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# Botswana grants 64 citizenship



Minister of Labour and Home Affairs, Major General Pius Mokgware (right), handing over citizenship documents to one of the 64 refugees during commemoration of World Refugee Day in Dukwi on Saturday. Looking on is the Minister of Justice and Correctional Services, Mr Nelson Ramaotwana (second left) and MP for Nata/Gweta also Assistant Minister of Health, Mr Lawrence Ookeditse. Photo: Goitsemodimo Williams-Madzonga

Granting of citizenship to the refugees is an affirmation of government commitment to the protection and upholding of human rights.

Inclusion of the refugees is a fulfillment of one of the commitments made by government at the Global Refugee Forum.

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# First Lady stresses value of play

Ketshepile More  
GABORONE

**First Lady Ms Kaone Boko has called for a safe environment where children can play and develop, noting that play is important for their cognitive growth and relational skills.**

Speaking at the commemoration of International Day of Play in Gaborone Thursday, Ms Boko said play was important in children's learning and emotional development. She therefore, urged parents, caregivers and community to engage meaningfully with children, and be more involved in establishing safe play, stressing the need for a collective commitment to prioritise play in national development agenda.

Ms Boko urged stakeholders to work together in protecting and promoting children's play and development. She urged them to ensure safety of children while promoting their well-being through access to education, health facilities and nurturing environment.

Commemorated under the theme: Protect Play, Protect Childhood, Ms Boko said the theme emphasised parents and caregivers' responsibility in ensuring a safe environment for children to play.

She said play, according to research was beneficial in enhanced language skills as well as healthy emotional development. And, therefore called on a collective responsibility of families, communities and government in nurturing children's development.

UN Resident Coordinator Ms Wenyan Yang encouraged children to embrace their right to play and enjoy their childhood fully, emphasising the importance of children's voices and their right to joyful play.

She said play was not just a leisure activity but a fundamental right that contributed to various aspects of a child's growth. Ms Wenyan said play should be integrated into policies and educational practices.

Ms Wenyan, however acknowledged the significant progress by Botswana government in increasing access to early childhood development services, aiming for 80 per cent access by 2030.

She appealed for quality early childhood services that were play-based, inclusive, and responsive to every child's needs, with special attention directed toward the girl child and children with disabilities, who often faced societal barriers

and inequalities.

Meanwhile, deputy permanent secretary in the ministry of basic education, Dr Morena Rankopo highlighted the crucial role of early childhood development (ECD) in Botswana, noting that the first five years were vital for lifelong learning, health, and productivity. He said while progress had been made in educational access and well-being, challenges remained, especially in rural and low-income children's households which were indicated by enrolment rates.

Dr Rankopo said government was committed to address these challenges through strategic priorities such as expanding access to ECD services, strengthening community-based initiatives, and enhancing the quality of education. This call to action, Dr Rankopo said urged stakeholders to collaborate in ensuring that every child had access to quality ECD services, aligning with the national vision for development.

He further emphasised the significance of the early years of life for human development, stating that investments during this period yielded high returns for individuals and society. He said 67 per cent of children under five years lacked access to early childhood education in Botswana, saying this called for the urgency of addressing educational inequities.

He said government has made efforts to address these inequalities such as the introduction of structured early learning programmes in public schools.

Dr Rankopo said there was need for improvements in access and infrastructure, and therefore appealed for collaboration among various stakeholders to reflect on a strategic approach in order to overcome existing challenges.  
**BOPA**



First Lady Kaone Boko (centre) playing with children at the commemoration of International Day of Play in Gaborone recently. Ms Boko said play shaped how children learn, grow and connect with the world. Photo: Felicity Male

## Chombo advocates shift from dependency

Lindi Morwaeng  
MOLEPOLOLE

Minister of Youth and Gender Affairs, Ms Lesego Chombo, has challenged young people to move away from a culture of dependency and embrace innovation, entrepreneurship and problem-solving as pathways to self-reliance.

She urged the youth to become creators of opportunities, not only for themselves but also for others.

Addressing the Molepolole Youth Pitso and Empowerment Workshop on Thursday, Ms Chombo said young people had for too long been conditioned to believe that success depended on securing employment from government or other employers rather than identifying and solving societal problems.

"What problem are you preparing yourself to solve?" Minister Chombo asked participants. "I'm not asking what degree you are pursuing or what career you want. The greatest impact comes from people who solve meaningful problems."

Held under the theme: Unlocking

Opportunities, Building Futures: Creating Pathways to Employment, Enterprise and Economic Inclusion, the workshop brought together youth, government officials, community leaders and industry players to discuss employment, entrepreneurship, innovation and economic inclusion.

Minister Chombo said government was shifting its focus towards creating an enabling environment for young people to innovate, start businesses and create employment opportunities, rather than serving as the sole provider of jobs.

"We want to prepare young people to be problem-solvers, not beneficiaries of opportunity," she said. "Government's role is to remove barriers, create enabling policies and provide support, but young people must come up with solutions, businesses and innovations that create jobs."

She said Botswana's education system was undergoing reforms aimed at equipping learners with practical skills, critical thinking and problem-solving abilities from an early age.

The minister also encouraged

young people to embrace emerging technologies, including artificial intelligence (AI), saying technological advancement should be viewed as an opportunity rather than a threat.

"AI will not only replace some jobs, it will also create new jobs that have never existed before. Our responsibility is to prepare ourselves and position ourselves to take advantage of those opportunities," she said. Member of Parliament for Molepolole South Mr Shima Monageng said the workshop was intended to provide a platform for young people to engage directly with the minister and learn from experienced professionals.

MP Monageng said he hoped to produce at least 30 successful entrepreneurs in the constituency before the end of his term in office.

Acting Director in the Ministry of Youth and Gender Affairs, Mr Christian Mmusi, outlined government programmes aimed at empowering young people and revealed that the ministry was in the process of remodelling the Youth Development Fund (YDF).

Mr Mmusi said while the fund had contributed to the creation

of about 29 000 jobs, challenges remained, particularly regarding loan repayments by beneficiaries.

He said the ministry was reviewing the programme to improve its effectiveness and sustainability.

During a panel discussion, Music Lecturer and ambassador Ms Chedza Pansiri encouraged young people to leverage Botswana's culture and heritage as economic assets capable of generating employment and business opportunities.

"Talent can be turned into income, but talent alone is not enough if it is not backed by value," she said.

Other speakers urged participants to embrace digital technologies and position themselves to benefit from opportunities in the growing digital economy instead of using technology merely for entertainment.

The workshop formed part of ongoing efforts by government and local leadership to engage young people on issues affecting their livelihoods while promoting entrepreneurship, innovation and economic participation. **BOPA**

# BIC drives dialogue on future growth

Booster Mogapi  
TLOKWENG

The Botswana Insurance Company (BIC) has been commended for creating a platform where financial and insurance institutions come together to plan for a better future for Botswana in the financial services industry.

This is so particularly that the financial sector plays a critical role in the advancement of the economic transformation agenda of the nation.

For Botswana whose development story has been shaped in large measure by diamonds, the shift carried a notable significance and reinforced the importance of broadening the economic base, deepening productivity, and creating new sources of growth alongside the industries that had served the country well, Vice President and Minister of Finance, Mr Ndaba Gaolathe, said.

Addressing the 4<sup>th</sup> BIC Annual Thought Leadership Conference 2026 at Royal Aria on Friday, Mr Gaolathe thanked the BIC for convening the conference held under the theme: From Resilience to Transformation, a theme that speaks directly to the challenge facing the nation.

He said resilience enabled people to withstand disruption while transformation them to shape what came next.

Earlier this year, government was confronted with difficult truths about public finances, weaknesses in critical systems, and the realities facing many citizens, particularly unemployment and constrained opportunities, realities that demanded decisive action.

Mr Gaolathe said the first responsibility was to stop the haemorrhaging and restore fiscal stability especially that transformation could not be built on unstable foundations.

That is why the 2026/2027 Budget marked the beginning of a New Era of Economic Transformation and Fiscal Prudence, Mr Gaolathe said.

“Our vision, our True North, is a high-income, export-driven, digitally enabled, and people-centred economy.

Achieving it requires a more diversified and productive economy that creates meaningful employment, expands

opportunity, and enables more citizens to participate, contribute, and prosper.

Yet our ambition reaches further still.

We seek to build Botswana into the best-managed nation on the African continent, a paragon of unity, fairness, and inclusive growth, anchored in dignity, responsibility, and shared prosperity,” said Mr Gaolathe.

He further stated that the Botswana Economic Transformation Programme (BETP) brought the role into sharp focus and as the national platform for execution, it served as the bridge between aspiration and achievement, bringing together government, business, investors, and citizens around a shared objective of unlocking investment, accelerating growth, and expanding opportunity.

The programme focuses on sectors with the greatest potential to become new engines of growth, investment, and employment, including agriculture, mining and energy, manufacturing, tourism, infrastructure, healthcare, financial services, and digitalisation.

Mr Gaolathe said many promising enterprises across the country remained trapped in the missing middle and had outgrown informal financing, yet struggled to access the capital required for expansion.

Their success he said would depend on the ability to mobilise capital at scale, manage risk intelligently, crowd in private investment, and build confidence across the economy and this, was where the financial services sector, and indeed the insurance fraternity, assumed a role that was both strategic and indispensable.

The insurance performs a vital function within the ecosystem as the economic transformation inevitably involves risk and the new industries carry uncertainty, Mr Gaolathe said and added that infrastructure projects required long-term capital and climate-related events threatened livelihoods and productive assets and insurance helped convert that uncertainty into manageable risk, allowing businesses to invest more confidently, lenders to extend capital more comfortably, and households to recover more quickly when adversity struck.

Botswana Insurance Company Group CEO, Mr Newton Jazire said the conference was an opportunity for banks, insurance companies, pension funds and fintechs to meet and come up with strategies of providing and enhancing better services to their customers.

He said financial inclusion was at the centre of all of their efforts, yet had been driving their services with conventional methods of selling that looked at the formally employed individuals while they were many others outside that bracket.

Mr Jazire said it was important to come up with ways of tapping into that industry that held a lot of cash in their hands and get them involved into the financial system.

He said with Artificial Intelligence, new technologies and financial challenges, trust became key hence the need to continue working on the same, for the benefit of customers.

This he said this was possible

through partnerships with other sectors, and for the financial sector to survive.

Insurance Mr Jazire said, remained an important risk management framework for the

country’s economic development and also in increasing financial inclusion. **BOPA**



Vice President and Minister of Finance, Mr Ndaba Gaolathe (right) and Botswana Insurance Company (BIC) CEO, Mr Newton Jazire after the official opening of the fourth BIC Annual Thought Leadership conference in Tlokweng recently. Mr Gaolathe said insurance was one of the important foundations of economic development, as it enabled societies to transform uncertainty into confidence. Photo: Phenyo Moalosi

## Botswana grants 64 citizenship

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DUKWI

Sixty-four refugees have been granted Botswana citizenship, marking a new chapter of their lives.

Handing over their citizenship documents on World Refugee Day commemoration on Saturday, Minister of Labour and Home Affairs, Major General Pius Mokgware said the act of bestowing citizenship on the 64 would forever be etched in their minds given that they had left their countries of origin not by choice but because of the harsh and challenging circumstances that they faced.

Maj. Gen Mokgware said with government being human rights-centric, the granting of citizenship to the 64 was an affirmation of the administration’s commitment to the protection and upholding of

human rights.

The minister implored the new citizens to integrate with locals and participate in all community activities and most importantly to respect the laws that govern Botswana.

Meanwhile, Minister of Justice and Correctional Services, Mr Nelson Ramaotwana said his ministry, together with that of Labour and Home Affairs, were working collaboratively towards ensuring the effective local integration of refugees, which sits among the most effective and long-lasting solutions to addressing their plight.

Minister Ramaotwana added that this year’s commemoration of Refugee Day marked a significant milestone towards the inclusion of some of the refugees that Botswana was hosting.

He said the decision to grant some of the refugees citizenship was going to unlock many opportunities for them, contribute to the core message of the theme of this year’s commemoration of: Until everyone is safe.

Mr Ramaotwana also noted that the inclusion of the 64 former refugees was a fulfillment of one of the commitments that the Botswana government had made at the Global Refugee Forum (GRF), where it committed to the integration of individuals with protracted cases, unaccompanied minors and those at the risk of being stateless.

Furthermore, he highlighted that another milestone in line with demonstration of commitment to the protection and welfare of refugees, as of last year his ministry had been working tirelessly to secure tertiary education scholarships for refugee students that had demonstrated academic excellence in order to enable them to access higher education.

To date, in partnership with different tertiary institutions, 25 refugee students have been successfully enrolled in various institutions such as Botho University, University of Botswana and Botswana International University of Science and Technology. **BOPA**

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# PAC to refer Gabane project fund discrepancy to DCEC

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The Parliamentary Public Accounts Committee (PAC) has resolved to officially refer a financial discrepancy involving over P107.3 million and massive project overruns to the Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime (DCEC) for immediate criminal investigation.

The funds in question were earmarked by the Ministry of Local Government and Traditional Affairs for the Gabane Infrastructure Development Project.

Appearing before the PAC on Thursday, the Ministry's

Acting Permanent Secretary, Ms Tshepo Kebakile, testified that while the project was officially allocated a total baseline of P279 million, the actual contract sum awarded to deliver the work was P214,394,562, inclusive of contingencies.

However, intense committee scrutiny quickly revealed that the project suffered a staggering over P107.3 million cost overrun emanating from amongst other claims due to delays.

When pressed to explain the inflated expenditure, Ms Kebakile admitted that the additional costs stemmed from work originally left out because the project was launched without completed engineering designs.

"The project started without complete designs, and that caused a situation where, during the progression of the project, we were busy working on other designs on the other side," she said.

The admission triggered questioning from Gamalete legislator, Mr Boniface Mabeo, who asked the accounting officer if it was professional for a major civil project to commence without finalised blueprints.

Ms Kebakile conceded that the approach was highly unprofessional and a total departure from standard procedures.

"So the Ministry wasted government funds because they

were not professional, is that what you are saying," he asked.

Ms Kebakile responded that the ministry took the decision to meet Economic Stimulus Programme (ESP) timelines.

"Indeed we did not do what was right, we should not have started the project without complete designs," she said.

Mr Mabeo further said that on top of the existing overruns, the project consultant has submitted an additional variation claim amounting to approximately P6.5 million, driving the project's financial bleed even higher.

The legislator expressed disappointment that no civil servants or officials had been held administratively accountable

for a blunder that cost taxpayers millions. PAC Chairperson Mr Taolo Lucas declared that whoever authorised the project to kick off under incomplete designs acted with gross negligence.

Mr Lucas said that starting a multi-million Pula infrastructure project without finalised designs 'bordered on corruption.'

Consequently, the committee passed a formal resolution to hand the file over to the DCEC. The referral underscores the PAC's heightened zero-tolerance stance on public sector fiscal misconduct.

By deploying the state's top anti-corruption agency, the committee aims to initiate an immediate, investigation. BOPA

## Land board faces balancing act on squatter settlements

Gaolethoo Kgatitswe  
MAUN

The growing challenge of squatter settlements in Maun has sparked renewed debate over how authorities can uphold orderly land development while protecting vulnerable families from homelessness.

The issue took centre stage during the Tawana Landboard-North West District Council stakeholder engagement workshop, where participants agreed that illegal occupation of surveyed land was disrupting development plans but differed on how the problem should be addressed.

Senior Chief Representative for the Batawana Tribal Administration, Kgosi Oleyo Ledimo, called for decisive action against squatters occupying land already earmarked for demarcation and allocation.

He argued that the continued occupation of such land was delaying service delivery and worsening an already significant backlog of applicants awaiting

plots.

However, Moeti Ward councillor Pheny Moshongo urged authorities to approach the matter with empathy, noting that many squatters were driven by poverty and a lack of affordable housing options.

According to Moshongo, lengthy delays in land allocation have contributed to the problem, leaving some residents with few alternatives but to settle illegally. He cautioned that evictions carried out without alternative accommodation arrangements could expose families, including children, to severe hardship.

Responding to the concerns, Maun Sub-Landboard Chairperson Ogaufi Monamisi acknowledged the complexity of the issue, saying any intervention must balance legal requirements with respect for human dignity and the constitutional right to shelter.

He said the Landboard would continue working with relevant stakeholders to find lawful and sustainable solutions that address both land administration challenges and the welfare of



North West District Commissioner, Mr Thabang Waloka received a petition from the Maun community regarding different land issues recently. The residents seek dialogue with Tawana Land Board over delays and growing challenges of squatter settlements in Maun. North West District Council stakeholder engagement workshop heard that illegal occupation of surveyed land was disrupting development plans. Photo: Gaolethoo Kgatitswe

affected communities.

The debate unfolds against a backdrop of mounting pressure on land resources in Maun.

Tawana Land Board currently has 43 635 applicants on its residential plot waiting list, including 26 266 from Maun village alone, while an additional

13 492 people are seeking ploughing fields.

The figures underscore the impact of rapid urbanisation in Maun, where rising demand for land and housing has intensified competition for residential space and increased the vulnerability of low-income households.

The discussion highlighted a broader policy challenge facing local authorities: how to accelerate land delivery and planned development while ensuring that solutions to illegal occupation do not deepen social hardship for some of the district's most vulnerable residents. BOPA

## Ombudsman intensifies outreach to promote services

Thuso Kgakatsi  
LOKGWABE

The Office of the Ombudsman has reaffirmed its commitment to bringing its services closer to communities as part of ongoing efforts to combat maladministration, improve public service delivery and ensure that all citizens have access to justice.

Addressing a stakeholder engagement meeting in Lokgwabe, ombudsman, Advocate Stephen Tiroyakgosi, said cases of maladministration continued to be reported in some government departments, highlighting the need for greater accountability and improved service delivery across the public sector.

He said public institutions had a responsibility to provide efficient, transparent and fair

services, adding that the Office of the Ombudsman remained committed to investigating complaints of maladministration while promoting good governance and administrative fairness.

Responding to issues raised during discussions, Advocate Tiroyakgosi said the Office of the Ombudsman envisioned establishing offices in more localities across the country, to improve accessibility and ensure that services reached people in all districts, particularly those living in remote areas.

He further appealed to families and communities to support former offenders after their release from prison, saying successful reintegration depended largely on acceptance and inclusion.

Advocate Tiroyakgosi cautioned against discrimination in employment and other opportunities, warning that social

exclusion often increased the likelihood of repeat offending.

He also encouraged communities to initiate empowerment and income-generating projects capable of creating employment and strengthening local economies, particularly as Botswana continued to face economic challenges.

Kgosi Tshepo Molatole commended the Office of the Ombudsman for consistently engaging communities, particularly those in remote areas.

He said such outreach programmes had enabled residents to better understand the institution's mandate despite its existence for more than three decades.

Kgosi Molatole encouraged residents to actively participate in government programmes and development initiatives designed to

improve livelihoods and stimulate local economic growth. He also urged community members to make use of available platforms to raise concerns affecting them, noting that informed and engaged citizens were better positioned to contribute meaningfully to the development of their communities.

Councilor Raymond Molemele of Lokgwabe said unequal recognition of merafe under the Constitution had created perceptions of superiority among some groups, a situation he warned could contribute to human rights violation and maladministration.

He stressed that all Batswana deserved equal recognition and treatment regardless of their ethnic background.

He also called for intensified public education on legal issues, saying many citizens remained unaware of their constitutional

rights and the availability of free legal aid services.

Members of the public welcomed the engagement, describing it as an important platform for dialogue between government institutions and communities.

Some expressed hope that the proposed decentralisation of Ombudsman services would reduce the cost and inconvenience of travelling long distances to seek assistance, while others said regular awareness campaigns would empower citizens to better understand their rights and hold public institutions accountable.

The engagement forms part of the Office of the Ombudsman's ongoing nationwide programme aimed at strengthening public awareness, promoting good governance and ensuring equitable access to justice for all citizens. BOPA

# Child abuse cases rise in North East District

Goweditse Kome

MASUNGA

The North East District is currently handling 427 child abuse cases, of which 265 are defilement and rape.

Chief Social and Community Development Officer, Ms Moitshphi Dibothhale said the recorded defilement and rape cases takes 62 per cent of the child abuse cases, adding that some cases resulted in pregnancies.

Speaking in an interview, Ms Dibothhale said some of the cases were before courts of law while other were still under investigation.

“These high number of child abuse cases is a serious concern as it is clear that communities are aware of what was happening. More has to be done through stakeholder collaboration with the community as cases continue to escalate,” she said.

Ms Dibothhale highlighted the need to intensify deterrence measures, including awareness and education engaging parents, caregivers and the general community.

She said some victims and caregivers were reluctant to report such cases including

medical attention for fear of being associated with the shameful inhumane behaviour.

Other barriers, she said included protecting perpetrators, loss of income and support provided by the said perpetrator as well as protecting family relations and image.

She said it was unfortunate that a relative or family member would without shame cross the barrier to engage in some shameful criminal act and only to be concerned about their dignity and engage in some dirty games

aimed at destroying evidence.

“Perpetrators are usually adolescent to young adults and the elderly in most cases who may be related, neighbours and these are mostly people who know their victims very well,” she said.

Ms Dibothhale stated that child negligence, lack of parental supervision, presence of unrelated adults in the home had made some significant contributions to cases of child abuse.

Among other patterns and

trends leading to child abuse, she highlighted overcrowded households, lack of privacy, shared bedrooms and poor parent-child communication about sex.

She said child abuse had psychological harm on the victims leading to stress and depression.

Childhood traumas and stressors have long-term effects on the individual child as they live in fear, low self-worth, anger outburst, substance abuse and trust issues, she said.

Regarding awareness, she said children at school were engaged through education and prevention programmes to guard against cases of child abuse.

In addition, she said the district has trained Village Child Protection Committees which were mandated to be an oversight of child related matters especially child protection aspects.

She said an action plan had been developed for community outreach activities during the current financial year.

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## 'Consider community trusts post-FMD'

Mmoniemang Motsamai

MOCHUDI

Forming community trusts post-Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) outbreak can bring gains for Kgatleng East river villages, says Assistant Minister of Lands and Agriculture, Mr Motsamai Motsamai.

Speaking during a visit to appreciate community efforts toward combating the spread of FMD along the fence bordering Botswana and South Africa recently, Mr Motsamai said trusts were handy given the benefits of coordinated wildlife movement while communities could also tap into conservation incentives. While appreciating a delicate balance between conserving wild

animals and protecting livestock, he said there was a probability that some wild animals were also carriers of the virus, hence they should be contained for easy management.

Mr Motsamai noted that Trusts were also important in pushing community developments and activities that generated income.

“In some communities where there are Trusts, they have generated income that assist them during these trying times,” he said.

The assistant minister also emphasised the need for sustained vigilance, transparent reporting, and coordinated responses to prevent the spread of the virus to previously disease-free zones, cautioning them to guard the hot spot areas and to kraal

their animals. Kgatleng Senior Veterinary Officer, Dr David Kitosi informed the meeting that the deterioration of veterinary cordon fences were a cause for concern in the district.

He said despite efforts by members of the community especially farmer groups in clearing the bushes and restoring the fence voluntarily, some perpetrators continued to vandalise the fence.

“I am happy to inform you that communities here are leading volunteerism efforts to build and mend cordon fences to contain severe outbreaks using their own resources including patrolling boundaries,” he said.

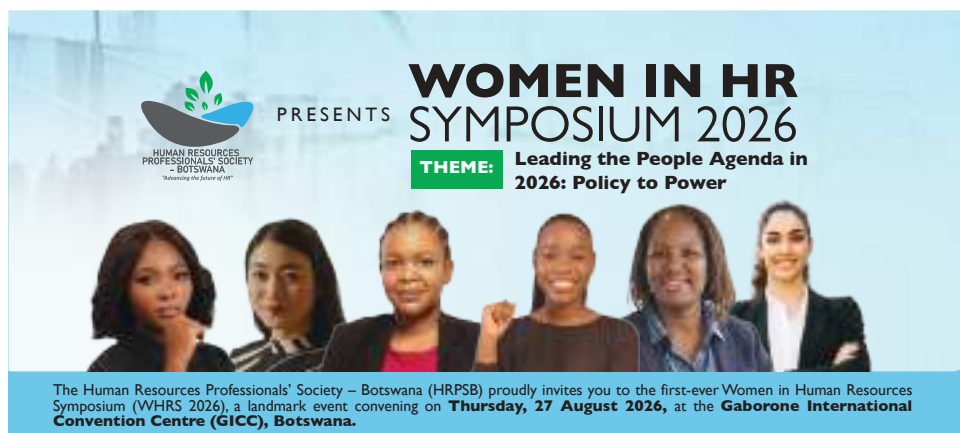
Dr Kitosi said the intention was to mend the 185km distance fence along the river villages from

Sikwane to Phala-Camp, but the limited budget to purchase fence and other implements were dictating otherwise.

He said while government had imposed widespread restrictions, including bans on the transportation and slaughter of cloven-hoofed animals at social gatherings, some people had turned a deaf ear by not following protocols to acquire meat from FMD selectively eased areas.

Meanwhile Kgosi Michael Balebetse of Mmathubudukwane cautioned the communities against keeping a large herd of animals that become unmanageable to look after. He condemned farmers that do not kraal their animals, leaving them to roam along the cordon fences.

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# Salakae impressed by A3 progress



Minister of Transport and Infrastructure, Mr Noah Salakae has praised the rapid progress on the A3 road project, calling the visible improvements a major boost for local connectivity and economic growth.

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**MATHANGWANE**

Minister of Transport and Infrastructure Mr Noah Salakae has expressed satisfaction with the progress and quality of works on the A3 Road linking Francistown to Nata and has described the road as a vital trade corridor for both tourism and transportation of goods.

Speaking last week during a tour of the 200-kilometre road whose reconstruction is

being implemented under the Development Manager Model through Okavango Africa Consortium, Minister Salakae noted that government was committed to delivering climate resilient infrastructure which would be able to withstand intense climate pressures.

Hence, he said the role of the road as a link to the A1 Road and as a major corridor link between Botswana and the north of Africa, compelled that its quality be unquestionable.

Further, he appealed to the contractor to rehabilitate the areas where bridges were being constructed on the Tati and Shashe Rivers so that water could flow again after the completion of the project.

Minister Salakae said his tour formed part of efforts aimed at ensuring that the project was delivered according to specification, noting that relying on reports regarding the status of any project had proven insufficient hence the need to get on-site information from the contractors.

The Development Manager team leader Mr Moemedi Gabana described the bridge on the Shashe River in Mathangwane as one of the pinnacles of their success in the project as they battled two rainy seasons to get the works moving.

Mr Gabana said the situation compelled them to develop strategies which would enable them to continue with the works even when the river was overflowing, citing as an example their decision to re-direct the water after establishing a working space within the river so that they did not lose time.

He said presently, they were working on the last three pillars of the bridge while getting ready to start works on steel beams of the deck.

He said that strategies to work in harmony with nature was to ensure that work proceeded with less impediments and such had allowed them to recover lost time.

He also noted that works for the interchange at Orapa Junction, had begun, adding that they had brought in high technology machinery to speed up the works.

He highlighted that they installed about 10 kilometres of asphalt from the junction and were moving towards a stretch of 20 kilometres after which then they will move traffic to the new temporary road.

However, Mr Gabana stated that out of the 27 properties that had to make way for the road, two property owners had rejected the valuation offers from both the private valuers they had engaged and those of the Ministry of Local Government and Traditional Affairs.

He said one of the properties was valued at a million Pula but the owner countered the offer with a P2 million demand, hence they were still waiting on government to take further steps to deal with the matter.

He further said their Dukwi camp faced a human resource crisis as labourers often abandoned work when they got paid their monthly dues. Also, he said they suffered theft of fuel from machines parked on site after work, a challenge he said they had engaged the village leadership on. **BOPA**

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## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Stanbic Bank launches youth dev. programme

**GABORONE** - Stanbic Bank Botswana has officially launched a Youth Development Programme, aimed at nurturing young talent and creating access to the game of golf. Speaking at the launch at the Stanbic Golf Club in Gaborone recently, Stanbic Bank Botswana CEO, Chose Modise said the programme was aimed at empowering the next generation to thrive in sports. "We recognise that talent is universal. However, opportunity is not always equally distributed. Through the programme, we want to create access and expose more young people to new possibilities. Giving an overview of the programme, Stanbic Bank Gaborone Golf Club president, Mr Thebe Malipiti said their vision was to open doors of golf to children from all backgrounds, particularly from underserved communities, while welcoming participants from both public and private schools. He said the programme welcomes children and youth between the ages of 6 to 19 years. **BOPA**

### Kenya partners with China to boost mushroom value chain

**NAIROBI** - The Chamber Business Academy (CBA), a division of the Kenya National Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KNCCI), has signed a strategic memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the China-Africa Economic and Trade Promotion Council (CAETPC) to accelerate the growth of a market-oriented mushroom value chain. The partnership with the Chinese institution based in Changsha, central China's Hunan Province, establishes a framework for technical cooperation, capacity building, and technology transfer to scale up a professional, commercial mushroom value chain across Kenya and the East African region, the KNCCI said in a statement issued on Friday in Nairobi, the Kenyan capital. KNCCI President Erick Rutto emphasized that the initiative will drive small and medium enterprise development, enhance food security, and create agribusiness jobs by equipping local producers with modern production technologies and vital market intelligence. **Xinhua**

### Libya records highest oil output

**TRIPOLI** - Libya's total oil output reached about 1.49 million barrels per day (bpd) on Sunday, the highest level since 2013, the National Oil Corporation (NOC) has said. Crude oil output hit 1.44 million bpd, while condensate output stood at 49,163 bpd. Libya depends heavily on its oil industry, which accounts for more than 90 per cent of government revenues and over 95 per cent of export earnings, according to official and international estimates. However, production has been repeatedly disrupted in recent years due to conflict and political instability. The NOC achieved its highest monthly revenue in 10 years this May, generating nearly 4 billion U.S. dollars, according to local media reports. **Xinhua**

Department of Tourism Director, Mr Lopang Pule (left), Ministry of Environment and Tourism, acting deputy permanent secretary, Mr Charles Mojalemotho (second left), ministry's permanent secretary, Ms Abigail Khumoyame (second right) and Minister Wynter Mmolotsi during the review of Tourism Act, 2009 Consultation Meeting in Gaborone on Thursday. Photo: Pheny Ramatu



## Govt moves to review 2009 Tourism Act

Lesedi Thatayamodimo  
**GABORONE**

Government has reaffirmed its commitment to transforming Botswana's tourism industry through a comprehensive review of the Tourism Act of 2009.

The review aims to unlock the sector's full potential and strengthen its contribution to economic growth, employment creation and diversification.

Speaking at the Tourism Act review stakeholder consultation in Gaborone recently, Minister of Environment and Tourism, Mr Wynter Mmolotsi said the review marked a significant milestone in the development of the tourism sector.

He said it reflected government's commitment to creating a modern and responsive legal framework.

Mr Mmolotsi said the review followed the adoption of the National Tourism Policy in 2021 and the subsequent development of the 10-year National Tourism Strategy and Master Plan, which provides a roadmap for sustainable growth.

The strategy is anchored on four pillars: creating an enabling environment, strengthening marketing and branding, improving infrastructure and support services, and enhancing product development and diversification.

The NTSMP recommended harmonisation of tourism-related legislation to create an effective legal framework. As a result, the Tourism Act will be the first law to be reviewed, paving the way for reforms to other legislation including the Botswana Tourism Organisation Act, Wildlife

Conservation and National Parks Act, National Museums and Relics Act, Forest Act, Civil Aviation Authority Act, Road Transport (Permit) Act and Immigration Act.

"The rationale behind the review is grounded in government's prioritisation of tourism as a key economic growth sector that can contribute significantly to economic diversification and employment creation," Mmolotsi said.

The revised legislation is expected to promote innovation, reduce unnecessary restrictions and improve the ease of doing business in the tourism sector.

Mmolotsi noted that although the Tourism Act has served the country well for more than 15 years, changing global trends and emerging challenges require a modern framework capable of improving Botswana's

competitiveness in the international tourism market.

He highlighted tourism's importance to the country's economic diversification agenda, saying the sector occupies a central position in the Botswana Economic Transformation Programme and National Development Plan 12.

Among the key objectives of the review are increasing citizen participation, strengthening partnerships between communities and the private sector, diversifying tourism products beyond high-end safari experiences, and promoting cultural, heritage, eco-tourism and community-based tourism.

Mr Mmolotsi emphasised the importance of stakeholder engagement, saying consultations would be conducted nationwide before a revised Tourism Bill is presented to Parliament for consideration. **BOPA**

## Botswana prioritises disease control over convenience

Thuso Kgakatsi  
**HUKUNTSI**

In a country where beef is woven into everyday life, asking communities to forgo slaughtering cattle and transporting meat is no small sacrifice. Yet as Botswana continues battling an outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD), veterinary authorities insist that short-term inconvenience is the price that must be paid to protect a livestock industry that sustains thousands of livelihoods and contributes significantly to the national economy.

For many households in Kgalagadi and beyond, cattle are more than a source of income. They represent wealth, culture and security. But authorities warn that ignoring disease-control measures could jeopardise not only individual herds but also

Botswana's hard-earned access to lucrative international beef markets.

Despite movement restrictions and the suspension of slaughtering cloven-hoofed animals, some individuals continue to transport meat illegally into affected areas or slaughter livestock secretly.

Principal Agricultural Information Officer, Mr Ignacious Kgaodi, said such practices threatened months of disease-control efforts and increase the risk of spreading FMD to unaffected areas.

Mr Kgaodi this said during a Foot and Mouth Disease awareness roadshow in Hukuntsi, that people want access to meat, but the priority should be about containing the disease first.

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Foot And Mouth Disease control is increasingly becoming a community effort.



Bank of Botswana Governor, Mr Lesego Moseki said that FMD control measures including movement bans and slaughter restrictions had disrupted beef and dairy supplies, risking short-term food inflation.

# FMD controls threaten spike in food prices

Thato Mosinyi  
GABORONE

An outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) and the resulting livestock movement bans and slaughter restrictions may push food inflation higher in the short term, the Bank of Botswana Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) has warned.

Presenting the MPC's recent report, Governor Lesego Moseki said strict disease control zones have disrupted local supply chains, creating shortages of beef and dairy products, driving meat and overall food prices sharply upward.

He said headline inflation edged up from 10.3 per cent in April to 10.7 per cent in May, staying above the Bank's 3-6 per cent medium-term objective range. Mr Moseki noted the month-on-month rise was partly due to a base effect; water tariffs for low-consumption households fell in May 2025, cutting inflation by 0.23 percentage points at the time.

Governor Moseki said the MPC forecasts showed that inflation would remain above the upper bound in the near term, driven by supply-side factors.

These, he said included persistent high international oil prices, their impact on domestic fuel, and associated cost-push pressures.

"Inflation is projected to average 9 per cent in 2026, before easing to 5.5 per cent in 2027. There is a greater risk of inflation being higher than currently projected, mainly due to potential second-round effects from higher domestic fuel prices and possible increases in administered prices, in particular electricity tariffs and public transport fares," Mr Moseki said.

Growth is also expected to remain subdued due to adverse external developments, he added.

He noted that external developments had raised the cost of living and undermined the recovery of the global diamond market, weighing on Botswana's

overall economic performance.

Mr Moseki said higher prices for oil, gas, fertilisers and industrial inputs tied to the Middle East war would stay inflationary if peace negotiations break down. The possibility of global tariff increases also heightens inflation risks.

"Inflation could, however, be lower than projected if domestic and global economic activity remains subdued, fiscal space remains tight, or if international commodity prices fall. On balance, there is need for continued vigilance and management of inflation expectations," he said.

Furthermore, Governor Moseki said the Ministry of Finance projected economic growth of 3.1

per cent in 2026, driven by stronger non-mining sector performance under National Development Plan 12 and the Botswana Economic Transformation Programme (BETP).

He cautioned that any delay in BETP implementation could undermine recovery. The outlook remains subject to downside risks, including livestock disease outbreaks, geopolitical tensions, climate-related shocks, and shifting trade patterns.

Although USA-Iran peace negotiations have improved market sentiment, uncertainty over the durability of peace and the commodity price outlook remains elevated. **BOPA**

## Botswana prioritises disease control over convenience

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Once that is achieved, normal livestock operations can resume safely. The restrictions have not only affected consumers. The impact is also being felt by businesses and workers who depend on the livestock value chain.

Across affected districts, butcheries have remained closed for months, leaving some employees without jobs and reducing economic activity in communities where livestock farming is the primary economic driver.

For Kgalagadi North, where crop production opportunities are limited by the semi-arid climate, the livestock sector remains a critical source of household income.

Mr Kgaodi said the restrictions are necessary to protect Botswana's reputation as a beef exporter.

He noted that international trade standards require strict disease-control measures, warning that no country would willingly import livestock products from an area experiencing an active FMD

outbreak. The country's ability to regain and maintain export market access depends largely on how effectively the disease is contained.

Disease control is increasingly becoming a community effort. To address the demand for meat, Mr Kgaodi explained that there are established provisions through which meat can be legally sourced into the district, provided all veterinary requirements are met.

He further said a vehicle wheel bath has already been constructed near Kuke to disinfect vehicles entering livestock areas, while farmers in Ghanzi have pledged to establish a similar facility along the A2 Road.

Plans are also underway to construct fencing along sections of the Khutse Game Reserve and the Namibian border to reduce contact between livestock and wildlife, which can contribute to disease transmission.

Beyond disease control, authorities are urging livestock owners to improve animal management practices by branding

## Budget deficit strains projects - Phologolo

Marvin Motlhabane  
KANYE

What does a P28 billion budget shortfall mean for ordinary families in Kanye West? Residents of Mongala Ward turned up in numbers to hear from Kanye West MP, Mr Victor Phologolo, as he unpacked the 2026/27 Appropriation Bill, blending exciting opportunities in agriculture and infrastructure with sincere answers to community misunderstandings.

Speaking during a kgotla meeting in Mongala ward recently, Mr Phologolo said the national budget outlined P103.6 billion in total expenditure, supported by expected revenue of P74.4 billion, leaving a P28 billion shortfall amid declining diamond revenues.

Mr Phologolo used the platform to underscore the urgent push for economic diversification, citing focus on agriculture and youth empowerment.

He said a major highlight was a P1.2 billion loan from the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) aimed at fighting hunger through commercial farming. With Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) disrupting goats and sheep, he said the government was prioritising the poultry industry value-chain through CEDA.

This initiative offered citizens clear pathways into production, processing, and marketing, with ready markets locally and internationally, he said, adding that support packages included funding for youth projects from family homes ranging from P500 to P50,000, abattoir development up to P200,000, full grants for women and youth, and a 50 per cent grant plus 50 per cent loan structure for men.

He reiterated that the programme targeted 50 000 families across 20 districts, including startups, and linked well with initiatives like Ikageng

programme which encourages hands-on skills development amongst citizens, a strategy toward economic diversification.

On the infrastructure development phase, Mr Phologolo said already through the Botswana Economic Transformation Programme (BETP) government had revised strategies to cut import dependence. Likewise, he said Botswana currently spends P5 billion yearly on electricity from Eskom, but new local generation projects, including the Landmark 500MW Maun Solar Project, would allow the country to sell power back to the Southern African Power Pool.

He further said for Kanye region, P10 million has been allocated for road repairs in Kanye, P50 million for improved electricity access, P74 million for sanitation, and P44 million for portable water.

On other direct developments, he said Mongala Ward would receive a police satellite portacabin to be installed behind Mongala Mall to offer extension services to residents and a tower light to address the extreme darkness in the area.

The legislator encouraged Mongala residents, particularly youth and women, to seize the available grants and training opportunities as practical steps toward poverty reduction and self-reliance.

He assured residents that medicines have been procured and were at the Central Medical Stores (CMS), with a national update expected soon. He confirmed goats remain part of the new agricultural programmes, though currently in a strategic pause because of FMD outbreak.

On Kanye Hospital, Mr Phologolo said the project has shifted to a Public Private Partnership (PPP) model, citing ballooned contracts in the initial Development Manager (MD) model, adding that of late contractor vetting was underway, with further updates to be given to the community once consultations were done. The meeting reflected meaningful budgetary interventions in agriculture and infrastructure, tempered by urgent calls for improved healthcare, inflation control, and broader economic opportunities.

While many welcomed the poultry programme and developments cited by the member of parliament, one resident Mr Tsimababane thanked Mr Phologolo for small business support and suggested temporary border closures to shield the poultry programme which was currently in its rolling out.

On other issues, Mr Gabanakgosi highlighted critical shortages of medication in government facilities, which he linked to rising deaths and frequent patient referrals to Gaborone.

Another resident Ms Portia Raitsima appreciated the CEDA poultry drive but urged wider diversification, saying agriculture "is not for all" therefore calling for stronger support for manufacturing and services.

For his comments, Mr Ignatius Lethare raised concerns about rising inflation on fuel, food, and medical aid, emphasising the need for government worker salary increments to protect even pensioners and direct beneficiary alike. **BOPA**

# UDC retains Tatisiding North Ward

Kelebogile Taolo

## TATISIDING

Tatisiding North Ward by-election winner, Ms Keitumetse Tlhalerwa, of the Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC) has promised to do the best she can to be the voice of residents, by advocating for improved services and initiatives that would benefit the community.

She said challenges as high crime rate and bad roads pushed her to contest for the elections since better services delivery was what she stood for.

Ms Tlhwalerwa garnered 335 votes during the Saturday exercise, followed by the Botswana Democratic Party's (BDP), Ms Kwenzakile Sibunga with 299 votes, and Ms Thobekile Nchenje of Botswana Congress Party (BCP) in third

place with 163.

Independent candidate, Mr Onkabetse Moloko, came fourth with 64 votes, another independent candidate, Mr Scotsch Majama, came fifth with 17, Mr Phia Nyandoro, of the Botswana Patriotic Front (BPF) came sixth with 12 votes while Ms Hazel Chinyepi, also an Independent candidate, garnered two votes.

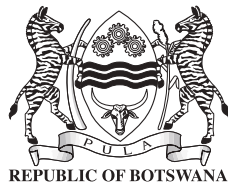
During the 2024 general election, UDC won narrowly, garnering 321 votes, just one vote more than the BDP, which obtained 320.

A total number of 897 voted in The Tatisiding North Ward elections which had only two polling stations, 550 voted in RAC Polling station and 347 voted in Bugalo Primary School Polling station.

The by-election came by after the passing of UDC Councillor, Mr Parkie Pius. **BOPA**



Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC)'s Ms Keitumetse Tlhalerwa (centre) shedding tears of joy after winning the Tatisiding North Ward council seat in the Saturday's by-election. The UDC secured 335 votes. Photo: Ogopoleng Kgomoethata



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#### BENEFITS

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# Women cobblers break into male-dominated industry

Keith Ketji

SEROWE

Women are dismantling patriarchal norms by stepping into the historically male-dominated field of shoe cobbling.

While this shift fosters diversity, female cobblers navigate unique challenges, including intense double standards, a lack of support from female counterparts, and heavier scrutiny.

For generations, shoe cobbling was traditionally reserved for men. Today, however, women are breaking these barriers by acquiring training certifications in leatherworks and apprenticeships. Women not only face the infamous 'glass ceiling' as they move up the ranks, but female entrepreneurs are further encircled by 'glass walls,' making it challenging for them to enter more profitable, traditionally male-dominated sectors.

Shoe cobbling duo Mesdames Motana of Quick Service Shoe Repair and Magdeline Moilwa of M.T.M Leather Products bear testimony to shattering the notion that shoe cobbling was exclusively for men.

Ms Moilwa told BOPA in an interview that breaking into a male-dominated business takes passion and perseverance.

Having started her trade in 1999, she initially attended Mochudi's Integrated Field Service (IFS) which offered business entrepreneurship and management training in 1998 to acquire basic skills in leatherworks.

A native of Serowe at Sebinanyane ward, she returned to the same school later that year to cement her expertise.

Through the then Financial Assistance Policy (FAP), she purchased equipment to kick-start her business.

"In 1999, I went to the Rural Industries Innovation Centre (RIIC) in Kanye to hone my skills specialising in leather products. This enabled my business to sell to individuals, schools, and corporate entities," Ms Moilwa said.

Ms Moilwa noted that while the business put food on the table despite a sluggish economy, the broader financial climate hampered exponential and further growth.

She did not despair but remained optimistic that economic revival would see her business soar to greater heights someday.

"The Foot and Mouth Disease outbreak in the country did not help the situation. Therefore, excellence, good customer care, and etiquette remained critical at that point in time for the success of the business," she said.

As for Ms Motana, a resident of Bokhurutshe ward in Serowe who plies her trade at the central marketplace, she learned cobbling in 1994 from Mr Gaoduelwe Shonono, a seasoned cobbler. She narrated that she met Mr Shonono in 1993 while she was still in school, and they agreed that upon her completion, he would hire her, a promise that became a reality.

She was keen to learn and bolster her authority in the craft because she possessed a photographic memory that enabled her to grasp the techniques quickly.

Ms Motana reminisces about a time when a teacher brought in shoes that needed repair, and she managed the task flawlessly, proving to herself that she could open her own business.

Following her maternity leave, she wasted no time and opened her own enterprise, which proved viable enough to support her family to date.

"The business continues to meet the family at the point of need," she said. To break barriers in male-dominated businesses she opines calls for visibility and mentorship.

Women according to Ms Motana were often given less room to make mistakes than their male counterparts. In addition, she said pushing beyond rigid and long-standing gender roles requires determination and drive.

"However, despite the progress, women entering male-dominated professions usually face hurdles which acts as launching pads in order to shine in the industry," said Ms Motana, maintaining a gaze around the workshop.

Women, she also asserts needed to frequently leverage empathy, emotional intelligence and collaboration to succeed and pave way for future generations of women. **BOPA**



Shoe cobblers, Ms Gabatswe Motana (top) of Quick Service Shoe Repair and Ms Magdeline Moilwa of M.T.M Leather Products bears testimony to dismissing the notion that shoe cobbling was exclusively for men. Photo: Baldwin Nyamande



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Modulasetilo wa dikomiti tsa ditlhabololo tsa Woodhall, Rre Samuel Makgau ene o rile beng ba matlo a a firisitsweng, ba tshwanetse ba tلاميwa go tlhabolola matlo a bone go itsa gore a seka a nna matlotla.

Kgosi Tebogo Kemoabe wa Peleng le ene o supile fa a tshwentswe ke matlotla mo Lobatse, a supa gore bontsi jwa

ditsha tsa bonno ga di tlhabololwe. O tlhalositse gore bontsi jwa banni ba toropo ke bahirisi mme dijarata ga di tlhabololwe ka jaana beng ba mafelo ao ba ile magaeng, ka jalo a kopa gore go dirwe sengwe ka seo go tokafatsa selebego sa toropo.

Kgosi Kemoabe o tlhalositse fa ba sa jesiwe diwelang ke barekisi ba mo mebileng ba ba rekisang motsokwe wa lengwanda, mme thekiso e tsere phekelo e sele ka jaanong e ama bana ba ba rongwang go o reka ke batsadi bangwe. Kgosi o tlhalositse jalo gore ngwana o kgona go o reka a o itirisetsa a sa rongwa mme seo se ame botsogo jwa gagwe.

Kgosi Kemoabe o ntshitse gape ngongora ka dimausu tse dintsi tse di butsweng gaufi le dikgoro tsa dikole, a supa fa dimausu tseo di le borai ka di rekisa dingwe tse di sa letlelelweng tse e leng gore fa ba dira dipatlisiso tsa dikgetsi dingwe tse di gorogang mo makgotleng a setswana ba fitlhela dimausu tseo di amega. O gakolotse batsadi go fokotsa go neela bana mme ba ba direle mopako ka jaana go neela ngwana madi letsatsi le letsatsi go ka baka mekgwa e e sa letlelesegeng, jaaka wa borukutlhi le gone gore bana ba ka raelesego go reka dingwe tse di sa letlelelweng.

Kgosi Kemoabe a re e re ntswa dimausu tseo di thusa batsadi go itshetsa, dingwe tsa tsone di baka dikgang tse di felelang di goroga kwa makgotleng a setswana ka bangwe ba rekisetsa bana ditagi koo. O kopile gore dimausu tseo di fokodiwe mme e bile di tsenngwe leitlho le tse tseletseng go babalela bana.

O tswelotse a bolela fa kgokgontsho ya bong e ba



Banni ba Lobatse ba lela ka bogodu jo bo kekelang jwa megala ya kopore kwa toropong ya bone. Banni ba roletse mopalamente wa Lobatse Rre Kamal Jacobs matshwenyego a bone kwa kgotleng bosheng ba supa fa seeemo seo se ba baya ka fa mosing ka ba tshela mo lefifing. Senepe: Calviniah Kgautlhe



tshwenya ka ba tswelotse ka go amogela dikgetsi tsa mofuta oo mo makgotleng. A re bomme bangwe ba ithusa seemo sa kwelotlase ya itsholelo ka go atumela borre ba ba berekang.

"Mme yoo ka ga a bereke o nna motlhanka mo go rre, yo e leng gore fa a batla go mmetsa wa mmetsa, fa a batla go mo koba wa mo koba mme ka gore

mme yo ga gona kwa a ka sielang teng, o a itshoka," kgosi a bolela. O ne a gakolola borre go emisa kgokgontsho ya bong ka seemo seo se tlhobaetsa.

Kgosi Kemoabe o ne a tlatsa ka gore ba tshwenngwa ke marekisetso a nnotagi a a rekisang khadi le chibuku. E re le fa beng ba mafelo ao ba a dirisa go itshetsa le go tsenya bana dikolo, kgosi

a re go na le tse di fatlhang tse di diragalang koo. O ne a kopa gore mafelo ao a fokodiwe mme go dirwe sengwe se sele sa itloso bodutu.

O boletse fa mafelo ao a kgoreletsa thuto, ka jaana bana ba sa kgone go bala sentle kwa malwapeng, a gatelela fa seemo seo se tshwanetse sa emelwa ka dinao go babalela isago ya bana. **BOPA**

# Lekgotla le kopa kemonokeng

Relief Lephutshi  
**KANYE**

Dikole di le lesome le boferabongwe di kgonne go tlhama makgotla a batsadi le barutabana a e bileng a rutilweng tiro yo a ne.

A ke maduo a thomo ya lekgotla legolo la batsadi le barutabana (Umbrella PTA) le le okametseng makgotla a a mabotlana a dikole tsa kgaolo ya Kanye.

Thomo e, e ne e tswa kwa khansela ya Kanye, morago ga Pitsa ya thuto e e neng e tshwerwe ngogola go nonotsha le go tlhama makgotla a batsadi le barutabana kwa a seyong teng, maikaelelo e le go lemotsha setshaba botlhokwa

jwa thuto.

M o g o l w a n e w a khuduthamageng ya lekgotla le legolo la batsadi le barutabana la dikole tsa kgaolo ya Kanye, Rre Goitsebeng Setsogo, o boleletse khansela ya Kanye gore bontsi jwa dikole bo na le makgotla a a dirang mme kwa a neng a seyo, dikole tsa teng di ne tsa fiwa kemonokeng.

Rre Setsogo a re dikole dingwe jaaka se sebotlana sa Segopotso, se ne sa rekelwa motshine oo gatisang di pampiri (printer) fa se segolwane sa Mookami se baakanyeditswe bodilo jwa matlo a borutelo.

O ntshitse matshwenyego mabapi le go nyafala ga batsadi go ntsha dituelo tsa makgotla a

batsadi le barutabana.

Rre Setsogo a re dikole di lebagane ke kgwetlho e tona ya boitshwaro jo e seng jone jwa baithuti bo akaretsa go kgokgontshiwa ga baithuti ba bangwe, bogodu, tiriso botlhaswa ya diritibatsi le bojalwa, go senya dithoto tsa sekole, go tlhokela barutabana botho gammogo le go tshola ka dilo tse diborai kwa dikoleng.

Dilo tse a re di paledisa barutabana le baithuti go itebaganya le tiro ya sekole mme se, se digele maduo a thuto kwa tlase. A re go onala ga dikago tsa dikole ke bothata jo bo lebaneng dikole go ralala kgaolo ya Kanye mme go ama maduo a thuto.

O kaile fa lekgotla la gagwe le

na le maikemisetso a go tswelotse ka go babakanya dikago tsa dikole ka mo go leng teng mme gape, lekgotla le dumalane go tsibosa batsadi ka boikarabelo jwa tshenyoya ya bana mo dikagong tsa thuto.

A re ba ya go tiisa go phutha dikoleke tsa PTA le go netefatsa gore tsamaiso ya madi a tsone ke e e mo pontsheng.

Rre Setsogo a re maiteko a bone a tlaa akaretsa gape go dira dikampa tsa go aga maitsholo a baithuti (bootcamps) le tshidilo maikutlo. Mo godimo ga moo, komiti e supile keletso ya go thaya letlole la Central PTA, se e le go leka go tokafatsa tomagano ya ditsamaiso tsa lekgotla legolo. Rre Setsogo a re letlole le tlaa

thusa segolo bogolo dikole tse di sokolang ka didirisiwa gareng ga tse dingwe.

Rre Setsogo a re, e re ka thuto e le boikarabelo jo bo kopanetsweng ke puso, setshaba, batsadi le dikole, lekgotla le lopa kemonokeng ya baeteledipele go tokafatsa thuto le maduo go ralala kgaolo ya Kanye.

A re boeteledipele jaaka dikgosi, mapalamente le makhanselara ba nne ba laletsa PTA go rutuntsha le go lekodisa morafe ka seemo sa thuto mo kgaolong.

Modulasetilo wa komiti ya thuto kwa khanseleng, mokhansara, Rre Anosi Kgomotso, a re komiti e a nametsege ka puso e dira sengwe go baakanya dikago tsa dikole. **BOPA**

# DEGREE PROGRAMMES

## Full Time | Part Time| Blended Learning

- Bachelor of Business Administration in Entrepreneurship
- Bachelor of Business Administration in Office Administration
- Bachelor of Business in Tourism Management
- Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting
- Bachelor of Commerce in Hospitality Management
- Bachelor of Commerce in Human Resource Management
- Bachelor of Commerce in Purchasing and Supply Chain Management
- Bachelor of Commerce in Risk Management
- Bachelor of Education in Early Childhood Education
- Bachelor of Science in Business Information Systems
- Bachelor of Science in Cyber Security



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# BENEFICIARY ASSESSMENT NOTICE



## CALL FOR BENEFICIARIES - DEATH BENEFITS CLAIMS

In line with the provisions of the Retirement Funds Act (2022) (the Act) which require retirement funds administrators to trace beneficiaries of death claims, NMG Administrators Botswana is currently assessing beneficiaries for deceased members of the Botswana Public Officers Pension Fund listed below. Therefore, all possible beneficiaries/dependants should liaise with the Administrator. This is to ensure that all beneficiaries or dependants are known and considered by the Trustees in apportioning the Death Benefits in pursuit of their fiduciary responsibility.

Kindly contact NMG Administrators Botswana within 14 days from the date of this Publication.

MEMBER NAME	EXIT DATE	STATUS
Koobiditse Botshwarenye	04/08/2025	Active
Lazarus Chalashika	17/12/2014	Deferred
Kebopetswe Gaarekwe	12/06/2025	Active
Letsweletse Garebao	09/08/2025	Active
Solomon Kabomo	26/08/2018	Deferred
Victor Kebakile	12/07/2021	Deferred
Ernest Kelaotswe	23/08/2012	Deferred
Gagolekanwe Kesiilwe	06/03/2023	Deferred
Kenatlafetse Lesaka	30/05/2014	Deferred
Mabuakonyana Leso	14/12/2025	Active
Milika Letlamma	12/06/2026	Active
Moseki Magibisela	10/03/2021	Deferred
Nametso Mahupa	07/08/2022	Deferred
Julia Makoni	13/11/2024	Active
Casper Malunga	14/02/2016	Deferred
Segomotso Masuku	17/11/2025	Active
Kegaisamang Matlhoame	16/11/2008	Deferred

MEMBER NAME	EXIT DATE	STATUS
Mphoentle Matshetshe	01/02/2026	Active
Edward Mbengwa	06/05/2025	Active
Meshack Mminakgabo	30/11/2021	Deferred
Loeto Moatswi	20/04/2022	Deferred
Thari Moeng	02/12/2010	Deferred
Kealeboga Mokalake	06/09/2025	Active
Mmapitso Monosi	21/05/2026	Pensioner
Gorden Moreo	24/10/2006	Deferred
Rahube Motshegwa	20/01/2022	Deferred
Nea Mpetsane	08/03/2026	Active
Bokani Nkele	14/01/2026	Active
William Phethu	10/07/2016	Deferred
Elizabeth Phuthego	20/08/2025	Active
Thebe Phutimpe	01/04/2025	Active
Mosidi Rantuana	06/01/2026	Active
Keikanne Raphapa	06/06/2025	Active

MEMBER NAME	EXIT DATE	STATUS
Moses Raphutshe	14/02/2024	Deferred
Segomotso Samuel	13/11/2025	Active
Oabile Segano	20/02/2022	Deferred
Kelebemang Seokemong	25/12/2015	Deferred
Kealeboga Sepotlo	30/03/2023	Deferred
Samson Serumola	20/05/2014	Deferred
Good Setaelo	14/06/2007	Deferred
Thabang Setlabosigo	14/09/2025	Active
Waitse Setswammung	08/03/2026	Active
Toni Tabengwa	08/02/2012	Deferred
Otsitswe Tiroyamodimo	23/07/2020	Deferred
Karabo Tlhomamisang	23/03/2026	Active
Petrus Tolokwane	30/03/2026	Pensioner
Itshwareleng Tshgosebe	08/12/2025	Active
Thebeyame Life Tsie	15/02/2026	Deferred
Koorapetse Tsimako	22/12/2025	Active

Please contact NMG Administrators Botswana at: +267 318 6820/ 241 2562/ 588 1236/ 686 0597 or Toll Free: 0800 600 177

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# Classified Ads

**PROPERTIES | VACANCIES | BUSINESS | FARM WORKERS | SERVICES | MISCELLANEOUS**

## AUTOMOTIVE

**HONDAFIT B901BIA FURANIYA**  
Ratidzo Toyota Haice B842AJV Nalwoga  
Maimuna Ismail contact Sanitrans  
Investments Pty Ltd 71712306 72218282

## FARM WORKER

**I AM LOOKING FOR** hard worker man  
at the farm at Mahibitswane. Kebelepile  
Mzila P.O. Box 49 Tobane cell: 74581836

**HERDBOY WANTED, EXPERIENCED**  
herdboy wanted at Tshpheyaehela.  
Must have experience handling  
livestock and preferably married aged  
between 30-50. Apply to Dankhwa  
Makuluba, P O Box 530 Serowe. Contact  
73849674

**2 FARM LABOURERS NEEDED**, 256  
contact Richard Kashweeka 73530022  
**FARM LABOURER NEEDED**, at Kavimba  
call 71651494 / 75386746 Joseph Ben  
Nkwane

**HERBOY WANTED** at Satau (Huhuwe)  
71654334 David Mbeha.

**FARM WORKERS WANTED:** at  
Dibongwane Ploughing Fields,  
Tonota District should be familiar with  
Horticulture & small stocks. Contact :  
Mavis Zambo 71883312

**FARM WORKER WANTED** at Setatse  
East Farm Palapye. Mr Goretsetse Khoza  
Ndabambi. P O Box 281, Palapye.  
71600311

**Female farm worker** wanted in  
Tjodhobe Motopi. If interested please  
contact: 74673727 72735338

**TWO FARMWORKERS WANTED**  
Lethakane Chaa Dijeng P/Bag 1171  
Lethakane 76272023

**TWO FARMWORKERS NEEDED**  
Matshelagabedi Boneilwemang  
Makumbi Box 20557 Francistown  
77607471

**TWO FARM/HERDBOYS wanted**  
Matshelagabedi Mmoloki Mosarwa Box  
2513 Francistown 77607471

**TWO FARMWORKERS NEEDED**  
Natale Box 383 Methla Mosikwa  
Francistown 77607471

**FARMWORKER WANTED AT**  
Mathangwane contact Gaelekane  
Modibo 75016014 Box 2052  
Francistown

**2 FARM WORKERS** wanted at Lister  
& Sons Investments Pty Ltd Box 20102  
Francistown 76147123

**FARM WORKER WANTED** at  
Nshakazhongwe apply Box 150169  
Francistown Ripson Champion  
Gaborone 71310250

**WANTED HERDGIRL AT**  
Matshelagabedi P.O.Box 324 Francistown  
Sheperd Mudongo 71452099

**4 FARMWORKERS WANTED** at  
Makaleng P O Box 187 Maunatlala Call:  
Goitseone Mompe 71977683/77914174

**HUBING GREEN INVESTMENT Pty Ltd**  
is looking for a general farm worker.  
Post CV to P O Box 2909, Gaborone

**3 FARM WORKERS wanted** at Kgase  
Lands. Contact Maungo Selel Box  
500963 Gaborone

**2 FARM WORKERS** wanted at Sewelo  
Farm, Kgatleng. Apply Tudueto M.  
Mokgathe PO Box 3597 Gaborone  
71563338 Closing date :06-07-2026

**FARM WORKER WANTED** at Marapong  
village for livestock and working in  
field. Must have drivers licence, No  
alcohol driving. Contact Victor Mutsu  
Box 3318 Francistown 73842905

**2 FARM WORKERS** wanted at Dam 18  
Farm Thamaga P.O Box 1515, 74872412  
Regina Chiluba  
**FARM WORKERS WANTED**  
Kumakwane and Gabane P O Box 50310.  
Call Johwa Milton 74604446.

**2 YEARS FARM** work experience:  
Duties, cow breeding and general farm  
works, farm located in Sojwe/ Kweneng,  
apply to this email: mrsadie@gmail.  
com

**LOOKING, FARM WORKER** Thamaga.  
Call 71687710/ 75124425.

**HARD WORKING FARM** workers  
needed urgently, experienced, apply to  
Salim Pandor Plot No3186 Extension 12  
Gaborone or call 71639222.

**AGNES DIMAKATSO MODISE** looking  
for a farm worker. Apply to P.O Box  
45586

**FARM LABOURER NEEDED**, at  
Kavimba call 71651494 / 75386746  
Joseph Ben Nkwane

## MISCELLANEOUS

**TRANSLATION AND INTERPRETATION  
SERVICES**, many languages: call  
72920704/71518553

## APPLICATION FOR A LOST TITLE DEED

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** THAT the undersigned intends to apply for a certified copy of Deed No: 548/1996 dated 26<sup>th</sup> Day of July 1996 made in favour of Badumetse Bophala Samuel in respect of:

**CERTAIN** : Piece of land being Lot 19602, Francistown

**SITUATE** : Francistown Extension 27

**MEASURING** : 399m<sup>2</sup> (Three Hundred and Ninety-Nine Square Metres)

**HELD UNDER** : 548/1996 dated 26<sup>th</sup> Day of July 1996 made in favour of Badumetse Bophala Samuel

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

DATED AT \_\_\_\_\_ ON THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2026

Badumetse Bophala Samuel  
APPLICANT

## NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master's Reference: ESHGB 000328/24

**IN THE ESTATE** of the Late **SEKAO MOREMONG** who died at Princess Marina Hospital, Gaborone, Gaborone District, Botswana on the 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018

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

DATED at.....On this .....Day of .....2026

The Executor Dative  
Dimpho Esther Kwelagobe  
P O Box 1189 LOBATSE  
Cell:71727235

## LOST TITLE DEED

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of Notarial Deed of Cession No. FTMA 141/2013 dated the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June 2013 made in favour of FRALNE PROPRIETARY LIMITED in respect of the below mentioned property, namely;

**CERTAIN**: piece of land being Tribal Lot 2071, Mahalapye;

**SITUATE**: At Mahalapye in the Bangwato Tribal Territory;

**MEASURING**: 1, 2830 HA (One Decimal Two Eight Three Zero Hectares);

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

DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 8<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2026

AKHEEL JINABHAI  
& ASSOCIATES  
MCKEE COMMERCIAL LAW

## APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED COPY OF LOST DEED

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** THAT THE UNDERSIGNED intends applying for a certified copy of DEED OF TRANSFER NO. 923/2002 dated 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 2002 made in favour of MASEGO RONALD RAKOBE in respect of the following property:

**CETAIN** : piece of land being Lot 23939 Gaborone;

**SITUATE** : in Gaborone West Extension 21;

**MEASURING** : 450m<sup>2</sup> (Four Hundred and Fifty Square Metres);

**HELD UNDER** : Deed of Transfer No. 923/2002 dated 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 2002 made in favour of MASEGO RONALD RAKOBE;

All persons having objection to the issue of such copy are hereby required to lodge the same in writing with the REGISTRAR OF DEEDS FOR BOTSWANA AT GABORONE within three (3) weeks from the last publication of this notice.

DATED AT GABORONE ON THE 9<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2026

MOYO  
LEGAL PRACTICE

MOYO LEGAL PRACTICE | PLOT 19111, PHASE 2  
ARESUTALANE WAY | P O BOX AE 451 AEH, GABORONE

## NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETING FOR THE LATE POLOKO FELIX MOTOANE

- ESHGB-000361/25

**IN PURSUANCE** of Section 31 of the Administration of the Estates Act {Cap 31:01} the heirs and Next of Kin of the deceased persons specified above hereby invited to attend a Next of Kin meeting on 13th day of August 2026 at 9000 hours at the before - **B. P. Kemorwale At the Master's Office, Gaborone High Court Building.**

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

## FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

ESHGB-000381/25

**IN THE ESTATE** OF THE LATE **MERE THIBATSELA AND NOMBULELO THIBATSELA** who died at Nyangabwe Referral Hospital, Francistown, Francistown District on the 26th July 2023 and Princess Marina Hospital, Gaborone, Gaborone District, Botswana on the 2nd February 2020 respectively.

**THE FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT** in the Estate will lie open for inspection at the offices of the master of the high court at Gaborone for a period of twenty-one days from the date of the publication hereof.

DATED AT THURSDAY ON THE 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2026

The Executor, Unangoni J. Thibatsela, P O Box 30053, TLOKWENG, Cell: 74055078

## FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

ESHGB 000422/24

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **PUNA ONTIRETSE LETEBEJANE** who died at Scottish Livingstone Hospital, Molepolole, Kweneng District, Botswana on 8<sup>th</sup> day of December 2019.

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

DATED at.....On this .....Day of .....2026

The Executrix  
Lone Letebejane  
P O Box 26  
Molepolole  
Cell:72627030/77746138

## APPLICATION FOR LOST DEED

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

**CERTAIN**: Piece of land being Lot 6835, Lentsweletau

**SITUATE**: At Lentsweletau (Cadastre 75) in the Bakwena Tribal Territory

**MEASURING**: 966 m<sup>2</sup> (Nine Hundred and Sixty Six Square Metres);

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

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 04<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 2025.

NDADI LAW FIRM  
P. O. BOX B0130  
GABORONE

## APPLICATION FOR LOST DEED

**NOTICE** is hereby given that undersigned intends applying for the certified copy of Memorandum of Agreement of Lease No. MA 357/2021 dated 19<sup>th</sup> day of April 2021 made in favour of DOT INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD in respect of the below-mentioned property, namely;

**CERTAIN**: Piece of land being Tribal Lot 7491, Molepolole

**SITUATE**: At Molepolole in the Bakwena Tribal Territory;

**MEASURING**: 3200 m<sup>2</sup> (Three Thousand Two Hundred Square Metres);

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

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 04<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 2025.

NDADI LAW FIRM, P. O. BOX B0130, GABORONE

## NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master's Reference: ESHGB 000765/24

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **Motsisi L. Kgope** who died at Princess Marina Hospital in Gaborone in Gaborone District, Botswana on the 28th September 1998 and **Florah Kgope** who died at Princess Marina Hospital in Gaborone District, Botswana on the 12<sup>th</sup> February 2000.

**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 \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2026.

The Executor, Laone Memory Raditshane, c/o B. O. Selelo Attorneys, P. O. Box 47309, Gaborone, Tel: 3960804

## FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

Master's Reference: ESHGB-000737/23

**IN THE ESTATE** of the Late **OBODITSE LESOLE** who died at Phaleng Ward, Shoshong, Central- Mahalapye District, Republic of Botswana on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 2022.

**THE FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT** in the Estate will be open for inspection at the offices of the Master of the High Court at Gaborone for a period of (Twenty-one) 21 days from the date of publication hereof.

Any objection to the Estate Account may be lodged with the Master within the 21 days stated above

DATED at \_\_\_\_\_ on this \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2026.

The Executrix  
Kebotsemang Mabutho  
P O Box 2029  
GABORONE  
Tel: 71538179/72691588

## MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR WANTED

### Responsible for:

- Service and repair of mining equipment, hydraulic/pneumatic systems and drill rigs.
- Monitor equipment performance.
- Identify opportunities for continuous improvement in maintenance practices.

### Requirements

- Diploma, certificate or vocational qualifications in mechanical engineering or related field.
- Minimum in 10 years experience in a mining environment, industrial or heavy equipment sector.
- Strong knowledge of various mining equipment.

Apply to: COMADEV BOTSWANA PTY LTD  
P.O. Box 448, Maun, Botswana

**NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION**

**HERIMAQ ENTERPRISES (PTY) LTD** intends to change the use of plot 9775, Lentsweletau from Agricultural (ploughing field) to mixed use: Agricultural, commercial, civic and community. Objections or enquiries: +267 75006765 or Molepolole Physical Planning Office, 5920841

**HERIMAQ ENTERPRISES (PTY) Ltd** intends to change the use of plot 5953, Lentsweletau from single residential to commercial. Objections or enquiries: +25775006765 or Molepolole physical planning office, 5920841

**CHANGE OF LAND USE**, I, Shabir Kablay, would like to change my agricultural plot at Mosinki, Molepolole to mixed use agriculture. For any queries contact Kweneng District Council, physical planning office (5922191) or S. Kablay at 72161097 within 14 days of publication of notice.

**OWNER OF PLOT 30186** Mogoditshane seeks neighbor consultation on land use change from residential to multi residential. Contact 71339043

**CHATHERINE PHEO INTENDS** to change landuse of plot 2080 from single-family to multi-family residential in Bontleng, Gaborone. Contact 71544929

**OWNER OF PLOT 427** Digawana wishes to inform her neighbours regarding change of her plot from residential to multi residential. For objections contact 71551489 or Goodhope District Council: 5404183

**GAOBUE PHIRINYANE, OF** Plot 14703 Extension 11, Palapye would like to construct a boundary wall. For objections contact Palapye District Council on 4930899 within 14 days of publication notice.

**LERATO MOKHURUTSHI OWNER** of ploughing field at Gogonya Lands, Mokungwane would like to change land use of a portion of their plot from Agriculture to Mixed Use-Commercial. For any objections please contact Mahalapye District Council, Physical Planning Office on 4718636 within 14 days of publication.

**OWNER OF PLOT No.21355**, Boikago Ward, Palapye, intends to erect a boundary wall and commercial development. For any objections, contact Palapye District, Physical Planning Office at Telephone No.4923082 within fourteen (14) days of publication of this notice.

**OWNER OF PLOT No.1248**, Serorome Ward, Palapye, intends to erect a boundary wall and commercial development. For any objections. Contact Palapye District Council, Physical Planning Office at Telephone No.4923082 within fourteen (14) days of publication of this notice.

**SUB-DIVISION AND** Change of land use. I Jacob Johannes Erasmus Van Niekke of Tribal Grant 203 no Tuutebe lands, Letlhakane hereby give notice of my intention to Sub -Divide and change land use of resultant portion to industrial use. Any objection contact Boteti District Council at 2978330/2978331.

**OLEFILE THOBOSI OF** Plot 22839 Maaloswana, Serowe wishes to erect a boundary wall. All concerned neighbours may contact Palapye District Council on 4921092

**REBECCA NCAAGAE OF** Plot 9826, Extension 7, Palapye wishes to erect a boundary wall. Concerned neighbours may contact Palapye District Council on 4921092

**KABELO PATRICK LORATO** of plot 24537, Khurumela Ward Palapye wishes to erect a boundary wall. All concerned neighbours may contact Palapye District Council on 4921092

**CHARLOTTE BOGADI NTEBELE** of plot 4303, Khurumela Ward, Palapye wishes to erect a boundary wall. Concerned neighbours may contact Palapye District Council on 4921092

**PLOT OWNERS 13543** and 13545 Flowertown Mahalapye, your neighbor on plot 13544 Flowertown Mahalapye intend to build a boundary wall between his property and yours. You are requested to contact Mr Saakane Molapisi on Cell No: 75938661 to view the plans and fill council's mandatory neighbour consultation forms for consent.

**WABO PATELETSO OF** plot 9292, Extension 7, Palapye wishes to erect a boundary wall. Concerned neighbours may contact Palapye District Council on 4921092.

**AGISANYA SELEMA OF** plot No 27098 Extension 1, Palapye would like to change land use from single family to multi family. For any objections contact Palapye District Council Physical Planning Office on telephone no 4930800 or 74108940 within fourteen days of this publication.

**CHANGE OF LAND USE** Owner of Tribal Grant 2760-KO Kolobeng / Kumakwane would like to change land use from Agricultural to mixed use Agriculture. For objections contact Mogoditshane District Council Physical Planning on telephone; 3105614 within 14 days from publication of this notice

**THE OWNER OF** Plot 1186 at Mmankgodi village at Boseja Ward would like to erect a double storey building. For any queries or further information please contact the Mogoditshane- Thamaga District Council Physical Planning Department on +2673105615.

**MOKUEDI SIANANG OF** Plot 15520 Extension 11 Palapye intends to erect a boundary wall. For any objection contact Palapye District Council Building Control Office, telephone No 4930800 or 72223636 within fourteen days of this publication.

**NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETING FOR THE ESTATE LATE AJAY KUMAR GARG**  
- ESHGB-000461/24

**IN PURSUANCE** of Section 31 of the Administration of the Estates Act (Cap 31:01) the heirs and Next of Kin of the deceased persons specified above hereby invited to attend Next of Kin meeting on the **11<sup>th</sup> day of August 2026 at 0830 hours**. At the Masters Office, Gaborone High Court Building.

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

DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 18<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2026  
S. Khan LAW, Plot 2851 South Ring Road,  
P.O Box 72, Gaborone, 3933443

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

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

Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
DORCAS MOTSUMINYANA	ESHMY 000508-26	02.09.26	0900HRS	SARM

DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 18<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2026  
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**  
Master's Reference:ESHGB-000737/23

**IN THE ESTATE** of the Late Matshwenyego Tshimo who died at Gerald Mophane plot 23757, Francistown in the North East, Botswana on the 30<sup>th</sup> of June 2021

Notice is hereby given that debtors and creditors in the above estate are hereby required to come forth of whatever nature with the undersigned within thirty 30 days after publication here of

Dated at 17 April 2025

The Executrix  
Kitso Tshimo  
PO Box 50954  
Gaborone  
Cell: 71613749 / 73543535

**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED COPY OF TITLE DEED**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the undersigned intends to apply for certified copy of **Tittle Deed No TG 36/2015 dated 2ND day of February 2015** made in favor of David Ntime in respect of:  
**CERTAIN:** Piece of land being tribal grant **9375-KO**  
**SITUATE:** at Mmaphela lands in the Bakwena Tribal Territory  
**MEASURING:** **24,7935 hector (twenty four comma seven nine three haters)**

All persons having objection to the issue of such copy are hereby require to lodge the same in writing with the Register of Deeds, **PRIVATE BAG 0200 GABORONE** within **three(3) weeks** of the last publication of this notice hereof.

**DATED AT MOLEPOLOLE ON THIS 18TH DAY OF JUNE 2026**

**MR David Ntime**  
APPLICANT

**NOTICE TO DEBTOR AND CREDITORS**

Master's Reference:  
ESHMY 000106-26

**IN THE ESTATES** of the Late **BAATSHWANA OREKENG** who died at Sekgoma Memorial Hospital, Central Serowe-District, Botswana on the **29<sup>th</sup> March 2007**.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Debtors and creditors in the above Estate are hereby required to pay their debts and

file claims of whatever nature with the undersigned within **thirty (30) days** after the publication hereof.

**Dated at Mahalapye on this 16 Day of June 2026.**

**The Executor Dative**  
**Thebe Montsheng**  
P O Box 31198,  
**SEROWE**  
**Cell:76906333**

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN**  
ESHFT 000119-23

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **GABAHETOLE PAPISO ESHFT000119-23** who died at Letlhakane, Mokgobelele ward District on the 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2021

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

**DATE AT LETLHAKANE THIS 16<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2026**

<b>Executor Dative</b> P. O Box 40 <b>SEROWE</b>	<b>Executor Dative</b> P. O Box 40 <b>SEROWE</b>	<b>AND TO: Master of the High Court</b> Private Bag F13 <b>Francistown</b>
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**FINAL LIQUIDATION & DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT** Master's reference: ESHGB 000793/23

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **FELIX TEBEGANO MMOPI** who died at Princess Marina Hospital, Gaborone, Gaborone District, Republic of Botswana on **25<sup>th</sup> May 1996**.

**THE FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT** in the Estate will be open for inspection at the offices of the Master of the High Court at Gaborone for a period of **(Twenty-One) 21 days** from the date of publication hereof.

Any objection to the Estate Account may be lodged with the Master within **21 days** stated above.

**DATED at Gaborone on this 19<sup>th</sup> Day of June 2026.**

**EXCECUTOR DATIVE** | Lewa Mmopi  
PO Box 60882, Gaborone | **Cell: 71985748**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**  
Master's Reference: ESHGB-000448/25

**IN THE ESTATE** of the Late **Bakang Patronella Motlogelwa** who died at Sir Ketumile Masire Hospital, Gaborone, Gaborone District, Botswana on **7<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

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

**DATED at GABORONE, on this 19 day of June 2026**

Executrix Dative  
Tshwaragano Motlogelwa  
P O Box 201162  
**GABORONE**  
**CELL: 71910035**

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

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

Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date Of Meeting	Time	Master
CHONGA MOLOI AND PITSO MOLOI	ESHFT-000297-26	12-08-26	0900HRS	ARM

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 03<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2026**

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN**  
**ESHFT 001042-25**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **EMANG KGWADU- ESHFT 001042-25** who died at MAHALAPYE DISTRICT on the 20<sup>TH</sup> day of SEPTEMBER 2020.

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

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 18TH DAY OF JUNE 2026** TABOKA KGWADU

**EXECUTOR DATIVE** AND TO: **Master of the High Court**  
**P O BOX 14** Private Bag F13  
**MASUNGA** FRANCISTOWN

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**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**  
**Senior Operations Manager - Technical Services**

This position is best suited for an experienced manager in a spares outlet.

**KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

- Providing automotive technical advice.
- Advise on the latest developments in the automobile sector.
- Full knowledge on Kerridge ERP package.
- Providing strategic management for business growth.
- Ensuring quality controls.
- Providing people management.
- Any other managerial duties as required.

**COMPETENCY**

- Degree/diploma in any field.
- Minimum 18 years of relevant experience in the automobile industry specifically in the motor spares outlet.
- Should have at least 9 years experience in management position.
- Strong computer skills including knowledge of Kerridge ERP.
- Proficiency in parts and related products.
- Good automotive technical knowledge.
- Business oriented.
- Sound budget management skills.
- Valid driver's license.

Interested individuals who meet the vacancy requirements should send their resume to;

**The Human Resource Manager (hrm@motovac.com)**  
**Motovac Pty Ltd, Plot 22138/22139, Nyamambisi Road, G-west, Gaborone**  
**P O Box 2486, Gaborone.**

**Deadline: 8<sup>th</sup> July 2026.**  
**Correspondence will be limited to shortlisted candidates.**

**PLOT 16414 TLOKWENG** would like to erect a boundary wall. For any enquiries please call Tlokweng building control.  
**OWNER OF PLOT** 39815 in Mogoditshane intends to erect a boundary wall. For inquiries contact 71491160/ Mogoditshane Council.  
**OWNER OF PLOT** 2177 Metlhabeng Tlokweng intends to erect boundary wall, objections call 3695018 within fourteen days of this publication.

**VACANCIES**

**FIMOFAN CHURCH SEEKS** a creative media specialist with a least 3 years' experience. Must play various instruments create social media content, including Basic Photography and videography Basic English Required. Apply churchadmnfifofan@gmail.com

**DRILLING ADVISOR WANTED** with more than 10 years working experience. The applicant should have worked as a supervisor for more than 5 years in Mining industry. Apply to Comadev Botswana (PTY) Ltd P O BOX 448 MAUN BOTSWANA

**PHARMACISTS WANTED AT** Care Edge Pharmacy in Serowe with valid blue card, BHPC licence. P O Box 31366 Serowe, 71529699/ 72943189 bmafa47@gmail.com Closing date 3 July 2026.

**CHANGE OF LAND USE**

OWNER of Plot No. 9782, Flowertown, Mahalapye, informs the public that he would like to change land use of the above-mentioned plot from Residential to Multi-Residential. Any Objection should be addressed to Mahalapye Sub District Council, Physical Planning Office on Telephone No. (+267) 4718600/4713205 or Private Physical Planner Charles Tjivasera on Cellphone No. (+267) 75033392 within fourteen (14) days of publication of this notice

**Change of Land Use**

The Owners of Plot 3765, in Mmatseta wish to subdivide their residential plot and change land use of some of the resultant plots to various uses (commercial, open spaces, civic and community, footpath and access roads); that is to prepare a residential detailed layout plan with supporting land uses.

For any objection or viewing of the detailed layout, contact the Kweneng District Council, Physical Planning Office or by Telephone No: 5920200/201/202/204 within 14 days from the publication of this notice.

**Martone Planning Studio;** Cell No: 71658936/72111462

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**Master's reference:**  
ESHMY 000287 – 26

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **BOLESENG SEDISANYANE** who dies at Boiketlo Estate Plot 4587, Gaphatshwa, Kweneng District, Botswana on the **13<sup>th</sup> day of March 2026**

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

**DATED at MAHALAPYE on this 10<sup>th</sup> Day of JUNE 2026**

**The executrix**  
**Gorata Nthokana**  
P O Box 1855, Serowe  
Cell: +267 71 896 339

**WANTED CONSTRUCTION PROJECT MANAGER** MEC & I Engineering, Degree Electrical / Mechanical 15 years experience Water Treatment Plant & Retaining Structures. Send to Botswana. Recruitment@khatocivils.com Khato civils situated Plot 138 Mmamashia Tel +267 3180644

**MOKHA CONSTRUCTION (PTY) LTD** invites applications for a position of an extra heavy duty driver / mechanic minimum of 5 years work experience. Duties : Transportation of general goods across Southern Africa. Servicing and maintenance of trucks, attending to breakdowns. Apply to Box 202124 Gaborone

**DRILLER SUPERVISOR**

**Location:** Botswana (Project Sites)  
**Roster:** FIFO / Site-based (subject to operational requirements)  
**Employment Type:** Fixed-Term Contract (subject to valid Botswana work permit, where applicable)

**Job Summary**

The Driller Supervisor is responsible for supervising drilling operations to ensure safe, efficient, and productive execution of drilling activities in accordance with company standards, project requirements, and applicable regulations.

**Key Responsibilities**

- Supervise and coordinate daily drilling operations on site.
- Ensure drilling activities are conducted safely and in compliance with HSE standards.
- Monitor drilling performance, productivity, and equipment utilization.
- Lead and supervise drillers and drilling crews on shift.
- Ensure adherence to drilling programs, procedures, and client specifications.
- Report daily drilling progress, incidents, and operational issues.
- Coordinate with maintenance, geology, and site management teams.
- Enforce discipline, safe work practices, and site rules.

**Minimum Requirements**

- Minimum 15 years' experience in drilling operations, including supervisory roles.
- Proven experience as a Driller or Driller Supervisor.
- Strong knowledge of drilling techniques, equipment, and safety

**practices.**

- Experience working with different nationalities and ability to lead teams in remote site environments.
- Have good English speaking capabilities and reporting skills.
- Valid certificates relevant to drilling operations minimum: Safety Management Certificate, Drilling Safety & Supervision Certificate, Equipment & Rig-Specific Competency Certificates, etc.

**Additional Information**

- Competitive remuneration package.
- Opportunity to work on challenging drilling projects in Botswana.
- Employment is subject to meeting company recruitment and medical requirements.

**How to Apply**

Interested candidates are invited to submit their CV and relevant certificates to:

[recruitment@indodrill.com](mailto:recruitment@indodrill.com)

**G.D.E BOTSWANA DRILLING AND EXPLORATIONS (PTY) LTD**  
P.O.BOX HA3, MAUN, BOTSWANA

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

ESHFT-000101-22

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late Keleagetse Sebetlela -ESHFT-000101-22who died at Palapye District on the 12 October 2020. **NOTICE IS HEREBY** given that Debtors and Creditors in the above Estate are hereby required to pay their claims of whatever nature with the undersigned within 30 days after the publication hereof.

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 9TH DAY OF JUNE 2026**

**S.O SEBETLELA**  
**EXECUTOR DATIVE**  
**P O BOX 1248, PALAPAYE**

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

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

ESHFT 000248-26

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late LEHITLHETSWE KEAGOLETESE ESHFT 000248-26 who died at **MMADINARE PRIMARY HOSPITAL, MMADINARE, CENTRAL BOBONONG DISTRICT** on the 25TH day of JANUARY 2026.

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

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 03RD DAY OF JUNE 2026**

**TEMO KEAGOLETESE**  
**EXECUTOR DATIVE**  
**P O BOX 218**  
**MMADINARE**

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

**Drill rig specialist and trainer - Botswana**

**About the Role**

**Drill Rig Specialist & Trainer** – Fixed-term role at Botswana project sites (**FIFO/ site-based**). Responsible for providing advanced technical expertise on drilling rigs, optimizing equipment performance, and delivering structured training and skills transfer to local workforce in accordance with company standards and operational requirements

**What You'll Do**

- Provide advanced technical support on drilling rigs, ensuring optimal performance, efficiency, and reliability across operations.
- Diagnose and resolve complex technical issues related to drilling systems, equipment performance, and operational challenges.
- Develop and deliver structured training programs for drillers, supervisors, and crews to improve technical competency and operational performance.
- Monitor drilling performance, penetration rates, recovery, and equipment utilisation, implementing improvement initiatives where required.

**What We're Looking For**

- Minimum 10 years' experience in drilling operations with strong technical expertise across multiple drilling methods (RC, diamond, rotary, etc.).
- Proven experience in technical training, coaching, and skills transfer within drilling or mining operations.
- Advanced knowledge of drilling equipment, optimisation techniques, and performance improvement strategies.
- Experience with digital drilling systems and data-driven performance monitoring is an advantage.
- Strong communication and mentoring skills, with the ability to train and develop teams in remote environments.
- Relevant drilling certification (e.g., Cert IV Drilling Operations or equivalent) is preferred.

We provide attractive remuneration for this position. Send your CV and supporting documents to the email address: [recruitment@indodrill.com](mailto:recruitment@indodrill.com) with subject email (Name\_ **Drill Rig Specialist & Trainer**)

**G.D.E BOTSWANA DRILLING AND EXPLORATIONS (PTY) LTD**  
P.O.BOX HA3, MAUN, BOTSWANA

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)** for a proposed Gravel Borrow Pit at Metsemaswaane; Boatle in the Ramotswa district.

In line with the Environmental Assessment (EA) Act of Cap 65:07, Section 7, which prescribes the consultation of interested and affected stakeholders during the undertaking of an Environmental Impact Assessment, the community of Metsemaswaane, Boatle, Taung and surrounding areas are hereby invited to a public consultation meeting at Taung Kgotla.

**The proposed development entail;**

- Gravel borrowing and hauling

**POTENTIAL POSITIVE IMPACTS**

- Improved material (gravel) availability
- Creation of employment
- Economic diversification

**POTENTIAL NEGATIVE IMPACTS**

- Soil and groundwater contamination
- Dust nuisance
- Potential road use inconvenience

PLACE	VENUE	DATE	TIME
Taung	Taung Kgotla	08/07/2026	0900

**All queries to be addressed to**

Iso-consults Pioneers  
Tel: 71 786 124 / 77 154 860

@gmail.com  
[idahrantsi@gmail.com](mailto:idahrantsi@gmail.com)

**KITSISO MO SECHABENG**

Ditshkatsheko tsa ka fa tikologo le matshelo a batho di ka amiwang ka teng ke kepo ya mmu oo makgabana kwa kgaolwaneng ya Metsemaswaane go bapa le Boatle.

Go ya ka molawana wa tshekatsheko tikologo (**Environmental Assessment Act Cap 65:07**), temana ya bosupa o o kayang gore go dirwe ditshkatsheko tsa tikologo mme go lalediwe morafe le bana-le seabe go tla go ntsha maikutlo a bone ka tiro e e tlaa dirwang, morafe wa Metsemaswaane, Boatle, Taung le metse e mabapi o lalediwa phuthego ya Kgotla mo motseng wa Taung.

**Tlhabololo e e tla dirwang e akaretsa;**

- Keпо ya mmu o o makgabana

**Ditlamorago tse di siameng**

- Go bonala motlhofo gammu o o makgabana
- Ditiro
- Kabakanyo itsholelo

**Ditlamorago tse di sa siamang**

- Kgotlelesego ya mmu le metsi
- Lerole le lentsi
- Koketsego ya pharakano ya dikoloi

MOTSE	LEFELO	LETSATSI	NAKO
Taung	Kgotla ya Taung	08 Phukwi 2026	0900

**Dipotso tsotlhe di ka lebiwiwa**

Iso-consults Pioneers

Tel: 71 786 124 / 77 154 860

@gmail.com  
[idahrantsi@gmail.com](mailto:idahrantsi@gmail.com)

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Master's Reference: ESHMY 000189-26

IN THE ESTATES of the Late **KEGOAMANG DIKGANG** who died at Mthabane, Shoshong, Central-Mahalapye District, Botswana on the 13<sup>th</sup> January 2016.

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

DATED at Mahalapye on this 19<sup>th</sup> Day of June 2025.

The Executrix  
**Anaemang Dikgang**  
 P O Box 269 SHOSHONG  
 Cell: 76075191

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Master's Reference: ESHMY 000093-26

IN THE ESTATE of the Late **KEABETSE SEKOPE** who died at Sekgoma Memorial Hospital, Serowe-District, Botswana on the 29<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

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

DATED at.....on this.....day of.....2026

The Executrix  
 Monametsi Sekope  
 P O Box 296  
 Lerala  
 Cell : 71819405

**VACANCIES – FARM WORKERS**

We are looking for 2 Farm Workers at Tloaneng/Mankodi area  
 Requirements:

- 2–3 years' previous farm work experience
- Should be able to perform general farm duties
- Knowledge of crop or livestock care will be an added advantage
- Honest, hardworking, and reliable
- Willing to work in a rural environment
- Good physical health and able to perform manual labour

Send CV to Mr T.Peters@recruitment5652@gmail.com. Shortlisted candidates will be contacted  
 Closing Date : 04 July 2026

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

ESHFT-001348-25

**FIRST AND FINAL DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT**

IN THE ESTATE of the late **BEATRICE MATSHAZI** ESHFT-001348-25 who died at Johannesburg, South Africa on the 06<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY** First and Final Liquidation and Distribution Account in the above Estate will lie open for inspection at the Chambers of the Assistant and Master of the High Court Francistown for period of **twenty-one (21) days** from the date of the second publications thereof.

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 01<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2026

DERICK KHUMALO AND TO: MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT  
 EXECUTOR DATIVE PRIVATE BAG F13  
 P O BOX 10547, TATITOWN FRANCISTOWN  
 +27711909731/+26771380226

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Master's Reference: ESHGB-000393/25

IN THE ESTATE of the Late **Bojothe Ramapawa** who died at Mahalapye Hospital, Mahalapye, Central - Mahalapye District, Botswana on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

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

DATED at ..... on this ..... day of ..... 2026.

Executrix Dative | Tshiamiso Phioner Molefhe  
 P O Box 475, MAHALAPYE | CELL: 72838809

**FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT**

Master's Reference: ESHGB-000577/24

IN THE ESTATE of the late **RANKO MFOLWE** who died at Deborah Retief Memorial Hospital, Mochudi, Kgatleng District, Republic of Botswana on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2024.

**THE FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT** in the Estate will be open for inspection at the offices of the Master of the High Court at Gaborone for a period of (Twenty-one) **21 days** from the date of publication hereof.

Any objection to the Estate Account may be lodged with the Master within the **21 days** stated above

DATED AT GABORONE this day , 2026

Executor Dative, Mpho Mosie Mfolwe, Private Bag 00368, GABORONE, Cell: 75112120

**NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS**

Administrative of Estates Act [Cap.31:01]

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
GAOLWELWE TOM	ESHFT-000742-24	19-08-2026	0900HRS	ARM

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 08 TH DAY OF JUNE 2026

MASTER F THE HIGH COURT

**NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS**

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
GEORGE KERILENG	ESHFT-000401-26	18-08-26	0900HRS	ARM

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 03<sup>RD</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2026

MASTER F THE HIGH COURT

**NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS**

ADMINISTRATION OF Estates Act [Cap 31:01]

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date Of Meeting	Time	Master
GEORGE BATSHABENG	ESHFT-000846-25	12-08-26	0900HRS	SARM I

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 02<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2026  
 MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

**NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS**

Administration of Estates act [Cap.31:01]

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Name of the Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
NTEBOGANG GLADYS SEBIYA	ESHFT-000456-25	19-08-26	0900 HRS	ARM

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 8TH DAY OF JUNE 2026  
 MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
SEASETA NFELA	ESHFT-001225-25	04-08-26	0900HRS	SARM 1

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

**NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETING**

Administration of Estate Acts [Cap.31:01]

**NOTICE IS HEREBY** given that by virtue of section 32 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 to attend before the **Master of the High Court at Maun High Court** on the date and time specified opposite the names of their deceased relatives for porposes 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
ROEDOLF DANIEL ALBERTS	ESHMN-000070-26	19.08.2026	1030HRS

DATED AT MAUN THIS 09TH DAY OF JUNE 2026

**NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS**

Administration of Estates Act (Cap.31:01)

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
KEOKEDITSWE MATHAKA	ESHFT-000481-26	26-08-26	0900HRS	SARM 1

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

**NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS**

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
KERATILE GAOBUSE	ESHFT-000448-26	12-08-26	0900Hrs	ARM

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 03<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Master's Reference ESHMY000267-26

IN THE ESTATE of the late **Kebabonye Nyoka** who died at **Xhosa 1 Ward** Central District Botswana on the 12<sup>th</sup> May 2024

**NOTICE HEREBY** given that debtors and creditors in the Estate are hereby required to pay their claims of whatever nature with the undersigned within **30 days** after the publication hereof.

DATED AT MAHALAPYE ON THIS 03<sup>RD</sup> DAY JUNE 2026

EXECUTRIX | LETSOSITSWE TOKWE  
 P O Box 31, Tonota | Cell: 71 254 421

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Master's Reference: ESHGB-000035/21

IN THE ESTATE of the Late **OFANA BIKI KOONEILWE** who died at Scottish Livingston Hospital, Molepolole, Kweneng District, Republic of Botswana on the 02<sup>nd</sup> day of July 2020.

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

DATED at ..... on this ..... Day of ..... 2026

The Executrix  
 Goitseman Kooneilwe  
 P O Box 2006, MOLEPOLOLE  
 Cell: 72597350 / 72134474

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Master's Reference: ESHGB 000672-26

IN THE STATE of the late **FESTUS GONTEBANYE MOGAIE** who died at Gaborone Private Hospital, Phakalane, Gaborone District, Republic of Botswana on the 8<sup>th</sup> May 2026.

**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 [30] days** after the publication hereof.

DATED at GABORONE on this 17<sup>th</sup> Day of June 2026.

The Executrix Testamentary  
 Boikaego Neo Mogae  
 Plot 64526, Phakalane  
 Tel: 76666633

### SITE OPERATIONS MANAGER - BOTSWANA

**About the Role**  
Site Operations Manager – Fixed-term role at Botswana project sites (FIFO/site-based). Responsible for leading and managing overall site operations to ensure safe, efficient, and cost-effective delivery of drilling activities in line with company standards, client requirements, and regulatory obligations.

**What You'll Do**

- Lead and oversee all site operations, ensuring drilling activities are executed safely, efficiently, and in compliance with company procedures and regulatory requirements.
- Manage and coordinate multidisciplinary teams including drilling, maintenance, logistics, and HSE to achieve operational targets.
- Monitor site performance, productivity, equipment utilisation, and cost control to meet project schedules and budgets.
- Act as the key point of contact on site for client representatives, ensuring clear communication and alignment on operational requirements.

**What We're Looking For**

- Minimum 15 years' experience in drilling or mining operations, including leadership roles at site level.
- Proven experience managing site operations, teams, and multiple functions in remote environments.
- Strong knowledge of drilling operations, equipment, and HSE practices.
- Demonstrated leadership capability with the ability to manage teams, resolve operational challenges, and drive performance.
- Strong communication, reporting, and client engagement skills.
- Relevant qualifications in mining, engineering, or related field are an advantage

We provide attractive remuneration for this position. Send your CV and supporting documents to the email address: [recruitment@indodrill.com](mailto:recruitment@indodrill.com) with subject email (Name\_Site Operations Manager)

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P.O.BOX HA3, MAUN, BOTSWANA

### NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
TSHANDAPIWA MOYO	ESHFT-000412-26	11-08-26	0900HRS	SARM 1

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 20TH DAY OF MAY 2026**  
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

### APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFIED COPY OF LOST LEASE AGREEMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that the undersigned intends to apply for a certified copy of Agreement of Grant of Lease registered under No. TG 15/2001 dated 28th day of May 2001 made in favour of WILLIAM MOSWEU in respect of:

**CERTAIN:** Piece of land being Tribal Grant No. 79-RO, Lesoma  
**SITUATE:** at Lesoma in the Chobe Tribal Area;  
**MEASURING:** 5.7863ha (Five Point Seven Eight Six Three Hectares).

Any person having objections to the issue of such copy is hereby required to lodge the same in writing with the Registrar of Deeds within three (3) weeks from last publication of this notice.

**PABALINGA & ASSOCIATES**  
P O BOX 3275, FRANCISTOWN  
+267 76342524

### EXECUTIVE HOUSEKEEPER

Urgently looking for **Executive Housekeeper**. Should have a minimum of 5 years working as an executive Housekeeper in a Lodge or Hotel. Flexible, positive attitude and willing to learn Professional, friendly and client focused

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

**CASE NO: ESHFT 000542-24 | NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

IN THE ESTATE of the late PAUL MONTLENYANE, ESHFT 000542-24 who died at LETLHAKANE PRIMARY HOSPITAL, LETLHAKANE CENTRAL BOTETI District on the 09<sup>th</sup> day of SEPTEMBER 2024.

undersigned **within 30 days** after the publication hereof.

**DATED AT GABORONE THIS 19<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2026**

**Executor**  
PRETTY MOKGWATHI  
P O BOX 64, TUTUME  
CELL NO: 72111059  
OMANG NO: 454 028 622

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

**Executor Dative**  
TEBOGO KGANGYAME  
P O BOX 2413 AAD, GABORONE  
CELL NO: 72488985 /73184022  
OMANG NO: 319 413 115

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that Debtors and Creditors in the above Estate are hereby required to pay their claims of whatever nature with the

### NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS

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

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

Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
DITWAGANONG NTAKA	ESHMY 000132-26	24.08.2026	0900HRS	SARM

**DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 18TH JUNE 2026**  
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

### FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

**ESHGB-000369-21**

IN THE ESTATE OF THE LATE ERIC BANABATSHIPA OTUKILE who died at Bokaa ward, Molepolole, Kweneng District on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 2021.

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

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

**DATED at \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2026**

**EXECUTOR | Kaboyaone Otukile**  
PO Box 1675, Poso House, GABORONE | 71 239 297

### NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS

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

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
KEDIBONYE GAOTHOBOGWE	ESHMY 000165-26	24.08.26	0900HRS	SARM

**DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2026**  
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

### NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

**Master's Reference:**  
ESHMY 000189-26

**INTHEESTATES** of the Late **MATLHOMOLAPELO KEGOLAFETSE** who died at Sekgoma Memorial Hospital, Serowe, Central-Serowe District, Botswana on the **2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022**.

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

**DATED at Mahalapye on this 01 Day of June 2026.**

**The Executrix Gladys Morewagae**  
P O Box 38, **MOGOROSI**  
Cell: 75437156

### IMMOVABLE PROPERTY (REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS) ACT

**(Cap 32:08)**

Alteration of a Condition in a Title Deed

PURSUANT TO Section 3 (1) (b) of the Immoveable Property (Removal of Restrictions) Act, notice is hereby given that the Minister of Lands and Agriculture orders that condition 2 in the Title Deed of TLHOLEGO MUGOMBA, which being:

**CERTAIN:** Piece of Land being Tribal Lot 4834 Mmopane;  
**SITUATE:** at Mmopane in the Bakwena Tribal Territory;  
**MEASURING:** 1644 m<sup>2</sup> (One Thousand Six Hundred and Forty-Four Square metres)

**WHICH PROPERTY:** is held under Memorandum of Agreement of Lease No **TL846/2010** dated **21<sup>st</sup> June 2010** in favour of Tlholego Mugomba. Be altered from-

"The property shall only be used for **RESIDENTIAL** purposes, and the lessee shall not use the land for any other purpose whatsoever, save with the written permission of the Lessor".

To:

"The property shall only be used for **MULTI RESIDENTIAL** purposes, and the lessee shall not use the land for any other purpose whatsoever, save with the written permission of the Lessor".

Any person who is dissatisfied with the decision of the Minister may appeal to the High Court, within Fourteen days (14) days from the date of the publication of this notice.

**DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 15<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2026.**  
MORIBAME MATTHEWS, Plot 74769, Mowana Mews, Western Commercial Road, CBD, P O Box 46271, **GABORONE**

### VACANCY: PROCESS IMPROVEMENT ANALYST

The Pacific Institute Botswana (TPI Botswana), a performance improvement and organizational culture consultancy, invites applications for the position of Process Improvement Analyst. Job Summary: Support client transformation initiatives through process mapping, process analysis, performance improvement, and organizational culture enhancement. Requirements:

- Bachelor's Degree in Industrial Engineering
- 0-2 years' experience
- Skilled in process mapping and analysis
- Strong analytical and communication skills
- Knowledge of performance improvement and organizational culture

**Location:** Finance Park, Plot 115, Unit 10, Gaborone  
**Applications:** Submit CV and cover letter to [Sipho@thek3y.com](mailto:Sipho@thek3y.com) or call +267 74054756.  
**Closing Date:** 8 July 2026

**The Pacific Institute Botswana (TPI Botswana)**  
P.O. Box 146 AHH, MASA, Botswana

### FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

**ESHGB – 000897-24**


IN THE ESTATE of the LATE PETER JOSEPH LAPHAM who died at Sidilega Private Hospital, Gaborone, Gaborone District, Botswana on the 8<sup>th</sup> August 2024

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

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

**DATED at Gaborone on the 15<sup>th</sup> Day of June 2026.**

The Executor  
James Martin Fern  
P. O. Box 89AAH  
**GABORONE**  
Cell: 3180111



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**NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETING FOR THE LATE KGOTLA KENNETH AUTLWETSE – ESHGB 000865/25**

IN PURSUANCE of Section 31 of the Administration of Estates Act (Cap 31:01), the heirs and next of kin of the deceased persons specified above are hereby invited to attend a next of kin meeting on **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2026** at 08:30 hours at the **Office of the Master – Batho Kgerethwa** located at the Gaborone High Court Division.

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

For any enquiries concerning the deceased person's estate please contact the Master's Office on 3718343, or 3718000/3718040 (switchboard).

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**

Master's Reference: ESHMY 000305-26

IN THE ESTATES of the Late **BAEMEDI MOATSWAKGOTLA** who died at Botalaote Ward, Serowe, Central-Serowe District, Botswana on the 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

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

DATED at Mahalapye on this 16 Day of June 2026.

The Executrix  
Ofimile Moatswakgotla  
P O Box 553 Serowe  
Cell: 76513147

**INTENTION TO SELL AND TRANSFER IMMOVAL PROPERTY (SECTION 34 OF THE TRIBAL LAND ACT, 2018)**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **MR ARTHUR LLOYD KAYS** intends to sell the following property to non – citizen.

**CERTAIN** - Piece of land being residential lot 22107, maun (a portion of cadastre 274)  
**SITUATE** – at disaneng ward, maun, in the batawana tribal territory  
**MEASURING** : 1006 sqm9 (one thousand and six square meters)  
**HELD UNDER** : memorandum of agreement of lease taw/282/13  
**SUBJECT** : to the terms and conditions of the above lease to jamm enterprises (pty) ltd for the sum of **p1 500 000.00 (one million five hundred thousand pula)** excluding any vat/ transfer duty consequential to the transaction.

All Persons having objection with the **sale of the above** – Mentioned Property are hereby requested to lodge such objection, in writing **within (30) thirty days** from this publication

**Dated at maun on this 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

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

**ESHMN 0000-12-26**  
**FIRST AND FINAL DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT**

IN THE ESTATE of the late **KEORAPETSE BOITSHOKI ESHMN 0000-12-26** who died at Disaneng ward Maun on the 20th OF AUGUST 2025  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY** First and final liquidation and distribution Account in the above estate will lie open for inspection at the chambers of the assistant Registrar and Master of the High Court Maun for a period of twenty one (21) days from the date of the second publications thereof.  
**DATED AT MAUN THIS 15TH OF JUNE 2026**

**STEPHEN BOITSHOKI**  
**EXECUTOR DATIVE**  
**P O BOX 1929**  
**MAUN**

**NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS**

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Name of the Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time
Okganetse Sedombo	ESHMN-000060-26	29-09-2026	10:30HRS
Lesego Sedombo			

**DATED AT MAUN THIS 15TH DAY OF JUNE 2026**  
**Master of the high court**

**Mechanic Supervisor - Botswana**

**About the Role**

Mechanic Supervisor – Fixed-term role at Botswana project sites (FIFO/site-based). Responsible for overseeing maintenance operations to ensure drilling equipment and heavy machinery are maintained safely, efficiently, and in accordance with company standards and operational requirements.

**What You'll Do**  
Supervise and coordinate daily maintenance and repair activities for drilling rigs, heavy equipment, and support vehicles to ensure safe and efficient operations.  
Lead and manage a team of mechanics, enforcing safety standards, work quality, and discipline on site.  
Monitor equipment condition, maintenance schedules, and breakdowns to minimize downtime and ensure operational reliability.  
Troubleshoot complex mechanical issues involving diesel engines, hydraulic systems, and drilling equipment.

**What We're Looking For**  
Minimum 15 years' experience in mechanical maintenance within mining, drilling, or heavy equipment operations, including supervisory responsibilities. Strong technical knowledge of diesel engines, hydraulic systems, drilling rigs, and heavy machinery.  
Proven experience leading maintenance teams in remote or site-based environments.  
Strong problem-solving, troubleshooting, and organisational skills.  
Good communication and reporting skills; relevant mechanical trade certification is an advantage.

We provide attractive remuneration for this position. Send your CV and supporting documents to the email address: recruitment@indodrill.com with subject email (Name\_Mechanic Supervisor)

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**P.O.BOX HA3, MAUN, BOTSWANA**

**Mechanic Coordinator - Botswana**

**About the Role**

Mechanic Coordinator – Fixed-term role at Botswana project sites (FIFO/site-based). Responsible for coordinating maintenance activities to ensure drilling equipment and heavy machinery are maintained safely, efficiently, and in line with company standards and operational requirements

**What You'll Do**

- Coordinate and supervise daily maintenance activities for drilling rigs, heavy equipment, compressors, and support vehicles to ensure safe and efficient operations.
- Lead and support maintenance teams, ensuring adherence to safe work practices, maintenance procedures, and site discipline.
- Monitor equipment condition, breakdowns, and maintenance schedules to minimise downtime and maintain operational reliability.
- Assist in diagnosing mechanical issues involving diesel engines, hydraulic systems, and drilling equipment, coordinating repairs with mechanics.
- Ensure implementation of preventive maintenance programs and alignment with operational requirements.

**What We're Looking For**

- Minimum 10 years' experience in mechanical maintenance within mining, drilling, or heavy equipment operations.
- Strong knowledge of diesel engines, hydraulic systems, drilling rigs, and heavy machinery.
- Experience coordinating maintenance activities and supporting teams in site-based or remote environments.
- Good problem-solving, planning, and organisational skills.
- Strong communication and reporting skills; relevant mechanical trade qualification is an advantage.
- Relevant drilling certification (e.g., Cert IV Drilling Operations or equivalent) is preferred.

We provide attractive remuneration for this position. Send your CV and supporting documents to the email address: recruitment@indodrill.com with subject email (Name\_Mechanic Coordinator)

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**Maintenance Manager - Botswana**

**About the Role**

Maintenance Manager – Fixed-term role at Botswana project sites (FIFO/site-based). Responsible for leading and managing all maintenance operations to ensure drilling equipment, heavy machinery, and site assets are maintained safely, efficiently, and in line with company standards and operational requirements.

**What You'll Do**

- Lead and oversee all maintenance activities for drilling rigs, heavy equipment, compressors, and support fleet to ensure safe and reliable operations.
- Manage and coordinate maintenance teams, including supervisors and mechanics, ensuring high performance, discipline, and compliance with safety standards.
- Develop and implement preventive and corrective maintenance programs to minimise equipment downtime and maximise operational efficiency.
- Monitor equipment performance, maintenance costs, and resource utilisation to support project targets and budget control.
- Provide technical leadership in diagnosing complex mechanical issues involving diesel engines, hydraulic systems, and drilling equipment.

**What We're Looking For**

- Minimum 15 years' experience in maintenance within mining, drilling, or heavy equipment operations, including leadership roles.
- Strong technical expertise in diesel engines, hydraulic systems, drilling rigs, compressors, and heavy machinery.
- Proven experience managing maintenance teams and multiple assets in remote or site-based environments.
- Strong planning, problem-solving, and cost management capability.
- Demonstrated leadership skills with the ability to drive performance and continuous improvement.

We provide attractive remuneration for this position. Send your CV and supporting documents to the email address: recruitment@indodrill.com with subject email (Name\_Maintenance Manager)

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**VACANCY: DIRECTOR – OPERATIONS**

**Kilowatt Group & Investment Sales invites applications from suitably qualified and experienced candidates for the position of Director – Operations.**

**Location:** Plot 22054, G-West Industrial, Takatokwane Road, Gaborone

**Key Responsibilities**

- Lead and manage company operations.
- Develop and implement operational strategies.
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# Makwala runs new race

Anastacia Sibanda

For years, Isaac Makwala's name echoed through stadiums across the world. His explosive speed, fierce determination and refusal to quit earned him admiration far beyond Botswana's borders.

Affectionately known as 'Badman', Makwala became a symbol of resilience, most memorably when he ran alone in the 200 metres at the 2017 World Championships after being cleared to compete following a controversial exclusion.

Though the odds were stacked against him, he completed the race, winning hearts around the world and cementing his reputation as one of Africa's toughest competitors.

His achievements on the track are well documented. He anchored Botswana's relay teams to international success, won medals on the continental stage and broke records that inspired a generation of athletes.

But on Friday, Makwala began a different race altogether, one that is not measured by seconds on a stopwatch but by the lives he hopes to transform.

The launch of the Isaac Makwala Foundation signals a new chapter for the athletics icon, who is determined to ensure that Botswana's athletes are supported long after their competitive careers end.

Across Africa, many sporting heroes struggle to navigate life after retirement.

The applause fades, sponsorships disappear and the transition into ordinary life can be difficult. Makwala knows this reality well and wants to help change it.

Building on the work of his Isaac Makwala Athletics Academy, the foundation seeks to nurture young talent while providing mentorship, career guidance and opportunities for athletes to secure their futures beyond sport.

Makwala told guests at the launch that before the records, the medals and victories, all he had was a dream and a talent. Reflecting on his journey, he said sport had shaped his character, teaching him discipline, patience and the value of time.

"Sport has been my strength and my greatest challenge. It taught me patience, punctuality and that time is very crucial," he said.

The foundation's vision has already attracted support from both government and the private sector.

Minister of Sport and Arts, Jacob Kelebeng, described the initiative as a timely vehicle for youth empowerment and national development.

He said athletes needed support beyond their years of active competition and called on Botswana to stand by sporting

heroes through both triumphs and challenges.

Legal practitioner Precious Gondwe, whose firm has partnered with the foundation, said Africa needed to move beyond celebrating sporting success and instead create structures that protect and commercialise athletes' legacies.

She said legacy must be intentional, permanent and

structural.

Her firm is preparing to host a Sports Summit aimed at addressing issues of sports business, innovation and athlete welfare, areas increasingly recognised as crucial to the long-term sustainability of sports careers.

Creative director of the International firm Tyger Tyger Strategic Jeanie De Beer said

her agency would help position the foundation on the global stage by attracting international partnerships and brand collaborations capable of funding long-term programmes.

For Makwala, however, the foundation's success will ultimately be measured not by corporate endorsements or media attention, but by the opportunities it creates for young athletes.

Having spent years carrying Botswana's hopes on the track, the sprint legend is now focused on helping others reach the starting line.

The man who once raced against the world's fastest runners is now running a marathon of a different kind, one dedicated to building a lasting legacy for Botswana's sporting future. **BOPA**



Minister of Sports and Arts, Jacob Kelebeng (fourth right) founder of Makwala Foundation, Isaac Makwala (third right), Foundation founding partner, Precious Gondwe (second right) and invited guests at the launch of Isaac Makwala foundation on Friday. Makwala said the foundation would not only focus on athletics but would cater for other sporting codes. Photo: Felicity Male

## Applicants seek audience with Tawana Land Board

Gaolethoo Kgatitswe

MAUN

Aggrieved land applicants in Ngamiland have petitioned authorities for urgent reforms and direct engagement with Tawana Land Board, citing years of delays, missing files and a lack of transparency in the administration of tribal land.

The petition, which was submitted to the Office of the District Commissioner on Friday, was delivered by one of the petitioners, Mr Gilbert Sesinyi, on behalf of residents, land applicants and members of the business community.

Petitioners say prolonged delays in routine land transactions, missing records and the growing backlog of residential plot applications have left

many families frustrated and undermined public confidence in the land administration system.

Speaking during submission of the petition, Mr Sesinyi said the concerns raised by applicants had persisted for years despite repeated follow-ups with relevant authorities.

He said land represented more than just property, adding that it provided shelter, livelihoods and economic opportunities for citizens.

"We are not approaching this issue from a political standpoint, but from a place of seeking justice, transparency and fairness in the administration of tribal land," he said.

For her part, policy and research officer for the petition, Ms Pusetso Morapedi, said the initiative sought to create a

platform for meaningful dialogue between land authorities and affected applicants.

She said many citizens had raised grievances individually over the years without seeing significant progress.

"We believe that bringing together land applicants and the land board in one forum will provide an opportunity for concerns to be clearly heard and addressed collectively," she said.

Ms Morapedi said that applicants have experienced lengthy delays in processes such as transfers, subdivisions, change of ownership and land disputes, with some reportedly waiting several years for matters that should ordinarily take months to resolve.

The petition also raises concerns over missing files, delays in

residential plot allocations, non-issuance of commercial plots advertised in 2021 and slow progress in the processing of leases and secure land titles.

Among the proposals put forward are the introduction of digital records management systems, increased administrative capacity, decentralisation of routine land transactions and improved mechanisms for handling complaints and disputes. The petitioners further called for a comprehensive audit of land allocations and greater transparency in the administration of tribal land.

They said they remained hopeful that authorities would engage with them and work towards reforms that would restore public confidence and improve service delivery. **BOPA**

# Arts & Culture



Participants at the Commemoration of the 12<sup>th</sup> International Day of Yoga in Gaborone on Sunday. The India High Commissioner to Botswana, Bharath Kumar-Kuthati said celebrations were not confined to Gaborone alone, but extended to Lobatse, Mahalapye, Palapye, Francistown and Serowe. Photo: Felicity Male

## Commemoration reflects Yoga growth in Botswana

Lesedi Thatayamodimo  
**GABORONE**

In a world that moves faster every day, where technology connects but often leaves people overwhelmed, Yoga gives an opportunity to reconnect and rediscover balance amidst the pressures of modern life.

Those were the words of the Indian High Commissioner to Botswana, Bharath Kumar-Kuthati, as Botswana joined millions of people around the world in commemorating the 12th International Day of Yoga, with emphasis on yoga's role as a unifying force for humanity and a pathway to healthier and more balanced living.

Addressing participants gathered on a chilly Sunday

morning in Gaborone, Kumar-Kuthati thanked attendees for their dedication to health, wellness and inner harmony despite the cold weather.

Kumar-Kuthati noted that the International Day of Yoga had evolved into a global celebration transcending national boundaries and cultures.

"This day is not a celebration of India alone, It is a celebration of humanity, a celebration of our shared aspiration for a healthier body, a calmer mind and a more peaceful world," he said, adding that Yoga benefits, belonged to all humanity.

"India may be the birthplace of Yoga, but humanity is its home," he said, linking the philosophy to India's ancient principle of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam, which promotes the belief that

the world is one family.

Kumar-Kuthati said Yoga welcomed people from all walks of life regardless of nationality, language, faith or social status, making it a truly universal practice.

He observed that as the day unfolded across different time zones, millions of people worldwide were participating in yoga activities in a remarkable display of global solidarity.

In Botswana, he said, celebrations were not confined to Gaborone alone but were also taking place in Lobatse, Mahalapye, Palapye, Francistown and Serowe, reflecting the growing popularity of Yoga across the country.

Describing Yoga as more than a physical exercise, Kumar-Kuthati referred to it as a timeless

science of holistic living that nurtures harmony between the body, mind and spirit.

He said the practice provided an effective response to many of the challenges associated with modern lifestyles, helping individuals achieve greater balance and well-being.

Highlighting on the global theme: Yoga for Healthy Aging, he said it focused on maintaining physical strength, mental resilience and emotional balance throughout all stages of life.

"Yoga is not merely about adding years to life but about adding life to those years, it offers us the wisdom and discipline to age with strength, balance, dignity and vitality," he said.

He encouraged participants to embrace Yoga beyond the annual celebration and integrate its

principles into their daily lives.

Sharing similar sentiments, the United Nations Resident Coordinator to Botswana, Wenyan Yang, said the celebration served to raise awareness about the many benefits of practising Yoga and making healthier lifestyle choices.

She said Yoga encouraged physical activity while promoting balance, strength, flexibility and mental well-being, contributing significantly to both physical and emotional health.

The celebration featured guided Yoga sessions and wellness activities, bringing together participants from different backgrounds in a shared commitment to healthy living, mindfulness and community well-being. **BOPA**

## KTM Choir pays tribute to Motswaledi

Tshiamiso Moseitha  
**SEROWE**

The Kgalelang Tumediso Motsete (KTM) Choral Choir commemorated the life of the late Gomolemo Motswaledi with a music concert at Swaneng Hill School in Serowe on Saturday.

While in Serowe, the KTM Choir also visited the grave sites of national anthem composer, Dr Kgalelang Motsete, Gomolemo "Sir G" Motswaledi, and Setty

Monnaapula to lay wreaths at their tombs.

The choir manager, Kaone Mongale, noted in an interview that while Motswaledi's credentials as a politician have never been in doubt, many might not know he was also an acclaimed musician.

Motswaledi founded the choir in 1993 and led it to prominence and dominance within choral music circles.

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Gomolemo "Sir G" Motswaledi

## Hikers embark on adventure filled Heritage walk

Calviniah Kgauthe  
**LOBATSE**

The drizzling Saturday proved to be an adventure filled morning for hikers who braved the chilly weather to explore the natural beauty during the third instalment of Lobatse Heritage Hike, founded by Keep Walking Hiking Club.

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# Hikers embark on adventure filled heritage walk

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For a regular hiker, Neo Magabu, this was her inaugural hike at Lobatse, which she noted was insightful. She appreciated the hilly natural landscape, which unfolded before her in the process leading her to understand the value, and depth that the town had to offer.

Along with other hikers Magabu started the 10 km hiking trail at the Peleng Kgotla, leading to scenic panoramic views of the mountainous landscape and profound historic sites in town such as the Fish Keitseng monument, Samora Machel monument, Peleng gorge, Peleng dam as well as the Mandela's hideout spot amongst others.

"We also saw Botswana's first Military base at Peleng which was used during the apartheid regime. We saw the historic tunnels used by the uMkhonto weSizwe, which was the paramilitary wing of the African National Congress (ANC) in South Africa founded by Nelson Mandela in 1961. We also learnt that ANC first congress was held at the Fish Keitseng memorial and

we discovered how deep our roots and relations with neighbours in the Southern African region are, and the role that Lobatse played in the liberation struggle," she said.

She also enjoyed the natural landscape at the Peleng hill summit as well as the Peleng dam view amid the rhythmic sounds of birds and ostensibly audible hoots and Screeches of monkeys. "The hike went well, it was quite enjoyable and fun, the terrain was okay the weather lovely. It was really cold but we made it. Besides, walking is healthy, it actually broadens the mind and one gets to appreciate nature more," she said.

For another walker, Marang Morakaladi, the cold weather was a little challenging, but otherwise fun. A Lobatse native and a sporadic hiker, she said this year she was also doing the Desert Bush Walk highlighting that the Lobatse Heritage Hike served as a good preparation for it.

"I grew up in this town but I did not know this history and interestingly I have never been to Peleng. Getting to see the Fish Keitseng monument, and then



Hikers on a 10km trek from Peleng Kgotla were treated to panoramic mountain views and iconic stops including the Fish Keitseng and Samora Machel monuments as well as Peleng Gorge and Dam. Photos: Calviniah Kgautlhe

going up the Peleng hill to learn all that history in-depth was amazing," she said.

For a regular hiker Wesley Selabe, the hiking brought one closer to nature as it blended the physical activity with historical, cultural, or ecological exploration.

He said hikers by nature were natural environment conservationists and enthusiasts who were in tandem with the environment hence the reason they planted fruit trees at the

Peleng Kgotla last year and this year under the Tree365 Keep Walking Hiking Club initiative.

"When we lace our boots, take our backpacks and walking sticks and walk it is for us to appreciate nature and get closer to it. When we walk in nature we get fulfilled and we as hikers also enjoy aquatic areas. We see water as a source of life and an integral part of mother nature," he said.

Keep Walking spokesperson Andrie Mokopakgosi said about 100 hikers showed up, noting

that it was a good number given the cold weather.

This he noted, meant quite a lot to the club highlighting that Lobatse was rich in heritage history.

He thus encouraged more hikers to participate in the next hiking instalment where they would continue to plant trees. He encouraged members of the community and hikers to donate trees which they would plant to give back to the environment. **BOPA**

# KTM Choir pays tribute to Motswaledi



Assistant Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship Baratiwa Mathoothe in full choral swing with KTM Choir during the commemoration of the choir legends including Gomolemo Motswaledi and national anthem composer, Kgalemang Motsete in Serowe on Saturday. Photo: Baldwin Nyamande

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Mongale stated that Motswaledi contributed immensely to the choir during his lifetime, and the group has been preparing this tribute ever since his passing.

Motswaledi died at the age of 44 in a car crash on July 30, 2014, along the A1 road near Pitshane.

Mongale shared that Motswaledi held a special place in their hearts because his leadership shaped the choir's current success.

The event also served as a celebration of his birthday and a "homecoming" for the many choir members who originally hail from Serowe.

According to Mongale, Motswaledi groomed most of the members into the skilled singers they are today, contributing significantly to the choir's growth by composing and arranging music.

Under his foundational legacy, the choir has consistently participated in and won national competitions.

They have also competed internationally, winning gold medals in Sweden in 2018 and later in South Korea.

Mongale emphasised that if properly diversified, choral music could create local employment and help diversify the Botswana economy.

The Member of Parliament for Serowe North, who is also the Assistant Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship, Baratiwa Mathoothe, attended the event. He encouraged self-reliance through music, highlighting the creative arts as a powerful tool for economic empowerment, social cohesion, and youth development.

Mathoothe remarked that by building careers in the creative economy, artists could take control of their livelihoods rather than depending entirely on traditional employment or state support.

He emphasised the importance of self-reliance and the commercialisation of creative work. "Music serves as the universal language of humanity," Mathoothe said.

He noted that music was vital to society because it united communities, preserved cultural heritage and drove social change. The concert featured high-energy performances that kept spectators on their feet, **BOPA**

# Coach builds hurdler into World Champ

Anastacia Sibanda  
**GABORONE**

He has shattered continental records, stormed to world 400m gold in Tokyo, Japan and stunned the athletics world by clocking a mind-boggling 9.89 seconds in the 100m.

Yet, if you ask coach Chilume 'Chippa' Ntshwarang about 22-year-old global superstar, Collen Kebinatshipi, he will tell you something entirely unexpected.

"The athlete is technically still in a development phase. I think more is coming," Ntshwarang says softly, a quiet smile in his voice.

To the rest of the world, Kebinatshipi is a finished work of genius, the fastest senior male individual world champion in Botswana's history.

But to the veteran coach, he is still the resilient child from Mookami Junior Secondary School. Their journey is a study in human patience, showing how the worst detours in life often lead to the most unforgettable destinations. The story began back in 2019.

Ntshwarang was looking at a raw and quiet Form 2 learner who had just booked a ticket to the regional COSSASA school games.

At the time, Kebinatshipi was not a sprinter but a hurdler.

Then came the kind of heartbreak that can break a young athlete's spirit before it even takes flight.

Later that year, a severe injury sidelined the teenager, which forced him to sit in the stands and watch the local Botswana Games pass him by.

In sport, as in life, an injury is often viewed as a dead end.

But for Ntshwarang and Kebinatshipi, it became a redirection.

As the youngster slowly healed, his coach noticed a shift in his stride and a deeper pool of raw power. Instead of putting him back over the hurdles,

Ntshwarang took a tactical gamble and slotted him into the men's 4x400m relay. "That was the same day that I realised he had a lot of potential, hence, in 2020, we introduced

him to the 400 metres flat," Ntshwarang recalls. The gamble paid off in gold.

Suddenly, the boy who could not clear hurdles was anchoring the national Under-20 team, running alongside Oreeditse Masede, Anthony Pesela and Pheny Majama to capture a world junior relay title in Kenya.

If the injury taught Kebinatshipi physical resilience, the 2022 World Athletics U20 Championships in Cali, Colombia, taught him mental fortitude.

He had fought his way across the finish line in an incredible fourth place in the individual 400m.

But minutes later, the joy vanished. He was disqualified for a lane infringement, stripped of his position and sent home with nothing but a bitter lesson.

For many young athletes, that level of public heartbreak on a global stage causes them to stutter.

For Kebinatshipi, it acted as fuel. With Ntshwarang guiding him through the psychological aftermath, the quarter-miler bounced back aggressively a year later. He dominated the 2023 African Junior Championships in Zambia, using the pain of Colombia to catapult himself straight into the senior global ranks and reached the World Championship semi-finals in his very first debut.

Every tear shed in training and every moment of doubt culminated in an unforgettable, earth-shattering moment at the World Athletics

Championships in Tokyo. When the gun went off, the years of systematic and quiet development exploded onto the track.

Kebinatshipi did not just win the individual 400m gold but shattered the field, blazing to a historic and world-leading African record time of 43.53 seconds.

Watching from the stands was the coach who had met him as an injured schoolboy. Today, despite the global crown and a recent local 100m sprint of 9.89 seconds that turned the international track world upside down, Kebinatshipi still returns to the same sanctuary, Ntshwarang's training camp.

It is a humble and world-class stable built on mutual trust and shared dreams.

Kebinatshipi is the talisman, but he is not alone. Alongside him is Lee Bhekimpilo Eppie, who fought his own way into the Tokyo 400m final.

Ntshwarang protects his athletes fiercely from the weight of a nation's sudden and heavy expectations. He knows what it took to get here and he knows how fragile momentum can be.

"I am confident that Eppie will also become a world-beater as time goes on. The nation should remain patient," Ntshwarang says, offering a piece of advice that serves as the philosophy for his entire camp.

As the morning sun rises over the track, a new generation looks on. Rising talents like Lefatshe Seleka, Same Mhutsiwa and Godirwang Lobatlamang train in the shadow of giants, recently joined by Prince Selepe and international veteran, Boitumelo Masilo.

They are all hunting the same lightning. But as Coach Ntshwarang watches his world champion lace up his spikes for another routine lap, he is not thinking about the medals already won, but the future, keeping a steady eye on the horizon and praying for good health.

"I pray he remains in this game free from injuries," the architect says of his prodigy. The foundation is built, the rest of the story is still being written. **BOPA**



Young karatekas during the inaugural BDF Karate Open Championship in Gaborone on Saturday. The tournament aimed to strengthen the development of karate in Botswana by providing athletes with a platform to test their skills, gain competitive experience and prepare for regional and international events.

## Elevate karate to glory days - Mophuting

Baleseng Batlotleng  
**GABORONE**

Botswana Defence Force (BDF) Commander General Mpho Mophuting has urged present and past karate instructors and students to join forces to elevate the sport to past glory days.

General Mophuting was speaking at the official opening of the BDF Karate Open Championships on Saturday.

The tournament, which was hosted at the state-of-the-art UB Indoor Sports Arena, attracted elite karate athletes from clubs and institutions across the country with high octane action, high-level competition, discipline and sportsmanship.

According to organisers, the tournament aimed to strengthen the development of karate in Botswana by providing athletes with a platform to test their skills, gain competitive experience and prepare for regional and international events.

General Mophuting, a karate instructor in his own right, expressed immense gratitude to the participation of different karate styles and clubs saying it was pleasing to see the warmth displayed in coordinating such a tournament.

"Unity is imperative irrespective of the karate styles we have, we might differ in federations and styles but what we teach and offer to our students is the art of karate in the general sense. This calls for us to join forces and elevate the art to new and greater heights," said General Mophuting.

He appealed to karate leadership to sow seeds of unity and revisit their old ways of doing things, which resulted in the molding of reputable karatekas.

He said he would be privileged to work with willing partners to take the sport back to its formative glory days.

"Be part and parcel of the growth of karate in this country.

We as the BDF appreciate your service and pledge to continue to support you in your different endeavors," he added.

Sensei Mophuting applauded the participation of youth as young as nine years, who graced the occasion urging them to take up karate as it nurtures their character and personal development.

He also paid homage to sensei Fish Masilo who remained active in karate despite his advanced age. Sensei Masilo now 90 years graced the tournament.

The tournament featured various age groups and categories creating opportunities for both emerging and seasoned karatekas to showcase their talent.

BDF alone was represented by athletes from its seven karate clubs from different barracks.

SSKB karate clubs scooped the team events in both kata and kumite while reigning national women's champion Centy Kgosikoma repeated her fine form in the ladies' individual kata category.

Africa WKF champion Chris Junior Kgosi scooped the 12-13years boys' individual kata while another enterprising karateka Lethabo Sekano was unstoppable in the ladies individual kumite category.

Kgotla Maranyane was awarded the 84kg kumite class while Ofentse Bakwadi and David Hubona emerged victorious in the veteran and masters' category respectfully.

In the boys 10-11 years kumite Mohau Tshukudu was crowned champion, eight - nine years' female kata sensation Palesa Rasejo emerged victorious after a tough preliminary while in the 16-17 years' individual female kata Barona Cleo of SSKB karate club scooped the gold medal. In the senior female under 55kg category hard hitting Tshhegofatso Chepete was crowned the overall champion. **BOPA**



## Nine countries confirm CUCSA Games participation

Anastacia Sibanda  
**GABORONE**

Nine countries have confirmed participation at the 2026 Confederation of Universities and Colleges Sports Associations (CUCSA) Games pencilled for June 28 to July 5.

Botswana will host sports delegations from Angola, Lesotho, eSwatini, South Africa, Malawi, Namibia, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

The Games will feature competition in eight sporting codes: athletics, basketball, chess, football, volleyball, netball, tennis and table tennis.

According to Local Organising Committee (LOC) chairperson, Keorapetse Setlhare preparations were progressing smoothly and reaching an advanced stage.

He said key operational areas had entered their final implementation

phase ahead of the tournament.

He said major logistical challenges had already been addressed, with arrangements for athletes' accommodation and catering nearing completion.

According to Setlhare, the main athletes' village would be located at the University of Botswana (UB), while various sporting venues across Gaborone were fully prepared to host the competitions.

"We have good sport facilities in our country. We will be utilising the exceptional Royal Aria complex, which has the unique infrastructure to host more than four sporting codes simultaneously," he said.

He said athletics events would be held at the University of Botswana Stadium, while plans were being finalised to stage the opening ceremony at the UB Indoor Sports Arena.

To ensure smooth movement

between venues, Setlhare said comprehensive transport arrangements had been put in place.

He said their strategy was to provide dedicated transport services for athletes, match officials and heads of delegation throughout the tournament.

Setlhare further said organisers were prioritising safety and contingency planning as the arrival of large sports delegations draws closer.

"We are completely ready. Every aspect of safety, emergency medical response and event security is being tightly coordinated with relevant national authorities and professional service providers," he said.

He also said 100 volunteers from the Sport Volunteers Movement had already undergone training and would assist during the games. **BOPA**



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# Clash of Legends thrives

Thato Mosinyi  
**GABORONE**

The excitement surrounding the much-anticipated Clash of Legends featuring long-time rivals Township Rollers, Mochudi Centre Chiefs, Kaizer Chiefs and Orlando Pirates may have ended on Saturday with Orlando Pirates crowned champions, but the event's legacy is set to endure far beyond the National Stadium.

Headlined by the presence of President Advocate Duma Boko and First Lady Kaone, the camaraderie, massive turnouts and emotional moments on the pitch have left a lasting impact on players and fans alike who braved the day's chill and rain as temperatures plummeted into lower digits.

The event was about more than reliving football feuds of the past.

At its core, Clash of Legends seeks

to promote the spirit of giving back by bringing together former stars to raise funds and awareness for retired players facing difficult circumstances in their post-football lives.

While the players' achievements on the field have long been celebrated, their impact off the field is now expected to rival their legendary performances. Though charitable initiatives may not always attract headlines, they remain among football's most meaningful contributions to society.

The high-profile event combined sporting nostalgia with philanthropy, aiming to address social challenges, provide relief to those in need and uplift underprivileged football communities.

Having emerged from humble backgrounds themselves, many of the former players understand the realities of poverty, limited educational opportunities and economic hardship.

Their experiences have inspired them

to use football as a vehicle for positive social change.

Clash of Legends project coordinator, Sekhana Koko, said the annual charity football event remained committed to its motto: A ticket bought is a life touched and would continue striving to leave a lasting legacy through transforming lives across the country.

He said the beneficiaries of the fourth edition would also include football supporters who had remained devoted to the game despite facing personal challenges and disabilities.

"After consulting with some of the stakeholders in the football fraternity, we have identified five beneficiaries to assist in relieving them from the hardships of live through paying for some of the medical costs," Koko said.

Of the five beneficiaries, four are football supporters living with various medical conditions and economic challenges. Assistance will be tailored

to their specific needs.

Koko reaffirmed the project's commitment to honouring individuals who had contributed to football while extending support to supporters in need.

He added that the programme would also assist former Township Rollers and national team striker Tshepiso 'Sox' Molwantwa to resume his football academy in Makwate.

"The culture of giving back to society in football is longer an exception. Instead, it is fast becoming the norm. By setting active social change as a priority, Clash of Legends is changing life and defining parameters from football triumphs to impactful contributions to the communities," he said.

Koko noted that the true value of Clash of Legends lies not only in the donations it provided, but also in the positive impact it created within communities and the spirit of generosity it fostered across the football fraternity. **BOPA**



South Africa's Orlando Pirates were crowned the champions of Clash of Legends after defeating Mochudi Center Chiefs 3-0 in the finals at the National Stadium in Gaborone on Saturday. Clash of Legends featured Mochudi Center Chiefs, Township Rollers, Kaizer Chiefs and Orlando Pirates for a day long charity tournament. Photo: Pheny Moalosi



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