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President Advocate Duma Boko (centre) during a meet and greet session at Monarch after touring stalls at the Trade Up North 10th Anniversary in Francistown yesterday. He assured them that government was addressing the medical supplies shortage by eliminating middlemen in the supply chain, introducing new technology to improve the management of medical supplies and renovating ageing infrastructure, among other initiatives. Photo: Ogopoleng Kgomoethata

About 81 000 Batswana live with NCDs

Thamani Shabani

FRANCISTOWN

About 81 000 Batswana are living with non-communicable diseases,(NCD) including diabetes, high blood pressure and cancer particularly cervical cancer, President Advocate Duma Boko has said.

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Residents call for more education on ConCourt

Kabo Keaketswe
LETLHAKANE

Many Batswana say there is a need for intensified public education on the proposed establishment of a Constitutional Court (ConCourt). Participants at a Constitutional Court panel discussion held in Letlhakane on Thursday generally welcomed the proposal but questioned its timing, arguing that the country's current economic challenges should take precedence. Speaking during the discussion, Mr Bona Machinya said government should listen to public concerns, stressing that many people were not opposed to the establishment of the Constitutional Court but were concerned about whether it was the right time. He questioned whether Botswana faced a crisis or backlog of constitutional cases requiring the urgent establishment of a specialised court. He suggested that, for now, existing court

structures and legislation could be strengthened to deal more effectively with constitutional matters. Another participant, Mr Kelesamile Raki, said constitutional reform should be approached holistically rather than through a piecemeal approach, arguing that the latter would be costly for government. Given the country's economic challenges, he said establishing a Constitutional Court would place an additional financial burden on the state. Mr Joshua Nkarabang shared similar views, saying a comprehensive constitutional review should take precedence, with the necessary amendments made before establishing the Constitutional Court. He also questioned whether a Constitutional Court would have the authority to declare the Constitution unconstitutional. Mr Nkarabang further emphasised the need for extensive

public education to help citizens understand the difference between the Constitution and the Constitutional Court. He said the project appeared rushed and suggested that existing laws be reviewed to better address violations of citizens' constitutional rights. Closing the discussion, Boteti East Member of Parliament, Mr Keoagile Atamelang, acknowledged public concerns about government's priorities but said the Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC) remained committed to implementing commitments

contained in its election manifesto. He underscored the importance of establishing a Constitutional Court, noting that there had been instances where government was found to have violated citizens' constitutional rights. Mr Atamelang said Boteti was among the areas most affected by constitutional issues, particularly those relating to land and tribal matters. He argued that reviewing the Constitution could be a lengthy process and that delaying the establishment of the Constitutional Court could result in constitutional

cases remaining unresolved. Mr Atamelang, who is also Assistant Minister of Transport and Infrastructure, said the panel discussion formed part of government's public education campaign on the proposed court. As Botswana prepares for a referendum on the establishment of the Constitutional Court, he said it was important for citizens to understand both the advantages and disadvantages of the proposal. He said government would continue engaging experts to educate the public on the matter. **BOPA**



Minister of Communications and Innovation, Mr David Tshere (second left), Maun West MP, Mr Carterpillar Hikuama (second right) and other officials during the handover of an ICT laboratory to improve learners' performance at Makakung Primary School recently. Mr Tshere urged teachers and learners to embrace the new facility and use it to transform the school's learning culture. Photo: Gaolethoo Kgatitswe

Forum sets stage for National CBNRM Association

Gaolethoo Kgatitswe
MAUN

The formation of a National Community-Based Natural Resource Management (CBNRM) Association is underway following the election of an interim committee tasked with steering the establishment of the body within the next 12 months. The resolution was reached at the conclusion of the resuscitated National CBNRM Forum held in Maun from July 15 to 16, which brought together delegates from Community Based Organisations (CBOs), government and civil society to deliberate on the future of community-based natural resource management in the country. Presenting on institutionalising CBNRM, Professor Joseph Mbaiwa of Okavango Research Institute (ORI), said the establishment of a national association was necessary to address long-standing institutional bottlenecks and strengthen governance across the sector. He said the association would provide policy advocacy and legal support, leadership and capacity building, research, technical assistance and resource mobilisation while strengthening accountability, transparency and long-term sustainability within CBOs. Presenting on behalf of one of the forum's discussion groups, Fauna Conservation Trust of Ngamiland executive director, Mr Mpho Tiego said although CBNRM had over the years contributed to employment creation, increased participation of women and youth in conservation, growth of eco-tourism and improved community stewardship of natural resources, the sector continued to face challenges that threatened its sustainability. "Things such as weak governance, poor financial management, leadership conflicts, inadequate monitoring and reporting systems had affected the performance of Community Based

Organisations," he said. Mr Tiego further identified challenges including inequitable distribution of benefits, climate change, increasing pressure from international anti-hunting lobby groups, poor needs assessments before the establishment of community trusts and the tendency by some organisations to blur the distinction between charitable and business operations. He further said participants recommended strengthening governance through continuous capacity building for boards of trustees, improving checks and balances, developing effective monitoring and evaluation systems, enhancing communication with communities and empowering beneficiaries to demand accountability from their leaders. He added that delegates also proposed strengthening the capacity of Technical Advisory Committees, expediting the establishment of regional CBNRM offices, undertaking regular community needs assessments and promoting climate change adaptation measures to improve the resilience of Community Based Organisations. The interim national CBNRM committee consists of 10 members, with Mr Tiego, elected chairperson. Meanwhile, the committee has been mandated to draft and register the association's constitution, establish an interim secretariat, develop governance, communication and resource mobilisation frameworks and convene the inaugural general assembly that would adopt the constitution and elect the first substantive national executive committee. The forum also reaffirmed the need for a unified national platform through which CBOs can collaborate, share best practices and advocate for policies that strengthened community participation in the sustainable management of natural resources. **BOPA**

School pins hope on new ICT laboratory

Gaolethoo Kgatitswe
MAKAKUNG

Makakung Primary School is looking to a newly established Information and Communication Technology (ICT) laboratory to improve learner performance after recording a Primary School Leaving Examination (PSLE) pass rate of below 50 per cent for the past three consecutive years. Speaking during the handover ceremony, school head Ms Paranga Kehinana said the school was determined to reverse the trend by embracing digital learning and benchmarking against high-performing schools to strengthen teaching methods and raise academic standards. She said the ICT laboratory had come at an opportune time as the school sought to improve learner outcomes while equipping pupils with digital skills needed to compete in an increasingly technology-driven world. "This facility will expose learners to digital literacy, research and independent learning while creating opportunities for both learners and teachers to explore innovative approaches to education," she said. Ms Kehinana said the school was committed to making full use of the facility to improve academic performance and restore confidence in its ability to produce quality results. Minister of Communications

and Innovation, Mr David Tshere, said the digital centre reflected government's commitment to ensuring that no learner, regardless of location, was left behind in Botswana's digital transformation agenda. He said government, through the Ministry of Communications and Innovation and the Botswana Communications Regulatory Authority (BOCRA) Universal Access and Service Fund, continued to expand digital connectivity to schools, particularly in rural and remote areas, to prepare young people for meaningful participation in a knowledge-based economy. "Digital transformation is ultimately about people. It is about empowering learners to think critically, teachers to teach effectively, entrepreneurs to innovate and communities to participate fully in the modern economy," he said. Mr Tshere urged teachers and learners to embrace the new facility and use it to transform the school's learning culture. "From today onwards, it cannot be business as usual at Makakung Primary School. You need to embrace ICT to change the way you have been doing things. In future, I expect to see Makakung's digital footprint online," he said. BOCRA Board chairperson, Dr Bokamoso Basutli said the authority remained committed to

extending digital infrastructure to schools across Botswana to improve access to quality education and equip learners with skills needed in the digital era. He said expanding access to digital platforms was an investment in Botswana's future as technology continued to shape education, innovation and economic growth. Makakung kgosi Tuesee Kahaka, encouraged learners to value the investment by using the ICT laboratory responsibly and striving for academic excellence. Member of Parliament for Maun West, Mr Carterpillar Hikuama, described the digital centre as a vital community resource that would help bridge geographical barriers and create new opportunities for learners. "Where physical roads fail us, the digital highway will carry us through," he said. Mr Hikuama said the facility would inspire learners to dream bigger, explore new ideas, ask questions and acquire knowledge that would enable them to contribute meaningfully to Botswana's development. The P1.45 million digital centre is equipped with 30 desktop computers, two laptops for teachers, a smart board, a network printer and high-speed broadband Internet, providing Makakung Primary School with modern tools to enhance teaching, learning and academic performance. **BOPA**

Business Botswana funds injects P1 million sewer project

Mmoniemang Motsamai
MOCHUDI

Mochudi residents are celebrating the start of a P1 million sewerage project that will connect 50 households to the Water Utilities Corporation network, ending years of sanitation problems in the area. The Household Sewerage Connection Project, funded by Business Botswana through the Private Sector Disaster Response Fund (PSDRF), was handed over to Kgatleng District authorities during a groundbreaking ceremony recently.

Business Botswana Chief Executive Officer, Ms Tumi Mbaakanyi said the project would improve access to essential sanitation and contribute to better public health, environmental sustainability and living

conditions for beneficiaries. “As we commence this important intervention, our priority is to ensure that the project is delivered efficiently, to the required quality standards, and within the agreed timeframe,” she said. Ms Mbaakanyi also called for accountability and responsible management of resources to ensure delivery within budget. Kgatleng District Commissioner, Mr Innocent Maotwe described the infrastructure as ‘life-changing.’

“This is an expensive exercise during this water-tight budget era and our task as the

district is to make sure that the project is delivered efficiently,” he said.

He added that the project would create a safer environment for children and help mitigate water-borne diseases.

Area Councillor Mr Boikaego Molefhe said the development was long overdue for residents who have suffered without proper sanitation for many years.

“Due to climate change and ever-changing weather patterns, this development could not wait any

longer,” he said, while thanking Business Botswana for the initiative.

Resident Engineer, Mr Lopang Modise said every Motswana was entitled to wastewater reticulation. Once complete, identified residents would be able to apply for home connections.

The pipeline is planned to serve Boseja South, Boseja North, Moshawana and Bophirima wards.

The project will be implemented by Tsutsuga (Pty) Ltd in association with Multi Consult Botswana (Pty)

Ltd. Contractor Mr Mothusi Mokgwa said his team would prioritize local employment during construction and ensure community safety by providing makeshift crossing points to avoid disruptions.

He committed to complete within agreed timeline.

The need for the project was heightened after the 2025 floods caused havoc in Boseja South, damaging sewer lines and causing overflows. **BOPA**



Members of the community attending the groundbreaking and handover ceremony for a sewerage connection project to benefit 50 households in the Boseja South, Boseja North, Bophirima and Moshawana wards in Mochudi recently. Business Botswana CEO, Ms Tumi Mbaakanyi said the project would improve access to essential sanitation infrastructure. Photo: Mmoniemang Motsamai

Diversification and Innovation key to Botswana economic future

Thamani Shabani
FRANCISTOWN

Diversification and innovation have been identified as critical vehicles that Botswana can ride on in order to realise meaningful change.

Officiating at the Trade Up North 10th anniversary conference in Francistown on Thursday, President Advocate Duma Boko said the critical role of innovation and diversification in reshaping Botswana’s economic landscape could not be over-emphasised.

President Boko said due to the uncertainty facing diamond sales, diversifying the economy away from the mineral was essential to reviving an economy currently under pressure.

“Botswana need jobs, entrepreneurs need markets, while communities need investments. We must industrialise and add value to our own resources to ensure that all Batswana benefit, while the private sector drives the economy.”

The President emphasised that the nation’s economic evolution hinged on pioneering new approaches and diversifying industrial activity. He called for strategic investments designed to directly uplift the livelihoods of Batswana.

He noted that the domestic economy must move beyond the extraction of primary resources, stressing that adding value to local resources was essential for building a more resilient and diverse economy capable of creating sustainable employment.

Advocate Boko further reaffirmed government’s steadfast commitment to fostering a supportive environment for small and medium enterprises (SMEs).

“Empowering SMEs is a cornerstone of our strategy to build a more robust and self-reliant Botswana,” he said.

On regional development, President Boko said Francistown must become a centre for economic activity as the city has always been shaped by movement. As a gateway to the northern corridor, he said Francistown has potential to create value for its people.

He explained that hosting such events in Francistown kept the North on the national economic agenda and ensured that opportunities reached every aspect of the economy through innovation. **BOPA**

About 81 000 Batswana live with NCDs

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Speaking during a meet-and-greet session at Monarch kgotla in Francistown yesterday, President Boko said the rising number of NCD cases was being compounded by ongoing drug shortages in public health facilities.

However, he assured residents that the shortages would “soon be a thing of the past” as government was working around the clock to address the situation.

“The shortages are a result of past procurement procedures,” the President said. “Some companies overcharged government without justification.”

President Boko also expressed concern over the recent disposal of pharmaceuticals worth millions of Pula, saying the incident pointed to systemic mismanagement that government was committed to correcting.

On social welfare, the President reaffirmed government’s promise

to increase the old age pension to P1 800 once the economy improves.

He further announced that beneficiaries of the Child Welfare Grant would have their payments backdated to April, when the programme commenced.

The President acknowledged that the economy remained under pressure, but said government would do all it could to improve livelihoods. He added that the Ipelegeng programme allowance would also be reviewed and adjusted “as the economy permits.”

In education, President Boko said government had launched an initiative to refurbish schools across the country, describing education as “the backbone and foundation for every child.”

The programme will begin with 21 selected schools, he said, adding that other initiatives aimed at improving the lives of Batswana were also underway. **BOPA**

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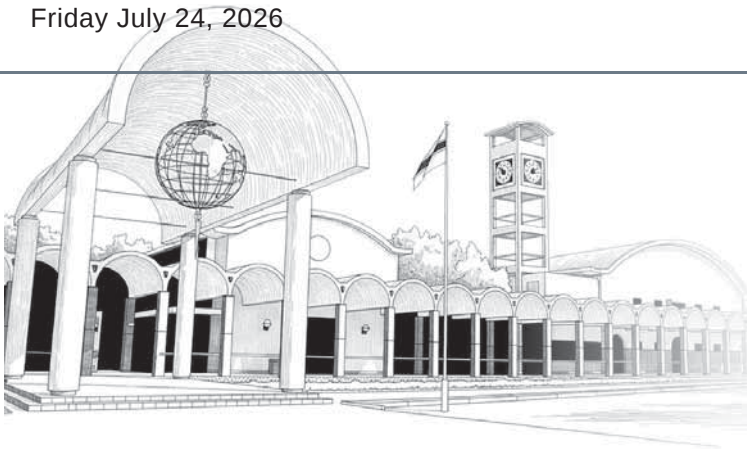
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MPs pave way for Cannabis Act implementation

Esther Mmolai
GABORONE

Parliament has cleared the way for the smooth implementation of the 2025 Cannabis Act after passing an amendment to the Industrial Development Act designed to eliminate overlapping regulations, protect investors from uncertainty and unlock new economic growth.

The Industrial Development (Amendment) Bill No. 3 of 2026, which was passed without amendments following the committee stage, amends the Industrial Development Act of 2019 to align it with the provisions of the Cannabis Act of 2025 as part of broader efforts to accelerate industrialisation and drive economic diversification.

Presenting the Bill on Wednesday, Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship, Mr Tiroeane Ntsima, highlighted that the consequential amendment was intended to eliminate regulatory uncertainty surrounding cannabis-related manufacturing and processing.

Mr Ntsima explained that the amendment promoted legal certainty, prevented duplicating regulatory functions, strengthened inter-agency coordination and created a coherent framework for industrial and cannabis-related

activities.

The minister also noted that while the Industrial Development Act served as the principal legislation regulating manufacturing in the country, it recognised that sector-specific laws passed by Parliament may exclude certain industries from its scope.

He told Parliament that during the drafting of the Cannabis Act, his ministry served as a key stakeholder, offering technical input on industrial regulation and manufacturing.

“Owing to the specialised and sensitive nature of cannabis cultivation, processing and related activities, it was agreed that these activities should be comprehensively regulated under the Cannabis Act rather than through the Industrial Development Act,” he said.

Consequently, he said it became necessary to explicitly exclude cannabis-related manufacturing and processing from the scope of the Industrial Development Act.

The decision, Mr Ntsima noted, removed potential overlap between the two laws and offered clear guidance to investors, regulators and stakeholders.

The Bill, inserts an additional exception under Section 3(2) of the Industrial Development Act of 2019, to clarify that activities

National Library Services Bill passes without amendments

GABORONE

Parliament has passed the National Library Services Bill without amendments following presentation by Minister of Labour and Home Affairs, Major General (Rtd) Pius Mokgware as well as

debate by legislators.

The legislation seeks to re-enact and update the National Library Service Act in efforts to transform the country’s library network into a modern, digital-first infrastructure. Subsequently, modernising physical facilities, the initiative will significantly boost human capital by expanding free internet access, supporting digital education standards, enhancing accessibility for people with disabilities and equipping local communities with essential digital skills for the modern economy. **BOPA**



Parliament has passed the Industrial Development Amendment Bill No. 3 of 2026, aligning the Industrial Development Act of 2019 with the Cannabis Act of 2025 to provide a clear regulatory framework for cannabis-related manufacturing and processing.

governed by the Cannabis Act of 2025 were exempt from the former.

Mr Ntsima emphasised that the change was purely consequential and did not create a new regulatory regime, but harmonised existing law to ensure consistency with the Cannabis Act.

“The amendment is also necessary to facilitate the smooth implementation of the Cannabis Act, which came into operation in 2025. Without this amendment, we remain at risk of conflicting statutory mandates and regulatory uncertainty concerning

the licensing and oversight of cannabis-related manufacturing activity,” he explained.

Supporting the Bill, Member of Parliament for Moshupa-Manyana, Mr Karabo Gare, agreed that the amendment was crucial, noting that dual-regulation could slow decision-making in an industry actively attracting investors.

Mr Gare added that government had reaffirmed its intention to use the cannabis sector to drive the economy, generate revenue and create jobs to prove that emerging industries can thrive when well-

regulated. He noted that the move aligned with international best practices where dedicated legislation governed the sector. He expressed hope that the industry would actively involve local farmers alongside foreign investors.

MP for Okavango West, Mr Kenny Kapinga, also supported the Bill. However, he questioned what progress had been made on the ground since the Cannabis Act was passed last year as well as the steps that had been taken to ensure that government moved with agility. **BOPA**

Parliament approves 70-year age limit for Attorney General

Ketshepile More
GABORONE

The newly passed Attorney General Retirement Age Bill, Once signed into law, will officially raise the age cap for the head of government’s legal counsel to 70 years, giving the President explicit discretionary authority to retain or appoint veteran legal minds beyond the standard public service retirement age of 60. While the legislation creates flexibility for the President to retain seasoned legal expertise in office for the public good, it guarantees no automatic right of extension past 60 and legally reinforces that any holder of the office must meet the high judicial qualifications required of a judge.

The Bill was passed on Wednesday when Parliament approved the measure without amendments after navigating the Committee Stage.

Enacted under Section 51.4 of the Constitution, the Bill seeks

to establish the 70-year ceiling to ensure stability and high-level counsel for the state.

Presenting the Bill, Minister for State President, Defence and Security, Mr Moeti Mohwasa, explained that a retirement age of 70 was appropriate given the specialised legal expertise required for the role, likening the provision to similar standards set for the judiciary.

Legislators unanimously agreed that as government’s chief legal advisor, the Attorney General must possess specialised experience alongside the wisdom needed to interpret complex legislation, navigate political dynamics and manage high-stakes litigation.

Supporting the Bill, Okavango West Member of Parliament, Mr Kenny Kapinga, emphasised that the Attorney General acted on behalf of the public rather than just government of the day.

Consequently, he stated, the

office required individuals of distinguished character and high ethical standards who would fulfil the role with complete impartiality.

Mr Kapinga noted that the position demanded high level of wisdom and experience that can benefit the nation, rather than young people who were still finding their feet in the profession and life in general.

He stressed that the Bill should not be about capturing government institutions, but about ensuring that the person in office can stand their ground, uphold the Constitution, maintain the rule of law and protect the impartiality of the justice system.

Owing to the critical responsibilities, he added that an appointee needed strong mental faculties and clear judgment to offer reliable counsel to both Cabinet and government institutions while remaining independent from the political executive to prevent conflict of interest. Therefore, he

argued that it was necessary at times to retain an individual with such expertise and experience.

Minister of Justice and Correctional Services and Gaborone South MP, Mr Nelson Ramaotwana, shared the same sentiments, saying that an experienced Attorney General with wisdom would pave way for future generations by establishing enduring legacies.

He reassured Parliament that the Bill was not designed to benefit the incumbent, but to allow a highly experienced individual to set legal precedents and establish a strong ethical framework for the office and the nation.

Contributing to the debate, Minister of Environment and Tourism, also Francistown South MP, Mr Wynter Mmolotsi, stated that raising the retirement age to 70 aligned with other specialised professions, such as teaching, which had a retirement age of 65. He highlighted that such fields required

accumulated experience to benefit the country.

For his part, Kgatleng East MP, Mr Mabuse Pule, acknowledged the sensitivity of the issue and supported the Bill, saying he was hopeful that the legislation was not meant to benefit the incumbent. Mr Pule pointed out that increasing the retirement age was already embedded in the Constitution as a matter vested within the President’s discretionary powers.

Minister of Water and Human Settlements, also Palapye MP, Mr Onneetse Ramogapi, supported the Bill, noting that an experienced Attorney General would offer the grace and wisdom of legislative years.

He emphasised that an individual in that role needed to be someone of that age, as they possess the discretion, diplomacy, tact and exceptional communication skills developed over years of working under pressure in their field. **BOPA**

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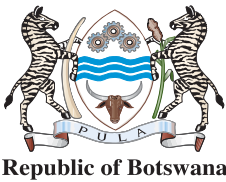
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PUBLIC NOTICE

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS 2026-2027 TOP ACHIEVERS' SPONSORSHIP

Date: 06 July 2026

1. The Department of Tertiary Education Financing under the Ministry of Higher Education invites applications from qualified citizens of Botswana for Tertiary Education Government Sponsorship for **2026/2027** under the **Top Achievers Sponsorship Program**. All applicants are therefore advised to adhere to terms and conditions for applying for sponsorship as stated in this notice to ensure compliance to set requirements.

2. The 2026/2027 cohort shall be sponsored for undergraduate programmes **ONLY**, therefore there will be no progression to Masters and PhD Level.

3. Applicants are expected to select **A Level subjects** in line with established priority training areas, as stated in this advert to ensure seamless transfer to tertiary institutions.

4. Qualifying applicants shall be considered for placement in local private Secondary/high schools for their foundation programme i.e. AS level and A Level.

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 - ix. Be expected to pay a non-refundable sponsorship application fee of **P50.00** which will be deductible from the first allowance. (*Refer to the Memorandum of Agreement*).

8. APPLICATION PERIOD
The applications will be open from **Monday 6th July 2026 to Friday 7th August 2026** on DTEF website <https://tef.gov.bw>, updates will also be posted on other Public and private electronic/print media, DTEF Facebook page: 'Department of Tertiary Education Financing'.

9. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA
The applicants must meet the following:

- i. Must have completed **BGCSE, IGCSE, A LEVEL, AS, IB DIPLOMA & MATRIC in November/December 2025 (single sitting)** and have attained the following Minimum Cut Off Points:

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1.	Seed Science Technology	2. Harvest Horticulture & Grain Production
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- 14. Ecology
- 16. Meat Inspection

- 2 MINING
- 1. Mining
 - 2. AI and Machine e-Learning
 - 3. Extraction and Processing Engineering

- 3 TOURISM
- 1. International Tourism Management
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- 1. Transport & Economic Planning

- 5 BUSINESS , FINANCIAL SERVICES & TRADE
- 1. Econometrics
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 - 7. Digital Finance/Accounting Technology

- 6 SPORTS & CREATIVE INDUSTRIES
- 1. Music
 - 2. Fine
 - 3. Arts
 - 4. Performing Arts
 - 5. Fashion/Apparel Design
 - 6. Theatre/Visual/Dramatic Arts
 - 7. Sports Science and Management
 - 8. Culinary Arts
 - 9. Creative coding
 - 10. Copy right law
 - 11. Cinematography

- 7 MANUFACTURING
- 1. Robotics
 - 2. Artificial Intelligence
 - 3. Manufacturing Technologist
 - 4. Jewelry Technologist
 - 5. Machinist

- 8 HEALTH
- 1. Physiotherapy
 - 2. Dentistry
 - 3. Diagnostic Medical Sonography
 - 4. Radiography & Imaging
 - 5. Audiology & Speech Therapy
 - 6. Dietetics
 - 7. Pathology/Therapy
 - 8. Clinical Prosthetics and Orthotics
 - 9. Optometry
 - 10. Bio-Medical Engineering
 - 11. Pharmaceutical
 - 12. Neuroscience
 - 13. Trauma Nursing
 - 14. Psychiatric Nursing
 - 15. Ear, Nose and Throat Nursing
 - 16. Anesthetic Nursing
 - 17. Theatre Nursing
 - 18. Orthopedic Nursing
 - 19. Medicine

- 9 SCIENCES & TECHNOLOGY
- 1. Nuclear Physics
 - 2. Land Architecture
 - 3. Data Science
 - 4. Forensic Science
 - 5. Nanotechnology
 - 6. Earth & Environmental Science
 - 7. Sanitation & Waste Management

- 10 ENGINEERING
- 1. Aerospace Engineering
 - 2. Construction Economic Engineering
 - 3. Heavy Plant Mechanical
 - 4. Earth & Environmental Science Engineering
 - 5. Aircraft Maintenance Engineering
 - 6. Building & Oil and Gas Engineering
 - 7. Robotics Engineering
 - 8. Artificial intelligence
 - 9. Geodesy and Geo-informatics
 - 10. Manufacturing Engineering
 - 11. Industrial Engineering
 - 12. Material science and Engineering
 - 13. Mechatronics
 - 14. Chemical Engineering

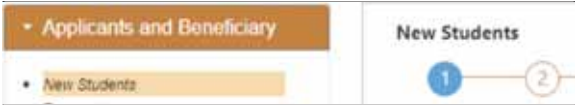
- 11 EDUCATION & TRAINING
- 1. Special Education – specialization in Learning Disability, Visual Impairment & Hearing Impairment
 - 2. Psychology Discipline

- 12 PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS
- 1. Chartered Financial Analyst

11. ONLINE APPLICATION PROCEDURES – LOCAL PLACEMENT
Qualifying applicants who have been admitted into local private high schools are advised to apply online as outlined below;
STEP 1: Online Tertiary Education Sponsorship Log-in.
Visit the official website of the Online Tertiary Education Sponsorship and Click on Sign Up, top right, this allows you to create a user account to use to interact with DTEF. Capture your details as per the form displayed. Enter a valid email address e.g. jjabavu@yahoo.com at the end, click Create New Account.

STEP 2: Apply
After logging in, click **Apply** for Sponsorship

STEP 3: Choosing the Application Type.
Ensure that the form displays **New Students**, as shown below:



STEP 4: Provide Exam details

STEP 5: Fill in information on personal details

STEP 6: Program Details
Select the institution and the systems will auto-fill other details.

STEP 7: Attaching the relevant documents
Upload the relevant supporting documents in **pdf, jpeg, png or jpg** format at the **Attachment** section.

STEP 8: Declare, Preview and Select Submit.

STEP 9: Select Application-My Application New Student on the Main Menu. Select and view the Memorandum of Agreement on the table that appears.

STEP 10: Select Accept on the table to generate Offer letter. Click Offer letter then view PDF to download.

Note that the **Reset** button will allow you to start the application afresh and clears all that you have captured before. This applies only to applications that have not been submitted, including the ones in Saved as 'Drafts'.

Note that if you do not meet the minimum required cut off points, the system will not allow you to proceed to the next step. A notification email will be sent to you through the email address you provided to that effect.

12. IMPORTANT PROCESSING NOTES:
- i. Hand delivered applications will **NOT** be accepted. Except otherwise advised.
 - ii. The online system allows you to save your application in **Draft mode** and revisit at a later stage provided it is before submission deadline.
 - iii. Failure to submit all supporting documents will render your application incomplete.
 - iv. Only applications on the above listed areas of study will be considered for sponsorship.
 - v. There will be no consideration for award in retrospect for those who self-sponsored before award of scholarship.
 - vi. **Appeals to the Ministry against the decision of the Director DTEF regarding non approval of sponsorship application will only be considered up to 2 weeks after closure or within 14 calendar days of having received the response. All correspondence should be addressed to the Ministerial Appeals Committee, Ministry of Higher Education, (Private Bag 00517 Gaborone).**
- The Department of Tertiary Education Financing will not award sponsorship if the applicants do not satisfactorily meet the application requirements.

13. ONLINE APPLICATION RESTRICTIONS:
- i. Applicants whose admission information is not captured in the system by the relevant local private secondary schools will not be permitted to apply.
 - ii. The system will not permit applications from individuals who do not have National Identity number or birth certificate number and non-citizens.
 - iii. The system will NOT permit applications from individuals with academic points below the cut off points.
 - iv. The Department will not process applications from students who sat for examinations after December 2025.

14. DISCLAIMERS:
- v. Admission at Tertiary Institution does **NOT** guarantee award of Government sponsorship.
 - vi. Meeting the minimum requirements does **NOT** guarantee sponsorship.
 - vii. Submission of an application online does **NOT** guarantee an award of sponsorship.
 - viii. Any false statement or declaration made to acquire sponsorship/loan will result in invalidation of the application and may result in prosecution.

15. APPLICATION INQUIRIES:
For any information, applicants are advised to contact the Department from **0730hrs to 1630hrs** on weekdays only through the under-listed lines:
• Toll Free No: **0800 600 185**
• Call Centre: **371 9364 / 371 9439 / 371 9441 / 371 9473.**
• Public Relations: **371 9319 / 371 9321**
• Switchboard: **379 1300 / 371 9301**



DailyBusiness

Gabaeme turns indigenous fruits into value-added products

Samantha Gabaeme
TSHANE

The 56-year-old Tshane entrepreneur, Ms Pelonomi Gabaeme is unlocking the value of Kgalagadi’s indigenous resources through her enterprise TKT’s Best Indigenous Food Preserves. Through her enterprise, she is transforming locally available indigenous resources into value-added products, including jams, juices and nutrient-rich powders, while preserving Botswana’s food heritage and creating new economic opportunities.

Her product line includes wild Kalahari bitter melon jam and powder, cactus fruit jam and juice, melon jam and powder, mixed fruit jam, morula juice and dried cowpeas leaves also known as morogo wa dinawa.

In an interview with BOPA, Ms Gabaeme said her journey into food processing began in 2011 after her temporary teaching contract at Lehutshelo Junior Secondary School came to an end, leaving her unemployed.

Having taught Home Economics, she realised that the skills she had acquired in food preparation, preservation and processing could be transformed into a livelihood opportunity. She added that her surroundings further inspired her, as she noticed the abundance of indigenous resources in Kgalagadi including cactus fruits, wild Kalahari bitter melon locally known as kgengwe and melon, which were readily available but had limited commercial use.

This prompted her to explore ways of adding value to these natural resources by turning them into products such as jams and juices.

Ms Gabaeme stated that her skills were further strengthened through training provided by the National Agricultural Research and Development Institute (NARDI), which equipped her with additional knowledge to improve the quality and production processes of her products.

When she started the business, she submitted some of her products to NARDI for nutritional analysis to ensure they met the required quality and safety standards. She added that she deliberately produced preservative-free products without added chemicals, maintaining what she described as natural products made from locally sourced ingredients. “Each product is carefully processed to add value to locally available resources while preserving them, introducing them to modern consumers in new and convenient forms,” she said.

While indigenous fruits remain at the heart of her business, Ms Gabaeme said she also processed selected exotic fruits to diversify her

product range. Among her creations is orange marmalade, which earned the Grand Champion award at the 2023 National Agricultural Show in Gaborone.

Her melon jam was also recognised as the Overall Champion at the 2025 Kgalagadi North District Show in Tshane, an achievement she described as testament to the quality and growing recognition of her products.

Ms Gabaeme said the nutritional value of indigenous fruits was one of the driving forces behind her decision to add value to them.

She noted that many of the fruits used in her products were rich in vitamin C and other nutrients, making them valuable additions to everyday diets.

Ms Gabaeme said she marketed her products through a combination of direct sales and exhibitions. She explained that she regularly visits offices across the district to sell her products, while many customers also travel to her home in Tshane to make purchases.

To expand her market reach, she also showcases her products at events such as the Tshane Show and the Gaborone Consumer Fair, where she had the opportunity to promote Botswana’s indigenous food products to a wider audience.

She confirmed that she received P21,000 from the Local Enterprise Authority (LEA) through the Chemachema grant programme and P2,500 from Letlhabile initiative. The funding enabled me to purchase essential equipment and utensils to support production and improve the operations, she said.

One of the challenges she encountered, she said was accessing institutional markets.

She explained that when she started the business, she noticed that many schools were using imported jams, which motivated her to produce locally made alternatives with the hope of supplying government institutions and contributing to local procurement initiatives.

However, she said this opportunity had remained difficult to access, as the Kgalagadi North District Council informed her that the procurement of jam products was done through tender processes. She noted that as a small-scale enterprise, competing for such tenders had been challenging, resulting in the business mainly relying on individual customers rather than institutional buyers.

Ms Gabaeme further identified limited market access as one of the challenges affecting her business, citing the district’s small population size and the current economic climate, which had reduced consumers’ purchasing power.

She also highlighted the high cost and limited availability of packaging materials, explaining that she travels

to Gaborone to source them, a situation that increases production costs and affects the overall sustainability of the business.

Ms Gabaeme dreams of seeing her products in supermarkets cross the country. She called for stronger support for local enterprises, particularly through opportunities that allow small businesses to compete and grow.

Beyond building her own brand, she hopes her journey will inspire other women to recognise the value of their skills, embrace entrepreneurship and transform their ideas into sustainable livelihoods. **BOPA**



Founder of TKT’s Best Indigenous Food Preserves, Ms Pelonomi Gabaeme is transforming locally available indigenous resources into value-added products such as jam, juices and nutrient-rich powders. Photos: Samantha Gabaeme



Each jar, bottle and sachet tells a story of innovation, transforming Kgalagadi’s indigenous harvest into products that promote nutrition and unlock new economic opportunities.

Govt intensifies dairy research at Sunnyside Ranch

Calviniah Kgautlhe
LOBATSE

Government has intensified dairy research at Sunnyside Ranch in Lobatse to determine which crossbreed is best suited for local production.

Guided by the country’s economic transformation agenda, initiatives, including the Dairy Cross Breeding project and the Adoption and Introduction of the Girolando cattle breed project, aims to provide scientists with definitive recommendations on the ideal breed that will deliver the highest milk output while exhibiting strong resilience.

In an interview, a senior research scientist from the Department of Animal Production and Health at the Botswana National Agricultural Research and Development Institute (NARDI), Mr Utlwanang Moreri, explained that the Dairy Cross Breeding project leveraged animal breeding, genetics and reproduction technologies.



NARDI senior research scientist Mr Utlwanang Moreri

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This entails crossing indigenous Tswana cows with four exotic breeds of Simmental, Brown Swiss, Jersey and Holstein Friesian, he said noting that efforts were directed at strengthening Botswana's dairy industry with emphasis on milk quality.

He said scientists were working on the Girolando cattle breed, guided by research

which indicated that the breed was highly adaptable to tropical conditions.

"We will be doing research and evaluation to see if it does well here in our climatic conditions. We have also bought the Girolando embryos from Brazil which will be implanted into our Tswana breeds to see what delivers the best results," he said.

However, he indicated that undertaking

such advanced research came with a hefty price tag, presenting a challenge amid tight financial constraints.

He added that the projects were currently funded by government, with critical resource support from the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).

"We have submitted a proposal which was successful and now IAEA will provide the

ranch with artificial insemination equipment, the embryo transfer equipment and storage equipment for semen and embryos. IAEA is supporting through supply of equipment which has been very useful for us making our job much easier," he said.

He complained of logistical bottlenecks which he said posed a hurdle for the team, saying the day-to-day challenges involved sourcing project consumables, which were not readily available locally.

"Orders must be placed from South Africa, resulting in frustrating three-month delays for essential items, including specialised medication and research hormones," he said.

Furthermore, he pointed out that researchers were operating within an aging infrastructure that was long due for a refurbishment, adding that while the Sunnyside Ranch experimental site spanned 2 000 hectares divided into 12 paddocks, it required major revival.

"We need new cattle trails. Currently we still jump over the crush to access animals from the back when administering artificial insemination. These are areas that need to be improved," he stated.

Beyond volume, he said the project largely emphasised on the quality of the end product.

"Milk composition depends on the breeds that one use. The higher producing milk cows tend to have lower milk constituents or solutes. You will find that some smaller breeds of medium framed breeds like Jersey and low producing breeds like the Tswana their milk composition has more solutes when compared to the Holstein Friesian," he explained. Meanwhile, a team of Botswana scientists is scheduled to leave the country for advanced embryo transfer training in India to build upon previous training they received in Brazil. **BOPA**



Sunnyside Dairy Research Ranch stock attendant, Mr Kabelo Mompoti (left) and temporary farm hand, Mr Tebogo Relemogeng administering Artificial Insemination at the dairy research centre in Lobatse recently. Government has intensified dairy research to determine which crossbreed is best suited for local production with efforts directed at strengthening the country's dairy industry. Photos: Calviniah Kgauthe

Review of Tourism Act to unlock opportunities

Letticia Nnokotema
TSABONG

Stakeholders in Kgalagadi have called for amendments to the Tourism Act of 2009, saying the changes should create a more inclusive, flexible and sustainable tourism industry capable of unlocking economic opportunities for rural communities.

The proposals were made recently during a consultative meeting on the review of the Tourism Act under the National Tourism Strategy and Masterplan 2023–2033.

Principal Tourism Officer, Ms Mmathapelo Laletsang, said the consultations were aimed at gathering public views on strengthening the legislation, addressing existing loopholes and ensuring that it responds to the evolving tourism landscape.

They are also expected to inform amendments to the Tourism Act aimed at creating a more responsive legal framework that promotes innovation, investment and inclusive tourism development across Botswana. Springbok Motel manager, Mr Sidney Baitsile, said the current Act no longer reflected the realities of the country's tourism industry, noting that while the sector had evolved, the legal framework had remained largely unchanged.

He proposed the introduction of a multi-activity tourism hub licence, which would allow accommodation establishments to offer complementary services such as event hosting, transport, laundry and vehicle rental under a single licence.

Mr Baitsile said the current requirement of separate licences for each activity increased operational costs and limited business growth, particularly for small operators in districts such as Kgalagadi.

He also recommended the introduction of temporary event permits for cultural festivals, astro-tourism activities and community markets, saying this would enable communities to generate income from their cultural heritage and tourism attractions without first investing in

permanent tourism infrastructure. To encourage youth participation, Mr Baitsile proposed a phased licensing framework that would allow aspiring entrepreneurs to register their businesses, receive training and mentorship, obtain provisional licences and eventually qualify for full licences. He said such an approach would lower barriers to entry while promoting compliance with tourism regulations.

Recognising the challenges faced by rural investors, Mr Baitsile further suggested extending the period within which tourism projects must commence operations.

He said rural projects were often delayed by infrastructure constraints, including poor road access, water supply challenges and grant funding processes, and therefore required longer implementation periods than developments in urban areas.

He further urged government to modernise the Tourism Act by introducing new tourism categories to accommodate emerging sectors such as event tourism, digital tourism platforms and complementary tourism services. In addition, he recommended that tourism regulations be reviewed every five years to ensure the legislation kept pace with changes in the industry.

Meanwhile, Kgosi David Toto attributed the slow growth of tourism in Tsabong region partly to the inadequate preservation of tourism facilities and attractions.

He stressed the need to protect and maintain tourism sites to preserve their cultural, historical and environmental value for future generations.

Kgosi Toto said stronger protection measures would enhance visitor experiences while safeguarding Botswana's tourism assets. Also speaking at the meeting, Ms Rachel Esterhuizen emphasised the need for greater recognition and inclusion of local communities in efforts to transform the tourism sector. She said meaningful community participation would foster a sense of ownership and ensure that local people directly benefited from tourism ventures. **BOPA**

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No records of DIS officers facing criminal charges

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Minister for State President, Defence and Security, Mr Moeti Mohwasa, says he is unaware of any record of Directorate of Intelligence and Security (DIS) officers currently facing criminal charges for alleged offences committed, whether within or outside the line of duty.

Answering a question in Parliament on Wednesday, Minister Mohwasa confirmed that six DIS officers were currently on suspension or interdiction pending conclusion of internal disciplinary proceedings.

The minister noted, however, that providing detailed commentary at this stage would be inappropriate, as doing so could prejudice ongoing processes and compromise the rights of the involved parties.

He added that prematurely discussing or characterising such cases, would be unfair to the affected officers before all relevant facts were evaluated and the processes fully concluded.

Addressing concerns regarding prolonged interdictions, Mr Mohwasa emphasised that every case was unique and must be assessed on its individual merits.

He explained that the nature, seriousness and complexity of allegations often determined the timeline of investigations.

In some instances, he said complex factual or legal issues required extensive inquiry before deciding if sufficient evidence existed to press formal charges.

In other cases, he said delays occurred because affected officers exercised their legal right to seek court intervention, such as applying for stays of disciplinary proceedings pending judicial determination.

He further said when investigations or related court outcomes showed that evidence was insufficient to sustain charges, or that proceeding was no longer legally tenable, affected officers were reinstated in accordance with the applicable legal and administrative frameworks.

Mr Mohwasa highlighted that while delays were undesirable, the DIS must balance the need for swift resolutions with its obligation to conduct thorough, procedurally fair and legally sound investigations that upheld principles of natural justice and the rule of law.

Parliament also heard that to minimise backlogs and strengthen administrative oversight, the DIS had taken steps to periodically review outstanding disciplinary cases and resolve long-standing matters.

“The agency is also strengthening internal case management and monitoring systems while reinforcing

adherence to prescribed timelines. Furthermore, enhanced coordination between investigative, legal and human resources functions is being prioritised alongside ongoing process reviews to improve efficiency, accountability and compliance with the law,” the minister said.

He reiterated that the DIS remained fully committed to conducting its disciplinary actions transparently and in accordance with the Constitution, statutory laws and principles of good administration.

The minister was responding to a question from Member of Parliament for Okavango East, Mr Gabatsholwe Disho.

Mr Disho had asked the minister to disclose the total number of DIS members facing criminal charges for offences committed in the country and requested for clear distinction between acts carried out in the line of duty and those committed outside official duties.

He also sought specific details regarding the charges in each case, asked what concrete steps government intended to take and requested for an update on current officer suspensions.

The MP also asked the minister to explain why some officers remained interdicted for over two years only to be reinstated without formal charges or hearings, questioning whether proper administrative procedures and the rule of law were being respected during extended interdictions and further wanted to know what corrective measures had been implemented to rectify systemic lapses. **BOPA**

The Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC)-led government will not conduct an audit of the 2019 General Elections, despite the party’s long-held position that the elections were rigged in favour of the then ruling Botswana Democratic Party (BDP).

This was said by Minister for State President, Defence and Security, Mr Moeti Mohwasa, answering a question in Parliament on Wednesday.

Minister Mohwasa said the UDC had never hidden its suspicions regarding the credibility of the 2019 polls.

He said those concerns had prompted the party to file 19 election petitions before the High Court in an effort to have the alleged irregularities adjudicated.

“Unfortunately, almost all the petitions were dismissed on technical grounds, without the benefit of getting to the substantive core of the disputes,” he said.

Mr Mohwasa, however, said the UDC government was now



Assistant Minister of Health, Mr Lawrence Ookeditse has informed Parliament that as part of the approved transition arrangements, Cabinet had directed that public patients attending Sir Ketumile Masire Teaching Hospital, who were covered by medical aid, shall continue to have their medical aid billed according to the agreed tariffs, while private patients shall also continue to be billed in accordance with the approved tariffs.

Medical Aid acceptable at SKMTH

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Assistant Minister of Health has told Parliament that as part of the approved transition arrangements, Cabinet has directed that public patients attending Sir Ketumile Masire Teaching Hospital (SKMTH), who are covered by medical aid, will continue to have their medical aid billed according to the agreed tariffs and private patients would also continue to be billed in accordance with the approved tariffs.

Answering a parliamentary question recently, the assistant minister, Mr Lawrence Ookeditse said it was important that the billing arrangement was specific to SKMTH and formed part of Cabinet approved transition

framework following the hospital’s conversion from a public company to a public hospital.

“Therefore, it is not a new charging policy applicable across all public hospitals,” Mr Ookeditse said.

He explained that it, instead, preserved an existing cost recovery mechanism established during the hospitals’ previous operational model while ensuring continuity of service during the transition.

He said the ministry recognised the need for a harmonised financing approach across public hospitals.

Accordingly, the assistant minister said continued billing of medical aid beneficiaries at SKMTH should not be interpreted as the hospital operating as a

private institution. “Rather, it is the implementation of a Cabinet-approved cost recovery mechanism within a public hospital, while patients who are not covered by medical aid continue to receive services under government’s public healthcare financing and applicable hospital fee policies,” he said. He further affirmed government’s commitment to providing equitable access to healthcare service for all citizens through the public healthcare system.

Tati East MP, Mr Tlhabologo Furniture, had asked the minister why patients were still required to pay and use medical aid at SKMTH and also wanted to know whether services were free like in all other public hospitals. **BOPA**

alleged electoral malpractice and what action government intended to take against those found responsible.

He further asked whether criminal charges would be preferred against members of the BDP leadership who had allegedly been involved in election rigging, as claimed in the election petitions filed by the UDC following the October 2019 General Election.

Additionally, he requested the minister to outline the measures government was putting in place to ensure that election rigging could never occur in Botswana in future.

The Serowe South legislator further asked whether government saw the need for an independent audit of the 2019 General Elections in light of evidence contained in sworn court affidavits and the findings of a forensic audit reportedly conducted by South African-based Forensics for Justice, headed by Mr Paul O’Sullivan, which allegedly pointed to election rigging, money laundering and fraud during the 2019 polls. **BOPA**

Govt rules out audit of 2019 General Elections

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focused on addressing national priorities, including economic transformation, job creation and strengthening Botswana’s governance architecture.

He said revisiting issues that had been overtaken by events, such as the 2019 General Election petitions, would not be a prudent use of government resources.

“Consequently, the UDC government will not conduct an audit of the 2019 General Elections,” he said.

The minister, however, emphasised that government remained committed to implementing comprehensive electoral reforms aimed at strengthening the country’s democratic processes.

He said an All-Party Conference would be held on July 31, to engage stakeholders on measures intended to enhance the integrity, transparency and credibility of the electoral system.

Mr Mohwasa added that additional reforms would be introduced following completion of the Comprehensive Constitutional

Review process.

He reiterated that government’s commitment to electoral reform had remained consistent both before and after the 2024 General Elections.

“Government’s dedication to introducing electoral reforms in Botswana remains fixed in place. This is a pledge that government is going to fulfil through all the necessary consultative processes,” he said.

MP for Serowe South, Mr Leepetswe Lesedi, had asked whether, following UDC’s allegations of widespread electoral fraud and election rigging during the 2019 General Elections, government had undertaken any inquiry now that it was in power and had access to state information to establish whether the elections had indeed been manipulated.

Mr Lesedi also wanted to know whether any investigation had identified officials within the Independent Electoral Commission (IEC) or the Directorate of Intelligence and Security (DIS) as having participated in any

Constitutional Court will deepen access to justice

Laone Molelo
GABORONE

Calls for the establishment of Botswana's proposed Constitutional Court gathered momentum during a public debate in Gaborone, where legislators, civil society representatives and community leaders argued that the specialised court would strengthen constitutional democracy by providing citizens with faster and more direct access to justice.

The discussion, moderated by Tumisang Keitseng, examined the implications of the proposed Constitutional Court following Parliament's passage of the Constitutional Court Bill on 30 March 2026. Speakers largely welcomed the reforms, although members of the audience also raised concerns over judicial independence and the potential impact of the new court on sensitive constitutional issues.

Gaborone South Member of Parliament also Minister of Justice and Correctional Services, Mr Nelson Ramaotwana said the proposed Constitutional Court was not a new political undertaking, noting that the Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC) had committed itself to establishing the institution in both its 2019 and 2024 election manifestos.

"This has always been part of our commitment to reforming Botswana's justice system," Ramaotwana said. "We will continue conducting public education campaigns so that Batswana fully understand what the Constitutional Court is and the role it will play."

He said the new court would simplify access to constitutional justice by allowing litigants to approach it directly instead of first exhausting proceedings in the High Court and the Court of Appeal.

"People will no longer have to go through the High Court and the Court of Appeal before constitutional matters are heard. The Constitutional Court will make the process much simpler," he said.

Responding to concerns that the President would wield excessive influence over judicial appointments, Mr Ramaotwana dismissed the allegations, saying appointments would continue to follow constitutional safeguards.

"The President does not single-handedly appoint judges. There is a Judicial Service Commission that recommends judicial appointments," he said.

He further explained that individuals approaching the Constitutional Court without legal representation would not be disadvantaged.

"The court will ensure that legal representation is available where necessary for those seeking constitutional intervention," he said.

Mr Ramaotwana revealed that once Batswana approve the constitutional amendment establishing the court, government intends introducing a Constitutional Court Act to operationalise the institution.

"The Act will provide for the operations of the court, including a quorum of nine judges," he said.

However, he said government could not yet determine the full cost of establishing the court until Parliament ratifies the constitutional amendment and the enabling legislation is finalised.

He argued that Botswana's current judicial structure is under considerable strain, with constitutional disputes competing for attention alongside a wide range of civil and criminal matters.

"There is a need for a specialised court because our existing courts are overwhelmed with many different cases, including divorce matters," he said.

Mr Ramaotwana cited several landmark disputes, including the Pitseng matter, the Roy Sesana case involving the Central Kalahari Game Reserve, and the 2019 UDC election petition, which was struck off the roll by the Court of Appeal, as examples illustrating shortcomings in the current system.

Among the panellists, Mr Boyson Mokone, founder of the Youth of Hope Safe Haven Organisation, also endorsed the proposal, arguing that young people frequently suffer because constitutional matters take years to conclude.

"Cases involving young people drag on for far too long because we do not have a Constitutional Court," Mr Mokone said.

He said the proposed court would strengthen the protection of constitutional freedoms and provide citizens with more effective legal remedies.

"The Constitutional Court will ensure that everyone enjoys their constitutional freedoms," he said.

Mr Mokone also argued that communities could play a more active role in combating drug trafficking through constitutional litigation.

"If law enforcement fails to act against drug dealers, communities should be able to seek constitutional remedies by taking legal action against those responsible for failing to enforce the law," he said.

Community elder Mr Ezekiel Dube, another panellist, said Botswana could draw important lessons from neighbouring South Africa, where the Constitutional Court plays a central role in resolving constitutional disputes.

"In South Africa, many important constitutional cases end up before the Constitutional Court," Mr Dube said.

He maintained that lengthy delays within the High Court and Court of Appeal often deny citizens meaningful justice.

"In some cases, witnesses die before the matter even starts," he said.

Drawing from personal experience, Dube said he had been disappointed when his own legal battle involving Daisy Loo was dismissed by the Court of Appeal.

"We had strong arguments that a Constitutional Court would have listened to," he said.

He added that constitutional questions surrounding abortion legislation and inheritance rights were among issues that could benefit from adjudication by a specialised constitutional court.

Not all contributions during the debate were unqualified endorsements.

Audience member Jafta Radibe argued that Botswana should undertake a broader review of the Constitution alongside the

establishment of the new court.

"Our Constitution was largely adopted from Western countries. There is a need for a comprehensive constitutional review," Radibe said.

He also voiced concerns expressed by some sections of society that a Constitutional Court could eventually make far-reaching rulings on issues such as capital punishment and same-sex

marriage.

"There is fear that the Constitutional Court could abolish the death penalty or introduce same-sex marriages," he said.

Despite those concerns, several other attendees expressed support for the proposed institution, saying it would provide an additional avenue for citizens seeking justice in constitutional disputes that they believe have not received

satisfactory resolution through the existing court system.

The debate underscored growing public interest in one of Botswana's most significant constitutional reform initiatives, with supporters arguing that a specialised Constitutional Court would strengthen the protection of fundamental rights while modernising the country's justice system.



The Ministry of Health has reassured the public that Botswana was not experiencing an unusual increase in COVID-19, influenza or other respiratory illnesses.

Ministry dismisses fears of COVID-19 resurgence

Lesedi Thatayamodimo
GABORONE

The Ministry of Health has reassured the public that Botswana is not experiencing an unusual increase in COVID-19, influenza or other respiratory illnesses, despite growing concerns over flu-like symptoms reported by some members of the public.

In recent weeks, some

Batswana have reported illnesses characterised by dry cough, joint pains, severe weakness, chest pain, diarrhoea and prolonged recovery periods, prompting speculation of COVID-19.

Responding to BOPA enquiries, the ministry's Chief Publications Relations Officer Dr Christopher Nyanga said the country's disease surveillance systems had not detected any increase in respiratory illnesses beyond what was normally expected during the winter season.

"The ministry has not observed an increase in the number of cases above what would be expected for this time of the year," he said.

Dr Nyanga explained that influenza-like illnesses typically increase during winter but noted that the cumulative number of cases recorded so far this year remained significantly lower than those reported during the same period last year.

Dr Nyanga further said health facilities across the country had not reported any unusual outbreaks or abnormal patterns of respiratory disease, and there was currently no need for additional public health alerts or advisories.

On testing, Dr Nyanga advised people experiencing severe symptoms to seek medical attention, saying healthcare professionals would determine appropriate diagnostic tests based on each patient's clinical presentation.

"The clinicians will determine the most appropriate tests based on the patient's presentation," he said.

Regarding treatment, he said there was no single treatment protocol for such symptoms, as management was dependent on the confirmed diagnosis.

Dr Nyanga also cautioned the public against relying on not prescribed herbal remedies following claims by some people that they had recovered after using such.

"The public should be cautious about any remedies that are not prescribed by medical professionals as they may interact with prescribed medicines, which can lead to side effects, underdosing or overdosing," he warned.

He urged members of the public to seek immediate medical attention if they experience severe or unusual symptoms, including shortness of breath, palpitations, dizziness or persistent vomiting.

To reduce the spread of respiratory illnesses, Dr Nyanga advised frequent handwashing, wearing a face mask when ill, avoiding crowded places while sick and seeking medical care if symptoms worsen.

He also encouraged the public to continue following recommended public health measures and to rely on official sources for accurate information on COVID-19 and other respiratory illnesses. **BOPA**



Ministry of Health Chief Publications Relations Officer Dr Christopher Nyanga

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‘Neelang dikokomane boswa jwa ngwao’

Gaolethoo Kgatitswe
TSAU

Fa lefatshe le ntse le fetoga ka ntlha ya tlhabologo le go gola ga ditoropo, go bothokwa gore basha ba se ka ba latlhegelwa ke puo le ngwao ya bone, mme go batliwe ditsela tsa go dira gore tsotlhe di tsamaye mmogo gore boswa jwa ngwao bo tswellele go fitisediwa kwa dikokomaneng tse di tlang.

Moeteledipele wa Ovaherero Youth Council mo Botswana, Rre Eric Kuapara, o buile jalo kwa moletlong wa Otjiserandu o o neng o tshwaretswe kwa Tsau bosheng.

Rre Kuapara a re go somarela ngwao ga go reye gore batho ba ganetse tlhabololo, mme go tshwanetse ga batliwa tekatekano e e tla dirang gore ngwao e tsamaelane le botshelo jwa segompieno.

A re basha ke bone ba ba ka isang ngwao kwa pele, ka jalo go bothokwa gore ba rutiwe puo ya Seherero, meila le tsotlhe tse di ba supang e le Baherero ba sa le bannye.

Rre Kuapara o tthalositse gore fa ngwao e sa fetisediwe kwa banang, e ka nna ya nyelela, mme seo se ka dira gore morafe o latlhegelwe ke ngwao ya one.

O ne a tthalosa gore ngwao ga e a tshwanela go tsewa fela e le boswa jwa bogologolo, mme e tshwanetse go lemogiwa gape e le sengwe se se ka tsenyang letsogo mo go godiseng itsholelo ya lefatshe.

“Fa ngwao e ka fiwa seriti se e se tshwanetseng e ka rotloetsa bojanala, ya bula dikgwebo tsa ngwao mme ya thoma le mebereko,” ga bua Rre Kuapara.

Mogolo go tswa mo ngwaong ya Baherero, Mme Petrina Kavei ene o tthalositse fa maikarabelo a go somarela ngwao a simolola mo malwapeng, ka batsadi ba ruta bana puo, meila le mabaka a ditsamaiso tsotlhe tsa ngwao ba sa le bannye.

O boletse fa bana ba tshwanetse go tthaloganya gore ke eng fa ngwao e dirwa ka tsela e e rileng gore ba se ka ba e tsaya e le dilo tsa bogologolo fela, mme ba e bone e le karolo ya botshelo jwa bone.

Mme Kavei o ne a rotloetsa gape gore dikolo di tsenye letsogo mo go ruteng bana tsotlhe ka ditso le ngwao ya merafe e e farologaneng e e leng teng mo Botswana.

Kgosi Goletwang Letsholathebe wa Tsau ene o rotloetsa Baherero go tswela go ngaparela ngwao ya bone, a re go e somarela ga se maikarabelo a bagolo fela, mme ke tiro ya morafe otlhe.

Kgosi Letsholathebe o ne a tthalosa gore go tlotla le go somarela ngwao ga go reye gore motho o nyatsa ngwao ya ba bangwe, mme tsotlhe di tshwanetse go tlotliwa le go sirelediwa ka go tshwana.

Ka jalo o ne a rotloetsa Baherero go tswela ka go dirisana mmogo mo go ruteng basha le go ba kgothaletsa go ikgantsha ka boswa jwa bone gore bo se ka jwa nyelela.

Moletlo wa Otjiserandu o o tshwarwang ngwaga le ngwaga kwa Tsau o gopola leeto la Kgosi Samuel Maharero le balatedi ba gagwe ba ba neng ba tshabela mo Botswana morago ga polao ya lotso e e neng ya dirwa ke puso ya Jeremane magareng ga 1904 le 1908.

Moletlo yo gape o ne o naya Baherero ba

ba tswang mo dikgaolong tse di farologaneng tsa Botswana le Namibia sebaka sa go kopana, go keteka puo le ngwao ya bone, go

tlotla bagaka ba ba ba eteletseng pele le go netefatsa gore boswa jwa bone bo tswellele go tshela mo dikokomaneng tse di tlang. **BOPA**



Borre ba Ovaherero ba le kwa moletlong wa Otjiserandu o o neng o tshwaretswe kwa Tsau bosheng. Moeteledipele wa Ovaherero Youth Council mo Botswana, Rre Eric Kuapara a re go bothokwa gore basha ba rutiwe puo ya Seherero, meila le tsotlhe tse di ba supang e le Baherero, ka e le bone ba ba tlaa isang ngwao eo kwa pele. Senepe: Gaolethoo Kgatitswe

Ba Selokolela ba rotloediwa go rua dikoko

Relief Lephutshi
SELOKOLELA

Mopalamente wa Kanye Bophirima Rre Victor Phologolo o rotloeditse banni ba Selokolela go dirisa lenanaeo la thuo ya dikoko le dihutshane.

Rre Phologolo o tthalositse se, mo phuthego ya kgotla kwa motseng oo bosheng. A re se, se ka thusa go fedisa manokonoko a letlhoko la ditiro a ba a ba rotloetsa go ema ka dinao go dirisa lenaneo leo.

O tthalositse fa thuso ya lenaneo le, e le kadimo ya madi go simolola ka P500, 00 go ya ko go P50 000,00 fa o eletsa go ruela mo lapeng. A re tsamaiso ya lone e dirwa ke lephata la CEDA.

O tsibositse banni gore mmaraa wa koko ya Setswana ke o o solofetsang fela thata e bile go lebege fa Batswana ba ise ba kgone go o kaba.

Mopalamente o rotloeditse morafe gore go dira kgwebo go batla tthaloganyo ya go tshepha fa kgato kgotsa mogopolo o tlaa ungwa gona le go akanya ka di tla morago pele.

A re lenaneo la Ikageng le diretswe go fokotsa letlhoko la ditiro ka jaana le kgaogana le mmereki a le mo seemong sa go ka ikemela go dira tiro ya diatla.

Rre Phologolo a re morago ga ithutuntsho, badiri ba lenaneo la ipelegeng ba neelwa ditlankana go rurifatsa fa ba kgona go dira tiro.

Banni ba ne ba supa fa ba amogela lenaneo

leo la thuo ya dikoko, le fa ntswa bangwe bangwe ba lela ka letlhoko la lefatshe la temo thuo fa nako ya go rua dihutshane e goroga.

Ba ne wa kopa Mopalamente go re go sekasekiwe mebaraka ya thekiso ya ditswa thuong ya dikoko go tla tiego e e ka tlogang ya baka tshenyego ya nama.

Mo go tse dingwe, monni wa Selokolela Rre Leatile Kenalemongwe o ne a itela ka go sa tsheleng sentle mo motseng fela ka o tswa kgolegelong.

Rre Kenamongwe o ne a tthalosa fa banni bangwe ba ba jesetsa mo kgobedung ka go ba kgoba ka dipuo, ka jalo a ikopa Mopalamente gore a go ka se nne le komiti e e ka rulaganyetsang go amogeselega ba ba golotsweng kwa kgolegelong go tsena mo setshabeng.

Mo godimo ga se o kopile gore go nne le letlole le le ka thusang go ba ema nokeng mo go simololeng go tshela mo setshabeng, ka jaana a re ba gololwa go sena se ba ka ithusang ka sone mme letlhoko la bone le le legolo thata.

A re go nne le letlole le le ka thusang mo go ba simolodiseng dikgwebo tsa go dira ka diatla ka jaana ba tla ba rutuntshitswe kwa kgolegelong.

E rile a tswa la gagwe, Kgosi koorapetse Legabala a kua mokgosi go kopela morafe wa gagwe thuto-seka-dipusiano le dithuto mabapi le dikgang tsa kgokgontsho le dipolaano tsa marato tse di tshwenyang mo motseng wa Selokolela.

O ne a itela mo go botlhe ba ba ka thusang go tsisa thuto go ba tswa thuso. **BOPA**



MINISTRY FOR STATE PRESIDENT, DEFENCE & SECURITY

Department of Information Services

PUBLIC AUCTION NOTICE

The Department of Information Services invites members of the public to attend a Public Auction for the sale of unserviceable Government assets.

AUCTION DETAILS

Date: Friday, 31 July 2026

Registration: 9:00 a.m.

Auction Commences: 10:00 a.m.

Venue: DailyNews Distribution Centre, Mass Media Complex, Gaborone

ITEMS FOR SALE

- Photographic equipment
- Public Address (PA) equipment
- Other unserviceable equipment and related items

VIEWING OF ITEMS

Interested members of the public may inspect the items on: **29-30 July 2026**

Time: **8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Venue: DailyNews Distribution Centre, Mass Media Complex, Gaborone

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

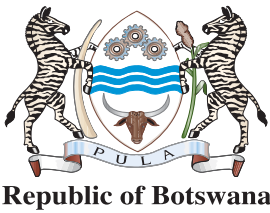
1. Registration is free.
2. All bidders must produce a **valid Omang or Passport** or at registration.
3. Successful bidders shall pay immediately after the fall of the hammer.
4. Payment shall be made by **Cash or Point of Sale (POS) bank card only**.
5. All items are sold on an **“AS IS, WHERE IS”** basis, with no warranty.
6. Purchased items must be collected on the same day after full payment and upon presentation of the official receipt.
7. The Department shall not be responsible for any loss or damage to purchased items after the sale.
8. The Department of Information Services reserves the right to withdraw any item from the auction or cancel/postpone the auction without prior notice.

ENQUIRIES

Contact Ms. R. S. Tembo: 365 0000 / 365 3600 Email: restembo@gov.bw / skeofithile@gov.bw

Come early to register and inspect the items. Everyone is welcome.

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MINISTRY OF HIGHER EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF TERTIARY EDUCATION FINANCING

PUBLIC NOTICE

Date: 06 July 2026

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

2026-2027 NEW STUDENTS SPONSORSHIP

The Department of Tertiary Education Financing under the Ministry of Higher Education invites applications from qualified citizens of Botswana for tertiary education Government sponsorship for **2026/2027 undergraduate studies ONLY**. All applicants are therefore advised to adhere to terms and conditions for applying for sponsorship as stated in this notice to ensure compliance to set requirements as follows.

- I. Applicants are expected to have an email account/address in order to apply for sponsorship. The applicants will be required to submit a maximum of three (3) choices of programmes.
- II. The sponsorship is open for applicants who have obtained 36 points or above at BGCSE or its equivalent and 31 points or above for applicants under affirmative action.
- III. Prospective applicants shall submit their tertiary education financing application for the 2026/2027 sponsorship cycle online. Every candidate will:
 - a. create an account on the DTEF website: <https://tef.gov.bw>
 - b. fill the required personal data
 - c. Upload the required documents (Refer to page two)
 - d. Be expected to pay a non-refundable sponsorship application fee of **P50.00** which will be deductible from the first allowance. (Refer to the Memorandum of Agreement).
- IV. The system will validate your citizenship, age, secondary school results, admission at University/College, accreditation status of the programme applied for, before awarding sponsorship.
- V. The award of sponsorship will be confirmed by issuance of a sponsorship letter. Please take note that if the documents on which the offer was based are at any time found to be fraudulent, **penalties will be imposed including the withdrawal of the sponsorship and reporting to the relevant authorities.**
- VI. All applicants who fall under the Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) and Remote Area Communities (RAC) and Special Educational Needs (SEN) categories should confirm their status with the respective administrative offices managing the programmes before logging into the system to apply for sponsorship.

Note: Applications should be submitted online only through DTEF website provided: <https://tef.gov.bw>
Any other mode of application submission will **NOT** be accepted

1. APPLICATION PERIOD:

The online application period commences on Monday 6th July 2026 on DTEF website <https://tef.gov.bw>
Deadline for submission of applications is on Friday 7th August 2026.

Updates shall be posted on DTEF Facebook page: 'Department of Tertiary Education Financing'. The system shall not accept any application after the closing date. The applicant is expected to upload supporting documents, therefore keep ready scanned copies of such supporting documents in **pdf, jpeg, png or jpg** format for uploading. DTEF, reserves the right to amend information on this public notice as it deems necessary.

2. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- Applicants should**
- Be a citizen of Botswana
 - Be able to complete the programme of study before turning thirty-five (35) years of age
 - Have obtained a minimum cut off points of **36 points** or above in BGCSE or its equivalent for Mainstream, and **31 points** for OVC/RAC/SEN applicants (as guided by matrix table)
 - Have a minimum of **36 points** or above in BGCSE or its equivalent even if they have **upgraded** their results.
 - **Not** have benefitted from Government sponsorship before.

3. REQUIRED APPLICATION DOCUMENTS:

- Each candidate is expected to create an account on the platform, fill in the requested data and upload the following documents,
- i. Copy of National Identity Card (Omang) or Birth certificate where one is below 16 years or doesn't have OMANG
 - ii. Copy of Statement of Results/BGCSE or its equivalent
 - iii. Copy of admission letter from the institution of your choice stating programme of study and duration

- iv. Affidavit from Commissioner of Oaths in the event your names are different as contained in the academic certificate, Birth Certificate and National Identity Card (Omang).
- v. An official confirmation of change of surnames if surnames in the academic certificate and Omang are not the same
- vi. Copy of foreign certificates should be certified at the respective Embassies and evaluated by Botswana Qualifications Authority.

The award shall be null and void if false information is discovered on the supporting documents

4. APPLICATION PROCEDURES (How to submit application file)

STEP 1: Online Tertiary Education Sponsorship Log-in.

Visit the official website of the Online Tertiary Education Sponsorship and Click on **Sign Up**, top right, this allows you to create a user account to use to interact with DTEF. Capture your details as per the form displayed. Enter a valid email address. At the end, click **Create New Account**, a notification email will be sent to you through the email address you provided to confirm that you created the account.

STEP 2: Verify your email

Login on to your email and retrieve email from DTEF and follow the given steps. This prompts you to create a password, after which, you will be able to login with this password.

STEP 3: Apply

After logging in, click **Apply for Sponsorship**

STEP 4: Choosing the Application Type.

Ensure that the form displays **New Students**, as shown below:



STEP 5: Filling the application form & Attaching supporting documents

Enter all relevant details carefully. Ensure that you choose the relevant Category of Sponsorship from the options provided. Upload the relevant supporting documents in **pdf, jpeg, png or jpg** format at the **Attachment** section.

Click **Next>** button to move to the next page, and **<Previous** button to access the previous page.

Click **Save Draft**, button to save your application in draft mode. You can continue with your application or logout and retrieve it at a later stage, provided the submission deadline has not passed. Ensure that you submit your application once you are satisfied with what you have filled.

Note that the **Reset** button will allow you to start the application afresh and clears all that you have captured before. This applies only to applications that have not been submitted, including the ones in Saved as 'Drafts'.

Note that if you do not meet the minimum required cut off points, the system will not allow you to proceed to the next step. A notification will be sent to you through the email address you provided to that effect.

STEP 6: Signing of Application form/Declaration.

After filling and uploading all supporting documents, sign the application form, on the **Student Declaration** section by **clicking** on the given box, which ☒ will result in a Tick. By signing the form, you will be accepting all the terms and conditions of the application requirements. **N.B:** In the event where programme has reached the sponsorship limit, click **"ADD REVISE PROGRAMME"** for the alternative choice.

STEP 7: Review of the Application

Please take a look at your application before the final submission by clicking **Review**.

STEP 8: Submission of the Application.

Click **Submit** button for your application to be considered.

STEP 9: Confirmation of Submission.

After successful submission of the application form, you will get a confirmation message/acknowledgement of receipt of your application through your email address.

STEP 10: Viewing & Printing the Form.

You can view and/or print out the submitted Application Form and the Acknowledgement receipt after submitting an application for your own records.

STEP 11: Check status of Application

You can view your submitted application's status at any time after successful submission by logging on the website and then choosing Submissions.

STEP 12: Accepting & Signing of Sponsorship Agreement.

Follow the below steps to accept the Sponsorship letter:

- I. Log into your <http://tef.gov.bw> account
- II. Click applications
- III. Select My Sponsorship, new student
- IV. Accept Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)
- V. View PDF
- VI. Declare and Save
- VII. Accept Offer Letter

PRIORITY FIELDS & AREAS OF STUDY APPROVED FOR SPONSORSHIP:

Applicants may be sponsored on the approved Undergraduate areas of study listed under each priority Fields of Study below. For more information on accredited programmes and accredited institutions offering such, applicants may visit the Botswana Qualification Authority website <http://bqa.co.org>.

FIELD 1: AGRICULTURE	
AREAS OF STUDY (DIPLOMA LEVEL) 1. Agriculture 2. Animal Health Production 3. Forestry and Range Ecology 4. Horticulture 5. Meat Processing, Safety & Inspection	4. Agriculture 5. Agronomy 6. Biometry 7. Food Science & Technology 8. Horticulture 9. Plant Health 10. Soil Sciences
AREAS OF STUDY (DEGREE LEVEL) 1. Agricultural Economics 2. Agricultural Education 3. Agricultural Mechanization	11. Wildlife Management 12. Biodiversity Conservation & Ecology 13. Mathematical Biology (Biomaths) 14. Biosystematics and Taxonomy
FIELD 2: AVIATION	
AREAS OF STUDY (DIPLOMA LEVEL) 1. Aircraft Maintenance Engineering	
FIELD 3: BUSINESS & FINANCIAL SERVICES	
AREAS OF STUDY (DIPLOMA LEVEL) 1. Procurement and Supply 2. Purchasing & Supply 3. Event Management	15. Financial Management 16. Fiscal Studies 17. Information and Technology Management 18. International Business 19. Logistics 20. Marketing Management 21. Production Management 22. Project Management 23. Public Finance 24. Public Relations & Integrated Communication 25. Public Relations Management 26. Public Sector Accounting & Finance 27. Purchasing/Procurement 28. Retail Management 29. Risk Management 30. Insurance 31. Strategic Management 32. Supply Chain Management 33. Financial Management 34. Real Estate
AREAS OF STUDY (DEGREE LEVEL) 1. Accounting 2. Applied Business Computing 3. Banking and Finance 4. Business Administration 5. Business Information Technology 6. Business Innovation and Enterprise 7. Business Intelligence and Data Analysis 8. Business Leadership 9. Business Management 10. Computing with Finance 11. Entrepreneurship/Enterprise Development 12. E-Business 13. Event Management 14. Finance	

FIELD 4: CREATIVE INDUSTRIES	
AREAS OF STUDY (DIPLOMA LEVEL)	AREAS OF STUDY (DEGREE LEVEL)
1. Apparel Design	1. Digital Film & Television Production
2. Fashion Design	2. Fine Arts
3. Furniture Design	3. Industrial Design
4. Graphic Design	4. Music
5. Jewelry Design & Manufacturing	5. Professional Design
6. Textile Design	6. Theater Arts
7. Interior Design	7. Sports Science
8. Broadcasting, Radio and Television	8. Exercise Psychology
	9. Exercise Science & Wellness
	10. Recreation & Sports Management
	11. Broadcasting and Radio Journalism

FIELD 5: CONSTRUCTION
AREAS OF STUDY (DIPLOMA LEVEL)
1. Construction Industry
2. Building Construction Industry
AREAS OF STUDY (DEGREE LEVEL)
1. Construction industry

FIELD 6: EDUCATION & TRAINING
AREAS OF STUDY (DIPLOMA LEVEL)
1. Primary Education
2. Secondary Education
AREAS OF STUDY (DEGREE LEVEL)
1. Art and Design Education
2. Business Education
1. Computer Science Education
2. Counselling Education
3. Design and Technology Education
4. Special Education
5. Inclusive Education
6. Family & Consumer Science
7. Music Education
8. Primary Education
9. Science Education
10. Foreign language
11. African Language
12. Speech/Sign Language
13. Secondary Education

FIELD 7: ENGINEERING
AREAS OF STUDY (DIPLOMA LEVEL)
1. Civil Engineering
2. Mechanical engineering
3. Electrical & Electronics Engineering
4. Electrical and Mechanical engineering
5. Refrigeration and Air Conditioning
6. Water and Environmental Engineering
7. Motor Body Repair/Automotive Engineering
8. Plant Engineering
AREAS OF STUDY (DEGREE LEVEL)
1. Chemical Engineering
2. Civil Engineering-
3. Computer Engineering
4. Electrical and Electronic Engineering
5. Electronics & Communication
6. Energy Engineering
7. Environmental engineering
8. Geological Engineering
9. Industrial Engineering
10. Manufacturing Engineering
11. Materials Engineering
12. Mechanical Engineering
13. Mechatronics & Industrial Instrumentation
14. Mineral engineering
15. Mining Engineering
16. Multimedia Engineering
17. Software Engineering
18. Telecommunications Engineering

FIELD 8: FOUNDATION
NB: ONLY Applicable to Top Achievers Sponsorship beneficiaries – refer to Top Achievers Advert

FIELD 9: HEALTH
AREAS OF STUDY (DIPLOMA LEVEL)
1. Clinical Technology
2. Emergency Care technology
3. Environmental Health
4. General Nursing
5. Medical Laboratory Technology
6. Pharmacy Technology
7. Pharmacy
8. Medical Record & Transcription
9. Rehabilitation Counselling/Therapy
10. Dental Therapy
11. Health Care Management

AREAS OF STUDY (DEGREE LEVEL)
1. Emergency Medical Care
2. Environmental Health
3. Health Information Management
4. Health Care Management/Administration
5. Health Service Management
6. Hospital Administration
7. Medical Laboratory Science
8. Medicine
9. Nursing
10. Occupational Health and Safety
11. Occupational Therapy
12. Pharmacy
13. Physiotherapy
14. Public Health
15. Counseling Psychotherapy
16. Rehabilitation Counseling
17. Speech Therapy
18. Audiology
19. Histotechnology and Cytotechnologist
20. Biomedical science

FIELD 10: HOSPITALITY & TOURISM
AREAS OF STUDY (DIPLOMA LEVEL)
1. Culinary Arts
2. Travel, Tourism, Hospitality
3. Cultural Tourism
4. Events Management
AREAS OF STUDY (DEGREE LEVEL)
1. Travel Operations & Management
2. Tourism Management
3. Hospitality Management
4. Travel /Tourism Management

FIELD 11: HUMANITIES
AREAS OF STUDY (DIPLOMA LEVEL)
1. Theology
AREAS OF STUDY (DEGREE LEVEL)
1. Theology
2. Pastoral Care/Pastoral Studies
3. Chinese studies
4. Digital Media
5. Humanities
6. Public Relations

FIELD 12: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
AREAS OF STUDY (DIPLOMA LEVEL)
1. Systems Administration
AREAS OF STUDY (DEGREE LEVEL)
1. Network Computing
2. Information, Communication Technology
3. Mobile Technology
4. Computer Networking
5. Digital Forensics
6. Network/Cyber Security
7. Computer Forensics
8. Information Systems
9. Data Management
10. Business Information Technology

FIELD 13: PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS
AREAS OF STUDY (DEGREE LEVEL)
1. ACCA
2. CIMA
3. CIPS
4. CHARTERED ACCOUNTANCY

FIELD 14: SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY
AREAS OF STUDY (DIPLOMA LEVEL)
1. Architectural Technology
2. Sound Technology
3. Telecommunication Systems
AREAS OF STUDY (DEGREE LEVEL)
1. Actuarial science
2. Applied Geophysics
3. Architecture
4. Biological & Ecological sciences
5. Biotechnology
6. Business Computing
7. Business Information Systems
8. Computer Science
9. Computer System Engineering
10. Computing
11. Creative Multimedia
12. Earth Science
13. Environmental Science/Ecosystem sciences
14. Forensic Accounting and Finance
15. Forensic Sciences
16. Geology
17. Geomatics

18. Information systems
19. Information Systems & Data Management
20. Information Technology
21. Mathematics & Finance
22. Mobile Computing
23. Mobile Technology
24. Multimedia Systems
25. Networking Computing
26. Physics/Chemistry/Biology
27. Physics with Meteorology
28. Pure & Applied Chemistry
29. Pure & Applied Mathematics
30. Quantity surveying
31. Science
32. Software Engineering
33. Sports Management
34. Urban & Regional Planning
35. Chemical Drug Discovery and development

FIELD 15: SOCIAL SCIENCES
AREAS OF STUDY (DEGREE LEVEL)
1. Archives and Records Management
2. Community Development
3. Criminal Justice
4. Criminology
5. Economics
6. Human Development & Family Studies
7. Information & Knowledge Management
8. Law
9. Law & Public Administration
10. Media Studies
11. Public Administration
12. Security Management
13. Social Sciences
14. Social Work
15. Statistics
16. Gender and Transformation
17. Psychology

FIELD 16: TRANSPORT
AREAS OF STUDY (DIPLOMA LEVEL)
1. Fleet Management
2. Transport Management & Logistics
3. Transport Planning and Management
AREAS OF STUDY (DEGREE LEVEL)
1. Transport Management & Logistics
2. Fleet Management/infrastructure planning

5. IMPORTANT PROCESSING NOTE:
- I. Hand delivered applications will not be accepted
 - II. The online system allows you to save your application in **Draft mode** and revisit at a later stage provided it is before submission deadline.
 - III. Failure to submit all supporting documents will render your application **null and void**.
 - IV. Only applications on the above listed areas of study will be considered for sponsorship.
 - V. **Appeals against the decision of the Director DTEF regarding non approval of sponsorship application will only be considered up to Monday 31st August, 2026 or within a month of having received the response. All correspondence should be addressed to the Ministerial Appeals Committee, Ministry of Higher Education, (Private Bag 00517 Gaborone).**

6. RESTRICTIONS:
- i. Applicants whose admission information is not captured in the system by the relevant institution will not be permitted to apply.
 - ii. The system will not permit applications from individuals who do not have National Identity number or birth certificate number.
 - iii. The system will NOT permit applications from individuals with academic points below the cut off points.
 - iv. **The system will only permit applications under special dispensation category of sponsorship for individuals whose information has been uploaded into the system by the relevant administrative offices.**
 - v. The System will not process applications from students who sat for examinations after **December 2025**.

7. DISCLAIMERS:
- i. Admissions at Tertiary Institutions does not guarantee award of Government sponsorship.
 - ii. Meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee award of sponsorship.
 - iii. Submission of an application online does not guarantee an award of sponsorship
 - iv. Any false statement or declaration made to acquire sponsorship/loan will result in invalidation of the application, revocation of the sponsorship offer and may result in prosecution.

APPLICATION INQUIRIES:
For any information, applicants are advised to contact the Department from **0730hrs to 1630hrs on weekdays only** through the under-listed lines:

- **Toll Free No: 0 800 600 185**
- **Call Centre:** 371 9364 /371 9439 / 371 9441 / 371 9473.
- **Public Relations:** 371 9319 / 371 9321
- **Switchboard:** 379 1300 / 371 9301



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URGENTLY NEEDED: EXPERIENCED Truck Driver for FAW 15.180 FL 4 X 2 8-TON Vacuum Sewage Tanker (8000L). Requirements : BGCSE / Cambridge C/EC licence, PRDP (hazardous, special goods) 2 + years experience, familiar with Gaborone roads. Contact : 71793701 / 75 314 445. Email : mtumotumo@gmail.com or kapeko333@gmail.com

FARM WORKES

FARM WORKERS WANTED Ke batla babereki ba ba bedi mo tshingwaneng ya merogo ko mabalane ya ga Obakeng Aubrey Nkumane P.O Box 317 Sikwane 73 106 785

LOOKING FOR FEMALE/MALE farm worker. Write to –Keipone Ruth Jim, Maboaneng farm- Tlokwenng Box 404441 Gaborone. Closing date 31/7/26

FARM WORKER WANTED in Kgatleng District. Contact +267 74 574 341, deadline 28/07/2026 Muhammed Azhar

LOOKING FOR 2 FARM WORKERS at Oodi Kgatleng P O Box 0074 Gaborone. Mr Morebudi Badumetse cell No. 74163645

FARM WORKERS WANTED at Mmamakau in Moiyabana. Call Mr Madikwe Molefe 72 191 337

I AM LOOKING for a farm worker. Contact 76 774 335

FARM WORKER WANTED Apply Mr Jonathan Maukongwa Box 40 Sebina at Kgale farms or call : 75 119 055

FARM WORKERS REQUIRED at R J Poultry Box 318 Oodi or call 71 526 848 plot 102 Rureitse

FARM WORKER AND HERDBOY WANTED at Satau. Contact 71 872 619, 74 848 261

FARM WORKER WANTED urgently, call 74 554 226

HERDMAN WANTED IN SESUNG lands before 15 August 2026, matured man also a Christian with sober mind. Call 74 628 182, 75 345 399 Mr Khumo Seven Mankoko

FARM WORKERS (2) Phalalo Omphile Ditiro, Box 362, Kanye. 73 131 465

FARM WORKERS WANTED at Sekakangwe village. Contact Otsile Mogapi on 74 651 515 / 75 375 947 or apply on P O Box 405155 Gaborone

FARM WORKERS (4) Musaemura Kegomoditswe, Box 20992, Gaborone, 71 301 028

URGENTLY NEEDED A POULTRY farm worker must be of sober habits in Sekoma. 75 731 544

FARM WORKERS REQUIRED, Bobonong 71 487 722 Jacob Khathola

WANTED FARM WITH BASIC horticulture skills wanted at Malepe lands, Mahalapye, Contact 72 169 032 / 76 015 546

FARM WORKER AND HERDBOY WANTED at Satau. Contact 71 872 619, 74 848 261

FARM WORKERS WANTED in Metsimaswaane. Apply to – Tlagape farms Pty Ltd, Box 10225 Ramotswa. Closing date : 10/08/2026

FARM WORKERS WANTED in Oodi, Reetsang Mokgatthe Box 211500 Gaborone. Closing date: 10/08/2026

HERDBOY WANTED in Ramonnedi farms. Apply to Box M76 Kanye. Must be able to read and write. English Setswana speaking. Contact: 75 229 629.

FARM WORKER WANTED at Majwanaadipitse contact Kemisetso Tshiamo. Box 496 Tonota TEL 71 405 079

FARM WORKER WANTED Mphane Borolong Call 71 676 950 Fact B. Lebala

WANTED FARM WORKER Box 73837315 Francistown. Ndintume Tlale 74 042 649

FARM WORKERS WANTED at Bisoli Farms. Contact James Kgalajwe Cell 75455955. P O Box 30300 Francistown.

FARM WORKERS WANTED at Tutume and Patayamatebele. Apply to Green Hands Fresh Produce. Box 296 Tutume. Cell: 71 422 248.

HERD BOY WANTED at Gambule Farms, Contact Maipelo Malape 75605028, Box 53 Masunga.

HERD BOY WANTED P O Box 877 Francistown. Fanyana Fish 74 121 796

INTENTION TO SELL/CEDE/ TRANSFER IMMOVABLE PROPERTY (RESIDENTIAL PLOT)

NOTICE is hereby given that **BOATAMETSE BONTY DIAU** has entered into a purchase and sale agreement with **AETHERIX PROPRIETARY LIMITED** respectively (the "Transaction"), in respect of the below mentioned property namely;

CERTAIN Piece of land being Tribal Lot 693, Kazungula

SITUATE at Kazungula in the Chobe Tribal Area

MEASURING 1125m² (One Thousand One Hundred and Twenty Five square Metres)

WHICH PROPERTY Is held under Memorandum of Agreement of Lease Number FT TL 724/2012 dated the 27TH day of AUGUST, 2012 made in favour of BOATAMETSE BONTY DIAU (SPINSTER) (BORN ON THE 8TH DECEMBER 1983)

Hereafter referred to as (the "Property")

Consideration of the Property amount is P300 000.00 (Three Hundred Thousand Pula) consequential to the Transaction.

Notwithstanding the Transaction, priority is hereby given to any citizen of Botswana interested in entering into a similar transaction in respect of the Property.

All persons objecting to the Transaction are hereby requested to lodge such objection with reasons, in writing, with the Chobe Land Board, P O Box 50, Kasane within 30 (Thirty days) from the last publication of this notice.

DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 10TH DAY OF JULY, 2026

BRISCOE ATTORNEYS
Plot 133, Independence Avenue
P O Box 402492 GABORONE Tel: 3953377 Cell: 71359316

INTENTION TO DEAL IN SHARES IN A PRIVATE COMPANY OWNING IMMOVABLE PROPERTY IN TERMS OF SECTION 34 OF THE TRIBAL LAND ACT, 2018

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following dealing in tribal land is proposed, namely, the transfer of shares from **ARCOT PROPRIETARY LIMITED to ADS ICT LINKS PROPRIETARY LIMITED**, which transaction involves the transfer of shares in a private company owning the following tribal land:

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:

CERTAIN: a piece of land being Tribal Grant No. 4870-KO;

SITUATE: in the Bangwaketse Tribal Territory;

MEASURING: 27,3589 Hectares (Twenty-Seven point Three Five Eight Nine Hectares);

HELD UNDER: a notarial deed of cession and delegation no. MA 1154/2019 dated 20th December 2019;

CONSIDERATION: Nil. The ultimate beneficial ownership will remain the same post dealing and accordingly, no monetary consideration has been paid or is payable in connection with the transaction;

SUBJECT: to the terms and conditions of the aforesaid notarial deed of cession.

PARTIES: **ARCOT Proprietary Limited and ADS ICT Links Proprietary Limited.**

ARCOT PROPRIETARY LIMITED is the cessionary of the below mentioned property, which property falls within the Bangwaketse Tribal Territory.

DETAILS OF THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION

The property described above is held by Arcot Proprietary Limited (the **Company**). The shareholders of the Company propose to dispose of their collective shareholding in the Company to the ADS ICT Links Proprietary Limited, an affiliated company. The immovable property described above will continue to be held by the Company in its own name and no transfer of immovable property is effected by this proposed controlled transaction.

BE PLEASE TO TAKE NOTICE THAT:

Notwithstanding the transaction, priority is hereby given to any citizen of Botswana interested in entering into a similar transaction in respect of the above property in terms of the Tribal Land Act, 2018.

Should any person wish to object to the above transaction you are requested to lodge such objection, with reasons, in writing with Bookbinder Business Law, Private Bag 382, Gaborone within thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice.

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 7TH DAY OF JULY 2026
BOOKBINDER BUSINESS LAW

NEIGHBOR CONSULTATION

THE OWNER of Plot No. 73911, Phakalane, Gaborone, would like to inform owners of Plot 73910, 73908, and 73914 about their intention to build a boundary wall. **Anyone with objections** should contact the Gaborone City Council Building Control Unit at +267 365 7508 **within 14 working days** or contact **ROCKMONT ENTERPRISE (Pty) Ltd** at +267 76 207 324.

INTENTION TO CHANGE MARRIAGE PROPERTY REGIME

(In terms of section 8 (1) (f) of Married Persons Property Act, CAP. 29:03)

1. QUEEN SEITSHIRO (NEE MOLEOFI) and ANDREW MOTSHEREGANYI SEITSHIRO, Married in Community of Property on the **2nd May, 1998**, in Kanye, wish to change their property regime to Out of Community of Property.

2. The parties intend to apply to the High Court of Botswana after the expiration of the **three (3) weeks** after the issuance of the Statutory Notice from the date of first publication hereof.

3. Any person, creditor or debtor, who may have an interest in the assets and/or liabilities of the parties' estate, should they have objections to the parties changing their property regime, are to inform the parties' Attorneys, **MOSHE MONTSHWARI NOGA AND/OR NOGA AND COMPANY** before the expiration of the said three (3) weeks period, or make representation before the High Court of Botswana once the contemplated application is lodged.

DATED AT GABORONE THIS ____ DAY OF _____ 2026.

 **Noga & Co.**
Les Legatum Est
ATTORNEYS, INDEPENDENCE AVENUE, GABORONE

NOGA AND COMPANY
(Applicants' Attorneys)
Plot 17380, Phase 1 **GABORONE**
Email: info@nogaco.co.bw
Tel: (+267) 71 404 322

HEAD TEACHER WANTED FOR DIPEO NURSERY SCHO

Qualified Head Teacher wanted for Dipeo Nursery School. Applicants should possess qualifications in:

- Diploma in Early Childhood Development
- A minimum of 3 years' relevant work experience in Education in an English Medium School.

Additional Certificates will reflect positively. Applicants should send CV's and References to peoeducationgroup@gmail.com:

Peo Schools Group
P O Box 149 Gaborone
Closing date 06th August 2026

WOODLAND HOMES

VACANCY

Location: Gaborone | Position Type: Operations Manager

About Woodland Homes

Woodland Homes is a premier woodworking manufacturing factory and design powerhouse, pioneering the future of integrated living and working spaces. We deliver bespoke, custom-made interior and exterior solutions for luxury homes and corporate offices, fully integrated with state-of-the-art automation, advanced networking, and immersive audio-visual systems.

By seamlessly bridging high-end architectural design with precision-manufactured woodwork, reliable electronics, and sophisticated control systems, we create environments that are as intelligent as they are beautiful.

The Opportunity

We are seeking a visionary, high-caliber OPERATIONS MANAGER to lead both the creative design and technical engineering pillars of our business. As Operation Manager, you will set the overarching corporate strategy and ensure that our bespoke physical designs, woodwork manufacturing output work flawlessly with cutting-edge technology.

Key Duties & Responsibilities

- Strategy & Business Growth: Define the company's long-term vision and implement a robust 3-year growth plan to firmly position the brand at the intersection of premium woodwork designs and smart-systems manufacturing.
- Leadership & Management: Manage and administer all Woodland Homes branches, ensuring consistent standards, performance, and customer experience across locations.
- Operations & Project Delivery: Direct and inspire a multidisciplinary workforce, seamlessly managing designers, factory production managers, project managers, electricians, AV integrators.
- Client & Technical Consulting: Spearhead high-value, pre-sales technical consultations and cultivate relationships with elite residential and commercial clients.
- Team Building & Standards: Recruit, mentor, and scale top-tier technical and creative talent, including carpenters, electricians, graphic designers, Sales and Marketing, procurement and advanced AV technicians.

Marketing, procurement and advanced AV technicians.

- Sales, Marketing & Risk Management: Lead competitive proposals for large-scale integrated projects. Mitigate organizational risk by ensuring precise contract coverage regarding system scopes, Intellectual Property (IP), warranties, supply chain logistics, and long-term service SLAs.

Qualifications and Experience

- Leadership Experience: A minimum of 5+ years in a senior Strategic/leadership/executive role leading teams across technical, operational, and commercial departments.
- Project Execution: A proven, verifiable track record of successfully delivering complex, multi-disciplinary manufacturing or integration projects from conception to finish, managing commercial negotiations, contracts, and business partnerships on time and within budget is strictly essential.

Qualifications:

Certification in Interior Design/drawing/Arts, Management, Carpentry, Architecture, Graphic Design, Sales & Marketing, Electronics & Communications, Electrical Engineering or closely related fields will be an added advantage.

How to Apply

Interested candidates who meet the above specifications and are ready to lead the next generation of automated luxury living should please apply in writing.

Please submit your comprehensive Curriculum Vitae (CV), a detailed cover letter outlining your relevant executive experience, and copies of your academic qualifications to:

The Human Resources Manager | Woodland Homes
Email: recruitment@galaxy.co.bw

Closing Date for Applications: 7th August 2026

Woodland Homes is an equal opportunity employer.

Only shortlisted candidates meeting the strict technical and leadership criteria will be contacted.

FARM WORKES

FARM WORKER WANTED at Foley Thomas Mothoka 71 354 281 Box 629 Kasane.

TWO FARM WORKERS WANTED Ibo Moseki Box 1542 Francistown 71525866

FARM WORKER WANTED at Dikalakane farm, contact 77 031 407 / 76 542 047

FARM WORKERS WANTED, Kumakwane. Contact +267 73 800 029, Box 4 Kumakwane

FARM WORKERS WANTED, Lentsweletau. Contact +267 71 722 958. P O Box 3732 Gaborone.

FARM WORKERS WANTED. C: 72379945

SEASONAL FARM WORKER NEEDED. 74 329 363, Box 550460 Mogoditshane

FEMALE FARM WORKER WANTED in Pitsane. Contact 71 447 966

HERDBOY/MODISA WANTED at Mookane, Mmamabifi farm. Contact 72147595

LADY’S FIRST CHOICE is looking for a farm worker at Gabane. Apply to Box AE 353 AEH Gaborone before 30/09/26

2 X FARM WORKERS REQUIRED by Centiven (Pty) Ltd. Apply to P O Box AD 701 Kgale view. Tel: 72 193 246. Closing date: 7 August 2026

THREE FARM WORKERS WANTED at Vibma (Pty) Ltd Otse farm. Apply to P O Box AE 144 Gaborone. Cell: 74 715 522. Closing date 7 August 2026

FARM WORKER WANTED at Radiajana farms 72 237 893

TWO FARM WORKERS WANTED at Nywane lands. Apply to Sethunya Ramolefhe P O Box 1777 Gaborone. Cell 75 545 662 / 71 864 685. Closing date 07/08/2026

FARM WORKER WANTED at Setshego lands. Apply at: Yvonne Moatshe P O Box 202133 Gaborone. Cell: 75 333 138 Closing date 30/07/2026

NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS

Administration of Estates Act [Cap.31:01]

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that 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 daims 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: BATI SINGWENI
Estate Number: ESHFT-000559-26
Date of Meeting: 16/09/26
Time: 0900HRS
Master: SARM 2

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 6TH DAY OF JULY 2026
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

VACANCY: FARM WORKER

A reputable cattle farm in ***Bere, Ghanzi District*** is looking for a dedicated and experienced ***Farm Worker*** to support daily farm operations and livestock management.

Duties

- Feed, water, herd, and care for cattle.
- Maintain fences, kraals, and water systems.
- Monitor livestock health and keep basic farm records.
- Ensure good animal welfare and farm safety practices.

Requirements

- Experience in cattle farming.
- Knowledge of livestock management.
- Physically fit, hardworking, and reliable.
- Able to work independently and as part of a team.

Female candidates and suitably qualified foreign nationals are encouraged to apply too. Send your application letter, CV, and supporting documents to: The Manager
Email: ericonniemesho@gmail.com
Closing Date: 05 August 2026
Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS

Administration of Estates Act (Cap. 31:01)

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

TUMEDISO KOORETE	ESHMY 000161-26	24.08.26	0900 HRS	SARM
Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master

DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 11TH JUNE 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

LIQUIDATOR’S NOTICE

NOTICE OF THE SECOND MEETING OF CREDITORS OF PRIME CHECK (PTY) LTD – UNDER LIQUIDATION
MASTER’S REFERENCE – LQHGB – 000007/22

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the direction of the Master of the High Court in terms of the Winding-Up Rules of the Companies Act, section 382(1) of the Companies Act 42:01, the Second Meeting of Creditors of the above-named company will be convened physically before the Master of the High Court, Gaborone at 09:00 hours on the 8th of October 2026 for the following purposes:

- Proof of claims→
- Consideration of the Liquidator’s Progress Report
- To consider and pass resolutions if deemed fit

Claims should be filed with the Master and copies with the Liquidator at least 24 hours before the time of the meeting.

By the Liquidator, Jethro Kamutsi, Prestige Business Consultants (Pty) Ltd, Setlhoa Village, Unit 6, Setlhoa Office Park, PO Box 602430, Gaborone

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HOW TO APPLY: Cell/WhatsApp **74132016** Or Visit us at Ga-Kgolo Ward, Kanye

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1.Specialist Doctors

a. Physician

b. Oncologist

experience.

- Candidates should be registered with the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Botswana (NMCB) or with Botswana Health Professional Council (BHPC)

Educational Qualifications:

- Graduate and Postgraduate degree qualifications, with at least 3 years of relevant experience.
- Candidates should be registered with the Botswana Health Professional Council (BHPC)

2.Registered Nurses:

a .ICU /Cardiac ICU/ High Care

b. Operating Theatre

c. Cath Lab / CTVS

d. Accident & Emergency

e. Medical/Surgical

f. PICU/NICU

Educational Qualifications:

- Degree or Diploma in Nursing, with at least 3 years of experience.
- and Midwifery Council of Botswana (NMCB).
- Specialised entry will be added advantage

3.Nurse Anaesthetist / Clinical Officer Anaesthesia

Educational Qualifications:

- Degree or Diploma in Nursing and Anaesthesia with at least 3 years of

Interested candidates who meet the requirements are invited to apply by forwarding a comprehensive CV, application letter and certificates, addressed to

The Human Resources Manager, Private Bag BR 183 Gaborone; Email: recruitment@sidilegaprivatehospital.co.bw;

For any enquiries please contact
HR: +267 3701047/3115792
Closing date: 31/07/2026

NB: Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted

Position: Pharmacist (2 Positions)

Location: Kalafhi Pharmacy, Plot 21104, Village

Kalafhi Pharmaceutical is seeking qualified, experienced, and highly motivated Pharmacists to join our dedicated healthcare team. The successful candidates will be responsible for ensuring the safe and effective dispensing of medicines, providing pharmaceutical care, and promoting the highest standards of patient safety and clinical excellence.

Requirements

- Bachelor’s Degree in Pharmacy (B.Pharm) or Master’s Degree in Pharmacy
- Minimum of 15 years’ relevant post-qualification work experience
- Full registration and a valid practising licence with the (BHPC)
- Experience in hospital pharmacy practice, including dispensing, inventory management, and medication safety

Remuneration

- A competitive salary package will be offered, commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Application Process

Interested candidates should submit a detailed CV and a cover letter to career@kalafhi.co.bw

No later than 07 August 2026.

Kimberley Process

Secretariat

Digital &Innovation Hub, Gaborone, Botswana
E-mail: executive-secretary@kimberleyprocess.com

Request for Proposals (RFP): Hosting, Service, and Maintenance of the Kimberley Process Website

Issued by: Kimberley Process Secretariat

Date Issued: July 24, 2026

Submission Deadline: August 21, 2026

Contact Person: Bojun Tang

Email: executive-secretary@kimberleyprocess.com

Website: <https://kimberleyprocess.com>

Introduction

The Kimberley Process Secretariat (KPS) invites qualified vendors to submit proposals for the hosting, service, and maintenance of the regular Kimberley Process website (<https://kimberleyprocess.com>). The objective is to ensure that the existing website remains secure, reliable, accessible, easy to manage, and properly supported for the Kimberley Process, its Participants, Observers, working bodies, and the general public.

This RFP concerns the ongoing hosting, technical administration, service support, and maintenance of the existing KP website. The selected vendor should support the current website, maintain its public information and member-facing functionality, and ensure that the website remains stable, secure, searchable, and sustainable over time.

PLEASE CONTACT THE KPS DIRECTLY AT THE BELOW EMAIL ADDRESS IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THE FULL RFP.

Contact Information for Clarifications

All inquiries related to this RFP should be directed to:

Name: Bojun Tang

Title: Executive Secretary

Email: executive-secretary@kimberleyprocess.com

Organization: Kimberley Process Secretariat

 www.kimberleyprocess.com

OSSY & SON’S INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

A construction company is inviting suitably qualified and experience candidates to apply for the positions:

1. Civil Engineer

Minimum Requirements:

- Bachelor's Degree (B.Eng. or BSc) in Civil Engineering.
- Valid Engineering Registration Board (ERB) Practicing Certificate.
- At least 8 years of relevant experience in civil engineering and construction projects.
- Sound knowledge of engineering design, project supervision, contract administration, and quality assurance.

2. Senior Technician

Minimum Requirements:

- Qualified individuals must possess a valid Certificate in construction.
- Minimum of 3 years' practical experience in the construction industry.
- Strong technical knowledge of construction methods, site operations, and interpretation of technical drawings.
- Excellent problem-solving and supervisory skills will be an added advantage.

3. Project Manager

Minimum Requirements:

- Bachelor's Degree (B.Eng. or BSc) in Civil Engineering.
- Valid ERB Practicing Certificate.
- At least 10 years of experience in construction project management

or project coordination.

- Demonstrated ability to manage multiple project activities, monitor progress, control costs, and lead multidisciplinary teams to successful project completion.

4. Site Foreman

Minimum Requirements:

- Proven experience as a Site Foreman with 5–10 years in the construction industry.
- Strong leadership and communication skills.
- Ability to supervise construction activities, coordinate labour and subcontractors, and ensure compliance with project specifications, safety regulations, and quality standards.
- Ability to read and interpret construction drawings and work schedules.

Applicants who meet the above requirements should submit their certified copies of qualifications, certificates, and copy of their valid identification to the following address:

Ossy and Sons investment (Pty) Ltd
P.O. Box 404953
Broadhurst, Gaborone, **Botswana**
Email: ossyson5@gmail.com

FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

ESHGB-000173/22

IN THE ESTATE OF THE LATE THAPELO MIKE GAOLAOLWE who died at A1 Road Mahalapye, Mahalapye, Central-Mahalapye District, Botswana on the 1st day of May, 2022.

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 THE.....DAY OF.....2026

Executrix

Masedi Pride Gaolaolwe

P O Box 1957

MAHALAPYE

72984782

FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

Master's Reference: ESHMY 000127-26

IN THE ESTATES of the Late GABARETSHETSE SOSONG who died at Palapye Primary Hospital,Palapye,Palapye District,Botswana on the 2nd May 2025.

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

Dated at on this day of 2026.

The Executrix Dative

P O Box 766, Palapye

Cheleketo Sosong

Cell: 71307338

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has applied for a Bar licence in terms of section 13 of the Liquor Act (Cap. 43:11) in respect of the premises situated at Peleng Lobatse and the Liquor Control Authority has determined that the application shall be heard by Liquor Control Authority on the **14th day of August 2026.**

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

Company/Business

NAME:

Address:

Submitted by:

Date:

Oasismatrix Investments

P O Box 936 Lobatse

Dr Hendrix Choene

16th July 2026

NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS

Administration of Estates Act (Cap. 31:01)

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

Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
SETHAMO SPIKSON	ESHMY 000241-26	01.09.26.	0900HRS	SARM

DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 13TH JULY 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

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

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

Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date Of Meeting	Time	Master
GEORGE MOROKA	ESHFT-000536-26	16-09-26	0900HRS	ARM

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 7 TH DAY OF JULY 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master's Reference: ESHGB-000359-24

IN THE ESTATE of the late GOABAMANG KGOSIEMANG who died at Plot 14237, Molepolole, Kweneng District, Republic of Botswana on the **24th April 2025.**

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

DATED at ____ on this ____ Day of ____ 2026

The Executrix Dative

Lebogang Kgosiemang

P. O. Box 3358

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Tel: 74411527/ 71269664

JUDICIAL MANAGER’S NOTICE

NOTICE OF THE SECOND MEETING OF CREDITORS OF KASHA HOLDINGS (PTY) LTD – UNDER JUDICIAL MANAGEMENT

Master's Reference – JMHGB – 000001/25

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the direction of the Master of the High Court in terms of the Winding-Up Rules of the Companies Act, Chapter 42:01, the Second Meeting of Creditors of the above-named company will be convened physically before the Master of the High Court, Gaborone at 09:00 hours on the 3rd of September 2026 for the following purposes:

- Proof of claims
- Consideration of the Judicial Manager's Report
- To consider and pass resolutions if deemed fit

Claims should be filed with the Master and copies with the Judicial Manager at least 24 hours before the time of the meeting.

By the Judicial Manager, Jethro Kamutsi, Prestige Business Consultants, Setlhoa Office Park, Unit 6, PO Box 602430, Gaborone

NOTICE FOR A CERTIFIED COPY OF LOST BOND

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned intends to apply for a certified copy of Bond No. 546/2006, dated 2nd day of March, 2006, made in favour of Galebutswe Moscow Nakedi. In respect of:

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

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

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

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

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

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

APPLICANT

71346290

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that by virtue of section 31 of the Administration of Estates Act (Cap: 33:01), heirs and next of kin of the deceased and all persons having claims against the above estate, are being called upon to attend before the Master of The High Court at Mahalapye High Court on the date and time specified opposite the names of their deceased relatives for 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
SAKI KOKOMPA	ESHMY-00036-26	25-08-26	0900HRS	SARM

DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 26TH DAY OF JUNE 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master's Reference: ESH 000126-24 I

IN THE ESTATE of the late ESTHER KENEILWE MOTSEONAGENG who died at lekgwapheng Ward Molepolole Kweneng District Botswana on 16th March 2022.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Debtors and Creditors in the above Estate are hereby required to pay thier 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.

Executrix Dative

P O BOX 45079 , GABORONE

Olefile Phuthego

CELL:77149500/74495298

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

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

Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
PHILLIP G MONYATSIWA	ESHFT-000605-26	06-10-26	0900HRS	SARM 2

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 22 ND DAY OF JULY 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

Master's Reference: ESHMY 000015-26

IN THE ESTATE of the Late GEORGE JAMARA who died at Mahalapye District Hospital, Mahalapye Central- Mahalapye District, Botswana on the 30th November 2025.

FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT in the

Estate will lie open for inspection at the Chambers of the Registrar and Master of the High Court, Mahalapye for a period of **Twenty-One (21) days** from the date of publication thereof.

DATED at Mahalapye on this 15 Day of July 2026.

W. Jamara

Executrix Dative

Winnie Jamara

P.O. Box 20086, GABORONE

71546055

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS Master's Reference: ESHMY 000154-26

IN THE ESTATE of the Late MOGALADI BONANG who died at Monneng Ward, Gootau, Central-Serowe District, Botswana on the **17th March 2025**

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

Dated at Mahalapye on this 23rd Day of June 2026.

The Executor

Leuba Bonang

P O Box 1074 Mahalapye

Cell: 71710909

Position: Pharmacist (2 Positions)

Location: Kalafhi Day Hospital, Gaborone

Kalafhi Day Hospital is seeking qualified, experienced, and highly motivated Pharmacists to join our dedicated healthcare team. The successful candidates will be responsible for ensuring the safe and effective dispensing of medicines, providing pharmaceutical care, and promoting the highest standards of patient safety and clinical excellence.

Requirements

- Bachelor's Degree in Pharmacy (B.Pharm) or Master's Degree in Pharmacy
- Minimum of 15 years' relevant post-qualification work experience
- Full registration and a valid practising licence with the (BHPCC)
- Experience in hospital pharmacy practice, including dispensing, inventory management, and medication safety

Remuneration

- A competitive salary package will be offered, commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Application Process

Interested candidates should submit a detailed CV and a cover letter to career@kalafhi.co.bw

No later than 07 August 2026.

FARM WORKES

TWO FARM WORKERS WANTED at Maboane lands. Apply: Difela Itheeng P O Box 355 Thamaga. Cell: 76 325 005. Closing date: 30/07/2026

EXPERIENCED INTEGRATED FARM worker needed. Apply – Champion Tsomele, Box 795, Molepolole

EXPERIENCED MIXED FARM WORKER needed. Apply - Esther Makgothi Chitukwi, Box 874, Mochudi

NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

NEIGHBOURHOOD CONSULTATION I owner of plot 66427 located at Gaborone North wishes to erect a boundary wall. Any objections should be forwarded to Gaborone City Council at 365 7400 within 14 days from date of publication of this notice.

OWNER'S OF LOT 203 Ramotswa informs neighbours of lot 10013, 17832, 21778 their intended change of land use to multi residential, build double storey units and boundary wall. Any objections contact Ramotswa Council physical planning within 14 days of this publication on 538 1200

OWNER OF PLOT 1651 would like to build a boundary wall for any objection. Please contact Palapye Physical Planning Office at P/Bag 007 Palapye.

HLANGANANI MHOTSHA, OWNER of plot 140, Mowana wishes to change the plots land use from Residential to commercial. For any objection, contact the North East District Council Physical planning office. Telephone no: 248 9242 within fourteen days of publication of this notice.

CHELA MORAPEDI INTENDS to change land use of plot 10063 from commercial to residential at Rutwang Ward, Tonota.

OWNER OF PLOT NO. 6596, Selokwana, Ramotswa intends to change land use from single-family residential to multi-family residential. For any comments / questions, contact Gamalete District Council Physical Planning at 539 0201 within 14 days of the publication

OWNER OF PLOT 13866 Mogoditshane Kgosing want to change land use from residential to commercial. For enquiries contact Mogoditshane council planning or contact owner 74 528 586

ADVERTS

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FRANCISTOWN

241 3402

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KASANE

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LETLHAKANE

297 8237

NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

OWNER OF PLOT 18146 Mogoditshane ward Bokaa want to change land use from residential to commercial. For enquiries contact Mogoditshane planning council or contact owner 74528586.

I, KHUMO KETSHABILE of ID no 913720205 wish to notify neighbours of plot no 7840 Lesetlthane ward of my intention to change of use from residential use to civic and community use. My intention is to run kindergarden. For any objection kindly contact the nearest city council office.

OWNER OF PLOT 4990 BLOCK 4, Tlokweng Masetlheng is planning to erect a boundary wall. For any objections contact Boitshwarelo Mogopodi at 77 100 753 / 74 012 007

OWNER OF PLOT 4514, Letlhakeng, Legononong ward, would like to change land use from residential to commercial. Any objections contact Letlhakeng District Council, Physical Planning on telephone no. 594 3256 within (14) days of publication of this notice.

OWNERS OF PLOT 31661, Gaborone North wishes to notify neighbours on intentions to construct a double storey residential building and erect a boundary wall. For any objections, contact Gaborone city council, physical planning office on 365 7400 within fourteen (14) days of publication of this notice

OWNER OF PLOT 4121 WISHES to change residential to multi-family. Any objection contact Goodhope district council.

FERME ESPOIR (PTY) LTD intends to change Ranch OM-127, Haina Veld, Metsimasweu, from agriculture (cattle farming) to mixed-use agriculture (game ranching and commercial agro-tourism). Objections or enquiries: Maun Physical Planning Office, 686 0241, or Thabo Bright Moipolai, 71 572 734, within 14 days of publication.

I BONOLO OMPHILE SELELO wishes to change land use of my residential plot No. 6388 in Mmankgodi village from residential to multi residential use. For any objection contact Mogoditshane/Thamaga district council (Physical planning office) Contact: 599 9862, within 14 days of publication of this notice.

VACANCIES

BDF XI SPORTING CLUB is hereby advertising for a vacancy of striker and midfielder. A mature, fit, experienced player, football record, national call up, cv and certified reference should be sent secretary general BDF XI Sporting club P/Bag X06 Gaborone.

FASHION DESIGNERS WANTED ten years or above experience. Wawa Textile. Bag 258 Francistown 241 4153

LADETECH HOLDINGS ARE currently looking for 5 carpenters/joinery with experience and machinist/ spray painters. Apply to ladetechholdingsinfo@gmail.com or call 267 71 777 109 for hard copy submission

URGENTLY REQUIRED: LOGISTIC Manager with sourcing of containers and converting logistical supply of mining parts machinery in a warehouse. Experience in shipping and logistic and a minimum of ten to fifteen years experience. Apply to Normet Mining and Construction Solutions Botswana (Pty) Ltd. P O Box 211008 Gaborone Botswana

GENERAL MANAER REQUIRED. 15 years experience in Specialist Construction services. Qualification in building economics or equivalent. Experience in quality control, product knowledge. Apply to Pizmond Investments and Construction Chemicals. P O Box AD 701 Gaborone. Tel: 383 3389

NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS ADMINISTRATION OF Estates Act[Cap31:01]

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
KEMOLATHILE DODO	ESHFT-000032-23	15-09-26	0900HRS	ARM

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 6TH DAY OF JUNE 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master's reference: **ESHMY 000366-26**

IN THE ESTATE OF THE Late **MOTSEI MAKUTU** who died at Princess Marina Hospital, Gaborone, Gaborone District, Botswana on the **7th April 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 14th day of July 2026

THE EXECUTRIX DATIVE : Boingotlo Mmankie Gaseitsiwe, P.O. Box 201225, Gaborone. | **Cell 71 718 897**

NOTICE FOR A CERTIFIED COPY OF LOST DEED

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

CERTAIN: Piece of land being Lease No: 1311-KO
SITUATE: On lot 65871, Gaborone, in the Gaborone Administrative District
MEASURING: 612 M² (Six hundred and twelve Squire Metres)
HELD UNDER: Deed No. 83/2006 dated 02/03/06 in favour of Galebutswe Moscow Nakedi.

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

DATED AT: ON THIS:----- DAY OF-----, 2026-----
APPLICANT
71346290

Notice of Next 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.31:01,heirs and Next of kin of the deceased and all persons having claims against the above estate, are being called upon to attend before the master of high court at Francistown 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 relating to their deceased relative.

Name of the deceased person: Lovemore Mabiletsa
Estate Number: ESHFT-0000427-25
Date of meeting: 08.09.26
Time: 0900hrs
Master: ARM

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 2ND DAY OF JULY 2026

FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

Master's Ref : ESHGB-000796/23:

IN THE ESTATE of the Late **THATO MOENG JORDAN** who died at Gaborone Private Hospital, Gaborone, Gaborone District, Botswana on the **5th June 2021**

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

Dated at on the**day of**.....**2026**

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The Executrix
Boammaaruri Jordan
P O BOX 1037 AAD
Poso House
Cell: 71335121

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
GASEFIWE BAIKAI	ESHFT-000382-26	22-09-26	0900HRS	ARM

AND GAREBAITSE GASEFIWE

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 14TH DAY OF JULY 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

VACANCY: WORKSHOP MECHANIC MANAGER.

Cherry Splash (Pty) Ltd is seeking to recruit a qualified and experienced **Workshop Mechanic Manager** to join our team. The successful candidate must have **at least 10 years of experience** working with Chinese heavy equipment, with specialist knowledge of **XCMG and Shantui** machinery, particularly **bulldozers** and **cranes**. The candidate should be able to diagnose faults, carry out repairs, oversee workshop operations, and manage a team of mechanics. Interested and suitably qualified candidates are invited to submit their CVs to: **Email:** [cherrysplash2020@gmail.com] **Closing Date: 05 August 2026.** Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFIED COPY OF A LOST TITLE DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of a Deed of Fixed Period State Grant No. **473/2002** dated the 4th day of **March 2002** made in favour of **MANKO JOSEPHINE MOREETSI** in respect of:

CERTAIN: piece of land being Lot 14881, Gaborone;
SITUATE: in Gaborone West Extension No. 6;
MEASURING: 450m2 (Four Hundred and Fifty Square Metres);
WHICH PROPERTY: is held under Deed of Fixed Period State Grant No. Memorandum of Agreement of Grant of Lease **TL 473/2002** dated the 4th day of **March 2002** made in favour of **MANKO JOSEPHINE MOREETSI;**

SUBJECT TO: the reservations and conditions contained in the aforesaid Deed.

Any person having objection to the issuing 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.

DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 23rd JUNE 2026.

M. LESOLE ATTORNEYS
P. O. BOX 40325
PLOT 20096, PHASE 2 GABORONE
TEL: 71885852/72199654/73605696

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

ESHFT-000798-24

FIRST AND FINAL DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

IN THE ESTATE of the late CHARLES VINDY TSWIRI - ESHFT-000798-24 who died in GERALD ESTATE FRANCISTOWN District on the 12 NOVEMBER 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that 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 Francistown for period of twenty-one (21) days from the date of the second publications thereof.

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS22 JULY 2026

NANCY TSWIRI AND TO: Master of High Court
Executor Dative Private Bag F13
P O BOX 388 FRANCISTOWN
FRANCISTOWN
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TEL: 71733781

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

ESHMY 000071-26

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the late BASIMOLODI OTSOGILE- ESHMY 000071-26 who died at Serorome ward, Palapye, CENTRAL DISTRICT on the 3rd day of October 2024.

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

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 21st DAY OF April 2026

EXECUTOR DATIVE AND TO: Master of the High Court
P O BOX Private Bag 6
MAHALAPYE MAHALAPYE

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

ESHFT-000382/24

NOTICE OF DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the late **ANNAH SENATSI ESHFT – 000382/24** who died at ATHLONE HOSPITAL, LOBATSE DISTRICT REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA on the **11th day of August 1996.**

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

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 30TH DAY OF AUGUST 2021

Clarah Fulele Executrix Dative P O Box 11027 FRANCISTOWN	Colette Tema Executrix Dative P O Box 10110 FRANCISTOWN	AND TO: Master of High Court Private Bag F 13 FRANCISTOWN
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NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

MASTERS REFERENCE: ESHMY 000090-26

IN THE ESTATES of the late Kelebonye Mogopodi who died at Lekama ward, Kgagodi, Central- Serowe District, Botswana on the 25th February 2025.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that debtors and creditors in the above estate are hereby required to pay their debt and file claim of whatever nature with the undersigned within thirty(30) days after publication hereof.

Dated at Mahalapye on this 27 day of May 2026

The Executrix
Gontlafatsa Mogopodi
P o Box 180 Maokatumo /Kgagodi
72568109

NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS ADMINISTRATION OF Estates Act

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
BANABOTLHE MOEMISI	ESHFT-000963-25	08/09/26	0900HRS	SARM 1

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 2ND DAY OF JULY 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

APPLICATION FOR LOST DEED OF TRANSFER

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of: lost Deed of Transfer Number 801/89 dated 4th day of October, 1989 made in favour of **MARTHA NTSEKIE MOHOHLO** in respect of:

CERTAIN: Piece of land being Lot 16900, Gaborone
SITUATE: in Gaborone West Extension No. 2;
MEASURING: 465m² (Four Hundred and Sixty Five Square Metres)

Any person having objection 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 the last publication of this notice.

BRISCOE ATTORNEYS
Plot 133, Independence Avenue
P O Box 402492 **GABORONE**
Tel: 3953377
Our Ref: C.17061/DKB/kn/Conv

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that by virtue of section 31 of the Administration of Estates Act (Cap: 33:01), heirs and next of kin of the deceased and all persons having claims against the above estate, are being called upon to attend before the Master of the High Court at Mahalapye High Court on the date and time specified opposite the names of their deceased relatives for purposes of recommending for appointment, a person or persons as 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
KOOBONE GANELANG	ESHMY000184-26	15.06.26	0900HRS	SARM

DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 30TH MARCH 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN ESHFT 000463-24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the late BRIGHT BAKOBI MOTSHIDIEMANG ESHFT 000463-24 who died at NYANGABWE REFERRAL HOSPITAL, FRANCISTOWN DISTRICT, BOTSWANA on the 3RD day of MARCH 1993.

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 13TH DAY OF JULY 2026

UNAMI MOTSHIDIEMANG EXECUTOR DATIVE P O BOX 373 MATHANGWANE	AND TO: Master of the High Court Private Bag F13 FRANCISTOWN
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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DISPOSE TRIBAL LAND TO NON-CITIZEN

NOTICE is hereby given in terms of Section 34 of the Tribal Land Act of 2018, that **ALBERTUS THOMAS SCHEFFERS** here by gives notice of the intention to cede and transfer the under-mentioned property to **JENNIPHER JEJE**:

CERTAIN:	piece of land being Portion 24 of the farm KNOCKDUFF No. 6-JO;
SITUATE:	in the South East Administrative District;
MEASURING:	8094m ² (Eight Thousand and Ninety Four Square Metres);
WHICH PROPERTY:	is held under Deed of Transfer No. 373/90 dated 19th April 1990 and made in favour of Albertus Thomas Scheffers;

The transaction is being sold at **P1,200,000.00 (ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND PULA)** and valued at **P1,500,000.00 (ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND PULA)**. By virtue of this notice, any citizen willing and able to likewise conclude such transaction may make a similar offer through to **ALBERTUS THOMAS SCHEFFERS P O Box 216, Maun** within **thirty (30) days** of this advert

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 05TH DAY OF JULY 2026



SWABI & COMPANY
Attorneys for the Applicant
First Floor, Unit 17, Kgale Mews,
Gaborone International Finance Park,
P O Box 403506,
GABORONE

VACANCY Diamond Planner / Marker

Position: 1

Minimum Requirements:

• Minimum 15 years of experience in rough diamond Planning & marking. • Must possess extensive experience in Galaxy Planning, Quality Control (QC), and optimization of rough diamonds. • Must have extensive experience in rough diamond manufacturing and production planning. • Thorough knowledge of high-stress rough articles and cleaving grain. • Be able to guide laser operator. • Proficiency in Sarine rough and polished evaluation technology. • Strong knowledge of rough diamond valuation, costing, and yield optimization.	• Proven experience in attending international rough diamond tenders, including rough diamond evaluation, planning, pricing, and purchasing decisions. • Comprehensive understanding of rough diamond manufacturing processes from planning through final polished production. • At least 5 years of experience in training and mentoring new artisans. • Strong supervisory, leadership, and team management skills with a focus on operational efficiency and productivity. • Excellent spoken and written English communication skills.
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Application Process

All applications, including a **detailed resume, relevant certificates, supporting documents, and certified copies of Omang**, should be sent to:

The General Manager | P.O. Box 490, Gabane **OR** gaone@yerushalmi.co.bw

Closing Date: 03 August 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
GALETSHABE MARAPO MAPHANE	ESHMY-000175-26	25-08-26	0900HRS	SARM

DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 2ND DAY OF JULY 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

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

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate	Date	Time	Master
BANANILE MESHACK	ESHFT – 0000555-26	15-09-26	0900 HRS	DRM

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 2ND DAY OF JULY 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

RAVOS COLLEGE (PTY) LTD

VACANCY POST OF A FARM SUPERVISOR – TENABLE IN KANYE.

JOB TYPE: FULL TIME | Closing Date: 1st Aug, 2026

Key Responsibilities: Includes but not limited to the following:

• Management of piggery, small stocks and poultry units. • Dairy and beef cows production with artificial insemination • Crops, horticulture, orchard and agro forestry farming • Animal feeds manufacturing and processing • Erection and maintenance of green houses • Management of aquaponics units • Making and monitoring project budget • Erection and management of hydroponics. • Training, localisation and promotion of agro	• tourism • Management of apiculture and aquaculture farming. QUALIFICATION AND REQUIREMENTS • A minimum of Diploma in Agricultural field. • Knowledge or experience of above responsibilities. • Traceable references and hardworking with management skills Apply to: HR, Ravos College, Gakgolo Ward, Kanye, Tel. 540 3361 P. O. Box 10375, Kanye or email to admin@ravoscollege.co.bw
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Mixed Practice Veterinary Surgeon Wanted

Qualifications and Experience

- Experienced Veterinary Surgeon. Degree in Veterinary Science (BVSc. or equivalent); Registered with Botswana Veterinary Surgeons Council and in possession of Driver's licence. New graduates are welcome to apply

Key Skills and Competencies

- Competent in small and large animal medicine and surgery; excellent communication skills; efficient and accurate record keeping and administrative skills and business acumen and implementation of safe and effective veterinary procedures and therapeutic strategies, self-motivated, enthusiastic, client focused veterinary surgeon

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APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE DEPOSIT INSURANCE COMMITTEE

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Dr. Lesedi Senatla
Member

Chief Executive Officer –Bankers Association Botswana

Dr Senatla is the CEO of the Bankers Association of Botswana. He is an accomplished Central Banking professional with over 35 years experience, having served as Director for Banking Supervision, Research and Financial Stability, Statistics, Data management and Analytics Departments of the Bank of Botswana. Dr Senatla holds graduate and post graduate degrees in economics.

Mr. Thatayaone Maxhoo
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Director – Insurance and Pensions Ministry of Finance
Mr Maxhoo serves as Director of Insurance in the Ministry of Finance. He has over 20 years’ experience working in the public service as both regulator and policy maker under the Insurance and Pensions sectors. Mr Maxhoo holds graduate and post graduate degrees in Accounting and Finance.

Dr. Lechedzani Michelle Kgari
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Dr Kgari is a Senior Bank Examiner in the Bank of Botswana. She is an accomplished central banking professional with strong technical competence in Management Accounting and Banking Supervision. Dr Kgari holds graduate and post graduate degrees in Finance, Financial Forecasting and Investment and Management, specialising in Banking in Africa.

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Seepapitso learners to enjoy warmer winter

Marvin Motlhabane
KANYE

Seepapitso Senior Secondary School learners are set to enjoy warmer classrooms and a better learning environment this winter following the installation of new doors and windows recently.

The upgrade addresses urgent structural repairs and helps to shield learners from harsh weather so that they can focus on their education.

Seepapitso SSS is among the 20 public schools across the country benefitting from the project, which is part of the nationwide Ke Abela Sekolo initiative.

A partnership between the First National Bank Botswana (FNBB) Foundation and the Education Infrastructure Management Company (EIMC), the drive focuses on improving school

facilities ahead of the cold season.

The initiative also forms part of FNBB’s annual Africa Community Service Day, held to commemorate Africa Day.

In an interview on the sidelines of the service day last Thursday, EIMC board chairperson, Mr Tebogo Sebegu described Ke Abela Sekolo as a vital resource mobilisation programme that fostered partnerships and investments to upgrade public schools nationwide.

“The responsibility of ensuring that public schools are well maintained lies with the government and EIMC serves as a key implementing partner in driving this initiative on behalf of the state,” Mr Sebegu said.

He added that EIMC continued to seek funds from embassies, the business community and the international community to

upgrade schools. “Our function targets a multifaceted approach toward pulling resources from various entities to revamp the state of public schools,” he explained.

Mr Sebegu highlighted FNBB’s significant contribution, noting that the bank pledged P950 000 towards the installation of windows and doors to shield learners from cold winter weather and create a more conducive learning environment.

He urged all Batswana to contribute towards building a better future for learners, adding “let us give them a dignified life going forward.”

For her part, FNB representative in Kanye, Ms Bonolo Molebatsi, explained that the project was part of FNBB’s yearly celebration of Africa Day.

“This year, the FNBB Foundation has partnered with EIMC to repair

windows and doors in public schools to protect learners during winter,” she stated.

Ms Molebatsi noted that the bank continued to be involved in community service, explaining that FNBB staff annually stepped away from their offices to serve communities as part of Africa Day commemorations.

She said previous years’ activities included blood donation in collaboration with the National Blood Transfusion Service in 2023, tree planting across villages, schools, clinics and Kgotlas in 2024 and the donation of equipment and stock to vendors countrywide in 2025.

She indicated that this year’s focus shifted to addressing critical infrastructure gaps in schools through the FNBB Foundation’s partnership with EIMC, prioritising fixing of doors and

windows to protect learners from winter conditions.

She added that the bank continued to provide broader support for school refurbishments, including hostels, libraries, classrooms, meeting spaces, gardens and orchards as well as fully paid scholarships.

Ms Molebatsi commended all participants, saying “we acknowledge and thank all stakeholders involved for not holding back when needed. Above all, let’s leave this school with a noticeable difference for the benefit of our children.”

Meanwhile, the partnership between FNBB and EIMC demonstrates the power of public-private collaboration in tackling educational infrastructure challenges and ensuring safer and more conducive learning environments for learners. **BOPA**

Maoka JSS receives new doors

Lorato Gaofise
GABORONE

The rhythmic sound of drills, hammers and cheerful conversations filled the corridors of Maoka Junior Secondary School (JSS), as old worn-out doors were carefully removed and replaced with new ones.

For many, it was simply another maintenance exercise.

But, for Maoka JSS school head, Ms Balopi Bagwasi, it symbolised something much greater, a renewed commitment to providing every learner with a safe, secure and dignified learning environment.

Maoka JSS, together with Gaborone Senior Secondary School in Gaborone, are among the first 20 public schools across Botswana selected to benefit from the recently kicked off Education Infrastructure Management Company’s (EIMC) Ke Abela Sekolo Campaign.

The campaign, has received a boost of P950,000 donation from the First National Bank of Botswana (FNBB) Foundation is EIMC flagship initiative supported by the private sector to restore and maintain school infrastructure.

In interview of the sidelines of installation of new doors at the school by Kebo Holdings’ artisans, Ms Bagwasi thanked government, through the Ministry of Child Welfare and Basic Education, for spearheading an initiative that was transforming schools and restoring hope to learners and educators alike.

She said the school community was delighted to be among the first beneficiaries of the campaign, describing it as a demonstration that government remained committed to creating conducive learning environments where children could thrive.

“We are so delighted that the FNBB Foundation has partnered with EIMC to come and donate 14 new doors and carry out a spring-cleaning exercise at our school,” she said.

The 14 doors, she said included double doors, which were immediately installed to replace the various dilapidated ones around the school classrooms, such as

at the science laboratories and storerooms.

As artisans fitted the doors, Ms Bagwasi explained that the old ones had deteriorated to the point of becoming a danger to learners and staff.

“We had fallen and damaged doors that had become very dangerous to our students. Some of the doors are being installed in the laboratory, where the safety of chemicals had been compromised because the doors could no longer provide adequate security,” she said.

She also added that other doors were fitted in the library, storerooms and other key facilities where books, equipment and learning materials were kept.

Although the school had recently undergone maintenance that included repairs to the windows, she said the replacement of the damaged doors was equally important in safeguarding school property and improving the overall learning environment.

Beyond the physical improvements, Ms Bagwasi said the campaign had inspired a renewed sense of ownership and responsibility among the school community.

She thanked the FNBB staff that conducted an extensive spring-cleaning exercise, leaving classrooms, offices and school grounds spotless.

For Ms Bagwasi, the clean-up exercise carried an important lesson for learners.

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Godliness, we want our learners to come back after the school holidays to a clean and welcoming environment. More importantly, we want them to appreciate the importance of maintaining that cleanliness and taking pride in their

school,” she said.

She further said a clean and well-maintained school did not only create a pleasant atmosphere, but also encouraged learners to respect public property and focus on their studies.



Maoka Junior Secondary School head, Ms Balopi Bagwasi giving an update on the current school maintenance programme in Gaborone. She appreciated the First National Bank of Botswana maintenance sponsorship. Photos: Washa Bofelwang

The improvements, she said came as the school continued to build on an impressive academic record.

Despite infrastructure challenges over the years, Ms Bagwasi said the school had consistently met the national academic performance target for the past decade.

“For the past 10 years, our school has consistently achieved the national target of at least a 50 per cent pass rate. We have never fallen below that benchmark,” she added.

She attributed the school’s success to the unwavering commitment of teachers, learners, parents and the Parent-Teacher Association (PTA), whose collaborative efforts had steadily improved academic performance.

“Our teachers, learners and parents have worked together with determination and today, we are proud to have reached a 70 per cent pass rate,” she said.

However, Ms Bagwasi believed that the school’s journey was only just beginning.

She said Maoka JSS had developed an ambitious vision for the next five years.

“Our aspiration is to become one of the top five junior secondary schools in Botswana. Ultimately, we want to be recognised as the best school in the country and we believe that providing learners with a safe, secure and conducive environment is an important step towards achieving that goal,” she said.

As the final doors were secured into place and the FNBB staff completed the day’s clean-up activities, the transformation at the school reflected the broader vision behind the Ke Abela Sekolo Campaign.

The initiative is not merely replacing doors or refurbishing ageing infrastructure. It is restoring dignity to public schools, strengthening partnerships between government and the private sector and reaffirming a shared national commitment to ensuring that every child learns in an environment that is safe, welcoming and conducive to academic excellence.

For Ms Bagwasi, the newly installed doors represent more than timber and steel.

She said they also opened the way to safer classrooms, protected learning resources and brighter opportunities for generations of learners who would pass through the gates of Maoka JSS in the future. **BOPA**

Radio Botswana celebrates 60 years of broadcasting

Loago Thomas
GABORONE

Radio Botswana, the country’s oldest broadcasting service, celebrated 60 years on air at a ceremony held at the Gaborone International Convention Centre recently, bringing together government officials, broadcasting pioneers and current staff to mark the milestone.

Speaking at the event, Minister for State President, Defence and Security, Moeti Mohwasa said Radio Botswana’s history mirrored the country’s own journey of growth and development, noting that broadcasting had been recognised as a vital means of informing and connecting citizens even before independence.

The station’s roots trace back to 1965, when it began broadcasting as Radio Bechuanaland in Lobatse, operating with modest facilities and limited transmission capacity.

Following Botswana’s independence in 1966 on September 30, the station was renamed Radio Botswana, marking what officials described as the start of a new chapter for the young nation.

Minister Mohwasa said at independence, the country faced significant governmental challenges, but its leaders recognised early on that communication would be essential to building national unity.

“As we celebrate this remarkable milestone, we must first pay tribute to the generations of men and women

whose dedication has built Radio Botswana into the institution it is today,” Mohwasa said, paying tribute to those who shaped the station’s six-decade history.

“We honour the pioneers who laid the foundation, the broadcasters whose voices became familiar in every household, the journalists who upheld the principles of public service, the producers, engineers, technicians and support staff who worked tirelessly behind the scenes and the current employees who continue to carry this proud legacy forward,” he said.

He indicated that Radio Botswana became one of the earliest national institutions through which government could communicate with citizens while uniting communities around a shared national purpose.

From its modest beginnings, he said the station steadily expanded its transmission network, strengthened its infrastructure, invested in skilled personnel and established operations that brought voices from every district onto the national stage.

Again, he said, the station had since grown into a comprehensive 24-hour broadcasting service offering programming that educated, informed and

entertained.

He added that the station had also played a supporting role in government initiatives, including educational programming, agricultural extension, health awareness campaigns and community development projects.

Mohwasa noted that during elections, national celebrations, public gatherings and periods of mourning, Radio Botswana had remained a dependable source of timely and accurate information.

Beyond its informational role, he said the broadcaster had helped preserve Botswana’s cultural identity through music, storytelling, poetry and drama, while promoting indigenous languages and strengthening the country’s shared heritage.

For his part, Department of Broadcasting Services (DBS) director, Stephen Motlogelwa said the broadcasting sector was being reshaped by digital technology, artificial intelligence and changing audience expectations.

Motlogelwa said Radio Botswana was thus embracing the transformation while remaining committed to its core mission of

delivering content that was critical, relevant and inclusive of all sections of the public.

He added that Radio Botswana continued to operate as the country’s national public broadcaster under the Ministry for State President, Defence and Security, through DBS, carrying forward a six-decade legacy of informing, educating and entertaining generations of Batswana.

A senior broadcaster, Lesego Kgajwane raised concerns about the rise of citizen journalism, saying it posed a challenge to the profession.

She said many citizen journalists did not adhere to established journalism ethics, which she warned was tainting the credibility of the profession as a whole.

On one hand, it was revealed that the station intended to expand its digital presence and adopt new technologies to reach younger audiences, while continuing to serve loyal listeners through independent and traditional radio services.

The station is also set to pursue commercialisation to strengthen its financial sustainability, something that would, however, not come at the expense of its public service mandate.

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Radio Botswana continues to operate as the country's national public broadcaster, carrying forward a six-decade legacy of informing, educating and entertaining Batswana. Photo: Phenyio Ramatu

Mposa builds thriving art brand through brushes, yarn and purpose

Amantle Onneng
PALAPYE

Motshidisi Mposa, a 26-year-old artist from Marapong Village now based full-time in Palapye, has built a prominent brand centred around expressive artwork, crocheting and portraiture.

Truly born with a gift for art, Mposa began drawing from his imagination at the tender age of five at Mampori Primary School in Marapong.

There, his early pencil sketches caught the attention of the school head, leading to vital mentorship and encouragement.

By the age of 13, he began painting using materials gifted by his elder brother, who recognised his potential to turn art into a viable livelihood.

Determined to succeed, Mposa submitted his early works to lodges and hotels in Francistown, learning the discipline of the commercial art market from the ground up. Throughout his time at John Nswazwi Secondary School and into senior school, he distinguished himself not only as a talented learner but also as a mentor, teaching his peers and sharing his artistic techniques.

A pivotal moment in Mposa's career came in Gaborone after he met a lecturer from Limkokwing University of Creative Technology, who introduced him to the broader art market.

This encounter made him realise it was time to start earning from his craft, understanding that high-quality art is a valuable commodity.

Today, Mposa creates portraits designed for both interior and exterior decoration, specifically tailored for homes, lodges, hotels and corporate offices.

Proving his commercial appeal, he recently sold two major works to the Botswana Unified Revenue Service (BURS) for P100 000.

Mposa attributes his uniqueness to his distinctive designs and his ability to convey deep meaning to his clients. One of his custom pieces was inspired by a client's daughter, who was named after Africa.

"She holds the flower out to someone else who looks down. Maybe a stranger, maybe her future self. She is not giving advice. She is just sharing what she found, that you can hold love in one hand and hope in the other, right in the middle of everything," Mposa explains.

In a bid to make his art more accessible, Mposa launched a project that turns ordinary flower pots into painted canvases. This initiative creates budget-friendly options for collectors while providing a sustainable and profitable revenue stream for his career.

Beyond painting, Mposa is highly skilled in crocheting. He creates traditional dolls, scarves, home decor items and popular pop-culture characters like SpongeBob SquarePants, which are highly sought after by children.

He is also deeply committed to environmental sustainability, recycling waste materials such as plastics and fibres to create functional flower pots and vases. By transforming trash into beautiful

home and hotel decor, Mposa helps keep the local environment clean while generating income.

Despite his steady growth, financial constraints remain a significant hurdle.

"My dream has always been to create meaningful work to sell overseas, but the main problem is lack of funds and sponsorship," he says.

Another challenge is local market perception, as society often struggles to appreciate art due to its high cost.

Additionally, lack of specialised art supply shops in Palapye forces Mposa to travel regularly to Gaborone or Francistown to buy his material. Furthermore, he faces space limitations and lacks the capital required to rent a proper art studio in high-traffic commercial areas like local malls.

However, he commends organisations like First National Bank (FNB) and others that appreciate the value of local art and purchase his pieces without aggressive negotiations, helping him maintain and grow his business.

Mposa explains that quality art is inherently expensive because it requires a massive time investment and costly raw materials, both of which must be factored into the final price for a business to remain profitable.

Despite these obstacles, Mposa remains optimistic and his ultimate dream is to establish an art school where he can teach and mentor passionate young children, eventually helping them sell their artwork internationally.



Motshidisi Mposa showcasing some of his artworks in Palapye. He recently sold two major works to Botswana Unified Revenue Service for P100 000. Photo: Amantle Onneng

He also aims to compete in global art competitions to showcase Botswana's talent and culture, earning foreign currency to boost both his career and the local economy.

Mposa draws deep inspiration from international art legends.

"Besides God my creator, I am deeply inspired by Frida Kahlo and Vincent van Gogh in the art market because of the incredible historical records they set through selling their works," he says. **BOPA**

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BetXplosion revitalises Chess Championship

Keetile Bontsibokae
MOLEPOLOLE

After five days of intense competition, the 2026 BetXplosion National Chess Championship concluded on a high note. Players and officials alike describe the tournament as a significant milestone in the revival of competitive chess in Botswana.



Providence Oatlhotse

Livingstone Kolobeng College in Gaborone over the past weekend and President Holiday, the championship attracted more than 170 of the country's top players, including seasoned veterans and emerging young talents. Providence Oatlhotse continues with his dominance as he was crowned Open Section champion after prevailing in one of the strongest national championships in recent years, earning P15,000 and a gold medal.

Gaolathe Mutongwe claimed a silver medal and P11,000, while Kingsley Mokwena finished third, taking home P9,000 and bronze. In the Women's Section, Onkemetswe Francis won the title and P10,000. Natalie Banda secured a silver medal and P7,500, while Maya Otimile claimed bronze and P6,500. The championship also featured renowned Botswana

chess veterans, including Ignatius Njobvu, Ndawana Mosenya, Ofentse Molale, Kenneth Boikhutshwane, Tebogo Pitlagano and Bojosi Sabure, whose participation added prestige to the event. Each round produced memorable contests, highlighting the continued growth and competitiveness of chess in Botswana. Botswana Chess Federation public relations officer, Goitsemodimo Makgatle said the return of a well-funded National Chess Championship through BetXplosion sponsorship had restored confidence in the sport following uncertainty over whether the tournament would take place. "For a while, there was uncertainty about whether the championship would even be held. The BetXplosion sponsorship restored confidence and gave players something meaningful to prepare for, especially after the loss of Metropolitan, our biggest sponsor," she said. Makgatle said the sponsorship boosted players' morale and restored the prestige associated with winning the national title. She noted that the increased prize title, motivated competitors

to improve their preparation and raise the standard of play. "The initial sponsorship was P160,000, but it was later increased to P184,000 to cater for accommodation and welfare of veteran players who graced the event. Some travelled from as far as Maun to honour the invitation," she said. Makgatle added that the championship showcased the growing and depth of Botswana's chess talent, with several lower-rated and younger players recording impressive victories over higher-rated and more experienced opponents. "The gap between the country's leading players and the chasing pack is narrowing, which is encouraging for the future of Botswana chess. These upsets show that ratings tell only part of the story and that investment in junior development is beginning to bear fruit," she said. Makgatle said the success of the tournament underscored the critical role

sponsorship plays in developing sport and expressed hope that the partnership between the Botswana Chess Federation and BetXplosion would continue for many years. She said sustained sponsorship would provide players with more meaningful competition, improve standards of play and further elevate chess in Botswana.

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Onkemetswe Francis

Find the Ball tournament successful

Baleseng Batlotleng
GABORONE

BDF Cats netball club successfully hosted the 7th edition of the 'Find The Ball' memorial netball tournament at the University of Botswana Indoor Sports Arena and outdoor courts over the long weekend.

The well attended event featured clubs from the host country Botswana, Lesotho, eSwatini and Zimbabwe. Botswana sides included defending champions, BDF Cats, Maun Heroes, Police,

UB Crystals among others. Nine women teams, eight men teams and 12 teams from the U21 bracket faced off in titanic battles for supremacy and bragging rights. In one of the most thrilling spectacles of the tournament visiting eSwatini side, Green Lightning netball club narrowly edged Police netball club 38-37 to be crowned overall winners in the men's division. The exciting fixture, which was decided by a single goal produced high octane action from the opening pass to the final whistle. The visitors were never nagged by an attacking Police side but fought with the back behind the wall especially in the closing stages to secure a narrow one goal victory. Lightning took to the court with confidence, combining quick attacking play, disciplined defending and accurate shooting to keep pace with Police across all four quarters. Neither side managed to establish a decisive advantage as the lead changed hands several times. Every interception, turnover and successful shot intensified the contest with both

teams displaying composure under pressure. In the development category, Maun Heroes U21 side edged out BDF Cats 42-27. The Nhabe side displayed grit and strong determination to overcome a resilient BDF Cats team to claim all the points and the floating trophy. In the women's final match another visiting side ZDF Queens of Zimbabwe edged out Jwaneng netball team 42-39 in a competitive match that could have gone either way. ZDF Queens narrowly booked a final match slot after beating Police netball club 46-41 in a nail-biting semifinal match. Another interesting side was the Green Lightning women's side who exited the competition after falling to Jwaneng club. Green Lightning's women came within a goal of upsetting the defending champions but exited the Find the Ball Netball Tournament in heartbreaking fashion. The Lightning ladies

bowed out of the competition after a dramatic 51-50 defeat to the defending champions Jwaneng Netball Club. The eSwatini side delivered one of their finest displays of the competition, matching the title holders

throughout a fiercely-contested encounter that was only decided in the closing moments. The tournament, which is an annual event, is held in memory of the late Anthony 'Find The Ball' Masogo, a former BDF Cats' netball coach. The theme of the tournament was Honouring Legacy: Inspiring Excellence.

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BDF Cats' Patience Kebatenne (right) manoeuvring past Police's Charity Maswikiti during the Find the Ball Netball Tournament in Gaborone recently. BDF Cats defeated Police 47-40 to claim a bronze medal. Photo: Phenyo Ramatu



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Tennis team earns promotion to BJK Cup Group II

Anastacia Sibanda
GABORONE

Last Saturday will remain a special day for tennis lovers after witnessing the senior women’s national tennis team secure a historic promotion to the Billie Jean King Cup Europe/Africa Zone Group II on home soil.

The atmosphere at the National Tennis Centre in

Gaborone was thick with anticipation. For years, the team had knocked on the door of international prominence, often coming tantalisingly close only to see their ambitions slip away on foreign courts. But on Saturday, with a roaring home crowd behind them, the narrative was rewritten in dramatic and pulse-pounding fashion. In a heart-stopping promotional tie against a powerhouse Nigerian squad, Botswana clawed its way back from the brink of heartbreak to earn their landmark elevation. It was a moment of sheer emotional release, not just for the players on the court, but for an entire nation’s sporting community. The journey to Saturday’s climax was anything but a fluke. Throughout the week, a palpable adrenaline surge swept through the Botswana Tennis Association (BTA) and the Local Organising Committee, both working tirelessly behind the scenes to deliver a seamless international tournament. On the courts, players delivered the

results. The national team kicked off its campaign on a high note, stringing together hard-fought 2-1 victories over regional heavyweights Tunisia, Zimbabwe and Cameroon. Playing with a lethal mix of baseline aggression and tactful patience, the local squad looked untouchable entering the final stretch. Then came the promotional play-offs and with them, a formidable Nigerian contingent. When the stakes peaked, Botswana’s flawless run hit a sudden roadblock. Nigeria’s Success Ogunjobi set the tone early in the opening singles match, defeating Botswana’s Chelsea Chakanyuka 6-2, 6-4 with relentless baseline depth. The partisan home crowd, once boisterous, fell into an anxious hush. The tension escalated in the second singles rubber. Botswana’s Ekua Youri threw everything at Barakat Oyinlomo, taking the opening set with fearless groundstrokes. But Oyinlomo dug in, battling back to force a gruelling third set.

After a punishing marathon, Oyinlomo closed out the match

4-6, 6-4, 7-5, handing Nigeria a commanding 2-0 lead in the tie. Singles were lost and the promotional dream was literally hanging by a single thread. With the singles matches out of reach, the spotlight shifted entirely to the doubles’ decider. Botswana found themselves in high-stakes territory where they had to win by hook or crook, knowing that a loss would set their week of relentless hard work up in flames. Early on, it seemed the weight of the moment might overpower them as Nigeria surged ahead, capitalising on early nerve-wracked errors. But true to form, the local girls rose to the occasion. Refusing to surrender, they showcased exceptional grit to mount a thrilling comeback. Pushing past physical

exhaustion, they turned the tide point by point, riding a swell of deafening support from the local crowd to snatch the decisive doubles victory. While Nigeria finished at the top of the overall standings, Botswana’s doubles triumph secured their second-place finish, the golden ticket required to leap into Group II for the first time in history. In an interview, BTA president, Oaitse Thihe, said watching the team stare down defeat under extreme pressure was satisfying. Thihe applauded the players for their brilliant display and unwavering mental strength, highlighting their refusal to give up even when trailing early in the doubles clash. He noted that the breakthrough performance was clear evidence of the sport’s rapid growth in the country. He however, highlighted the need to advocate for expanded tennis infrastructure so that the sport can continue to develop and be played across the entire country. Subsequently, last Saturday was not just victory but a statement that the local women’s tennis had landed on the international stage. **BOPA**



Chelsea Chakanyuka (left) and Ekua Youri during the Billie Jean King Cup Europe/Africa Zone III tournament at the National Tennis Centre in Gaborone recently. Botswana secured a historic promotion to Europe/Africa Zone II after finishing second in the tournament. Photo: Washa Bofelwang