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President Advocate Duma Boko has called for zero tolerance on gender-based violence (GBV) within the Botswana Defence Force (BDF), urging members of the armed forces to exercise restraint, discipline and emotional maturity in dealing with personal conflicts. He was addressing senior officers during the official opening of the BDF 21st Strategic Conference in Mogoditshane yesterday. Photo:Phenyo Moalosi



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Botswana and Mozambique sign anti-corruption cooperation plan

Ndingililo Gaoswediwe
GABORONE

The Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime (DCEC) and Mozambique's Gabinete Central de Combate à Corrupção (GCCC) have signed a joint annual action plan aimed at strengthening cooperation against corruption, financial crime and emerging cross-border threats.

Speaking during the signing ceremony in Gaborone on Friday, DCEC director general Ms Bothale Makgekgene said the agreement marked a shift from discussions and goodwill to structured implementation and measurable institutional outcomes.

She said engagements held during the Mozambican delegation's visit confirmed that both countries were facing increasingly complex corruption risks that required

coordinated, intelligence-driven and regionally integrated responses.

The action plan, she said, gave operational effect to the Memorandum of Understanding signed between Botswana and Mozambique in Maputo in July 2024 and introduced specific areas of collaboration, implementation mechanisms and clear deliverables.

Areas identified for cooperation include technical assistance, specialised training, information exchange, joint investigations, corruption prevention initiatives, asset recovery and strengthening institutional systems.

Throughout the week, the Mozambique delegation held engagements with Botswana institutions including the ministry responsible for State President, Defence and Security, the



DCEC director general Ms Bothale Makgekgene

Directorate of Public Prosecutions, the Office of the Receiver and the Ethics and Integrity Directorate.

According to Ms Makgekgene, the engagements reinforced a

common regional understanding that corruption and organised crime were becoming more transnational, technologically enabled and financially sophisticated, making isolated responses increasingly ineffective.

She said discussions between the two institutions also covered mutual legal assistance, intelligence sharing, institutional strengthening and approaches to corruption prevention.

A key feature of the Action Plan is the establishment of a joint technical committee, which will oversee coordination, implementation monitoring and accountability for agreed activities.

Ms Makgekgene noted that anti-corruption institutions must adapt to evolving threats linked to illicit financial flows, cyber-enabled corruption, digital abuse

and complex financial crimes by modernising operational capabilities and strengthening institutional resilience.

She reaffirmed DCEC's commitment to implementing the action plan and described the partnership with Mozambique as strategic, necessary and mutually beneficial.

She further said the success of the agreement would be measured not by the signing ceremony itself but by the operational results delivered in the months and years ahead.

The DCEC maintained that combating corruption now requires stronger regional solidarity, institutional trust and coordinated action to promote integrity, accountability and financial justice across the region. **BOPA**

Minister applauds women of cloth

Malebogo Lekula
GHANZI

The Minister of Transport and Infrastructure, Mr Noah Salakae, has applauded women of cloth for their commitment to uplifting vulnerable communities and bringing hope to those facing adversity.

Speaking during a women's empowerment conference organised by the Ghanzi Evangelical Fellowship of Botswana (EFB) and spearheaded by the Pastors' Wives Fellowship in partnership with the Department of Youth and Gender, Mr Salakae emphasised that caring for others was a true reflection of God's love.

The Ghanzi North legislator commended the EFB for their donation to the Ghanzi Primary Hospital maternity wing, stating that the gesture proved God's love through an unconditional and sacrificial act to save humanity.

He noted that women remained the most vulnerable group in communities, making it crucial to empower them through spiritual guidance interventions to help them face life's challenges.

Spiritual guidance, according to Mr Salakae, would equip them to address societal pressures

such as alcohol and drug abuse, gender-based violence (GBV), poor parenting, child neglect, abusive relationships and failing marriages, which continued to have devastating effects on communities.

He therefore implored women to unite and collaborate with other stakeholders in their communities to reduce the risks causing havoc in society.

Mr Salakae added that women are a force to be reckoned with, stating that 'when women stand, the world rejoices.'

He urged them to appreciate and recognise the power they possess to turn difficult situations around.

Furthermore, he implored the ministry fraternal to hold perpetrators of unlawful deeds accountable under the law, instead of protecting them.

When outlining the objectives of the event, the Chairperson of the Pastors' Wives Fellowship, Ms Oarabile Tsenene, mentioned that the EFB is tasked with extending the love of God to disadvantaged communities.

This is achieved through various interventions, such as spiritual upliftment and counselling services, which she said have



Pastor's wives fellowship chairpersons, Ms Oarabile Tsenene (left), Minister of Transport and Infrastructure, Mr Noah Salakae (centre), Dr Biyangidiki Finini (second right) of Ghanzi Primary Hospital and Ghanzi district commissioner Mr Ketumile Ramotadima, handing a donation of maternity necessities to Ghanzi Primary Hospital senior Nursing Officer, Matshidiso Podi (second left). Photo: Malebogo Lekula

the potential to build spiritually resilient communities.

She also stated that through their fellowship movement, they equip women and other disadvantaged groups with life-changing skills to empower them to embrace their purpose and potential.

Earlier in his welcome remarks, Pastor Kaelo Tlotleng said the EFB is a nationally recognised organisation affiliated with the World Evangelical Alliance and the Association of Evangelicals in Africa.

Its purpose is to provide fellowship among Christians and prompt a unified direction for spiritual revival.

He said the movement is also mandated to promote cooperation

and networking with other faith-based organisations, Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs), and the government.

Pastor Tlotleng lobbied the government to recognise faith-based organisations and NGOs in their endeavours to help nations address societal issues that destroy the moral fabric of society.

He noted that through strong collaborations, they can reduce these negative effects and promote peace and harmony.

In his closing remarks, the Ghanzi District Council Chairperson, Mr Thabiso Kebabale, applauded the EFB for its commitment to promoting God's love within disadvantaged communities.

He implored Christians to keep the faith and pray for resilient communities during these trying times when the government was challenged by economic instability.

Meanwhile, the event was also graced by facilitators from the Botswana Police Service, who taught parents about drug and substance abuse; the Botswana Prison Service, who spoke on parenting skills; and the Local Enterprise Authority (LEA), who highlighted business opportunities that women can venture into to uplift their livelihoods.

The conference was held under the theme, 'Arise o' Women.' **BOPA**

Tsabong launches Children Consultative Forum

Naomi Leepile
TSABONG

Tsabong District has officially introduced its newly formed Tsabong District Children's Consultative Forum Committee.

This landmark structure is mandated to ensure that the voices, concerns and aspirations of children are not only heard but integrated into local and national decision-making processes.

Speaking during a Tsabong District Full Council meeting on Friday, the forum Chairperson, Mr Maduo Maakabi emphasised that the establishment of the forum marks a profound shift from viewing children merely as passive

beneficiaries of social services to recognising them as critical stakeholders in modern society.

Mr Maakabi declared that the core mandate of the Children's Consultative Forum was to allow them to participate in shaping policies and programmes concerning their welfare, protection, education, health and development.

The initiative, he said, aimed to bring a critical youth perspective to civic leadership, ensuring that local government decisions directly reflected the lived experiences of the district's youngest citizens.

Mr Maakabi said the unique geographical and socio-

economic hurdles that young people faced across the region, was characterised by vast, rural landscapes that limited youth potential and well-being.

According to the forum leader, local households and youth were heavily impacted by high rates of poverty, unemployment, rising incidents of school dropouts, substance abuse and a worrying spike in teenage pregnancies.

These systemic issues he relayed were further compounded by highly limited access to technology and information platforms.

"This socio-economic situation is particularly severe for children living in remote settlements, where basic access to information

and robust child protection services remained constrained," he stated. Despite these daunting everyday realities, Mr Maakabi praised the enduring resilience, potential and determination shown by youth, noting that their hardships had not broken their spirit or their desire to contribute meaningfully to their communities.

The Forum has already proven its capability on a wider stage, demonstrating that its members are ready to engage in high-level policy discussions.

Recently, the committee participated in major national platforms, notably contributing to the drafting of Botswana's

Children's Report to the United Nations. Mr Maakabi noted that this monumental achievement proved that even children from remote areas possess valuable experiences and perspectives that deserve both national and international attention.

For his part, the Tsabong District Council Chairman, Mr Elias Motlhanke applauded the initiative, describing it as a progressive step toward the region's development.

He urged stakeholders and all members of the community to rally behind the children and give the committee the maximum support required to execute its mandate. **BOPA**

‘Embrace innovation against emerging security threats’

Lesedi Thatayamodimo
GABORONE

Embrace innovation, strategic foresight and institutional adaptability as the country confronts increasingly complex security threats amid tightening fiscal conditions, President Advocate Duma told Botswana Defence Force (BDF) leadership.

Officially opening the 21st BDF Strategic Conference in Gaborone yesterday, President Boko said the conference theme: Maintaining a Capable and Cost-Effective Defence Force Under Fiscal Constraints, reflected the realities of a rapidly evolving global security environment characterised by cyber threats, technological disruption and transnational organised crime.

He said modern security challenges required institutions to continuously adapt while remaining responsive to national priorities.

President Boko said effective leadership demanded the ability to identify obstacles to progress and mobilise ideas and action towards achieving national objectives.

Throughout his address, the President stressed that the welfare of citizens must remain the central guiding principle of governance and national security.

“The welfare of the people is the supreme law,” he said, adding that all laws, systems and institutions should ultimately serve the public good. It is ultimately about this profound principle that all these must converge on one thing and one thing only, the welfare of the people,” he said.

President Boko commended the BDF for maintaining professionalism and discipline over the years, including during peacekeeping deployments in Somalia under international stabilisation efforts.

However, he warned that Botswana was increasingly exposed to sophisticated security threats, including cybercrime, terrorism and cross-border organised crime.

“We have begun to experience an influx of armed individuals bringing weapons into the country to commit crimes,” he said.

He said government was therefore prioritising the

development of a comprehensive national security strategy aimed at strengthening coordination, resilience and strategic foresight across state institutions.

President Boko also cautioned military leaders against corruption and abuse of authority, describing corruption as ‘a real and present danger to national security.’

“Command must never become an instrument of fear, intimidation or personal privilege,” he said, adding that leadership was a sacred trust requiring integrity and accountability.

He urged commanders to uphold ‘discipline without abuse, authority without arrogance, accountability without compromise and professionalism without exception.’

The President further acknowledged the emotional and personal challenges often faced by members of the armed forces, including relationship difficulties and betrayal, encouraging resilience and mutual support within the institution.

“We cannot control whether these things happen to us; what we can control is how we react to them,” he said.

Meanwhile, President Boko praised the military for its professionalism and discipline during the recent state funeral of former president Festus Mogae.

Describing the occasion as a moment of piety, he said the BDF had demonstrated exceptional fortitude and discipline.

“The BDF worked diligently with such fortitude and discipline that you earned us the admiration not only of our own people, but also of those who attended the funeral — indeed, the admiration of the whole world,” he said.

The conference is expected to focus on strategic planning, operational efficiency and military modernisation as the BDF seeks to maintain operational readiness under constrained fiscal conditions and shifting regional security dynamics. **BOPA**



President Advocate Duma Boko (right) and Botswana's Ambassador-designate to Belgium and Permanent representative to the European Union, Dr Zein Kebonang during a farewell courtesy call at the Office of the President on Friday. President Boko said Dr Kebonang's task would be managing the entire relationship with the European Union through the various programmes and opportunities available amongst them; Africa-rise programme, which was key to the development of transport and logistical corridors. Photo: Phenylo Moalosi

President tasks Kebonang to promote Botswana interests

Thato Mosinyi
GABORONE

Botswana's Ambassador-designate to the Kingdom of Belgium and Permanent Representative to the European Union, Dr Zein Kebonang has been urged to represent Botswana's interest and strengthen diplomatic and economic relations with Europe.

President Advocate Duma Boko made the call during Dr Kebonang's farewell courtesy call at the Office of the President on Friday, expressing confidence in the latter's ability to represent Botswana's interests effectively in both Belgium and the European Union.

He said key to Dr Kebonang's task would be managing the entire relationship with the European Union through the various programmes and opportunities available amongst them; Africa-rise programme, which was keen on the development of transport and logistical corridors.

The development of such corridors, he said were of paramount importance in establishing trade corridors particularly at the commencement

of the Africa Continental Free Trade Agreement which aims to promote intra Africa trade.

He said Dr Kebonang had an illustrious career that spans from private practice, academia, the judiciary and now the diplomatic space.

Such rich experience, he said placed Dr Kebonang in good standing to serve the interest of the country in a position that exposes him to several countries.

“There is Belgium which comes in as a diamond hub at Antwerp, a space which Botswana place a key role in, Italy is another country to oversee as well as Luxembourg which is a financial epicenter and the Netherlands which is also very successful in dairy farming and horticulture; areas that will be of immense importance to Botswana” President Boko said.

Botswana's economic relations with Belgium have historically been anchored in the diamond trade, which remains a key pillar of bilateral engagement.

Through structured trade arrangements, both countries have benefited from a stable and mutually advantageous relationship.

However, current discussions indicate a shift toward diversification, with increased interest in expanding cooperation into renewable energy and other mineral sectors.

This reflects a broader national strategy aimed at reducing dependence on a single commodity and promoting sustainable development. In accepting his appointment, Dr Kebonang vowed to fully serve the country with prestige, dignity and commitment.

With a population of over 451 million people, he said the EU was an important partner and market for Botswana, citing Belgium as a crucial partner in the diamond sector while the EU in general has been instrumental in the beef market.

He said the EU has also over-time been a leader in climate financing, thus said, he was determined to facilitate funding streams for Botswana.

Dr Kebonang also expressed optimism in facilitating European direct foreign investment to Botswana through promoting the country's economic interests. **BOPA**

Boko calls for zero tolerance on GBV in BDF

Lesedi Thatayamodimo
GABORONE

President Advocate Duma Boko has called for zero tolerance on gender-based violence (GBV) within the Botswana Defence Force (BDF), urging service members to exercise restraint, discipline and emotional maturity when handling personal conflicts.

Speaking at the official opening of the 21st BDF Strategic Conference in Gaborone on Monday, President Boko acknowledged that members of the disciplined forces were not immune to the emotional and social challenges faced by ordinary citizens, including betrayal and domestic disputes. However, he stressed that these situations must never escalate to violence, particularly against women and children.

“Things happen and people survive. In some situations, restraint, including choosing not to react, is the most appropriate response,” President Boko said.

The President urged officers to remain grounded, respond with compassion rather than anger and utilise healthier coping mechanisms such as peer support and open dialogue. He also reminded the BDF that their specialised training and skills must never be turned against civilians.

“Have discipline without abuse, authority without arrogance, accountability without compromise and professionalism without exception,” he added.

The President's remarks come amid rising public concern over GBV, driving renewed calls for stronger interventions across government, law enforcement and civil society.

Beyond GBV, President Boko highlighted pressing welfare challenges within the military, specifically inadequate housing and post-retirement financial insecurity. He revealed that only 408 housing units had been completed for armed forces members so far, describing the figure as totally insufficient.

“We now need to find ways of speeding up the provision of decent accommodation for the men and women in uniform,” he said, adding that government was exploring affordable housing programmes to ensure that officers can own homes after their service.

The President also expressed concern over the economic vulnerability of veterans, noting that many faced poverty, shortly after leaving the force due to low pensions and rising healthcare needs.

“You retire very early because of the nature of your job and you retire

immediately into poverty,” he noted. To that, President Boko proposed developing a military-industrial complex which would focus on the local manufacturing of military equipment and create sustainable employment opportunities for former BDF members.

“So that when you retire from here, the next day you are in this establishment doing what you do and continuing to earn a decent living,” he explained.

The President challenged the conference to produce practical, measurable and implementable solutions to strengthen the BDF's operational readiness and long-term resilience.

The conference was held under the theme, Maintaining a capable and cost-effective defence force under fiscal constraints, with focus on innovation, national security and institutional resilience. **BOPA**

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Diamond downturn demands bold reforms - Boko

Thato Mosinyi
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President Advocate Duma Boko has called on the private sector to assist the government in safeguarding the strength and stability of the country's economy.

Addressing the business community during the Botswana-South Africa business forum on Thursday, President Boko said the onus was on the private sector, as the custodians of the economy, to drive job creation and diversify industries away from over-reliance on a single commodity like mining.

He urged the business community to utilize Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs) to fund infrastructure, foster innovation, and promote local sourcing,



President Advocate Duma Boko has called on the private sector to assist government in safeguarding the strength and stability of the country's economy.

ensuring sustainable, resilient, and inclusive growth.

"As it is the private sector and businesses that provide the dignity of jobs for our people, it is our role as government to create a predictable and enabling environment for you to operate and thrive," he said.

In light of the recent sovereign credit downgrading, President Boko also pleaded with the private sector to treat credit downgrades as a shared responsibility, as they directly impact investor confidence, financial systems, economic growth, and the livelihoods of the people.

On March 13, 2026, S&P Global Ratings released an update on Botswana's sovereign credit rating, downgrading the country's long-term foreign and local currency ratings from BBB to BBB-

Similarly, the short-term ratings for both



Members of the business community who attended the Botswana, South Africa Business Forum during the 6th session of Botswana-South Africa Bi-National Commission in Gaborone recently. President Boko said the onus was on the private sector, as the custodians of the economy, to drive job creation and diversify industries away from over-reliance on a single commodity like mining.

Photo: Pheny Moalosi

foreign and domestic currency debt were lowered from A-2 to A-3, while the outlook remains negative.

The negative outlook reflects that subdued global demand and prices for diamonds will continue to constrain Botswana's economic growth prospects, as well as its export and fiscal receipts.

It also indicates that the current volatile global backdrop will likely complicate Botswana's fiscal consolidation efforts, leading to the further erosion of its external and public balance sheets.

Against this background, President Boko called for bold institutional reform, the radical simplification of processes, and a rethink of systems that no longer served the realities of today and the future.

He also emphasised that Botswana and South Africa shared common structural challenges and must collectively pursue solutions that unlocked trade, infrastructure

development, industrialisation, and job creation.

He noted that the two nations possessed complementary economic strengths that created opportunities for deeper collaboration across sectors such as mineral beneficiation, agriculture, logistics, and infrastructure development.

Consequently, he urged both government and business leaders to move away from unnecessary bureaucracy and focus on practical outcomes that improved lives and expand economic opportunities.

President Boko further noted that the private sector should help shield the economy from external shocks and champion the localisation of production and supply chains by building capacities in tourism, ICT, and manufacturing.

President Boko's plea comes as Botswana faces mounting economic pressure following a slump in the diamond sector,

which has been the backbone of the national economy.

The country's economy shrank by 5.4 per cent year-over-year in the fourth quarter of 2025, while output from the mining sector fell by 47 per cent.

In response, Botswana has been accelerating efforts to diversify its economy under the Botswana Economic Transformation Program (BETP), prioritising sectors such as services, regional finance, and industrial development to reduce reliance on diamond revenues.

The business forum took place on the margins of the 6th Session of the South Africa-Botswana Bi-National Commission (BNC) which forms part of broader bilateral efforts to deepen trade, investment, and industrial cooperation between the two countries, while advancing regional integration and economic growth across Southern Africa.

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Botswana and South Africa eye new areas of cooperation

Baleseng Batlotleng
TLOKWENG

The Bi-National Commission (BNC) continues to provide a valuable mechanism through which Botswana and South Africa should align interests, strengthen existing cooperation, identify new areas of cooperation and move relations to a higher level.

Speaking during the official opening of the Sixth Session of the BNC, South Africa President, Mr Cyril Ramaphosa said there were strategic opportunities that should be pursued to expand bilateral trade and investment.

"We need to ensure that our trade is more balanced. South Africa wishes to attract a greater diversity of products from Botswana. A number of South African companies have expressed a desire to invest more in Botswana, creating more jobs, transferring skills and contributing to revenues of this country. We want to deepen cooperation in agriculture," said Mr Ramaphosa.

President Ramaphosa said the South Africa's agricultural sector wanted to be a partner as Botswana grew its own agricultural sector and consolidated its food security.

He said among other things, there was need to address

the challenges that led to the imposition of import restrictions on agricultural products from South Africa.

"We should direct our ministers of agriculture and trade to develop proposals on resolving these challenges and submit these by December 2026," added Mr Ramaphosa.

He commended Botswana for the implementation of the 12th National Development Plan, which he said was anchored on economic diversification and a

transition towards more export oriented and private-sector driven growth.

"We follow with keen interest your commitment to the development of several Special Economic Zones, which will attract the necessary foreign direct investment, expand your economy, create more jobs for your people and sharpen competitiveness. You will find ready and reliable partners from South Africa as these zones gain traction," he said.

Mr Ramaphosa said Botswana

and South Africa were endowed with vast mineral resources, which were now the focus of intense global interest.

He said the minerals were key components in the manufacturing of batteries for electric vehicles and more powerful computer microchips and were thus vital for the development of the green energy and digital economies.

"As owners of these minerals, we should benefit these products ourselves, creating opportunities for our peoples. Botswana is

leading the way by refining and polishing your diamonds in the country," he said.

President Ramaphosa said continued cooperation between South Africa and Botswana in energy was paramount if the two countries were to meet the energy needs of their people, develop productive sectors, power economies and drive industrialisation.

He said other critical ventures included the proposed Lesotho-Botswana Water Transfer Project and the Ramotswa Transboundary Aquifer. Mr Ramaphosa said these initiatives would support water security into the future while enabling sustainable growth and development.

"We are not only interested in the passage of resources and goods between our countries. We need to work towards the seamless movement of our people in a predictable, coordinated and secure manner.

We welcome Botswana's plans to establish a One Stop Border Post at Tlokweng/Kopfontein Border. This will help reduce congestion at the border, facilitate trade and enhance the efficient movement of people and goods between our countries," he said.

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South Africa President, Mr Cyril Ramaphosa has applauded Botswana's plans to establish a One Stop Border Post at Tlokweng/Kopfontein Border to reduce congestion, facilitate trade and enhance efficient movement of people and goods between the two countries.

Boko hails progress in bilateral cooperation

Baleseng Batlotleng
TLOKWENG

As Botswana and South Africa convened for the sixth session of the Bi-National Commission (BNC) the two countries had been encouraged by the tangible progress achieved throughout the partnership.

President Advocate Duma Boko made the observation during the official opening of the sixth session of the BNC at the Royal Aria Conference Centre in Tlokweng on Thursday.

President Boko said most notable was the improved efficiency at key border posts, which had enhanced the movements of goods, services and people thereby supporting trade facilitation and regional connectivity.

"Equally commendable has been our close collaboration in responding to the Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) outbreak in parts of South Africa and along our shared border. This cooperation demonstrates the strength, responsiveness, and strategic importance of our partnership in protecting livelihoods, safeguarding agricultural production, and preserving regional food security," said President Boko.

He said the session took place at a time of heightened global uncertainty and geopolitical and economic shifts across the world where nations were grappling with rising costs of living, energy insecurity, climate change, supply chain disruptions, technological transformation, and evolving geopolitical realignments.

"These developments demand greater coordination, strategic foresight, and strengthened regional cooperation. At the same time, they present new opportunities for our countries to reposition themselves within emerging global value chains and harness innovation, digital transformation, and renewable energy transition as drivers of inclusive and sustainable growth," said President Boko.

He said there was significant scope for Botswana and South Africa to deepen cooperation in the area of energy security, including cross-border electricity trade, renewable energy development, energy infrastructure investment and regional energy integration.

President Boko said climate resilience and sustainable water management must increasingly form part of the strategic cooperation agenda due to the growing impact of climate variability to economies, ecosystems and communities.

"Agriculture remains central to the livelihoods and socio-economic well-being of our peoples. There is, therefore, considerable potential to expand collaboration across the agricultural value chain, including veterinary cooperation, disease prevention and control, agro-processing, agricultural innovation, and improved market access," he said.

He said as Africa's leading diamond-producing countries, Botswana and South Africa also shared a strategic interest in

ensuring that mineral resources contributed meaningfully to industrialisation, value addition, employment creation and broad-based economic transformation.

President Boko said in the face of evolving global market dynamics including the emergence of lab-grown diamonds, it was imperative

that cooperation was strengthened in local beneficiation, downstream value chains, marketing and protection of long-term integrity and competitiveness of the natural diamond industry.

"As founding members of the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme, our two countries

bear a shared responsibility to ensure that our mineral wealth delivers tangible developmental outcomes for our citizens. By retaining greater value within our economies, we can create quality jobs, strengthen industrial capacity, and enhance economic resilience against external shocks,"

he said.

He urged delegates to intensify efforts to address barriers that constrained trade, improve the ease of doing business and strengthen industrial cooperation to create a more enabling environment for investment, innovation and enterprise development. **BOPA**

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CASE NO: CVHGB-002297-25

In the matter between:
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF BOTSWANA PLAINTIFF
 And
LITECRAFT (PTY) LTD T/A THE HUB TRAVEL BOTSWANA 1ST DEFENDANT
TIMOTHY ZWELANI 2ND DEFENDANT
 In re
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF BOTSWANA PLAINTIFF
 And
LITECRAFT (PTY) LTD T/A THE HUB TRAVEL BOTSWANA 1ST DEFENDANT
TIMOTHY ZWELANI 2ND DEFENDANT

ORDER

Before the Honourable Justice **Mr. M. Mathaka** at Lobatse on this **11th day of February 2026**. UPON HEARING Attorney Mr. P.G Mothabane for the Plaintiff, no appearance for the Defendant and and having read the documents filed of record.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Order granted as per the draft as follows:
 - 1.1 The applicant is given leave to serve all court process and documents on Litecraft (Pty) Ltd t/a The Hub Travel Botswana and Timothy Zwelani by substituted service.
 - 1.2 The applicant is hereby granted leave to effect service on the respondents by advertisement of the summons commencing action in the Government Gazette, the Daily Newspaper and/or The Voice newspaper being local newspapers circulating in the areas of the respondents' last known address.
 - 1.3 The respondents, if they intend to oppose the action by the applicant, should enter an appearance to defend within twenty-one (21) days of service upon them of the summons and accompanying documents.
 - 1.4 Costs of suits.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT

REGISTRAR AND MASTER

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SUBSTITUTED SERVICE (Order 8 Rule 3)

TO: Litecraft (Pty) Ltd T/A The Hub Travel Botswana AND TO: Timothy Zwelani
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TAKE NOTICE THAT a summons has been issued against you in this Court, by the **ATTORNEY GENERAL OF BOTSWANA** of Attorney General's Chambers Government Enclave Private Bag 009 Gaborone for the following claims:

- a) Payment of the sum of P 502 287.00
- b) Interest at the rate of 10% per annum a tempore morae
- c) Costs of the suit.
- d) Further and/or alternative relief.

And that an order has been made that the publication of notice of such summons shall be deemed to be good and sufficient service of the summons on you. You are required to enter an appearance to the summons on or before the _____ day of _____ 2026, and, if you do not do so, judgment may be given against you in your absence.

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

Crude oil prices drop 5% on US-Iran deal prospect

NEW YORK - Crude oil futures price lost around 5 per cent late Sunday as trading started for the new week due to reported progress in peace talks between the United States and Iran. West Texas Intermediate crude for July delivery dropped as much as US\$5.35 or 5.53 per cent, to US\$91.25 dollars per barrel at one point. Brent crude for July delivery sank US\$5.57, or 5.38 per cent, to US\$97.97 a barrel at the low point. US President Donald Trump announced Saturday that a peace agreement with Iran has been "largely negotiated," subject to finalisation between the United States, Iran and other relevant countries in the Middle East. A proposed agreement the United States and Iran are close to signing involves a 60-day ceasefire extension, during which the Strait of Hormuz would be reopened, Iran would be able to freely sell oil, and negotiations would be held on curbing Iran's nuclear program. **Xinhua**

FDI exceeds US\$3.6 trillion in China

BEIJING - The number of overseas-invested enterprises in China has risen for three consecutive years to surpass 530 000, with total accumulated foreign direct investment (FDI) exceeding US\$3.6 trillion, data released by the Ministry of Commerce showed on Saturday. The data underscores sustained confidence among overseas investors in the Chinese market. In 2025, more than 8 000 overseas enterprises increased their investment in China, rising over 10 per cent year on year, while more than 3 000 overseas firms increased their investment in the first four months of 2026. During the January-April period, 20 113 new overseas-invested firms were established across the country, up 6.8 per cent year on year. The actual use of FDI totaled ¥287.69 billion (about US\$42 billion) during the same period, down 10.3 per cent from the previous year. **Xinhua**

Chinese stocks post strong gains at close

BEIJING - Chinese stocks closed higher on Monday, with the benchmark Shanghai Composite Index up 0.96 per cent to 4,152.57 points. The Shenzhen Component Index closed 1.66 per cent higher at 15,856.61 points. The combined turnover of these two indices totaled ¥3.2 trillion (about US\$468.5 billion), expanding from ¥2.92 trillion on the previous trading day. Sectors such as chips, computing hardware, coal and liquor led the gains, while oil and gas extraction services, batteries and chemicals were among the top decliners. The ChiNext Index, tracking China's Nasdaq-style board of growth enterprises, gained 2.1 per cent to close at 4,021.16 points. The STAR Composite Index, which reflects the performance of stocks on China's sci-tech innovation board, closed 3.52 per cent higher at 2,223.69 points. **Xinhua**



Some of the participants who took part in the harvest day event held in Xhaamote recently. Assistant district commissioner for North West District, Ms Omphile Mogorosi said knowledge sharing among farmers enabled producers to exchange techniques, pest and disease management strategies as well as innovative methods of improving crops and livestock production. Photo: Gaolethoo Kgatitswe

Farmers key to food security

Gaolethoo Kgatitswe

XHAAMOTE

Local farmers hold the key to food security aspirations and must continue producing despite persistent challenges if the country is to reduce dependence on imported food.

This was said by assistant district commissioner for North West District, Ms Omphile Mogorosi, addressing farmers during a harvest day event held in Xhaamote on Wednesday.

Agriculture remains central to national development and economic resilience, hence it is imperative for farmers to remain intentional and committed to production.

Ms Mogorosi also underscored the importance of knowledge sharing among farmers, saying platforms such as harvest day enabled producers to exchange techniques, pest and disease management strategies as well as innovative methods of improving crops and livestock production.

"When farmers come together and share experiences, they learn from one another's successes and challenges hence improving productivity and ultimately contributing to healthier and more sustainable food production," she said.

Principal technical officer in the Department of Crop Production, Mr Diane Keotsenye, said the harvest day was organised to expose farmers to different aspects of farming through practical demonstrations and peer learning.

Mr Keotsenye said while farmers often received agricultural information through workshops and verbal instruction, practical demonstrations allowed them to better understand farming techniques and adopt them in their own fields.

"We brought together various departments within the agriculture sector to showcase different components of farming, including seed production, pest management,

farming implements and crop husbandry practices so that farmers can gain hands-on knowledge that improves productivity," he said.

He added that despite a generally satisfactory harvest season, farmers encountered significant challenges, particularly widespread rat infestations which affected crop production in some areas.

He encouraged farmers to utilise environmentally friendly control measures rather than relying heavily on chemicals.

"Some farmers successfully managed the infestation through simple trapping methods such as burying water-filled containers in fields, which helped reduce rat populations and minimise crop damage," he said.

For his part, host farmer, Mr Baliki Bakgobokanye shared firsthand experiences of the challenges confronting producers, citing frequent elephant incursions and rat infestations as some of the major threats to crop production.

Mr Bakgobokanye said elephants often invaded farms in search of food, damaging crops, fences and

other infrastructure, resulting in losses for farmers.

He however said farmers continued to develop innovative ways of protecting their fields and explained that planting lablab along farm boundaries had proven effective in discouraging rats from entering cultivated areas.

"We discovered that rats do not feed on lablab, so planting it around the fields helped reduce their movement into crop areas and limited damage," he said.

He said opening his farm for the harvest day was aimed at encouraging farmers to learn from one another and exchange practical solutions that can improve agricultural production despite the challenges facing the sector.

Xhaamote farmer, Ms Keletisitse Lefatshe commended the harvest day organisers, saying the event had broadened her understanding of various farming practices and equipment available to farmers.

She said one of the highlights was learning about farming implements that she had previously assumed required specialised operators.

"I learned that some of the equipment can be operated by farmers themselves and that opens up opportunities for us to improve our production," she said.

Ms Lefatshe further praised agricultural extension officers for their continued support to farmers, particularly in advising them on effective ways of managing pests, weeds and other challenges affecting production.

She said the guidance provided by technical workers had helped many farmers minimise losses and secure harvests sufficient to feed their families.

"Their advice helps us respond to problems before they become severe and because of their support, many farmers are still able to harvest and provide food for their households despite the challenges we face," she said.

She was hopeful that collaboration between farmers and agricultural officers would continue, noting that sustained knowledge sharing was critical to improving productivity and ensuring stable food production in the country. **BOPA**

Dumatau safari thrives on quality service

Esther Mmolai

MAUN

When it comes to the hospitality industry, excellent customer service forms the foundation that every successful business is built upon.

Dumatau, a premium safari camp is considered one of the top-tier facilities favoured for its

excellent service, prime wildlife viewing and luxurious amenities attracting a large number of tourists seeking an authentic and yet comfortable safari experience. Set on the very edge of Osprey Lagoon in the remote wilds of the Linyanti concession, between elephant corridors, the luxurious camp that blends a sense of place with a clear conservation purpose is currently buzzing with high

volume of tourists coming from across the world.

The beautiful setting regularly attracts herds of elephant, hippos, zebras and other wildlife species making the facility a perfect destination and feel like an adventure even when relaxing from the rooms or the reception area.

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New land-use policies target FMD crisis

Grace Sebape
LOBATSE

The Ngwaketse Land Board must forge its legacy during the current Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) crisis by prioritising biosecurity, protecting veterinary buffer zones and slashing land allocation turnaround times to 48 hours.

Speaking at a Strategic Planning Retreat in Lobatse on Wednesday, landboard chairperson, Mr Bobby Tlhabiwe said the leadership was meeting under extraordinary circumstances. For the first time in 50 years, FMD was spreading through communities in the Southern region, leaving cattle locked in kraals and local markets silent.

Mr Tlhabiwe thus urged the board to recognise the critical impact of the outbreak, particularly given the presence of the Botswana Meat Commission (BMC) in Lobatse. He noted that the disease has had untold devastating effects on exports, revenue, income and local livelihoods.

"This is not the easy ending anyone hoped for, but it is the ending that matters most. Let true leadership prevail in this difficult time, leadership that is unwavering, focused, resilient and purposeful. A legacy is not built in calm years, it is forged when the ground shakes," Mr Tlhabiwe said.

To leave a lasting legacy, he proposed strict land-use policies that chose biosecurity over convenience, which included enforcing land-use plans that explicitly protected buffer zones along veterinary fences and ensure that no agricultural fields, settlements, or cattle posts were approved within one kilometre of a cordon fence.

On one hand, to ensure that future boards can act swiftly, a joint delegation consisting of the Ngwaketse landboard chairperson, board secretary and the Phitshane Molopo sub-landboard chairperson recently toured the length of the buffer zone along the South African border to investigate enhanced protection measures.

Furthermore, Mr Tlhabiwe announced a standing resolution to empower the Department of Veterinary Services. Acknowledging that past delays in allocating land for roadblocks and quarantine camps costed the district valuable weeks, he said

the board would now approve emergency FMD-related land requests within 48 hours, a move he said was expected to save millions in livestock and market access.

Again, to safeguard farmers' incomes within the 'red zone,' the chairperson outlined plans to allocate tribal land for feedlots and holding grounds in affected areas, which he said would allow farmers in Ramatlabama, Kanye, Goodhope, Pitsane and surrounding areas to continue selling beef through Commodity-Based Trade (CBT) during movement restrictions.

Mr Tlhabiwe also emphasised transparency, committing to communicating all FMD-related land decisions to dikgosi, communities and stakeholders within seven days.

"Land decisions made quietly create suspicion and land decisions explained openly create trust. Trust

is the tool that makes restrictions work," he stated.

For his part, Ngwaketse landboard secretary, Mr Godiramang Moepeng highlighted that despite operating with limited resources, the board had successfully adopted a high-performance culture under the ministry's mandate.

Mr Moepeng listed several historic milestones achieved by the Ngwaketse landboard, noting that the board reached the 100 000 land allocation milestone in Kanye and became the first in Botswana to issue a Secure Land Title (SLT) to a citizen, eventually producing a leading total of 5 700 SLTs.

Additionally, he said it pioneered issuance of the first-ever Mining SLT to Debswana and became the first to allocate land utilising the Land Information System (LIS) through the Geo-Spatial

FMD positive cases hit 159 in Good Hope

Aobakwe Molefhi
GOOD HOPE

Despite efforts to curb the Foot and Mouth disease in the Good Hope district, the number of positive cases has risen to 159 from the time the disease was first detected at the Ramatlabama Artificial Insemination and Training Center in April.

Good Hope District Council chairperson Mr Gofaone Nkwane said this in his official opening speech of the Good Hope District full council meeting recently. He said since April, the cases had been detected in various crushes in and outside the district including some feedlots in the Lobatse area. "This outbreak has led to livestock restrictions movement and has affected local farmers," he said.

The chairperson said these restrictions on movement and slaughter of cloven-hoofed animals has led to the suspension of Zone 11's green status, which placed Botswana's European Union market under pressure.

He said that since April, the acting Minister of Lands and Agriculture, Dr Edwin Dikoloti has

declared the outbreak a national crisis, hence the need for everyone to cooperate fully with veterinary personnel.

Mr Nkwane divulged that the council remains fully engaged with national authorities and would continue to share information and coordinate support. He urged councilors to sensitise the communities to comply with movement controls put in place and reinforce timely reporting at village level so that suspected cases were escalated without delay.

On other issues the chairperson said the Output and Performance Based contracts (OPCR) projects that were awarded in three lots under two packages were progressing well.

He said Lot 1, package 1 (Rakhuna junction to Mabule main road and Good Hope-Kgoro-Gathwane road, 174 km, awarded to Steelbase was at 98 per cent against 98 per cent target.

The chairperson went on to say Package 2, Lot 2, design and construction of access roads for 57.7 km and awarded to Tau Grading and Building Construction was at 58.8 per cent progress against a target of 56.8 per cent. **BOPA**

Dumatau safari thrives on quality service

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With eight lavish, demure and delicate tented rooms decked out in glorious, richly textured style and each having a private pool and outdoor shower and access to marvel the flowing lagoon and wilderness, the camp is an unquestionable sensory experience.

From the architecture and decoration to quality of the meals and exploration, everything is impeccable and designed to reconnect guests with nature.

Amusingly, a guest can comfortably and peacefully listen to the sounds of the bush from the room, making Dumatau camp a perfect fusion of adventure, culture and luxury. In an interview, the camp general manager, Mr Sesupo Marumo confirmed that the camp has built on an environment where guests felt comfortable and valued because of its quest for outstanding customer service and unparalleled satisfaction.

Since its upgrading to a premium facility, the facility, he said was experiencing an influx of guests all over the world due to provision of consistent, outstanding quality service and authentic high quality safari experiences. The camp, he said was one of the busiest in the concession with guests arriving every week to marvel the beauty of the wildlife with fewer crowds.

He said the unique destination, outstanding high quality, tailored service and authentic guest experience made the camp to stand out from the crowd, highlighting that the camp offered more than just a place to stay but also recognises personalised service that made a trip special.

Such factors, he said had set them apart and gave them a competitive edge as his staff equally understood that outstanding service acted as key driver for attracting more customers and ensuring high referral rates in the competitive luxury travel market.

"We have seen a growth in terms of business and guest occupancy because of the outstanding service that sets us apart from our competitors. We are also in a prime location that offers a beautiful scenery, sustainable design and

exceptional encounters with herds of majestic animals" he added

Mr Marumo further pointed out that the camp prided itself with a dedicated and committed staff who provided premium comforts, including spas, gourmet food and knowledgeable guides who always ensured that guests' safari experience turned into extraordinary memories.

His team, he said fully understood that in the vibrant world of tourism, customer experience was the heartbeat that made the journey unforgettable hence their efforts to go an extra-mile ensuring exceptional customer care was being met at every stage.

He also acknowledged that the facility did not only provide comfort and luxury but the authentic beauty and culture of the country while at the same time offering unique and unmatched wilderness experiences.

Although the camp has been the visitors favourite since its establishment in 1997 but with the additional features undertaken last year to highlight the remarkable Linyanti wildlife while still holding to its roots as a safari reservation for visitors, the camp looks more appealing.

The camp was recognised globally in 2025 as it clinched position one for being the Best Resorts in the rest of Africa and position two spot in the Best Resorts in the world in the Conde Nast Traveller Readers' Choice Awards.

These awards highlight the premier resorts globally based on experiences from over 100 000 discerning travellers and the purpose is to recognise excellence in luxury, service and location, serving as a trusted, curated guide to the world's most exceptional, authentic and memorable vacation destinations.

However, the facility indeed offers high end experiences, stunning views, photographic opportunities with amenities like spas and gyms, becoming a premier luxury safari destination. The facility used to have packages for locals but Mr Marumo stated that currently, they were targeting regional and international market.

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Dumatau camp general manager, Mr Sesupo Marumo said the unique destination, tailored customer service and authentic guest experience made the camp to stand out from the rest. Photos: Esther Mmolai

Moshupa A10 bridge gets over P12m for rehabilitation

Thandy Tebogo

MOSHUPA

The Moshupa A10 bridge, which has been closed due to severe structural failures and complicated underground water conditions, has been thrown a P12 million lifeline.

A contract has been awarded to Herbco Technical Services (Pty) Ltd for detailed investigation, as well as pre- and post-contract engineering services, to permanently resolve the bridge's ongoing structural issues.

Moshupa District Council Senior district officer for development, Mr Tebogo Mekwe, announced the development during a presentation to the council's meeting recently.

Mr Mekwe said the bridge and its surrounding embankments initially sustained heavy damage following torrential rains.

He added that while initial reconstruction efforts were launched, they had to be abruptly halted after engineers discovered an abnormally high groundwater table that made the original repair plan unsafe and highly prone to future collapse, ultimately resulting in the termination of the initial reconstruction contract.

"The service contract for the procurement of a consultant... has been awarded to Herbco Technical Services," Mr Mekwe confirmed.

He added that the contract had been prepared and submitted to legal teams for finalisation and signing.

In the meantime, he said the bridge remained closed for major rehabilitation and maintenance, with traffic being diverted through alternative local routes within Moshupa.

The A10 bridge is not the only major infrastructure project underway in the district.

In an interview, council chairperson, Mr Peter Sethibe said the Madutela Road, which also collapsed during heavy rains last year and was closed to traffic, had been awarded a contract worth over P14 million under Asphalt Botswana in October last year to repair the damage.

Mr Sethibe said the comprehensive scope of work included the construction of a culvert at the collapsed section of Madutela Road, repairs to a 300-metre stretch of the Post Office Road and the rehabilitation of the Mmaseetsele Clinic Road.

He added that that while the project officially commenced on February 5, with an initial completion date targeted for May 29, heavy rains throughout March, April and May delayed operations by 25 days, with an extension of time currently under review by authorities.

"The project progress to date stands at 65 per cent against a planned 95 per cent," Mr Sethibe stated, noting the weather-related setbacks.

Despite the delays, he said the project had provided a welcome boost to the local economy.

Mr Sethibe highlighted that the contractor had already spent over P400,000 in local Moshupa hardware stores and shops for supplies, while an additional P200,000 had been funnelled directly to local sub-contractors.

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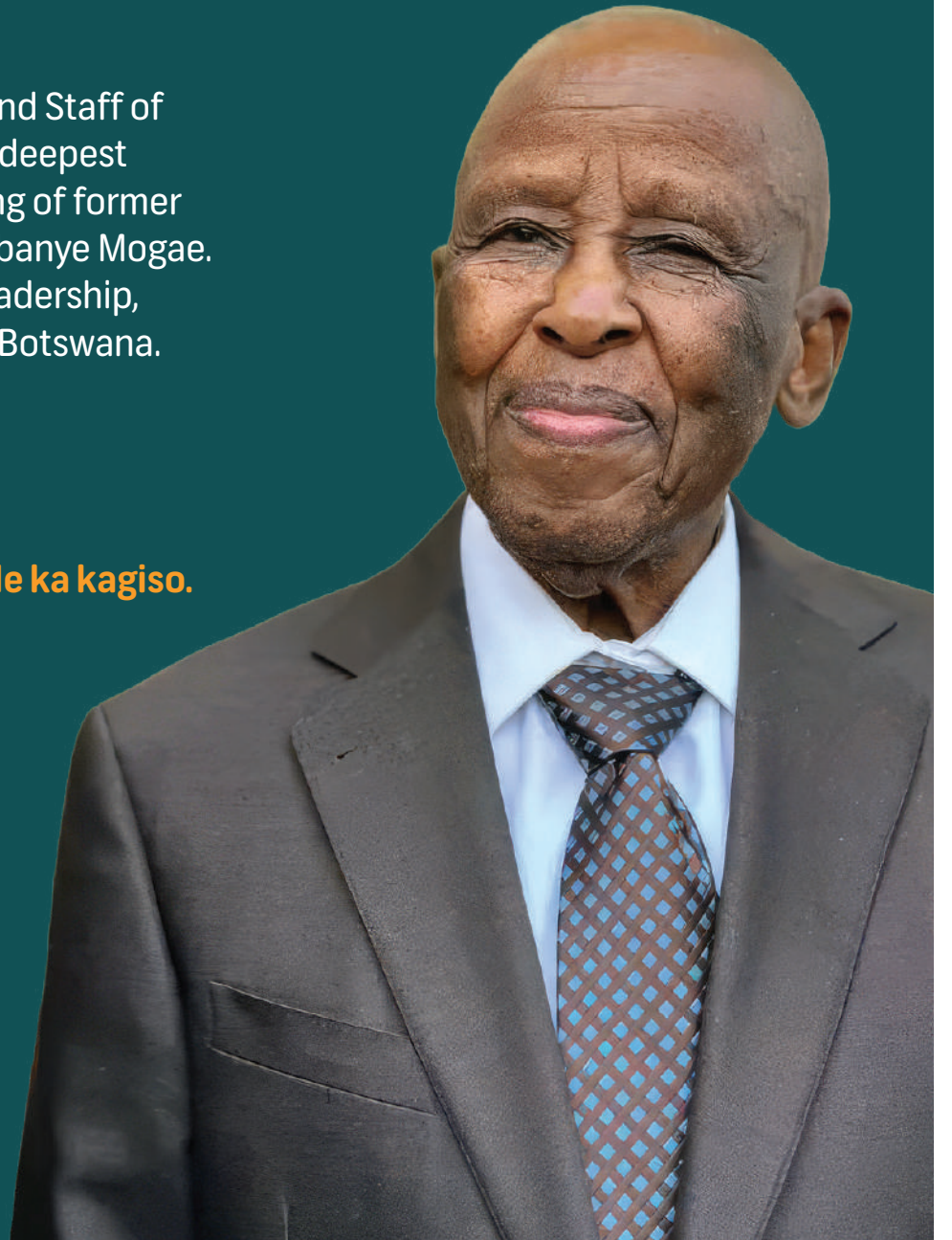
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The Board, Management and Staff of FNB Botswana extend our deepest condolences on the passing of former President Dr Festus Gontebanye Mogae. We honour his legacy of leadership, service, and dedication to Botswana.

May his memory continue to inspire our nation.

A mowa wa gagwe o robale ka kagiso.



Olekile finds beauty in old furniture

From a small market stall in Serowe, Mr Olekile is rescuing forgotten furniture from the trash and weaving new life into the local economy.

Keith Ketj
SEROWE

For Mr Akanyang Olekile, the hum of a sewing machine and the scent of fresh leather are not just parts of a job, but a family legacy. From a small market stall in Serowe, Mr Olekile is rescuing forgotten furniture from the trash and weaving new life into the local economy.

Instead of tossing out worn-out pieces, he invites clients to choose a more sustainable path to reuse, restore and reupholster to cut down on waste and save valuable resources.

"Experience elegance in every detail, comfort tailored to clients and breathing new life into furniture where dreams become design."

These are the guiding principles behind Mr Olekile's

craftsmanship. Born and bred in the Basimane Boiditswe Ward in Serowe, his business, Akanyang Upholstery, is synonymous with the kind of dexterity and tailored touch that gives customers true value for their money.

Operating from the bustling central marketplace in Serowe, the business attracts people from all walks of life, all seeking to give their worn-out pieces a second chance. In an interview, the 33-year-old Serowe native explained that the craft goes far deeper than just appearances.

"It involves the process of replacing internal padding, installing springs, rebuilding webbing and finally, applying the outer fabric or leather covering for sofas, chairs and car seats," he says.

For him, this artistry runs in the blood. He inherited the skills



Mr Akanyang Olekile of Akanyang Upholstery at work. His business attracts individuals seeking to give their old furniture a second chance. Photo: Baldwin Nyamande

from his late uncle, Mr Bareetsi Olekile, whose own venture was originally funded by the Serowe District Council's Home Economics office.

Following his uncle's passing, the Home Economics office sought someone to continue the family legacy and the young Olekile seized the opportunity. It was a turning point that changed his life and quenched the heavy thirst of unemployment.

To hone his natural talents, he was sent for an intensive three-month training programme at Shakes and More Upholstery Company in Serowe in 2021 and the following year, he officially registered his own company and opened its doors to the public.

"Though the economy is frail, the company is successfully putting food on the table," he adds. While navigating the unpredictable ups and downs of a new business, Akanyang Upholstery has secured major milestones.

Mr Olekile caters to both individuals and corporate clients, citing the Water Utilities Corporation (WUC) in Serowe as a pillar of support.

He has handled memorable restyling projects for WUC's office sofas, chairs and vehicle

seats. Additionally, he has done work for six primary schools, including Mmualefe, Motalaote, Grace Kgari, Mogorosi and St. Gabriel.

Today, his clientele extends far beyond Serowe, drawing in customers from as far as the Tswapong area. This growth has allowed him to create employment not just for himself, but for another local youth sharing the same craft.

While he envisions employing more Batswana in the near future, he notes that his business remains heavily reliant on the country's broader economic performance. "The more purchasing power people have, the more they can invest in these services," he notes.

He works hard to keep his prices affordable, though fluctuating production costs often limit his flexibility. Pricing varies from item to item, depending on the model, size, fabric material and complexity of the design.

Yet, the future looks bright. Mr Olekile points out that with the rising costs of buying brand-new furniture from retail shops, more citizens are realising that it is far cheaper and more sentimental to give their existing furniture some facelift.

He believes Akanyang Upholstery will grow exponentially over the next five years. He remains optimistic about a domestic economic recovery, buoyed by the International Monetary Fund's projections of stabilising global growth.

With the country's economic growth expected to rebound to between 3.1 and 3.4 per cent as diversification efforts counter lagging diamond sales, he is ready for the tide to turn.

For now, Mr Olekile continues to market his work across the Internet and various media platforms, turning one family's old furniture into another classic masterpiece. **BOPA**



Akanyang Upholstery is synonymous with a tailored touch that gives customers value for money.

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 34 THE TRIBAL LAND ACT

BE PLEASED TO TAKE NOTICE that the following transaction involving Tribal Land with a non-citizen is proposed.

1. Description of the land subject to the proposed transaction

CERTAIN : TRIBAL LOT 31114
SITUATE : MOLEPOLOLE / TSHOSA
MEASURING : 42.97 x 49.74 x 42.91 x 43.45m
HELD UNDER : it held under **RESOLUTION** dated 26th January 2026 granted by **KWENENG LAND BOARD** in favour of **LEAVE SHIMAKA SEBESO**

2. Parties to the proposed transaction

The parties to the proposed transaction are:

TRANSFEROR : LEAVE SHIMAKA SEBESO P O Box 223 Molepolole ID No.014611907
TRANSFeree : MUCHAP INVESTMENTS (Proprietary) Limited owned by Non Citizen Director

3. Details of the proposed transaction.

The transferor, LEAVE SHIMAKA SEBESO proposes to cede his rights, interest and title in the said property to the Transferee, MUCHAP INVESTMENTS (Proprietary) Limited

4. Consideration for the proposed transaction.

Consideration for the proposed cession is the sum of P200, 000.00 (Two Hundred Thousand Pula)

All Botswana citizens interested in entering into similar transaction in respect of the above named property shall be given priority notwithstanding the proposed transaction set out in this notice.

Any person wishing to object to the proposed transaction or any citizen of Botswana wishing to enter into similar transaction in respect of the above named property shall within thirty (30) days from the date of this notice give notice to the Secretary Molepolole Sub Land Board with copies to the attorney hereinafter named, of his or her

- Intention to oppose and the reasons therefor or;
- Wish to enter into similar transaction in respect of the above named property, as the case may be.

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Kgosi Gasebalwe Seretse wa Pilikwe, a re o tshwenngwa ke dikgotlhang tsa bogosi tse di anameng mo kgaolong ya Tswapong borwa.

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biletsa dikgang tsa dikgotlhang tsa bogosi mo kgaolong ya bone mme di felele mo nakong tse dingwe di tsaya nako go rarabologa.

Kgosi Seretse o ne a fa sekai ka dikgang tsa bogosi tse di kwa Mhalapitsa a supa fa kgang ya bogosi jwa motse oo e na le dingwaga e sa wele, a re go a tshwenya gore morago ga dingwaga go bo go santse go na le ketsaetsego ya gore bogosi ke jwa ga mang.

O ne a supa fa go le bothokwa gore metse ka go farologana e ithulaganye mo go tsa bogosi mme e dire mokwalo o o supang gore bogosi jwa bone bo tsamaya jang ka tatelano go hema gore e re nako nngwe ba bo ba nna le ketsaetsego ya gore bogosi jwa bone bo tsamaya jang.

Mo go tse dingwe o ne a lekodisa mopalamente ka seemo sa letlhoko la metsi, a supa fa ba ne ba na le tsholofelo ya gore mo nakong eno seemo se tlaabo se tokafetse ka jaana ba nna mo lenyoreng le le utlwisang bothoko.

O ne a supa matshwenyego ka seemo se se sa itumediseng sa matlwana a boitiketso kwa sekolong se sebotlana sa motse wa bone.

A re matlwana ao a boitiketso, a baya baithuti mo diphatseng ka e le a modiro wa bogologolo wa mahuti e bile a sale a agiwa bogologolo sekole se agiwa ka jalo a setse a tletse.

A re mo nakong eno baithuti ba a dirisa fela mme kotsi e ka nna ya diragala nako nngwe.

Fa a tsibogela kgang ya letlhoko la metsi kwa motseng oo, Dr Gobotswang o ne a supa fa mo

nakong eno ba lephata la metsi ba setse ba wetsa kago ya tanka e e tlaa kgonang go nosa motse wa bone le metse e mengwe mo kgaolong ya bone ka jalo metsi a sennelaruri a tlaa nna teng mo motseng wa bone.

A re ba solofeditse fa e tlaare ka kgwedi ya Phatwe metsi a bo a setse a anamisiwa mo kgaolong ya bone.

Dr Gobotswang a re mo nakong eno Pilikwe le metse e mengwe ya Tswapong borwa o neelwa metsi go tswa kwa Mahalapye.

O ne a kopa banni go nna kelothoko thata le go nna podi matseba ka kgang ya bolwetsi jo bo tlhagogileng jwa tlhako le molomo mme ba sale morago ditaello tsoitlhe tse ba di neelwang go bo lwantsha.

A re go tshwanetse go dirwe go le gontsi go lwantsha bolwetsi jo ka bo ne jwa felela bo tsene kwa polaseng ya puso e e tlhokometseng thata e bile e na le dikgomo tsa tlhathlwa e e kwa godimo.

Fa a bua ka tsa temo, Dr Gobotswang o ne a supa fa pula e ne ya na ka bokete mme balemi ba felela ba sa roba sepe se se kalo ka metsi a ne a senya dijwalo ka bontsi.

A re o na le tshepo ya gore puso e tlaa ntsha lekoko go tsamaya le dikgaolo ka go farologana go tlhathlwa gore temo ya gompiano e tsamaile jang.

O ne a lekodisa banni ka dikgang tsa palamente e e fetileng a supa fa e ne ya sekaseka lenaneo la bo lesome le bobedi la ditlhabololo ya ba ya lebelela le lenaneo la madi a kakanyetso a ditlhabololo. **BOPA**

Twantsho ya tlhako le molomo e tlhoka banna ba ititeile sehuba

Booster Mogapi
LEPHEPE

E re ka jaana go thagoga ga tlhako le molomo go kgautlhantshe lekalana la thuo mo borwa kgotsa Zone II le yone itsholelo ya lefatshe bangwe barui, badirelapuso le setshaba ka kakaretso ba tswetse ka maiteko a dirwang ka mowa wa boithaopo go rotloetsa ditiro tse di ka thusang go laola le go nyeletsa bolwetse jwa tlhako le molomo.

Bosheng, badirelapuso ba kgaolo ya Kweneng ba eteletse pele ke Kgosi Kgari Sechele III yo o neng a emetswe ke mothusi wa gagwe, Kgosi Lawrence Mhaladi le moalodi, Mme Segomotso Nkwane ba ne ba eteletse mophato wa badirelapuso, ba ba neng ba ithaopile go ya go thusa mo tirong e tswetseng ya kago sesha ya terata ya taolo mathoko a leruo ya Lephepe.

Terata eo, e mo molelwane wa kgaolo tsa Mahalapye, Kweneng le Kgatleng.

Ba dirile jalo go tlaletsa maiteko a tswetseng a go tsosolosa terata eo, a dirwang ke barui le morafe ka kakaretso.

Kgosi Mhaladi a re go bothokwa go etleetsa maiteko a dirwang ke setshaba. A re bolwetse jwa tlhako le molomo bo mashetla, bo ama motswana mongwe le mongwe, mme e bile bo anamisiwa gape ke batho.

“Se nka se kopang mo Batswaneng ke gore a re seka ra gatelela dikgomo, re di tshabisang kwa mafelong a nang le bolwetse, go ya kwa bo seyong teng, ka gore seo e ka nna borai jo bo seng kana ka sepe,” ga tlhalosa Kgosi Mhaladi.

O kgothatitse barui go tswela ba reetsa le go diragatsa dikgakololo tse di ntshiwang ke ba lephata la matlhoko a leruo.

Molaodi wa Kweneng, Mme Nkwane a re badirelapuso ba dira se go tsibogela seru se se wetseng lefatshe sa bolwetse jwa tlhako le molomo.

Mme Nkwane a re sengwe se se dirwang ke go baakanya diterata tse di laolang matlhoko a leruo jaaka banni ba metse ya Lephepe, Sojwe, Loologane le

metse e mengwe e mabapi ba tswetse ba dira.

“Ba ntse ba dira jalo ba le nosi, jaanong re bonye go tlhokafala gore mo letsatsing le, re ba tswetse thuso, re le badirelapuso ba mephata ka go farologanang go tswa mo kgaolong ya Kweneng. Bontsi jwa se re se dirang mo letsatsing la gompiano ke go ntsha ditlhare. jaaka lo bona, terata e ole.

“Molaetsa o motona o nka o neelang setshaba ke gore a re tshwaraganeng re dire re le mmogo, re bone gore re babalela itsholelo ya lefatshe la rona. Motswana o tshela ka temo-thuo, jaanong go botoka fela thata gore re tshwaragane, e re jaaka bolwetse bo tsile jaana re bo heme ka go bo kanela, re baakanye diterata, re dirisane mmogo, re haphe dikgomo, re dise,” ga tlhalosa Mme Nkwane.

Brigadier Ephraim Marman, yo okametseng kampa ya masole ya difofane ya Thebephatshwa a re tiro ya bone ke go sireletsa setshaba ka nako tsoitlhe le go sireletsa mo dibetsong dipe tse se ka lebaganang le tsone.

Ka jalo a re fa mokgosi o kuelwa ba tsiboga jaaka ba dira mo nakong eno go thusa mo go lwantsheng bolwetse jwa tlhako le molomo. A re ba ne ba tsibogela kopo ya ga moalodi, ka jalo ba thusa ka sepe se ba nang le sone.

“Re ntshitse masole gore ba tle go thusa ka go rema ditlhare, re ntshitse le dijo, sepalamo le metsi. Se se bothokwa ke go bona gore Batswana ba sireletsegile ka nako tsoitlhe,” ga tlhalosa Brigadier Marman.

Moemedi wa temo-thuo kwa Kweneng, Rre Seabelo Molefi a re bolwetse jwa tlhako le molomo bo mo zone II, ka jalo go bothokwa go tsiboga ka go dira sepe se se ka kgonwang.

Rre Molefi a re lefatshe le wetswe ke seru ka go se motlhofo go bo laola go sena dikganedi tse di bonalang jaaka terata.

“Re fano re tshela barui malepe, re utlwaletse gore barui ba le 142 ka kwa kgaolong ya Mahalapye le ba le 224 ka kwa kgaolong ya Kweneng, ba ithaopile go tsosolosa terata. .

BOPA



Badirelapuso ba thusa go tsosolosa terata ya taolo matlhoko a leruo kwa Kweneng bosheng. Moalodi, Mme Segomotso Nkwane a re badirelapuso ba ne ba ithaopa go ya go thusa kwa tirong e tswetseng ya kago sesha ya terata kwa Lephepe. Senepe: Moshe Galeragwe

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

Case No: UCHGB-000062-26
In the *ex parte* application of:

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS APPLICANT

In re:
a) **BWP 7, 187, 371.81 worth of investment held in account number A1671 of investor number 500881 under the names of Agaba Group (Pty) Ltd.**
b) **BWP 119, 044.93 cash in FNBB account number 63154978995 in the names of Agaba Group (Pty) Ltd.**
c) **BWP 1, 063.43 cash in FNBB account number 63154979042 in the names of Agaba Group (Pty) Ltd.**

IN THE APPLICATION FOR A RESTRAINING ORDER FOR CIVIL FOIFEITURE OR CIVIL PENALTY ORDERS IN TERMS OF SECTION 35 AS READ WITH SECTION 37 OF THE PROCEEDS AND INSTRUMENTS OF CRIME ACT [CAP 08:03]

ORDER

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE DR JUSTICE RADJENG sitting at Gaborone on this 18th day of March 2026.

UPON HEARING ATTORNEY Mr Taunyane M. for the applicant and Patrick Kaisaja having read the documents filed of record: IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The normal rules of the above honourable court as regards service, time limits and procedure be dispensed with, to the extent necessary and that this matter is urgent and deserves to be heard as such
2. A rule nisi is hereby granted as per the draft order filed of record returnable on the **5th day of June 2026 at 0800hrs** calling upon any interested party to show cause why the order putting the property under restraint should not be made final:

- a) **BWP 7, 187, 371.81 worth of investment held in account number A1671 of investor number 500881 under the names of Agaba Group (Pty) Ltd.**
- b) **BWP 119, 044.93 cash in FNBB account number 63154978995 in the names of Agaba Group (Pty) Ltd.**
- c) **BWP 1, 063.43 cash in FNBB account number 63154979042 in the names of Agaba Group (Pty) Ltd.**

Any affected party may anticipate the return date on a 48 hours' notice.

That paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 shall operate as interim relief pending the return date.

In terms of Section 35 (1) of the Proceeds and Instruments of Crime Act 28 of 2014 (PICA) all persons with knowledge of this order, are, other than as required and permitted by this order, prohibited from:

removing, taking possession of or control over, dissipating, interfering with, or dealing in any other manner with any of the property to which this order relates.

That the Receiver shall assume control of the property and take any movable property into his/her custody; take care of the property; administer the property and do anything necessary to preserve the value of the property while the order is in force; including but not limited to sale.

That the applicant must in terms of section 42 (1) Proceeds and Instruments of Crime Act cause notice of this order, together with documents supporting the application, to be served on all persons identified as having an interest in the matter and any unknown interested parties who will be served by publication of the Order Nisi granted in any local newspaper circulating in Botswana

That any party opposing this application be ordered to pay costs of the application.

BY ORDER OF COURT

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JUDGE

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

Case No: UCHGB-000078-26

In the *ex parte* application of:

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS

APPLICANT

In re : **BWP 174 279.34** being positive balance currently held at **First National Bank account 63191502145** in the names of **Smart Animal Husbandry (Pty) Ltd;** **BWP 164 986.02** being positive balance currently held at **Access Bank Botswana account number 4234067600701** in the names of **Neo Pule;** **BWP 4 591.72** being positive balance currently held at **Orange Money mobile account 74 334 663** in the names of **Neo Pule;** **BWP 26.95** being positive balance currently held at **Orange Money mobile account 78 340 748** in the names of **Adelard Gimbamba;** **BWP 15 476.98** being positive balance currently held at **Smega mobile account number 73 061 829** in the names of **Adelard Gimbamba.**

DRAFT ORDER

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE CHIEF JUSTICE Mr. G.G. Ketlogetswe sitting at **GABORONE** on this **23rd day of MARCH 2026.**

UPON HEARING ATTORNEY MR. MOOKETSI T. for the Applicant and having read the documents filed of record;

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Directing that the normal rules of the above Honourable Court as regards service, time limits and procedure be dispensed with, to the extent necessary, and that this matter is urgent and deserves to be heard as such.
2. A rule nisi be issued returnable on the **9th June 2026,** at 0930 hours calling upon the Interested parties to show cause why a final restraining order may not be granted:
 - 2.1. This order relates to property being **BWP 174 279.34** being positive balance currently held at **First National Bank account 63191502145**

in the names of **Smart Animal Husbandry (Pty) Ltd;** **BWP 164 986.02** being positive balance currently held at **Access Bank Botswana account number 4234067600701** in the names of **Neo Pule;** **BWP 4 591.72** being positive balance currently held at **Orange Money mobile account 74 334 663** in the names of **Neo Pule;** **BWP 26.95** being positive balance currently held at **Orange Money mobile account 78 340 748** in the names of **Adelard Gimbamba;** **BWP 15 476.98** being positive balance currently held at **Smega mobile account number 73 061 829** in the names of **Adelard Gimbamba.** (the property).

3. That the Receiver shall immediately take full possession, control and custody of the property pending investigations and or institution and finalization of proceedings for a civil penalty order and civil forfeiture order.
4. That all persons with knowledge of this Order are prohibited from disposing of, further

incumbering, dissipating, interfering with, attaching or selling in execution, diminishing the value of or dealing in any other manner with any of the property to which this order relates.

5. That the Applicant must in terms of Section 42 (1) of the Proceeds and Instruments of Crime Act cause notice of this order, together with documents supporting the application, to be served on all persons identified as having an interest in the matter and any unknown interested parties who will be served by publication of the Order Nisi granted in any local newspaper circulating in Botswana.
6. Ordering any affected party to anticipate the return date by giving the Applicant 48 hours notice.

BY ORDER OF COURT

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REGISTRAR OF THE HIGH COURT

Millions of Nigerians face hunger crisis - UN

NEW YORK

Millions of people across Nigeria are bracing for one of the worst lean seasons on record amid conflict, violence and insecurity, UN humanitarian said Friday.

In a news release, the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) says that economic pressures and unprecedented funding constraints are pushing Nigerian families to the brink.

The UN Humanitarian Country Team in Nigeria reported that nearly one in seven people, or 35 million people nationwide, are likely to face acute food insecurity during this year's lean season from June to August, said the office.

"This makes Nigeria one of the world's largest hunger crises, with the burden falling overwhelmingly on northern Nigeria," the release explains.

It also states that if assistance is further delayed, millions will be forced to further reduce meals, sell assets and withdraw their children from school."

OCHA says that acute malnutrition is also projected to peak, placing millions of children at risk. Across northwest and northeast Nigeria, it is estimated that 6.4 million children are likely to be acutely malnourished this year.

The United Nations and its humanitarian partners are appealing for urgent funding to scale up life-saving assistance. "Resources from the Nigeria Humanitarian Fund have jump-started the response, but more is needed to meet immediate life-saving humanitarian needs. The already hyper-prioritised US\$516 million Humanitarian Needs and Response Plan is just over 40 per cent funded, with US\$215 million received," the release says. Xinhua



NEW YORK - Millions of people across Nigeria are bracing for one of the worst lean seasons on record amid conflict, violence and insecurity, according to the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs. Photo: Xinhua



Career Opportunities at Northern Textile Mills Botswana

Northern Textile Mills Botswana, a leading terry towel manufacturer based in Francistown, invites suitably qualified and experienced candidates to apply for the following positions:

1. TECHNICAL MANAGER – CMT / CUT SEW PRINT (CSP)

Purpose of the Role

Responsible for the day-to-day running of the Make-Up Department, including receiving and final processing of fabric.

Minimum Requirements

- A Diploma In Garment Technology or Textile Technology or its equivalent
- At least 10 years' hands-on experience in CMT section of textile mill
- Background in ISO 9001:2015 and OEKO-TEX Standard 100 and quality systems
- Strong computer literacy
- Experience in length hemming, autocross/length hemming machines and its operation
- Proven record of achieving production targets

Key Responsibilities

- Receiving and processing goods from the dye house
- Executing urgent orders
- Monitoring production quality and efficiencies
- Supervising workflow throughout the department
- Ensuring availability of accessories and materials
- Preventing shift overlap and production backlog
- Promoting quality standards across the department
- Ensuring all production machinery is operational
- Maintaining discipline and monitoring staff performance
- Training Workforce
- Responsible for preventative maintenance and up keeping of all machines

2. TECHNICAL MANAGER – DYEING

Purpose of the Role

Manage daily production and plant maintenance within the Dye House Department to ensure smooth operations.

Minimum Requirements

- With at least 10 years' experience in dyeing using VAT and reactive dyes
- Diploma/Degree in Wet Processing, Textile Technology, or equivalent
- Ability to manage maintenance schedules, budgets, and inventory
- Strong staff training and leadership skills

3. TEXTILE DYE HOUSE MECHANIC

Purpose of the Role

Responsible for servicing, repairing, and maintaining dye-house textile machinery and the effluent treatment plant to ensure optimal operational performance and compliance with environmental standards.

Minimum Requirements

- National Trade Certificate or equivalent
- Minimum 10 years' experience in dye-house machine and effluent treatment plant maintenance
- Strong knowledge of:

- o Winches
- o Stenter machines
- o Tumble dryers
- o Yarn dyeing pumps

4. WEAVING MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR / LOOM TURNER

Purpose of the Role

Responsible for servicing, repairing, and maintaining looms, Dobby, and Jacquard machines while ensuring efficient loom shed operations and preventative maintenance.

Minimum Requirements

- Certificate in Textile Studies or relevant in-house training
- Minimum 10 years' experience in weaving loom repair and maintenance
- Experience with Staubli Dobby and Bonas Jacquard systems
- Troubleshooting and preventative maintenance skills
- Ability to maintain spare parts inventory
- Good communication skills
- Knowledge of safety procedures
- Ability to work in physically demanding environments

5. TECHNICAL MANAGER – WEAVING & PREPARATION

Purpose of the Role

Manage daily production and maintenance of the weaving and preparation departments while overseeing technical skills development and training.

Minimum Requirements

- Diploma or Degree in Textile Technology or equivalent
- Minimum 5 years' textile industry experience, including 3 years at managerial level
- Strong knowledge of:
 - o Yarn preparation
 - o Sizing
 - o Weaving processes
 - o Dobby and Jacquard machine operations and maintenance
- Knowledge of toweling products and specifications
- Ability to manage maintenance schedules, budgets, and inventory
- Staff training and leadership capability

6. TECHNICAL MANAGER – QUALITY CONTROL

Purpose of the Role

Manage all Quality Control Department processes, maximize quality standards, and implement ISO 9001:2015 QMS or OEKO-TEX Standard 100

Minimum Requirements

- Extensive knowledge of ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management Systems
- Previous managerial experience in ISO-controlled manufacturing environments
- Diploma or Degree in Textile Technology or its equivalent
- Excellent computer proficiency

7. TECHNICAL MANAGER -TEXTILE DESIGNER

Purpose of the Role

Lead the company's textile design section, overseeing design development for doobby and jacquard machines while driving innovation in terry towel décor and textile trends.

Minimum Requirements

- Diploma or Degree in Textile Technology, Textile Design, or related field

- 5-10 years' experience in terry towel design
- Strong knowledge of:
 - o Fibre and yarn properties
 - o Colour forecasting and market trends
 - o Dobby and Jacquard design development
 - o Textile manufacturing processes and quality standards
- Familiarity with NED Graphics, sophis/ EAT Textile Design systems
- Strong leadership, creativity, and analytical skills

Key Responsibilities

- Lead and manage the textile design department
- Develop innovative towel designs
- Research global décor, fashion, and textile trends
- Create colour palettes, weave structures, and pattern concepts
- Ensure designs are production-ready
- Market research and range development with exclusive chain stores
- Coordinate with production and product development teams
- Monitor competitor products and industry innovations
- Maintain CAD libraries and design archives
- Mentor junior designers

Preferred Skills

- Creativity and attention to detail
- Strong teamwork and communication skills
- Ability to work under pressure and meet deadlines
- Proficiency in textile CAD and colour management systems

8. OPERATIONS /FACTORY MANAGER

Purpose of the Role

To oversee our end-to-end terry towel manufacturing operations by leading production, through planning, directing and coordinating the operations in the company, ensuring and improving the performance, productivity, efficiency and profitability of departmental and organizational operations through the provision of effective methods and strategies

Minimum Requirements

- Diploma or BE or BTech specialized in Textile Technology
- Minimum 8-10 years of progressive operational management experience in a terry towel or home textile manufacturing facility.
- In-depth knowledge of Towel Manufacturing process.

Key Responsibilities

- Coordinate, manage and monitor the workings of all departments in the Company ie Production, Engineering and ETP
- Report to the management on daily plant performance.
- Implement and manage operational plans.
- Manage maintenance of equipment and machinery and provide technical support where necessary and responsible for record keeping and to meet operational budgets
- Knowledge of ISO 9001:2015, Oeko-tex certifications.

Applications for the above positions with up to date Curriculum Vitae and certified certificates should reach the address below on or before the 15th June 2026

The Human Resources Manager
Northern Textile Mills (Bots) PTY LTD
P O Box 1508, Francistown

OR email: nortextowels@gmail.com

NO FAXES WILL BE ALLOWED

Classified Ads

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

AUTOMOTIVE

MISSING BLUE BOOK. I Oupa Mothibatsela bought vehicle B231AFF from Poul Gunderson on 08/12/2010. Mr Gunderson has left Botswana and I am unable to get the blue book for the car. Please contact Department of Transport if you have information

FARM WORKER

HERD GIRL WANTED Mathangwane Cecilia Modongo Box 68 Mathangwane 75593526

DIVOTS INVESTMENTS PTY LTD want one farm worker at Gasita with experience in horticulture. Contact 72303040, P O Box 2159 AAD Gaborone before 30th October 2026

HERDBOY WANTED, MMANOKO Tshping. Apply to Mompoti Rabokala. P O Box 622 aeh Gaborone. 72814848

FARM WORKERS WANTED Apply Magotlhoadisa fields Mmamashia West Kgatleng P O Box 1099 ABG Gaborone Mr Patrick Segadimo 72195504 Closing date 11-06-2026

FARMWORKER WANTED AT Dikgonnye with experience in horticulture. Apply to Box 402487 Gaborone. Contact Paar Frank 71795215 / 72895215

A FARM WORKER required at Malotwane in Mochudi or Kgatleng District. The farm is into horticulture, small stock and poultry. Apply to Nyangayezi Macala, Box 82060 Gaborone. Mobile : 71755840. Closing date : 14 days from circulation date.

FARM WORKER WANTED Sese Gaone Ponki Sankoloba Box 316 Tatisiding 71799979

SEMI-SKILLED HORTICULTURAL farm worker wanted urgently at Morwa. Contact Tshupo Lefatshe 74154867.

FARM WORKER WANTED At Tumasera. Apply to Mr. Patikego Seloba. P O Box 46121, Village Post Office, Gaborone. Closing date 05/06/2026 Contact 71871473

ADASE GROUP IS looking for 2 farm workers at Rabotsiripa lands. 2 years experience as a farmer is an advantage. Contact 77846697, P O Box 109 Sefhare. Closing date 28/05/2026

FARM WORKER WANTED Matsiloje Box 78 Matsiloje Moruakgomo Lekobe 74336192

FARM WORKER WANTED Mahalapye Box 3510 Mahalapye Mpho Caroline Thwabi 78542273

FARM WORKER WANTED at Tonota Mabile Banoti Mbulawa P O Box 129 Tonota 71764298

FARM WORKER WANTED at Maphashalala. Contact Selekyano Moremong on 72109200.

LOOKING FOR A farm worker at Maio Farm. Contact Mr Mothusi Sethora 72941522/ 71626511.

KE BATLA MODISA Jolo lands, Khunkhwa P O Box 233 Khakea email: kkgalalelomcgregor@yahoo.com +267 72302870 Kgalalelo Keshwailwe

FARM WORKER NEEDED Tonota, P.O. Box 60 Tonota. Call 77766699/ 73543434

FARM WORKER WANTED at Morongwane farms Kgatleng phone 76411206

TWO FARM WORKERS wanted at Mmokolodi. Experience in crop production, packaging, general farm maintenance. Driver's license- added advantage. Contact: Boikhutso Mosepele 73094085, Gaborone.

WANTED: 2X FARM workers at Masuakoloi-Palapye. Call 71311151

Looking for a hard working Man/Woman for heading cattle, keeping of goats and sheeps and the agricultural activities at the farm call 71476039

LOST TITLE DEED

AKHEEL JINABHAI & ASSOCIATES DRIVING SUCCESS THROUGH LEGAL STRATEGY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of Certificate of Registered Title no. 2411 dated the 13th day of October 1959 made in favour of **DANDOR INVESTMENTS PROPRIETARY LIMITED** in respect of the below mentioned property, namely;

CERTAIN: piece of land being Lot 188 Lobatse;

SITUATE: in Lobatse Township;

MEASURING: 1378 m² (One Thousand Three Hundred and Seventy Eight Square Metres);

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

DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 10TH DAY OF MARCH 2026

AJA House, Unit 2, Matante Mews Plot 54373 CBD, Gaborone P O Box 20575, Gaborone Botswana Plot 17396 Bosele Ward Maun, Botswana

Tel: (+267) 3163125 Fax: (+267) 3163124 Email: info@aja.co.bw Web: www.aja.co.bw

Partner Akheel Jinabhai Consultant Partners Mark Mckee | Obrien Brindl (F I Ab) Associates: | Juwairiyah Maher | Khalid Khan | Lesedi Kgakolelo | Gorata Major | Letika Nkolonyane | Ame Kinde

LOST TITLE DEED

AKHEEL JINABHAI & ASSOCIATES DRIVING SUCCESS THROUGH LEGAL STRATEGY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of Deed of Transfer no. 167/2023 dated the 3rd day of February 2023 made in favour of **TSHEPHANG MOALA** in respect of the below mentioned property, namely;

CERTAIN: piece of land being Lot 79748 Gaborone (A portion of Lot 10118 Gaborone);

SITUATE: in the Gaborone Administrative District;

MEASURING: 869 m² (Eight Hundred and Sixty-Nine Square Metres);

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

DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 19TH DAY OF MAY 2026

AJA House, Unit 2, Matante Mews Plot 54373 CBD, Gaborone P O Box 20575, Gaborone Botswana Plot 17396 Bosele Ward Maun, Botswana

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NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS

Administration of Estates Act [Cap.31:01]

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that by virtue of section 31 of the Administration of Estates Act (Cap: 33:01), heirs and 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
BOYCE KHUPE JOSIAH	ESHFT-000405-26	11-08-26	0900HRS	SARM 2

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 20TH DAY OF MAY 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

MR. B.F.W. LEKOKO AND FAMILY sincerely thank the **BATLOKWA ROYAL FAMILY, Kgosi Puso Gaborone and Mohumagadi, His Worship the Mayor of Gaborone, the Tlokweng UCCSA, pastors and congregants** of all denominations, relatives, friends, neighbours, and all who supported us during the loss of our beloved **Marjorie Motshidisi Lekoko**.

Your prayers, visits, messages, calls, flowers, words of comfort, acts of service, and every gesture of kindness gave us strength and reminded us that we were not alone in our grief. To those who assisted with arrangements, hospitality, refreshments, and family needs, we remain deeply grateful.

Thank you for honouring Marjorie's memory and for surrounding our family with love and support.

With deepest appreciation.

LOST TITLE DEED

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of **Deed of Transfer No. 764/2008** dated the 9th day of April 2008 made in favour of **PHERDY INVESTMENTS PROPRIETARY LIMITED**, in respect of **Portion 86, A Portion of Portion 12 (A Portion of Portion 11) of the Farm Crocodile Pools No. 15-KO**.

Should any person wish to object to the issuance of such copy, you are requested to lodge such objection, with reasons, in writing to the **Registrar of Deeds, Private Bag 0020, Gaborone** within Twenty-One (21) days from the date of publication of this notice.

DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 21 DAY OF MAY 2026

BOOKBINDER BUSINESS LAW

Applicant's Attorneys, 9th Floor iTowers North, Lot 54368, New CBD, Private Bag 382, GABORONE, Our Ref: CONV/cmj/M06722

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN ESHFT-000170-26

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the late **BETHUEL SEATLE-ESHFT-000170-26** who died at **North East District on the 26 January 2026**

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

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 21TH DAY OF MAY 2026

REBECCA S. MATEBU
EXECUTOR DATIVE
P O BOX 2149
FRANCISTOWN

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

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN ESHFT 0001226-25

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the late **TSHEGOFATSO GRACE MATSHAMBANE ESHFT-0001226** who died at **PLOT NO: 12913 AREA A, FRANCISTOWN** on the 28th JULY 2017 and of **HILL MATSHAMBANE ESHFT-0001226** who died at **NYANGABWE REFERAL HOSPITAL, FRANCISTOWN, FRANCISTOWN DISTRICT** on the 17th day of **NOVEMBER 2025**

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

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 20TH DAY OF MAY 2026

MR KGOSI MATSHAMBANE
EXECUTOR DATIVE
P O BOX 927
TONOTA

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

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN ESHFT-00319-23

FIRST AND FINAL DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

IN THE ESTATE of the late **JETHRO SIBINDI-ESHFT-00319-23** who died at **BULAWAYO HOSPITAL ZIMBABWE DISTRICT** on the 05 April 2023

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

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 6TH DAY OF MAY 2026

EXECUTOR DATIVE ONALENNA JAMES
P O Box 10472 TATITOWN
73647250

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT
PRIVATE BAG F13 FRANCISTOWN

ACCOUNTANT

China Road and Bridge Corporation Botswana Branch (CRBC) is looking for a qualified and experienced Accountant.

CRBC is one of the largest leading China state-owned companies, which mainly undertakes large-scale infrastructure projects internationally.

Key Responsibilities

- Prepare and manage project budgets, cost schedules, and cash-flow for both company and construction projects.
- Prepare monthly financial and management reports, including analysis of project expenditures, receivables, and other accounting transactions.
- Assist with tender costing, pricing, and financial analysis to support project operations and decision-making.
- Ensure compliance with both Botswana and China accounting and tax regulations, support audits, and maintain accurate financial records and reporting procedures.

Candidates who meet the above requirements will be shortlisted and invited for interviews. Interested applicants should submit their applications and CV via email to: crbcbotswana@gmail.com

Address:
Plot 65919, Block 10, Gaborone, Botswana
Tel: 3920008/ 75160715

Qualifications and Requirements

- Minimum of 3 years of relevant working experience.

Closing Date: 9 June 2026

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

BE PLEASED TO TAKE NOTICE that:

1. **THABISO CHIBA and BONE CHIBA**, married in community of property on the 25TH of May 2018 in Serowe, intend to apply to the High Court of Botswana for leave to change their marital regime from in community of property to out of community of property.
2. The parties intend to apply to the High Court of Botswana after the expiration of the three (3) weeks statutory notice from the date of the first publication hereof.
3. Any person, creditor or debtor, who may have an interest in the assets and/or liabilities of the parties' estate, should they have objections to the parties changing their property regime, are to inform the parties' Attorneys, **MBEWE LEGAL PRACTICE**, before the expiration of the said three (3) week period, or make representations before the High Court of Botswana once the contemplated application is lodged.

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 28th DAY OF APRIL 2026.

MBEWE LEGAL PRACTICE
Applicants' Attorneys
Plot 15499 Broadhurst, Near Tapologo Estates,
P O Box 81556, GABORONE
TEL: 316 5578/ 72485212

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
SISTER LUFU	ESHFT-000392-26	30-06-26	0900HRS	ARM

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 12TH DAY OF MAY 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

MOTLABASEO LEDIKILE, WOULD like to change land use from Single Family Residential to Civic and Community (clinic) at Plot No.456 Palapye, Extension 4. For any objections, please contact Palapye District Council, Physical Planning Office, Telephone No.4930800/89 within 14 days of this publication.

CHANGE OF LAND use and subdivision: I owner of plot in Modipane would like to change landuse from hifier to multi residential and subdivision. For any objection contact Kgatleng district council planning officer on telephone No. 5777411 within fourteen (14) working day of this publication

OWNER PLOT 36621 Serowe would like to inform neighbour attention on proposing a double storey. For any objection call Serowe district council 4630325

OWNER PLOT 9186 Mogoditshane Block 9 would like to inform the neighbour attention to propose an extension double-storey. For any objection contact Mogoditshane Sub-District Council 3105615.

OWNER PLOT 618 Mochudi wishes to change land use from residential to commercial (Guest house). Any objection contact Mochudi Council on72523962.

OWNER OF PLOT 2483, Metlhabeng Ward, Tlokweng wish to inform the public concerning change of landuse from residential to multi- family residential, contact Tlokweng Physical Planning on 3695000 or 72646258 within fourteen days from the publication of this notice.

OWNER PLOT 80226 Gaborone North would like to inform neighbor attention to propose a double storey, for any objection regarding design contact Gaborone City Council on 3657492.

OWNER OF PLOT 15961 Tlokweng Ramfurwa wishes to consult Plot 15962, 15954 & 15960 on their intention to construct a boundary wall. Objections should be directed to Tlokweng Physical Planning Office at 5777411 within 14 days of publication.

TEBOGO TOBEDZA, WOULD like to change land use from ploughing field to mixed use commercial-fuel depot and ploughing field at Setatse lands-Palapye. Any objections contact: +26771974449 Palapye Physical Planning Office 4930821.

OWNER OF PLOT 14468 in Extension 11, Palapye, wishes to erect a boundary wall. For any objections please contact the building control office at Palapye District Council on 4930800 within a period of 14 days of this publication

OWNER OF PLOT 2784, Lecheng intends to change land use from residential to civic and community. For objections or information contact Palapye Physical Planning Office or 71884054.

OWNER OF LOT 242 Selebi Phikwe Township intends to change land use from Residential to Multi Family residence. Any objections should be forwarded Physical Planning Department S.P.T.C on 2610570 within fourteen days from date of publicatio.

CHANGE OF LAND use plot 16997 Mahalapye from Pre-School to Guest house, Any objections should be forwarded to Mahalapye District Council Physical Planning on 4718600.

BOTOKA & SONS PTY LTD at Kgamane Ward, Shoshong wish to change land use of the plot from single to commercial (Shopping complex). Objections be forwarded to Mahalapye Council at 4718636/16 within 14 days.

I MASA PINKIE Thibedi, owner of portion 2359 at Crocodile pools wishes to change land-use of the plot from Agricultural to Residential. For any objections contact physical planning office on 5381200 or the owner on +267 71315819 within 14 days

PAUL MATHATHA OWNER of certain plot at Mophaphuthane word Mothabaneng intends to change land use from Residential to Hotel. Any objection should be forwarded to Physical Planning Department Bobonong District council on 2619274 within fourteen days from date of publication

RODGERS BADIRI MANGOPE of plot 5060, Puaneng, Manyana wishes to change the land use of his property from residential to Civic and community. For objections please contact the Moshupa district council, physical planning division at tel: 5449950 within 14 days

OWNER OF PLOT No 21135 village park Gaborone would like to change land use from civic and community to mixed use (commercial). Objections can be sent to Gaborone City Council at 3657400 within 14 days of this application.

Neighbour Consultation

OWNER of Plot No. 1708, Bibi Neelam Goolamun, Lekgwapheng ward, Molepolole, wishes to change land use from Commercial to Mixed Land Use as a Filling Station and Fuel depot.

Please forward queries to Physical Planning Office Kweneng District Council at **Telephone No. 5920841,** within **fourteen (14) days** of publication of this notice.

APPLICATION IN TERMS OF REGULATION 46(1) OF THE DEEDS REGISTRY ACT

I, the undersigned: Jane Motswiri
Do hereby make oath and sate that:
Do hereby make application to the Registrar of Deeds in terms of the above mentioned provision for a certified copy in respect of the following property:
CERTAIN: Piece of land being lot 25606 Gaborone
SITUATE: in Gaborone west Extension 25
MEASURING: 450m2 (four hundred and fifty square meter)
HELD UNDER: Title Deed No. 191/1999 dated 12 day of February 1999 in favour of Jane Motswiri
I have attached an Affidavit and adverts as required by statues to support application

APPLICANT

VACANCY
— WE ARE HIRING! —
AUDIO IMAGING PRODUCER

QUALIFICATION: Relevant Degree

EXPERIENCE: Minimum 10 years experience in radio audio imaging, advanced sound design, voice processing & sound elements mixing. Deep knowledge of radio psychology and listener engagement.

APPLY TO: Programmes Manager, Your Friend Pty Ltd t/a Gabz Fm. Private Bag B0319, Gaborone.

CLOSING DATE: 15 JUNE 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 persons 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
GABATLHOKIWE MABENYANE	ESHMY 000160-26	15.06.26	0900HRS	SARM

DATED MAHALAPYE THIS 13TH APRIL 2026
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master's Reference: ESHGB-000134/24

IN THE ESTATE of the late **Lesedi Ntamba** who died at Scottish Livingstone Hospital, Molepolole, Kweneng District, Botswana on **25th January 2024.**

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

DATED AT MOLEPOLOLE ON THIS 8TH DAY OF MAY 2026

Executor Dative
Dick Ntamba, P.O. Box 93
MOLEPOLOLE
72 597 450

PUBLIC NOTICE

INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT AT LOT 2602, WERDA

Maretlwamantsi (Pty) Ltd, hereby notifies the public of the intended construction of an access junction connecting the Sekoma-Tsabong Road (A20) to a proposed filling station on Lot 2602, Werda.

Interested or affected parties are invited to submit written comments or objections regarding these works.

Contact Information:

Maretlwamantsi (Pty) Ltd
PO Box 121, Tsabong
Tel: 72 951 316 / 73 049 249

Deadline: All objections must be submitted **within fourteen (14) days** of the date of this publication.

BIBLE LIFE MINISTRIES

MINISTERIAL VACANCY OPPORTUNITY
We are looking for a spiritual, self-motivated and visionary Clergy to fill the position of a Pastor in one of the branches. The person will closely work with the Headquarters Leadership for the purpose of accountability.

QUALIFICATION

- Must have a born-again Christian experience.
- Must embrace the beliefs of Evangelical and Pentecostal truths found in the church statements of faith.
- Must have trained in Botswana – Ministry Training School will be added advantage.
- Must have served in a leadership position for 10 years with apostolic and prophetic oversight.
- Must be familiar with and have personal experience with the church planting Kingdom approach.
- Must be a seasoned teacher of the

Bible with lecturing experience and communication skills.

- Must have knowledge of cross-cultural ministry and project management.
- Knowledge in multimedia an added advantage.

EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- Must hold a minimum of a diploma in Biblical or Ministerial Studies.
- Must have qualified in Biblical Leadership programmes.
- Must hold references in Pastoral experience of at least 10 years.

ACCOUNTABILITY

- Reports to the founding leader of Bible Life Ministries at the Headquarters in Gaborone.

Qualified persons must send their applications with copies of their certificates and at least three references to:

The Administrator,
P.O. Box 41266,
Gaborone.

Closing date **6 June 2026.**

ELECTRICAL SUPERVISOR (1) POST

- Diploma or higher in Electrical Power Engineering
- Minimum 10 years' experience in Electrical Power Engineering.
- ERB registered
- Familiar with BPC small works construction program
- Not less than 5 years at supervisory level
- Driver's license a must

Suitably qualified persons respond to:
The Managing Director
M.T. Electrical & Painters (Pty) Ltd
P.O. Box 703
Francistown by 12-Jun-2026

CHANGE OF LAND USE

I, **Ferdinand Hirschfeld,** owner of a ploughing field at **Kutwane fields at Kopong, 2.3km** along the tarred road from Kopong Village, I would like to change use from ploughing field to mixed use (**50% commercial and 50% agricultural**).

For any objections, contact Kweneng Physical planning office on **telephone no. 5922628** within **fourteen(14)** days of publication of this notice.

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF USE

Mr. Makau Thobega seeks to apply for Change of Land Use from **Residential to MultiFamily Residential in relation to Plot 1772 Matlapana. Maun.** Residents and other people interested/affected by the proposed change of use can contact **Mr. N.L. Tema** at **P.O. Box 601523, Gaborone,** Telephone **No: 74 320 695** and the **North West District Council,** Physical Planning Office during working hours from **0730 to 1630 hours.**

Any queries or objections should be submitted in writing to the North West District Council, Physical Planning Office within **fourteen (14) days** of publication of this notice.

CHANGE OF LAND USE

I, **Oteng Petit Gaoswediwe,** owner of commercial plot no. 4571 at Ramodisa ward at Kopong, I would like to change its use from commercial to residential.

For any objections, contact Kweneng Physical planning office on telephone no. 5922628 within fourteen(14) days of publication of this notice.

Emerald Telecom Botswana

is looking for;

- Project Manager
- Technical Support Consultants
- Swap Consultants
- Rf Drive Test & Optimization Specialists
- Radio Frequency Consultants

With diploma in RF Drive Tests and Optimization in GSM - Mobile Networks telecommunication. Work Experience of 5 to 10 years. Bachelor of Computer Science (Honors)

The Manager
Box 10127, Gaborone
Closing date: **10/06/2026**

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
MOOKETSI MAKOBO	ESHFT-000372-26	04/08/26	0900HRS	ARM

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 21TH DAY OF MAY 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Masters Reference: ESHGB 001620-25

IN THE ESTATE of the late **Akanyang Masekate** who died at Phuthadikobo Clinic, Kweneng District, Botswana on the **12th October 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 Jwaneng on this 11th Day of May 2026.

Tikina Kevin Masekate
P O Box 313 Jwaneng
Tel: 71553002

TO BOOK ADVERTS
365 3592

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master's Reference: ESHGB 000327/24

IN THE ESTATE of the Late **KALUMBU MUKWEMBA** who died at Dambwa Central Mini Hospital, Livingstone District, Zambia on the 3rd day of January 2024.

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

DATED at _____ on this _____ Day of _____ 2026

The Executrix, Hildah Mfula Mukwemba, P O Box 10950,
PALAPYE, cell: 72791052



SITUATION VACANT: CONCRETE BATCHING PLANT MANAGER (IN POSITION)

Concrete 4 U (Pty) Ltd is a citizen owned company incorporated in accordance with the company's act of Botswana. Concrete 4 U (Pty) Ltd is currently looking for a suitable qualified candidate to fill the position of Concrete Batching Plant Manager.

The successful candidate will be expected to carry out the following duties and responsibilities

DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

Plan, lead, direct, coordinate and control all activities of the Batching Plant.

- Ensure safety and environmental regulation compliance and maintain a safe working environment.
- Batch concrete loads according to clients' specifications.
- Be responsible for efficient and safe working condition of the batching plant equipment and Employees.
- Order raw materials for daily production.
- Coordinate, receipts and manage inbound deliveries of raw materials.
- Maintain time and material records.
- Conduct quality control testing on concrete mixes. Understand appropriate uses of various mix designs.
- Schedule mixer trucks to ensure maximum utilization and efficiency while meeting the needs and expectations of customers
- Monitor mixer truck status on a constant basis to ensure customer satisfaction and maximum equipment and labor utilization.
- Other duties as assigned, from time to time.

SKILLS & EXPERIENCE:

- Certificate or diploma in Cement and Concrete Technology.
- A minimum of 10 years' working experience in the field of reinforced concrete.
- Knowledge on concrete technology.
- Ability to motivate and manage staff.
- Need to be an excellent communicator with strong written, verbal and interpersonal skills
- Commitment to safety.
- Ability to derive high level cost estimates
- Ability to identify and carry out risk analyses
- Good financial acumen
- Ability to control projects from start to finish
- High level of organizational and time management skills

How to Apply

To apply for this position, please send your application with a detailed CV and certified copies of your academic qualifications via email to recruitment@estateconstruction.co.bw or via post: P O Box 403200, Gaborone on or before the 14th of June 2026.



About Us

Optoguide Optometrists offers a professional, friendly, and comfortable setting and provides customized eye care for all family members. In addition to eye exams, Optoguide Optometrists provides treatment and management of eye diseases and health conditions, contact lens fitting.

Role Description

This is a full-time on-site role position in Pilane, Kgatleng District for an Optometrist at Optoguide Optometrist. The Optometrist will be responsible for conducting comprehensive eye exams, diagnosing and treating vision problems and eye diseases, and prescribing eyeglasses and contact lenses. Additionally, the Optometrist will educate patients on eye health, and collaborate with other healthcare professionals to ensure overall wellness and patient satisfaction.

Qualifications

- Experience in conducting eye exams, diagnosing vision problems, and prescribing corrective lenses
- Knowledge of eye diseases and treatments, and ocular pharmacology.
- Strong verbal communication and patient education skills
- Ability to work collaboratively with other healthcare providers
- Detail-oriented with strong diagnostic and problem-solving skills
- Licensure to practice optometry (BHPC)
- Doctor of Optometry (OD) degree from an accredited optometry school
- Experience in a clinical or private practice setting is a plus
- Candidate will be required to work at 2 different locations.

APPLY : OPTOGUIDE OPTOMETRISTS
Ngaka Ya Matlho
Pilane Crossing Mall, Pilane
572 8383
Email: optoguide.optometrists@gmail.com

Apply By : 30 AUGUST 2026

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master's Reference: ESHGB-000432/24

IN THE ESTATE of the Late **Gaboitsiwe Bashi Legwaila** who died at Good Hope Primary Hospital, Goodhope, Barolong District, Botswana on 1st April 2021.

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

DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 19TH DAY OF MAY 2026.

EXECUTRIX DATIVE | Gertude Chengetai Jotia
P O Box 45830, GABORONE | CELL: 72 656 200

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

Duties and Responsibilities

- Routine consultation and diagnosis; medical management of patients; surgery (including orthopaedic), clinical and dental responsibilities; analysis of information obtained by history taking and examination to enable accurate diagnosis and develop appropriate treatment plans; and introducing new procedures/treatments/strategies and attending CPDs encouraged

If you are interested in this opportunity, please email your updated curriculum vitae and a bit about yourself to: **gaboronevetclinic@gmail.com**

INSECT FACTORY



INSECT FACTORY (PTY) LTD

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY | Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the following position:
PRINCIPAL ENTOMOLOGIST (Vacancy Number IF001/2026)

Job Summary

The successful candidate will be expected to plan, organise and implement the Company's insect management and research agenda.

Key Performance Areas

- Development and implementation of the insect-related strategy and ensure cost-effective and efficient services delivery.
- Identify and manage external relationships with government, non-government and private partners.
- Actively participate in the recruitment, mentoring and training of Batswana youth and women in insect-related projects.
- Guiding and supporting the company in a solutions-based approach to insect management and conservation.

Education/Experience

- Post-graduate education in a relevant field of biology and/or entomology from an internationally recognised University.
- Minimum of 10 years post-graduate experience in a biological field, preferably entomology. At least 5 years should have been at a supervisory level.
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills.
- Valid Driver's Licence.
- Computer literacy is essential.
- Micro-manipulation of insect specimens, and microscope working skills.

Remuneration

Insect Factory (Pty) Ltd offers an attractive remuneration package to the successful candidate.

A detailed CV including the names and contact details of three referees, and certified copies of relevant qualifications should accompany an application letter and be emailed to: info@insectfactorybw.com no later than **12 June 2026**. Insect Factory (Pty) Ltd reserves the right to directly appoint an outstanding candidate, or will enter into correspondence with shortlisted candidates only.

For any enquiries please contact the General Manager at +267 77 525 859, or email lesego@insectfactorybw.com

NOTE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
BANDA MICHAEL BADISA	ESHMY 000279-26	30.06.26	0900HRS	SARM

DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 19 MAY 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

Notice Of Intention to Change Marriage Property Regime
(In Terms of Section 8 (1) (f) of Married Persons Act, 2014)

1. **SHATHISO PATRICIA AMOS** and **ISHMAEL MASHUMBA** married "in community of property" on 20th December, 2020 in Francistown, 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 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 make representations before the High Court once the contemplated application is lodged or inform the parties before the expiration of the said three(3) weeks period.

DATED at GABORONE this 20th of May, 2026
SHATHISO PATRICIA AMOS, Applicant, Cellphone No. 77612887, GABORONE
ISHMAEL MASHUMBA, Applicant, Cellphone No. 71550357, TUTUME

VACANCIES

POSITION : QUALIFIED AUTOMOTIVE Machinist . An automotive repair company based in Gaborone is looking for an experienced qualified automotive machinist. Must be at least 10 years experienced as an all rounder with traceable reference. Please send updated CV to P O Box 1020 Gaborone no later than 5th of June 2026.

SENIOR ARTISAN FITTER and Turner/ Machinist required urgently with 15 years experience. Apply to Simsons Engineers (Pty) Ltd, P. O. Box 47114 Phakalane

WANTED: SECURITY GUARDS. Qualifications: O Levels, Certificate in security operation, computer literacy, no criminal record, good track record. Apply to Security Manager, P O Box 47057 Phakalane. Gaborone or email to oteng.gaothobogwe@dtbotswana.com

THE VINE ACADEMY invites applications from suitably qualified individuals for the position of School Head. Qualifications: B.Ed in Special Education and a Diploma in ECC. Experience: 6+ years of relevant educational leadership experience. To apply: Send your CV and qualifications to: thevineacademy25@gmail.com. Closing date 5 June 2026.

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FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

Master's Ref: ESHGB-000316/24

IN THE STATE of the Late **KEELETHOKO MOKGWA** who died at Princess Marina Hospital, Gaborone, Gaborone District, Botswana on the 22nd October 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.

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

Dated at Gaborone on the 21st day of May 2026

The Executor
Mothusi Mokgwa
P O Box 53187, Gaborone
Cell: 74155556/73155556

PUBLIC NOTICE

The owner of Plot 7791 and Plot 10099, Tlokweng Village, wishes to inform neighbours and the general public of the intention to erect a boundary wall around the said properties.

Any person with objections to this development should contact the Tlokweng District Council Physical Planning Office at 3695000 / 3695002 within fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this notice

CHANGE OF LAND USE

OWNER OF PLOT NO. 31226 MOGODITSHANE, INTENDS TO CHANGE THE LAND USE FROM SINGLE TO MULTI-RESIDENTIAL

ANY OBJECTION REGARDING THIS PROPOSAL SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO MOGODITSHANE/THAMAGA DISTRICT COUNCIL WITHIN 14 DAYS AT PHYSICAL PLANNING OFFICE OR CALL 3931537/8

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master's Reference: ESHGB-000372/21

IN THE ESTATE of the Late Neltah King who died at Bokamoso Private Hospital, Mmopane, Kweneng District, Botswana on 21st April 2021.

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

DATED at on this day of 2026.

Executrix Dative | Nobuhle G. King
P O Box 10265, Village | GABORONE | CELL: 71898051

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT MAHALAPYE
ESHMY 000021-26

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the late **KEMORENG MOLEJA NTSOSA** who died at Tshikhinyega ward, Mahalapye, Central-Mahalapye Botswana on the 10th day of June 2014 and TSHENOLO NTSOSA who died at Mahalapye Hospital, Central-Mahalapye District, Botswana on the **4th day of November 2023. ESHMY-000021-26**

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

Dated at Mahalapye this 18th day of May 2026

NEO PATRICIA MOOKO AND TO MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT
EXECUTOR DATIVE PRIVATE BAG 6
P.O. BOX 56 MAHALAPYE

MAHALAPYE, CELL: 71932392

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN
ESHFT 000225/24

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the late **KEPALETSWE MMOLOKI ESHFT-000225/24** who died at BOBONONG DISTRICT on the 24th day of JULY 2022

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 06TH DAY OF MAY 2026

OOKEDITSE MAOMELA AND TO: Master of the High Court
EXECUTOR DATIVE Private Bag F13
P O BOX 839, BOBONONG FRANCISTOWN

LIQUIDATOR'S NOTICE NOTICE OF THE RELEASE OF LIQUIDATOR

DECALOGUE (PROPRIETARY) LIMITED – IN LIQUIDATION

Master's Reference – LQHGB – 000004 - 24

Notice is hereby given in terms of section 388(1) of the Companies Act, Chapter 42:01 that the liquidator hereby applies to the Master for his release having completed the administration of this liquidation.

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

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master's Reference: ESHGB – 000583-25

IN THE ESTATE of the late **RAOSENKA T PHUTHE & DIDIMALANG PHUTHE** who died at the Ranta Ward, Molepolole, Kweneng District & Sir Ketumile Masire, Hospital, Gaborone District, Botswana on the **27th April 2024 & 7th April 2025** respectively.

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

DATED AT GABORONE this 7th day of May 2026.

Executrix Dative | Ogaufi Phuthe
P.O. Box 2898, MOLEPOLOLE | Cell : 72 806 485 / 75 415 693

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN
ESHFT-000692-24

FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

IN THE ESTATE of the late **Rebaagetse Lesanyang-ESHFT-000692-24** who died at Central-Tutume District, Kutlwano, Mokubilo on the 13th September 2003.

I have advertised First and Final Liquidation and Distribution Account in the Botswana Daily Newspaper and Government Gazette, the advert ran for 21 days and no one has showed up.

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 05ST DAY OF MAY 2026

OLEBILE LESANYANG AND TO: MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT
EXECUTOR DATIVE PRIVATE BAG F13
P O BOX 23 FRANCISTOWN FRANCISTOWN
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NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS
Administration of Estates Act
(Cap. 31:01)

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that by virtue of section 31 of the Administration of Estates Act (Cap: 33:01), heirs and 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
BOKHABE BASIMANEBOTLHE	ESHMY 000253-26	30.06.26	0900HRS	SARM

DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 19TH MAY 2026
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT


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NOTICE OF THE FIRST MEETING OF CREDITORS
OF
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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 First 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 **18th June 2026** for the following purposes:

- Proof of claims
- Consideration of the Judicial Manager's Report
- Appointment of Judicial Manager
- To consider and pass resolutions if deemed fit
- To consider any other competent business

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

By the Provisional Judicial Manager
JETHRO KAMUTSI | PRESTIGE BUSINESS CONSULTANTS,
Setlhoa Office Park, Unit 6, P O Box 602430 Gaborone

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
GOTSHOGWANG RASEAKETSO	ESHMY 000040-26	23.06.26	0900HRS	SARM

DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 11TH May 2026
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

NOTICE OF LOST DEED OF FIXED PERIOD STATE GRANT

NOTICE is hereby given that the undermentioned intends applying for certified copy of Deed of Transfer No:TL 95/2001 dated 01st day of March 2001 made in favour of Daniel Malinda in respect of:

CERTAIN: Piece of land being Tribal Lot 45 Rasesa;
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MEASURING: 752m2 (Seven Hundred and Fifty Two 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 at Gaborone within three (3) weeks of the last publication of this notice.

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 19th DAY OF MAY 2026
S.G. MARIRI ATTORNEYS (Attorneys Notaries & Conveyancers)
Plot 7906, Maruapula: P.O. Box 793 AAH, Gaborone; Contacts: 391 0606/71 487747

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT MAHALAPYE
ESHMY 000081 -26

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the late **GALESEKASEKWE GOPADILE - ESHMY 000081-26** who died at Mannathako Ward, Serowe-Central District on the **17th February 2021.**

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

Dated at Mahalapye this 20th day of May 2026

MOGOTSI GOPADILE
EXECUTRIX DATIVE
P O BOX 2757 SEROWE
CELL: 71 614 150

AND TO : MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT
PRIVATE BAG 6
MAHALAPYE

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN
ESHFT 000213/23

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the late **KETHLAFILE GABANAMOTSE-ESHFT-000213-23** who died at Tsetsejwe Central District on the **08/08/2021**

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

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 21TH DAY OF MAY 2026

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NOTICE OF DEBTORS AND CREDITORS Master's Reference: ESHGB-000142-26

IN THE ESTATE of the late **Noel Richard Gonsalves** who died at **Gaborone Private Hospital, Gaborone, Botswana** on the **15th day of August 2025**.

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

Dated at Gaborone on the 21st day of May 2026

ELAINA GONSALVES | The Executrix, P. O Box 403405 Gaborone.
Email address: dangrigan@gmail.com: | **Cell no:** 71 888 068

NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETING
 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 Peron	Estates Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
TOTENG TAPSON SELIKA	ESHFT-000293-26	24-06-26	0900Hrs	SARM 2

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 6th MAY 2026
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

MOESI J

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN
 CASE NO: CVHFT-000547-25
 In the matter between:
ARTLEX ENTERPRISES (PROPRIETARY) LIMITED APPLICANT
 And
ORTHODEX (PROPRIETARY) LIMITED RESPONDENT

SUBSTITUED SERVICE SUMMONS

TO: ORTHODEX (PROPRIETARY) LIMITED; a Company registered in terms of Botswana Laws, with its Offices at Plot No: 14032, Block 8, Francistown:
BE PLEASED TO TAKE NOTICE THAT by summons issued by this Court you have been called upon to give notice within **fourteen (14) days** after publication hereof, to the Registrar of the High Court at Francistown and to Plaintiff's Attorneys of your intension to defend (if any) an action wherein the Plaintiff seek the following reliefs;

Judgment for cancellation of the Parties Mining Contract Lease Agreement:

- Eviction of the Defendant from the Plaintiff's Premises
- payment of the 10% of mineral proceeds harvested from Plaintiff's mine to date;
- Official hand over of the site to Plaintiff within 24 hours of receipt of this Order, together with all the necessary reports thereof;
- Costs of suit at Attorney and Client Scale.

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN ON THIS 22ND DAY OF MAY 2026

MOLOSIWA ATTORNEYS
 Ntote House, Second Floor
 (Opposite Thapama Hotel)
 P O Box 2429
 FRANCISTOWN
 Our Ref: KLM/CVL/157/11/25
 Tel: 2412075 Fax: 2412062
 Cell: 73601992
 Email: molosiwaattorneys@yahoo.com

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
 Master's Reference: ESHGB-001008/24

IN THE ESTATE of the Late **Sekgabo Molefe** who died at Princess Marina Hospital, Gaborone, Gaborone District, Botswana on 29th June 2024.

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

DATED aton thisday of 2026.

Jacob Mthimkhulu P O Box 20634 **GABORONE** TEL: 77449155 / 73126593
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IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT MAHALAPYE
 ESHMY 000037 -26

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS


IN THE ESTATE of the late **SEANYATSENG BAKGANI - ESHMY 000037-26** who died at Maite Ward, Chadibe, Central District, Botswana on the 12th January 2000.

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

Dated at Mahalapye this 07th day of May 2026

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Africa CDC warns countries at high risk of Ebola outbreak

ADDIS ABABA

The Africa Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC) has warned that 10 African countries are at high risk of the latest Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and Uganda, amid growing concern over regional spread.

During an online press briefing on Saturday evening, Africa CDC Director General Jean Kaseya said the 10 high-risk countries are South Sudan, Rwanda, Kenya, Zambia, the Central African Republic, Tanzania, Ethiopia, Angola, the Republic of the Congo, and Burundi.

"We have two affected countries and 10 countries at high risk. All other African countries, because they are not bordering the two affected countries, we are not calling them at risk for now, but depending on the way the outbreak is moving, we can reconsider this," Kaseya said.

According to data from the African Union's specialised healthcare agency, a total of 745 cases, including both suspected and confirmed infections, and 176 probable deaths have been reported since the DRC declared its 17th outbreak on May 15.

The Ebola virus is highly contagious and can cause symptoms including fever,

vomiting, diarrhea, generalised pain or malaise and, in severe cases, internal and external bleeding, with fatality rates varying depending on the viral subtype, according to the World Health Organization. *Xinhua*



BUNIA - Medical worker disinfecting equipments before the burial of a suspected Ebola victim in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. The outbreak, initially reported in Ituri Province, has now affected North Kivu and South Kivu, while two confirmed cases have also been reported in the neighbouring country of Uganda. Photo: Xinhua

Twenty-eight die in mine collapse

LUANDA

At least 28 people were killed on Saturday in a landslide at an illegal gold mine in Nambuanguo Municipality of Angola's northern Bengo Province, local authorities said.

Police spokesperson Gaspar Luis Inacio said 13 of the victims were members of the same family, adding that two people remain missing.

He said search and rescue operations are underway as authorities work to locate possible victims trapped in the collapsed mine.

Francisco Rodrigues, health supervisor at Bengo Central Hospital, said at least three injured people are receiving treatment at the hospital and were in stable condition.

They underwent X-ray examinations and remain under medical observation," Rodrigues said. He added that all three patients are conscious and out of danger, with no immediate need for transfer to other medical facilities. *Xinhua*



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SADC ministers reaffirm commitment to collective action

JOHANNESBURG

Southern African nations have committed to strengthening bilateral relations, deepening regional integration, enhancing policy coherence and presenting a unified voice in global engagements.

A joint statement released on Sunday said the ministers of foreign affairs from the Southern African Development Community (SADC) member states made the commitment during a meeting held at the Kruger National Park in Mpumalanga Province, South Africa, from Friday to Sunday.

The ministers highlighted several pressing global and regional challenges, including climate change, the Middle East conflict, and disruptions to international trade, energy, tourism, and financial systems.

They noted that these factors were driving up food and fuel prices, fueling exchange-rate volatility, and heightening risks to food and energy security across the region. According to the statement, the ministers reaffirmed their commitment to collective action aimed at strengthening resilience, deepening regional integration, and advancing sustainable development across the SADC member states.

They also pledged to enhance policy coherence, strengthen regional institutions, and advance coordinated diplomacy to ensure a coherent regional

voice in global engagements.

Key agenda items included food security, regional integration financing, investment strategies, public debt management, and domestic revenue mobilisation.

The ministers also deliberated on

industrialisation, value chains, trade, infrastructure development, transport, logistics, and the free movement of people. Additionally, discussions covered energy sectors, oil and gas, mineral resources, agricultural supply chains, and market access. SADC comprise 16

member states: Angola, Botswana, the Comoros, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Eswatini, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Tanzania, Zambia, and Zimbabwe. **Xinhua**



COTONOU - Benin's president Romuald Wadagni (left) and First Lady Nathalie Villette at the inauguration ceremony in Benin on Sunday. Wadagni, who was elected president of Benin in the April 12 election, was sworn in at the ceremony that brought together more than 6 000 guests, including heads of state institutions, members of constitutional bodies and former presidents as well as members of the diplomatic corps accredited to Benin. The new head of state pledged to serve and defend Benin during his seven-year constitutional term. Wadagni, Benin's fifth president since the advent of democratic renewal in February 1990, swore to respect and defend the Constitution, faithfully discharge duties entrusted to him by the nation, and devote all his efforts to promoting the common good, peace and national unity. Photo: Xinhua

BABEREKI SACCOS Management Board has declared interest on savings at the rate of 6% for the year ended April 2026. All Shareholders who have been saving for over 12 months in the said period and have earned interest of P200.00 or more, qualify to withdraw the amount. Those who earned less than P200.00 will have the amount added to their savings balances.

Members should bring/submit a fully completed Interest on Savings Application Form to interestonsavings@baberekisaccos.co.bw

Forms are accessible from our website at www.baberekisaccos.co.bw in the DOWNLOADS section.

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QUALIFICATION: Diploma in Education
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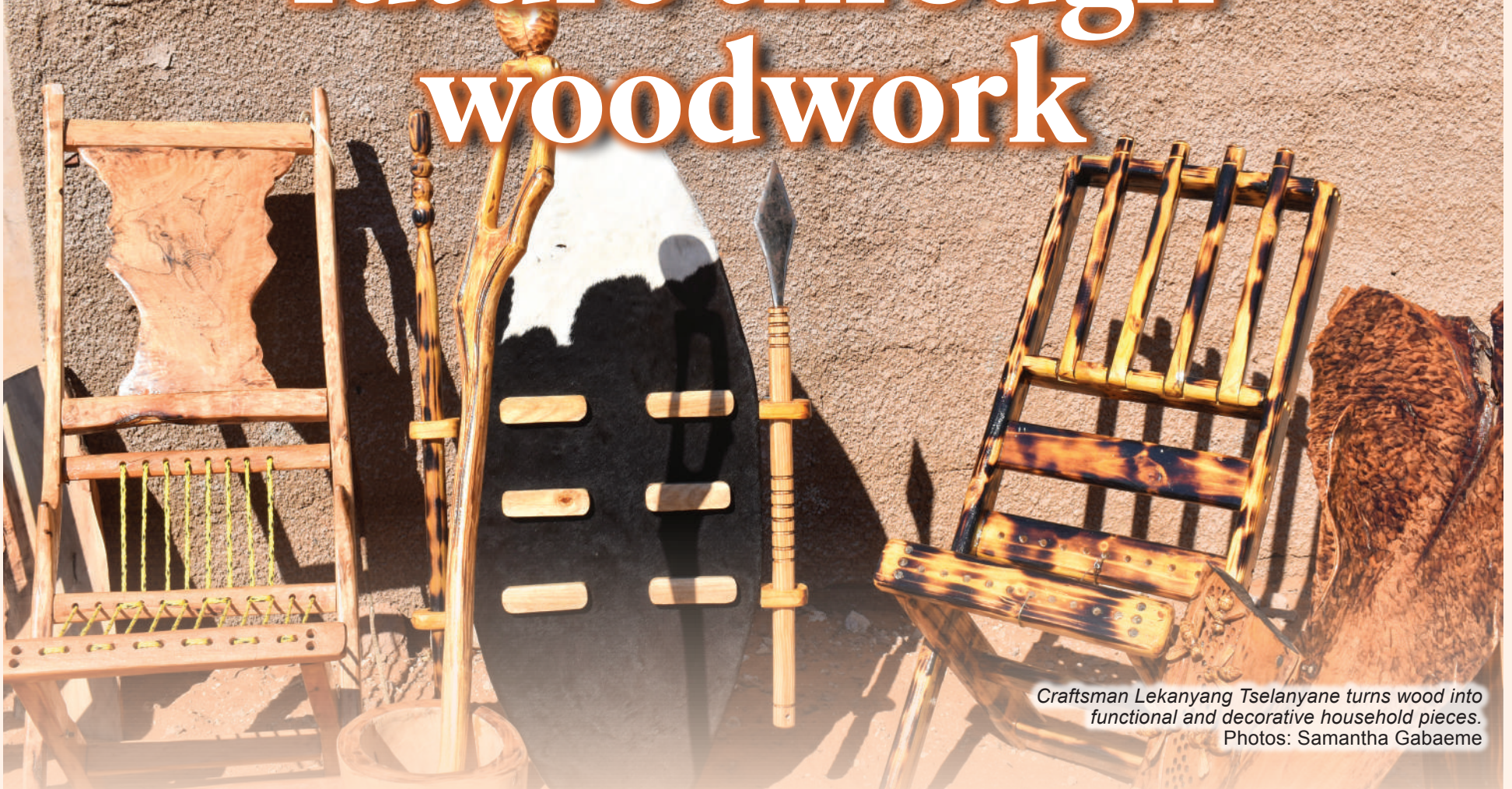
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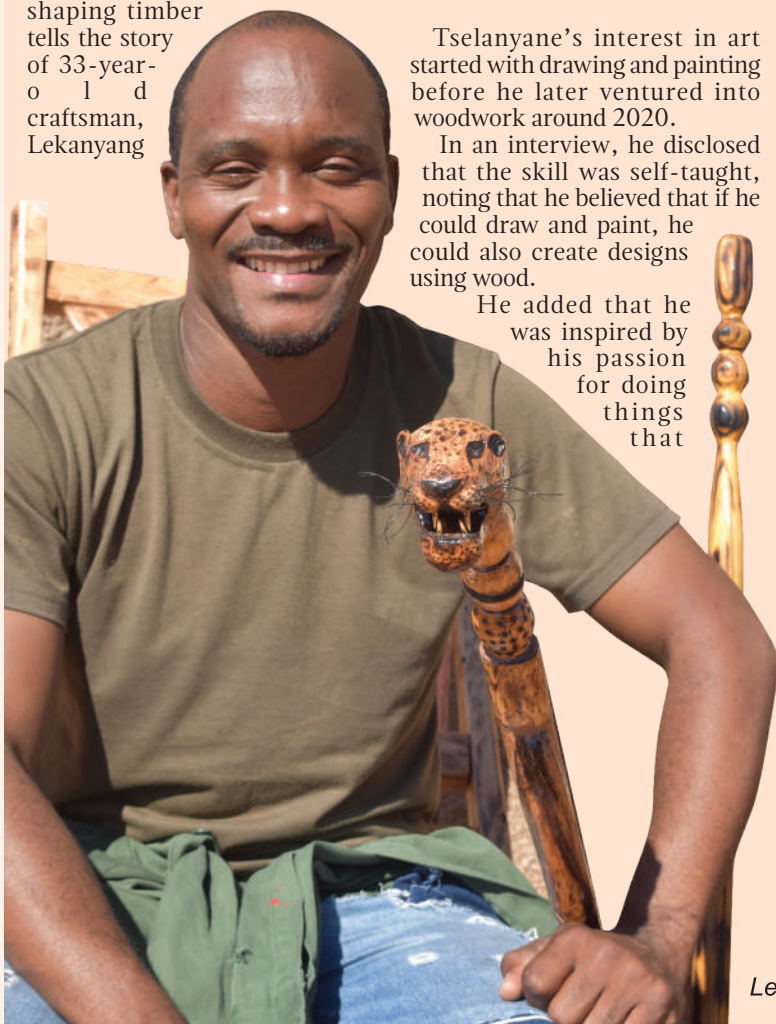
Tselanyane carves future through woodworking



Craftsman Lekanyang Tselanyane turns wood into functional and decorative household pieces. Photos: Samantha Gabaeme

Samantha Gabaeme
HUKUNTSI

In the quiet village of Hukuntsi, the sound of carving and shaping timber tells the story of 33-year-old craftsman, Lekanyang



Tselanyane, who despite being unemployed, is steadily turning raw material into handcrafted household and decorative pieces that are quietly finding their place in the local market.

Tselanyane's interest in art started with drawing and painting before he later ventured into woodworking around 2020.

In an interview, he disclosed that the skill was self-taught, noting that he believed that if he could draw and paint, he could also create designs using wood.

He added that he was inspired by his passion for doing things that

were not commonly seen and applied unique techniques in his woodworking to make his products stand out from others on the market.

Tselanyane said he manufactured a variety of products, including chairs, tables, mortars and pestles, shields, lamps and walking sticks.

He uses different types of wood depending on the design and purpose of the product he intends to create and in some cases incorporates materials such as horns and leather to enhance the aesthetics of his pieces.

Tselanyane does not take custom orders as he feels that it becomes difficult to produce quality work when under pressure to meet specific deadlines.

Instead, he focuses on making readily available products so that he can take his time to ensure quality and creativity in each piece.

He said his designs came naturally because as an artist, one did not always talk but expressed thoughts through creation.

Tselanyane said his work reflected emotions, especially pieces that included writing, which he used to communicate deeper meaning through his craft.

He also highlighted that he applied different techniques in his work, including writing and burning on wood, to enhance the artistic value and finish of his products.

He added that the work did not take much of his time, as he was able to produce several items in a single day.

His customer base is mostly made up of elderly people, who are more likely to own homes and require household items.

He said among the most frequently purchased products were mortars and pestles; which he ensured were always available to meet customer demand whenever they needed them.

Tselanyane sells his products from home and also markets them through Facebook, where he reaches a wider audience.

Mr Tselanyane cited lack of machinery among his main challenges, attributing to the problem his inability to produce larger quantities and a wider range of products.

He said this affected his production capacity as he was unable to scale up his work to meet higher demand. He added that the machinery he required was not readily available locally, forcing him to travel to Gaborone in search of equipment, which was also not always easy to find.

However, he said when the machines were unavailable, he uses alternative tools at home to ensure that production continued.

As another way of marketing his work, Tselanyane attends exhibitions and shows, which give people from different areas

an opportunity to view his work and learn about his business. He also gets opportunities to decorate at weddings, which he uses as another way of advertising his craft and attracting potential customers.

He noted that he received support from the Kgalagadi North District Council, which sometimes purchased his items as gifts for official use or for presenting to individuals on special occasions, further contributing to his sales and exposure.

Tselanyane said Kabakae Village Development Committee (VDC) once purchased some of his products to decorate their guesthouse, an opportunity that further exposed his work and added to his growing customer base. He said the elderly often get to see his work whenever people had converged at the kgotla, which also helped him reach more local customers.

Tselanyane said he had grown significantly when comparing his earlier work to his current output, noting that some of the things he was now able to produce were once beyond his imagination.

He said through his business he was able to cover some of his basic life expenses despite being unemployed. He added that he believed in future he would be working with other people, with production expanding to a larger scale. **BOPA**

Lekanyang Tselanyane

Nsiiwa story reaches Paris

Benita Magopane
GABORONE

Once penniless and weighed down by personal loss, award winning author, Zwelihle Nsiiwa, is now turning pain into purpose through her chapter story, *She Walked Barefoot Into Her Destiny*, which has been featured in a United Kingdom published anthology entitled, *Resilience and Reinvention*, launched in Paris, France recently.

Through deeply moving and powerful storytelling, the book features a compelling collection of stories from 27 women across diverse industries around the world, each author capturing themes of survival, resilience, grief, hope, healing, identity, courage and perseverance, drawing from lived experiences and the realities of overcoming hardship.

And Nsiiwa is no stranger to hardship. From traversing poverty all her life at Xhumo, a small and under-resourced village in the Boteti District, to suffering loss after loss of her loved ones, each death following the other like a row of dominoes being tipped over, leaving little time to heal before grief struck again.

Yet, against her emotional breakdowns and battle with depression, Nsiiwa found the strength to remain resilient through faith.

In an interview, Nsiiwa shared that her story reflected endurance through



hardship, silent battles and the courage to keep believing when life offered very little.

“I come from a childhood marked by poverty. Walking barefoot to school, to working as a domestic worker with nothing but hope, faith in God and dreams that seemed distant,” Nsiiwa recounted, “however this story represents not just my personal journey, but the voices, resilience, and potential of many others from my country.”

It is evident that Nsiiwa embodies the saying, “all big things come from small beginnings.” Having risen from humble roots to

achieving remarkable milestones in life, such as publishing children’s books to academic textbooks which are used in learning centres across Botswana and adopted by some schools in South Africa, the award-winning storyteller shared her greatest desires.

“My greatest desire is to show everyone that one’s beginning does not define their ending,” she said determinedly.

For Nsiiwa, the opportunity to share her story with a global audience represents a major milestone, not just for herself, but for Botswana and African storytelling.

“For too long, we have watched others tell African stories for us. When we speak for ourselves, it brings pride, healing and identity,” she said, adding “and now, through this opportunity, I have been given a platform to share our narratives and inspire others, especially young women.”

Nsiiwa shared her secret to the success of her story. Authenticity. “There is something powerful about telling your own story, no one can tell it the way you can. I approached it with that mind-set, staying true to my lived experiences without trying to change or soften them. Honesty was my foundation.”

Despite the achievement, Nsiiwa pointed out that challenges such as limited access to global publishing networks and platforms from Botswana along with limited visibility and resources remain.

However, she expressed that for her, such challenges had built resilience to push past the barriers.

On what readers can expect, Nsiiwa cited honesty, struggle, survival, hope and transformation.

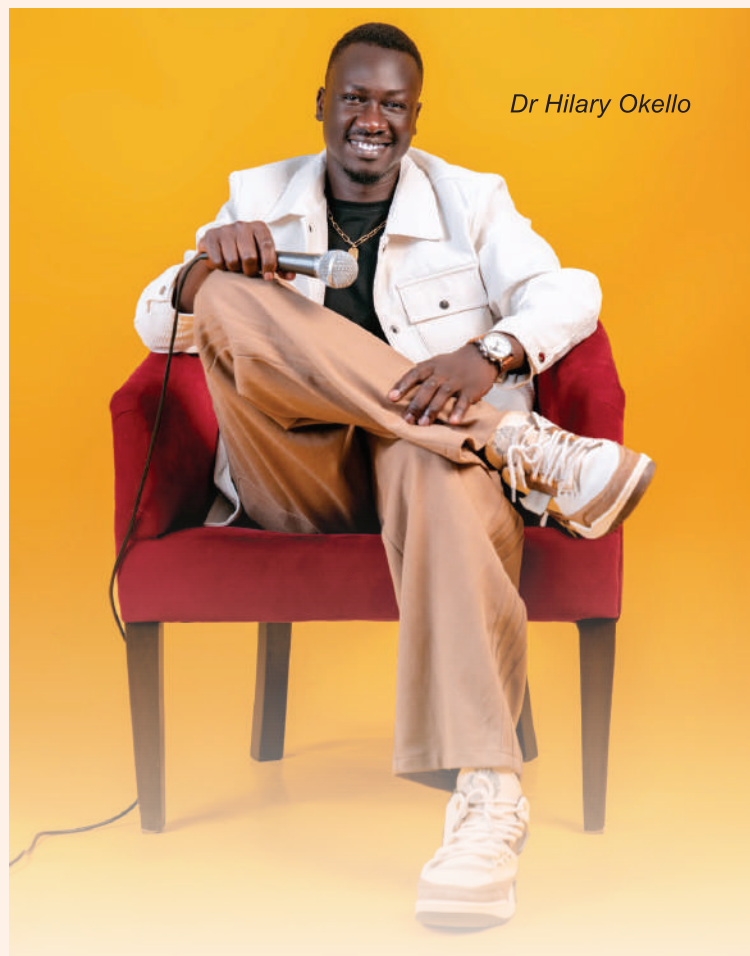
She also shared that she was currently working on a collection of children’s Bible story books written in Shona, Ndebele, Setswana, Ikalanga and English, which she expected to publish before the end of June.

Lastly, Nsiiwa reflected on what resilience and reinvention meant to her.

“To me, resilience and reinvention mean dreaming beyond my circumstances and breaking glass ceilings. It is the awakening of renewed faith,” she said. **BOPA**



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Dr Hilary Okello

Jokes From Far Away comes to Botswana

Benita Magopane
GABORONE

Botswana is next in line for two days of laughter as the upcoming African stand-up comedy tour, *Jokes From Far Away*, led by internationally celebrated Ugandan comedian Dr Hilary Okello and organised by Major Moves Comedy, heads to the country this June.

The satirical comedy show will take place at Nuestra Casa Lounge in Gaborone on June 4 before heading to Cresta Marang Gardens in Francistown on June 5.

The tour has already made its mark in Kenya and is expected to continue to Eswatini, South Africa and Namibia.

Comedy enthusiasts in Botswana can expect side-splitting performances from Botswana’s internationally recognised comedian Thapelo Malani, alongside Gaborone acts Zoe Kgasa and Boldwin Ramokate. The Francistown edition will feature Augustus Phillemon and Bafana ‘Ribcracker’ Letsatsi.

Speaking ahead of the tour, Dr Hilary Okello expressed excitement about returning to Southern Africa

strengthening comedy connections across the continent.

“Comedy is a universal language, and the *Jokes From Far Away* tour is about bringing African people together through laughter, culture and shared experiences. Botswana has incredible talent and amazing audiences, and I am excited to finally bring this tour here,” he said.

He added that the tour sought to celebrate African comedy while fostering collaboration among comedians from different countries and growing the live comedy industry across the continent.

Meanwhile, Events Coordinator Gaolathe Kediemetse said audiences should expect an unforgettable night of storytelling, cultural observations, crowd interaction and high-energy performances.

“We promise a truly enjoyable, relaxing and funny event with this production. Come ready for laughter and experience an evening where comedy meets culture,” he said. **BOPA**



Thapelo Malani

Mokalake retains elite cycling title

Ketshepile More
GABORONE

Thabiso Mokalake successfully defended his Elite Men's Road National Championship title over the weekend following a dominant performance by his Team Swift side, which effectively neutralised several breakaway attacks during the race.

Mokalake retained the title after clocking 3:39:59, finishing ahead of teammates Mark van Zyl

and Thebeyame Ruele, who came second and third in times of 3:40:00 and 3:40:42 respectively.

With some of Botswana's top elite riders competing over the 140km distance, Team Swift controlled the race from the onset, executing their strategy by maintaining command at the front of the peloton.

The course route also suited Mokalake's strengths, and with strong team support behind him, Team Swift's hopes of retaining the national title were well justified.

Ruele led the peloton for much of the race, while riders from clubs such as Tsela Riders, Morupule and Jwaneng made attempts to chase down the leaders. However, Team Swift riders remained focused and maintained control of the race.

As the race progressed, the gap between the leaders and the

chasing peloton widened further. Team Swift continued to dictate the pace at the front, ensuring the breakaway remained intact. Their efforts eventually paid off as van Zyl and Mokalake crossed the finish line together in an impressive team display.

Although van Zyl had an opportunity to sprint for victory, he allowed Mokalake to take the win in a remarkable show of teamwork and sportsmanship.

"For a couple of kilometres, we were going slow, but I had to control the bunch and when we knew that they had enough gap to stay away, I decided to put the pace back up. And with 40km to go to the finish, I managed to drop them off and I rode to the front to Thabiso and we managed to finish together, and I was happy to have assisted him

retain his national championship title," van Zyl explained.

Earlier this month, van Zyl represented Botswana at the City Mountain Bike Eliminator Pro League 2026 held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, where he secured a top-10 finish, placing eighth among Africa's elite riders.

"It is a fun event, and we need to get them to host such events here in Botswana. It gets so much recognition, with over 200 000 viewing the event; so, this is a great exposure for cycling sport," van Zyl said.

He added that cycling was steadily growing in Botswana, with new talent emerging regularly.

"It should not only be the bigger African countries hosting major events. Countries like Botswana can also host such competitions.

We recently proved our capability with the successful hosting of the 2026 World Relays, which took place during the same weekend as the MTB Eliminator Pro League," he said.

Meanwhile, Tsela Riders continued their dominance in the youth and junior categories for both males and females.

Ontlametse Maswabi was crowned Youth National Champion after completing the 90km race in 2:31:06. His teammates Kaone Maswabi and Ted Makgetho finished second and third in times of 2:35:50 and 2:37:18 respectively.

In the Female Youth Category, Hope Mathiba narrowly defeated reigning champion Loapi Mmokele in a closely contested race, finishing in 1:58:38, just one second ahead of Mmokele's 1:58:39. Kyara Kenaope secured third position with a time of 2:03:48. Mathiba also won the Individual Time Trial national title.

In the male Youth category, Tsela Riders' Zain Botlele claimed the national title after finishing in 1:46:00 ahead of Kgosi Ditlogolo of Botrail Cycling Club, who clocked 1:46:00.955, while Fikane Gwakuba of Karowe Cycling Club came third in 1:51:08.

Botswana Cycling Association president Kagiso Potongwane expressed gratitude to the riders and clubs for their continued contribution to the growth of cycling in Botswana.

He encouraged clubs to regularly host competitions to keep cyclists competitive and active.

Potongwane said the BCA was targeting an African medal and planned to organise more cycling events in addition to the National Championships to further develop the sport. **BOPA**



Enesia FC captain, Mbatshi Elias (left) and coach, Keoleboge Motsamai in tears of joy after their team beat Dinare FC 3-0 during the return leg of First Division Promotional Playoff in Francistown on Sunday. Enesia FC overturned a first leg lead of Dinare of 4-2.
Photo: Ogopoleng Kgomoethata

Enesia FC defy odds to punch premier league ticket

Kelebogile Taolo
FRANCISTOWN

There is a precise moment when a football stadium transitions from a place of tense and suffocating anxiety into an open-air carnival. For Francistown, that moment arrived in the 62nd minute on May 23 scorching afternoon at the City Council Stadium.

Down 4-2 on aggregate after a bruising first leg in Gaborone, Enesia FC was running out of time. The grandstands were packed to capacity, a sea of expectant faces demanding a miracle, but the scoreboard at halftime read a stubborn 0-0. The premier league felt far away.

Then, coach Keoleboge Motsamai turned to his bench and signalled for Keabetswe Rekiso.

What followed over the next 14 minutes will be talked about in Francistown bars and training grounds for decades. It was not just a tactical substitution but the spark for a sporting resurrection

that ended in a 3-0 second-leg victory and a historic 5-4 aggregate promotion to the FNB Premiership League for the 2026/27 season.

To understand the magnitude of Enesia's triumph, one has to look at the psychological wreckage of the week leading up to the match.

Trailing by two goals against a disciplined Dinare FC side is a heavy mental burden. Football history is littered with teams that freeze under the pressure of a playoff second leg.

"Throughout the week, we worked heavily on the motivation of the players," coach Motsamai reflected post-match, his voice a mix of exhaustion and pride. "We executed what we worked on all week and the players showed great mentality under pressure," he added.

That mental fortitude was tested early. Enesia started low, looking uncharacteristically tentative in the first half-hour. When a beautiful opportunity in the 38th minute went begging, a collective sigh of frustration rippled through the

home crowd. Dinare FC, coached by Enosi Mmesi, seemed content to suffocate the game, absorbing Enesia's growing momentum and heading into the locker rooms with their two-goal cushion intact.

But inside the Enesia locker room, the belief had not shattered. It was just waiting for a catalyst.

If the first half was a chess match, the second half was a blitz. Enesia returned to the pitch looking entirely rejuvenated, playing with an aggressive intensity that caught Dinare completely off guard.

Then came Motsamai's double substitution in the 62nd minute, the definitive turning point of the tie.

Rekiso's introduction was cinematic, 60 seconds after stepping onto the turf, before he had even broken proper sweat and the ball found his feet. One touch. Goal. In the 63rd minute, the aggregate deficit was slashed to 4-3 and the stadium found its voice.

Before Dinare could steady their shaking legs, Enesia struck again. In the 66th minute, Elias Mbatshi

clinically found the back of the net to level the aggregate score at 4-4. In just three breathless minutes, the tie had been completely blown open.

Dinare FC, conversely, looked paralysed by the sudden shift in gravity. "We didn't come to the party," coach Mmesi admitted afterward. "We were not aggressive enough... we lacked hunger and were reacting too slowly throughout the game," he said.

The knockout blow felt inevitable. In the 76th minute, Rekiso found space once more, burying his second of the match to make it 3-0 on the day and 5-4 overall.

From a two-goal deficit to a one-goal lead, the transformation was complete.

When the final whistle blew, the Francistown City Council Stadium dissolved into pure euphoria.

Having transformed a tactical deficit into a masterclass of collective belief, Enesia did not just earn their place in the 2026/27 top flight, but proved that they belong there. **BOPA**

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Kebinatshipi dominant force

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Botswana's 400-meter runner, Collen Kebinatshipi, has transitioned from a global competitor on the sidelines to a dominant force on the world stage.

His historic individual breakthrough at the 2025 World Athletics Championships in Tokyo not only rewrote the narrative, but also signified his triumph over imposter syndrome. After serving as the anchor leg for the 4x400m men relay team at the Debswana World Athletics Relays Gaborone 26, he firmly signaled his dominance to the sports world.

On Saturday, he further cemented his elite status at the Xiamen Diamond League, storming to victory with a world-leading time and meeting record of 43.92.

A defining strength of Kebinatshipi is his immense mental focus; he locks into his own lane, completely undisturbed by competitors ahead of him as he zones into his race plan.

Boasting this laser focus, a fluid running style, and a devastating kick in the final 60 metres, he possesses a rare athletic prowess that will likely torment his competitors for decades to come, provided he remains healthy.

Kebinatshipi, aka 'GoFlow' simply flows through the entire race, rarely struggling to shift into another gear, making the quarter-mile event look effortless.

In that regard, Athletics Coach

Justice Dipeba said in an interview that Kebinatshipi was slowly proving that he was one of the best 400-metre runners in the world.

"If there is an athlete who is threatening the 400m World Record, it is Collen. But then again, breaking a World Record is a big moment, and it will need the right time, the right place, and the right competition in order for it to happen. But yes, it is within his reach," he said.

Dipeba praised his speed, noting that Kebinatshipi was currently the fastest athlete in the world even though the season had just started.

"This is a clear indication that he is capable of dropping even faster times as the season progresses."

According to Dipeba, the athlete's running style was unique and it was difficult to compare him to any other runner.

"If you look at the 1992 Barcelona Olympic men's 400m final, I think Quincy Watts of the United States is closer to Collen's running style. He ran with such a fluid flow like Collen, but maybe he was not as agile," he said.

Also at the Xiamen meet, Bayapo Ndori clocked 44.88 to finish fifth in a highly competitive race, while Olympic champion, Letsile Tebogo recorded a Season Best of 10.10 to finish eighth in the men's 100 metres.

The result marks Tebogo's second Diamond League appearance of the 2026 season, following his race at the Shanghai meeting the previous week.

The 10.10 SB improves upon his previous mark of 10.12 in Shanghai as he builds toward upcoming Meets.

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