team Botswana coach, Chilume Ntshwarang said in an interview that Masalela was raring to go, adding that he was confident that he would proceed to the next round.

He said they did his last 200 metres sessions on Sunday and he showed a lot of maturity.

Ntshwarang said they had encouraged him to enjoy his race looking at the fact that they could be a lot of pressure from supporters.

"According to me, he is fit and expectations are that he will go all the way to the finals," he said.

*Sunday Standard* sports editor, Botlhale Koothopile said the race would be a test for the local lad adding that in the line up, he would be against athletes who ran better times.

He said Machine was yet to go under 1:45 while athletes such as Wanyonyi, who was among athletes he will face, ran under 1:44.

"That being said however, these are World Championships and anything is possible. Personal Best times count for less here and mental fortitude is the currency of the day," he said.

Koothopile said Masalela's times had improved this past year adding that he had it in him to go through to the semi-finals.

Interestingly, he said his PBs had been in category A races as compared to lower categories, adding that he did well at the FNB Botswana Grand Prix and the Kip Keino Classic as compared to the lowly ranked competitions. "This shows he is a man for the big occasion and if he continues to do such, he will be through to the semis," he said. **BOPA**



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