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Educators role vital



President Advocate Duma Boko (left), Vice President Ndaba Gaolathe (second left), Speaker of the National Assembly, Mr Dithapelo Keorapetse (second right) and Minister of Higher Education, Mr Prince Maele during the official opening of the 11th Pan-Commonwealth Forum in Gaborone yesterday. President Boko challenged educators to come up with solutions that would build resilient societies and create sustainable economic activities. He also expressed confidence that the forum would provide solutions to build resilient societies and generate sustainable economic activity that would propel nations towards a future different from the current. Photo: Pheny Moalosi

Teachers embrace new techniques

By Bakang Wren

GABORONE - A number of teachers, among the 22, who competed the HRDC-accredited STEM and Robotics Educators course recently have hailed it as transformative.

The six-day training hosted by BrainSTREAM Institute of Technology in Gaborone, equipped teachers with future-ready skills through hands-on sessions in STEM pedagogy, robotics, programming, 3D printing and design, game design, machine construction, and drones.

For many educators, it was their first exposure to robotics and 3D design.

One of the teachers, Ms Tshepiso Botumile, a trainer from Innovation Kgotla Maun, said in an interview that the course changed the way she saw teaching, adding that it was a space to inspire creativity, critical thinking and innovation.

“Working with other teachers

has given me fresh ideas and the confidence to bring innovation into my classroom,” she said.

Another teacher, Ms Ketshidile Gobona of Kagiso Senior Secondary School said her group built a smart hydroponic system using coding, sensors and robotics.

“Through this programme, I gained practical classroom strategies and learned how simple mechanisms like sensors or hydraulics can inspire real-world projects,” she said.

Others highlighted the power of collaboration.

“Group work gave us insight into how our own learners approach projects. My classes will never be the same again, from now on, science and mathematics will be more interactive,” said Ms Masego Moduwane.

According to Ms Thandie Lekone of Naledi Senior Secondary School, returning to the classroom as a student after 15 years was daunting but rewarding.

“Most of the programme was hands-on, which reminded me that as teachers, we must move away from lecturing and guide learners through activities that instill 21st-century skills.

Coding, in particular, is a tool Botswana’s students must embrace to compete globally.”

Mr Toloane Toloane, an administrator at Tlokwen Dayspring School, emphasised the course’s long-term impact.

“ It has been a wonderful experience of how to get learners engaged by bringing ideas to life through programming and robotics. I am excited to see what our learners will create back in our schools.”

BrainSTREAM’s head of education, Mr Mohit Lohani, said the initiative was part of a broader effort to strengthen both public and private schools with future-ready teaching.

“Teachers are the true pillars of our nation. By empowering them with practical, modern methods, we are equipping students to

become innovators and problem-solvers who will drive Botswana’s knowledge-based economy,” he said.

To date, BrainSTREAM has trained over 100 educators nationwide, with Mr Lohani noting that demand continued to

grow.

“This is just the beginning. For Botswana to truly leap into a tech-ready future, more schools, teacher unions, and stakeholders need to come on board and support initiatives like this.”

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Assistant Minister for State President, Ms Maipelo Mophuting (centre), South Africa High Commissioner to Botswana, Ms Thaninga Shope-Soumah (left) and Project Mabu coordinator, Ms Lolo Madikgetla at a handover ceremony in Francistown on Monday. Ms Mophuting expressed gratitude to Ms Shope-Soumah for championing the initiative. Meanwhile 22 mothers from across the country, including nine in the North Region District Health Management Team, received food hampers, toiletries, babies clothes and other necessities. Photo: Ogopoleng Kgomoethata

Mophuting commends Project Mabu for generosity

By Kelebogile Taolo

FRANCISTOWN - Project Mabu is a shining example of the good that can be achieved when the public and private sectors as well as social enterprises join hands.

This was said by the Assistant Minister for State President, Ms Maipelo Mophuting in Francistown on Monday during a donation ceremony by Project Mabu, where 22 mothers from across the country were given food hampers, babies clothes, toiletries and other necessities for themselves and their babies.

She noted that the initiative clothed mothers not just with blankets and supplies, but also with dignity, hope and the courage to look to the future without fear.

“Now, as we expand to reach 95 households across our nation, we witness the multiplying effect of unity.

This is what I call service in motion, where generosity meets organisation and compassion meets structure,” she said.

Ms Mophuting commended the leadership of Project Mabu for driving such an initiative that touched the lives of mothers and children, adding that the gifts given were more than material items, but were symbols of care and love.

She further commended the sponsors of the initiative for their generosity in ensuring that they offered various gifts.

For her part, South Africa

High Commissioner to Botswana, Ms Thaninga Shope-Soumah said Project Mabu was about teamwork, unity and love.

With the initiative now in its fourth year, Ms Shope-Soumah looked back with pride at its journey, and noted that it was gratifying that it served its purpose of giving back to mothers and their children across the country.

She commended the assistant minister for agreeing to be the patron of Project Mabu, highlighting that with her support, it would continue to succeed.

She also commended the sponsors for their continued teamwork and support.

For his part, deputy mayor of Francistown Mr Uyapo Nyeku said Project Mabu instilled the spirit of hope and dignity in mothers.

“What is given today is far more than materials, it is a symbol of compassion, care, and solidarity,” he said.

The Project Mabu initiative, launched in 2021, is collaboration between the South Africa High Commission and the Ministry of Health, dedicated to providing essentials to newborns and their mothers across the country.

The initiative has various sponsors such as Ungwa Africa, Kalahari Training Institute, PST Sales & Distribution, CA Sales, Bokomo, Flo-Tek, Clover, Choppies, Woolworths, and PolyNew Training Services.

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APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS OF SENIOR PUBLIC OFFICERS

The public is informed of the appointments and promotion that have effected in the Public Service.

1. **Mr. Gape Kaboyakgosi** has been appointed to the position of **Permanent Secretary** in the Office of the Vice President.
2. **Mr. Joel D. Ramaphoi** has been appointed to the position of **Permanent Secretary** - Ministry of Trade and Entrepreneurship.
3. **Prof Richard T. Tabulawa** has been appointed to the position of **Permanent Secretary** - Ministry of Higher Education.
4. **Ms. Keneilwe Senyarelo** has been appointed on promotion to the position of **Auditor General** in the Office of the Auditor General.
5. **Ms. Tebogo Tomango** has been appointed on promotion to the position of **Account General** in the Ministry of Finance.
6. **Mr. Phaphane Mpapho Botlhale** has been appointed as the **Deputy Auditor General** in the Office of the Auditor General.
7. **Ms. Grace Muzila** has been appointed to the position of **Chairperson** in the Public Service Commission.
8. **Dr. Ame Rebecca Masuku** has been appointed to the postion of **Parliamentary Counsel** in the National Assembly.
9. **Mr. Steve Bothasitse** has been appointed to the position of **Deputy Permanent Secretary (Education Support)** in the Ministry of Child Welfare and Basic Education.
10. **Prof Pier Paolo Piccaluga** has been appointed to the position of **Coordinator, National Healthy Laboratory** in the Ministry of Health.
11. **Mr. Mabedi Letsholo** has been appointed on promotion to the postion of **Senior Private Secretary to the Former President 111** in the Office of the President.
12. **Dr. Kaboyaone Hiri-Khudu** has been appointed to the position of **Director, Military Veterans** in the Ministry for State President.
13. **Mr. Tlamelo Ngakane** has been appointed on promotion to the position of **Deputy Director General - Investigation and Enforcement**, Department of Drug Enforcement Agency in the Office of the President.
14. **Colonel Montshwari Motlogelwa** has been appointed on promotion to the position of **Deputy Director - Operations**, Department of Drug Enforcement Agency in the Office of the President.
15. **Mr. João Carlos Duarte Salbany** has been appointed to the position of **Deputy Governmant Attorney** in the Attorney General’s Chambers.
16. **Mr. Tshireletso Motlogelwa** has been appointed to the position of **Deputy Permanent Secretary - Information, Broadcasting and Printing Services** in the Ministry for State President.
17. **Ms. Lydia Sejo Andries** has been appointed to the position of **Senior Consultant - National Health Insurance** in the Ministry of Health.

These appointments and promotions take effect on assumption of duty.

Thank you.

Emmah A. Peloetletse
PERMANENT SECRETARY TO THE PRESIDENT
AND SECRETARY TO THE CABINET

Govt prioritises indigenous people concerns

By Esther Mmolai

MAUN - Government is committed to working closely with indigenous people to address issues of concern and foster an inclusive environment, says Minister of Justice and Correctional Services, Mr Nelson Ramaotwana.

Delivering a keynote address at the ongoing Indigenous Peoples Network of Southern Africa (IPNeSA) conference held in Maun under the theme: Strengthening Indigenous Voice in Policy and Governance, Mr Ramaotwana said government had declared its commitment to being anchored on the protection of human rights and leaving no one behind.

The minister acknowledged that the San had consistently expressed how they were excluded from government decision-making processes and ethnic discrimination, despite Botswana being a signatory to six of the nine core Human Rights Conventions, such as the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR), the Convention on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD) and the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW), among others.

In addition, he noted that the international community had also consistently raised the issue of marginalisation of indigenous people with Botswana, citing recommendations made by different United Nations member states.

He said Germany had asked what improvements to living conditions and political and social participation the constitutional reform process would entail for minorities, especially ethnic minorities like the Khoisan.

Again, he said Australia had encouraged efforts to promote and protect the human rights of indigenous peoples.

“Government pronounced that it has identified the San peoples of Botswana as a tribal grouping that is most

marginalised, is excluded from government decision-making processes and has suffered from development-induced displacement and resettlement without compensation, to name a few of the injustices the San communities in Botswana continue to endure,” he said.

However, he assured them that government would not be insincere to issues pertaining to the San communities.

He cited that government had already demonstrated its commitment to upholding the human rights of the San by abandoning the administrative and legal infrastructure that inhibited the implementation of the late Pitseng Gaoberekwe’s wish to be buried at his ancestral land in the Central Kalahari Game Reserve.

Furthermore, he highlighted the appointment of an Inter-Ministerial Committee to comprehensively assess the situation of the San communities and advise government on sustainable solutions that respected the rights, culture and dignity of the San.

Mr Ramaotwana acknowledged that during its second phase, the committee also visited school hostels that accommodated school-going children and had identified challenges and potential interventions for San children accommodated in Remote Area Development Programme (RADP) hostels.

The committee, he said, also held interviews with San-focused interest groups, including Advocate Mogodu of the Indigenous Peoples Network of Southern Africa.

“I wish to reassure you of my ministry’s commitment to your cause. In order to ensure indigenous voices in policy and governance, the ministry facilitated the inclusion of members of the San communities in the development of the Botswana Economic Transformation Programme (BETP),” he added.

He said the programme aimed to fast-track reforms, catalyse



Minister of Justice and Correctional Services, Mr Nelson Ramaotwana (left) and MP for Maun North, Mr Dumelang Shaleshando (second right) interacting with Indigenous Peoples Network of Southern Africa members at their ongoing conference in Maun on Tuesday. Mr Ramaotwana said government was committed to working closely with indigenous people to address issues of concern and foster an inclusive environment. Photo: Esther Mmolai

investments and dismantle systemic inefficiencies and would be used to inform the next National Development Plan.

Furthermore, he said as they advanced the nation’s development agenda, it was essential that they did so with

inclusivity, respect and cultural dignity at the core, noting that government recognised the San communities, whose heritage and resilience were a vital part of the national identity.

“Through the BETP, a participatory approach that actively involved representatives from San communities was adopted, ensuring that indigenous voices were not only heard but meaningfully integrated into policies. This is not merely symbolic; it reflects the government’s firm commitment to equitable, culturally responsive development where no one is left behind. Together, we are building a Botswana that honours its diversity and draws strength from it,” he added.

Meanwhile, the five-day conference brought together diverse voices of indigenous communities from Botswana, Namibia, South Africa and Zimbabwe, including the United Nations Special Rapporteur, to discuss the challenges they encountered across the region. **BOPA**



Former president, Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi (left) welcoming former president of Mauritius, Mr Prithvirajsing Roopun for a courtesy call in Mokolodi on Monday. Mr Roopun visited Dr Masisi on his capacity as a member of the Africa Forum of Former Heads of State and Government. The two leaders discussed ways to harness the collective experience and wisdom of former heads of state, to promote sustainable peace, security, democratic governance and development across the continent, in line with the objectives of the African Union. Photo: Pheny Moalosi

Boko challenges educators for innovative ideas

By Bonang Masolotatse

GABORONE - President Advocate Duma Boko has challenged educators to come up with solutions that will build resilient societies and create sustainable economic activities.

The President made the call yesterday during the 11th Pan-

Commonwealth Forum (PCF 11) opening in Gaborone.

He highlighted the importance of the knowledge-based economy and urged people to use creativity, innovation and education to solve today’s challenges.

“I have absolutely no doubt that this gathering will provide us with the solutions we need to create resilient societies and generate sustainable economic activity that will propel our nations into a future that is different from the current,” said President Boko.

He talked about the disadvantage of over-reliance on diamonds, a challenge that needed to be addressed and ultimately transition to a knowledge-based economy albeit not only as consumers of knowledge, but as active participants in generating

knowledge and advancing humanity.

President Boko acknowledged the creative industry as another area for growth, which should be empowered with learning to excel locally and globally hence challenged educators to bring learning to the creative industry.

He also encouraged the conference to speak out against any errors, faults, frustrations, or provocations that needed to be addressed.

“We are weak if you fail in your task of advising and punishing governments and leaders,” said President Boko, adding that he expected rigorous examinations of the challenges facing society, particularly those at the margins who needed access to quality education and training. Minister of Higher Education, Mr Prince Maele, for his part, said modern economic

growth and development of nations had always depended on the vibrancy of their education sectors to supply critical capital, particularly science, technology, and innovation, to harness natural and intellectual resources and train individuals to unlock economic opportunities.

He said the higher education sector, especially open and distance learning, must be part of the discussions and engagements that would underpin economic transitions and drive new analysis for Commonwealth countries. Mr Maele stated that universities established with mandates tailored to different local needs must generate the knowledge, products, and services required to grow the economy.

“To this end, I urge all of you to put your hands on deck in co-creating new solutions that will

provide the tools, methodologies, and investments needed for building well-rounded human capital, innovative, evidence-based policies, and investments that will transform our economies and unlock opportunities for our countries,” he said.

Mr Maele said Botswana was privileged to host the event, the third to be hosted by an African state following South Africa in 2002 and Nigeria in 2013.

Commonwealth of Learning president, Professor Peter Scott, called on Commonwealth nations to work together saying, even with so many challenges, solutions were possible when countries collaborated.

The forum, which ends tomorrow, is held under the theme: Innovative Open Education, Fostering Resilient Societies for Sustainable Economic Development. **BOPA**

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Govt aspires for modern agric. sector

By Mothusi Galekhutle

LETLHAKENG - Stakeholders have been urged to contribute positively to the creation of a policy aimed at modernising agriculture to sustainably transform the economy.

Launching stakeholder consultations on the review of the National Policy on Agriculture Development of 1991 in Letlhakeng on Monday, acting Minister of Land and Agriculture, Dr Edwin Dikoloti said the sector's challenges from climate change and increasing production costs, provided an opportune moment to develop a diverse agricultural policy.

In light of current challenges, Dr Dikoloti emphasised that success of agriculture relied on research and development as well as the adoption of new technologies.

He reiterated that industrialising the agricultural sector was inevitable as the country sought to diversify its economy. He noted that funding for agriculture should be reassessed to ensure food security. Taking all factors into account, he stated that the nation could increase its livestock population and attain the five million cattle population target set by President Advocate Duma Boko by 2029.

He expressed confidence that BOTSAT-1, the country's first satellite, would play a crucial role in transforming the agricultural sector.

Dr Dikoloti assured participants that following nationwide consultations, further discussions would be held through an agricultural Pitso to appraise suggestions and develop an implementation strategy.

Contributing to the discussion, Mr Thomas Batlhophi proposed that the policy should facilitate the capturing of gas emissions from

landfills, converting them into energy. Mr Batlhophi advised that the new policy should promote integrated farming and support the production of affordable animal vaccines for farmers.

Chairperson for Letlhakeng umbrella farmers committee, Mr Timon Kelebeg expressed disappointment that the 1991 policy on agriculture development did not benefit farmers as it was not fully implemented. He suggested converting communal cattle farming areas into fenced farms.

Mr Kealeboga Keboletse called for the promotion of hydroponics as it could be done in the backyard, with high production and yields.

Meanwhile, Mr Mogakolodi Raborokgwe suggested that before establishing a new policy, it would be in order to review the current one to establish successes, failures and lessons learned.

Mr Rebaone Rabasimane recommended that the policy should include special provisions or affirmative action for youth to enable their involvement in agriculture.

For his part, Mr Karblay Motseonageng appealed for a policy focused on improving road infrastructure to production areas. He stated that the policy should aim at improving buying price for agricultural products, noting that current prices at the Botswana Agricultural Marketing Board were too low. He said the five million cattle population target was attainable and pledged for full support to the initiative, making a personal commitment to producing at least 900 cattle in two years.

Mr Motseonageng said the policy should also address the problem of bush encroachment as the



Acting Minister of Land and Agriculture, Dr Edwin Dikoloti during stakeholder consultations on the review of the National Policy on Agriculture Development of 1991 in Letlhakeng on Monday. He said once complete, the review would pave way for a new policy that would modernise agriculture. Photo: Mothusi Galekhutle

plant species were now covering grassland, reducing the grazing land for livestock. Ms Kagiso Mabu said the policy should address human-wildlife conflict issues.

Member of Parliament for Letlhakeng, Brigadier Domcaza Mokgwathi emphasised the importance of focusing more on the agricultural value chain to create jobs. He called for establishment of market centres, where farmers could market and sell their products.

Responding to farmers comments, Dr Dikoloti acknowledged that converting gas emissions at landfills into energy could be a promising initiative that will benefit the energy sector and protect the environment.

Regarding market access, he affirmed the government's commitment to securing lucrative markets for farmers. On the issue of

human-wildlife conflict, he stressed the need for serious attention due to its negative impact on farmers. **BOPA**

Leburu identifies entrepreneurial success through Baobab fruit

By Chendzimu Manyepedza

SELEBI PHIKWE - As the world increasingly adopts industrialised agriculture, Mr Boitumelo Leburu has identified a promising niche market centred around the Baobab fruit known as Mowana in the vernacular.

Over the years, the Baobab fruit has been valued for its essential vitamins and minerals, making it well-loved by many. However, in today's health-conscious world where organic and natural products are highly favoured, Mr Leburu has identified a valuable market opportunity.

Driven by a passionate spirit of innovation and a strong sense of purpose, he is revitalising the Baobab fruit, turning it into a refreshing organic juice that does not only excites the taste buds but also offers a healthy profit.

"I was motivated by a strong desire for self-independence, and through my journey, I discovered a relatively affordable business opportunity, creating Baobab fruit juices and yogurts. This venture allows me to work with my own hands and utilise the abundant resources around me," he said. Although he operates on a relatively small scale at present, he aspires to reach a wider market.

He aims to get his products onto the shelves of retail supermarkets and expand nationwide.

Mr Leburu actively collaborated

with key stakeholders, including the National Agricultural Research and Development Institute (NARDI), to thoroughly assess the nutritional value of his product and establish its shelf life. The review involved detailed analyses to ensure the product complies with industry standards and consumer safety regulations. However, he is currently waiting for official approval from the relevant authorities to begin large-scale production and wholly understands that securing approval is a crucial step toward fully realising the product's market potential. "I am aware of funding entities, but for now, I have chosen to create a small package just for appreciation, to build a clientele base, and to advertise. Everyone who has tried my trial products has praised them highly," he said.

One of Mr Leburu's major challenges is the regular shortage of supply as the Baobab fruit is only available during certain seasons.

To address this, he carefully packages the fruit whenever he has a surplus, ensuring steady availability in the future. He loves the excellent quality of the Baobab fruit as it has an impressive shelf life, retaining its freshness and flavour as long as it remains uncrushed within its sturdy shell. The fruit's long-lasting nature allows him to store it confidently, making it a valuable resource throughout the year. **BOPA**



Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Finance, Dr Tshokologo Kganetsano (left) and Public Procurement Regulatory Authority CEO, Ms Tumelo Motsumi during a consultative meeting in Gaborone on Monday. Dr Kganetsano said corruption, inefficiency and cost overruns were some of the factors that had eroded public confidence. He warned that the public would keep losing confidence in government procurement systems if inefficiency became a culture within procuring entities. Photo: Gothusang Lesego

Kgodiso ya bana motheo wa setho

Ka Relief Lephutshi

KANYE - Tlotlo, poifo Modimo le mowa wa neelano ke dingwe tse di bothokwa mo go ageng setho se se eletsegang.

Kgosi Patrick Sebati wa kgotla ya Pitsaneng kwa Kanye o boletse mo potsolotsong ka Mosupologo fa diphetogo tsa botshelo le tlabologo di amile setho sa ba le bantsi mo setshabeng, mme go le bothokwa gore go nne le go ikgakologelwa mo Batswaneng.

Kgosi Sebati a re go bonala fa bontsi bo tswelletse ka go katoga mekgwa le setho tse merafe ya lefatshe leno e tswang bogologolo e tlwaelesegile ka tsone, selo se a tlhalositseng fa mo baneng se gakadiwa ke ditshwanelo tse dintsi tse di tswang mo molaong wa lefatshe le mo batsading.

A re melao ya tshireletso ya bana e e tsileng morago ga boipuso jwa lefatshe leno e nnile le seabe mo go tsweng mo taolong ga boitsholo jwa batho

segolo jang bana.

Kgosi Sebati o kaile gape fa go koafala ga lelwapa go kukeditse seemo, a supa fa go ata ga ditlhalano go tlogela bana ka bontsi ba tlhela kgodiso e e nitlameng.

O boletse gape fa seemo sa nako eno se bomme ba berekang fela jaaka borre se dira gore bana ba tseye nako e ntsi ba le esi, mme seo se raya gore ba tlhela kgalemo le bokaedi jwa batsadi.

Le fa go le jalo, o rotloeditse batsadi go nna seoposengwe go kgalema le go kaela bana, le go batla ditsela tsa go busetsa seemo mo taolong go dibela isago ya lefatshe leno.

Mogolwane wa ofisi ya tsa boipelego wa kgaolo ya Moshupa Mme Botho Mbwe le ene o supile fa maitsholo a bana a fatlha mo jaanong ba amegang ka dipalo mo dikgannyeng tsa tlolo-molao.

A re kgaolo ya Moshupa e kwadisitse dikgang di le mmalwa

tsa kgotlhakgotlhanano le molao tse di amang bana, mme dingwe tsa tsone e le tsa bogodu, fa tse dingwe e le tsa tiriso ditlhapa le dintwa.

Mme Mbwe a re go bereka ga bomme le borre go gogela bana mo tirisong ya maranyane e e feteletseng e bile e sa laolwe ka go a bo go sena mogolo ope gaufi go e baya leitlho.

Se, a re se fa bana sebaka sa go bapala dikungwa tse di seng molemo mo maranyaneng.

Moruti Ben Stegling ene o kaile fa sesha se se tsileng ka tlabologo ya lefatshe se fapositse setho sa ba le bantsi.

Moruti Stegling o rotloeditse Batswana go ikgakologelwa ba bo ba batla tsela ya go boa ba nna tshaba e e maitsholo a mantle le setho se se kgatlang leitlho.

A re poifo Modimo ke sengwe se malwapa a tlhokang go se tseela kwa godimo le go ikaega ka sone mo loetong la go ikaga sesha. **BOPA**



Kgosi Patrick Sebati wa kgotla ya Pitsaneng kwa Kanye a re tlotlo, poifo Modimo le mowa wa neelano ke dingwe tse di bothokwa mo go ageng setho se se eletsegang. O rotloeditse batsadi go nna seoposengwe go kgalema le go kaela bana. Senepe: Relief Lephutshi

Kotsi ya koloi e tlogela ba lelwapa ba gamaregile

Ka Cathrine Simane

BOKSPITS - Mapodisi a Bokspits a tlhotlhomisa tiragalo e mo go yone koloi ya mmoshara mongwe kwa Tsabong e pitikologileng ya ba ya baka leso la mme mongwe morago ga gore mokgweetsi wa yone a latlhegelwe ke taolo.

Go ya ka mookamela-mapodisi a Bokspits Superintendent Lesedi Letshwao, tiragalo e diragetse ka Labotlhano maitseboa.

Superintendent Letshwao o ne a tlhalosa fa kotsi e diragaletse fa gare ga Bokspits le Struizendam fa mokgweetsi wa koloi ya mmoshara a ne a tswa go tsaya serepa kwa Tsabong a patilwe ke batsadi ba moswi ba le babedi.

Superintendent Letshwao a re e ne ya re mapodisi ba goroga

kwa lefelong la tiragalo ba feta ba ragosetsa mme wa dingwaga tse 42 kwa kokelong ya Tsabong kwa ba bongaka ba neng ba tlhomamisa fa a tlhokafetse, fa mokgweetsi le mopalami yo mongwe bone ba ne ba alafelwa dikgobalo tse di potlana mme ba gololwa.

Mogolwane wa mapodisi a re morago ga kotsi ba masika ba ne ba ya go tsaya serepa go tsweledisa dithulaganyo tsa phitlho.

Superintendent Letshwao o ikuetse mo bakgweetsing go kgweetsa ka kelotlhoko mo tseleng e e golaganyang Bokspits le Struizendam ka e le lekgwarapana ebile e se mo seemong se se siameng go tila go amega mo dikotsing tsa tsela. **BOPA**



Banna ba le bararo ba tshwerwe ka nama ya podi e go belaelwang e utswilwe kwa Diphuduhudu kwa kgaolong ya Letlhakeng. Mogolwane wa mapodise a Letlhakeng, Superintendent Amos Kekgathetse o supile fa ba begetswe tiragalo eo ka Mosupologo.

Banna ba le bararo ba tshwerwe

Ka Puseletso Kenyaditswe

LETLHAKENG - Banna ba le bararo ba tshwerwe ka nama ya podi e go belaelwang e utswilwe kwa Diphuduhudu kwa kgaolong ya Letlhakeng.

Mogolwane wa mapodise a Letlhakeng Superintendent Amos Kekgathetse a re ba begetswe tiragalo eo ka Mosupologo, mme go tlhalosiwa fa podi eo e nyeletse kgwedi ya lwetse e le thataro.

Mogolwane wa mapodise o tlhalositse fa podi eo e ne e le phoko, mme e ne ya seka ya goroga le tse dingwe, mme ya re mo mosong wa le le latelang mong wa yone a ya go e batla, a tlhalosa fa e rile a sa e bona a ya go begela mapodise ka a ne a utlwaletse motlhala wa yone. Supt Kekgathetse o supile fa ba ne ba tshwara banna ba le bararo ka nama ya podi le letlalo

kwa merakeng ya Xhwidisi, ba dingwaga tse di lesome le borobabobedi, masome a mabedi le bongwe le masome a mabedi le boraro.

O tlhalositse fa banna bao ba tswa kwa Diphuduhudu botlhe, ba le babedi ba tswa kwa kgotleng ya Mokgalwane fa yo mongwe a tswa kwa kgotleng ya Makgotshane.

Mo go tse dingwe, mapodise a Letlhakeng a tlhotlhomisa tiragalo e mo go yone monna wa dingwaga tse di masome a mararo le bongwe a bonyeng dikgobalo mo tlhogong, morago ga gore a phamolelwe madi, a bo a itewe ka setilo sa tshipi mo tlhogong kwa Letlhakeng.

Supt Kekgathetse o tlhalositse fa tiragalo e diragetse kgwedi ya Lwetse e le malatsi a le tlhano ka nako ya borobabongwe bosigo, mme rre yoo o ne a ragosediwa

kwa sepateleng sa Scottish kwa Molepolole, mme a gololwa kgwedi ya Lwetse e robabobedi.

Mogolwane wa mapodisse o supile gape fa ba tlhotlhomisa tiragalo e mo go yone rre wa dingwaga tse di masome a matlhano le borobabobedi, wa kgotla ya Molehele kwa Khudumelapye a tlabileng rre wa dingwaga tse di masome a mararo le bongwe ka sengwe se se bogale morago ga go tlhoka kutlwisano.

O tlhalositse fa moswi a ne a ngongoregela gore mmelaelwa o dirisitse sengwe sa gagwe, mme a rema mmelaelwa ka selepe, fa mmelaelwa a felela a iphemela mme ka go tlhoka lesego a felela a mmolaile. Tiragalo e go tlhalosiwa e diragetse kgwedi e e fetileng e le masome a mabedi le borobabobedi kwa Khudumelapye. **BOPA**

PROVISIONAL LIQUIDATOR'S NOTICE

NOTICE OF THE FIRST MEETING OF CREDITORS

OF TALAQUA (PTY) LTD – IN PROVISIONAL LIQUIDATION

MASTER'S REFERENCE – LQHGB – 000005 - 23

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to section 382(1) of the Companies Act 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 11:30 hours on the 16th of October 2025 for the following purposes:

- Proof of claims
- Consideration of Provisional Liquidator's Report
- Remuneration of the Provisional Liquidator
- Appointment of Liquidator
- To consider and pass resolutions if deemed fit

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

By the Provisional Liquidator,
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Botumile revolutionises tourism

By Esther Mmolai

MAUN - The Tswana cultural ventures, a cultural tourism package, is set to revolutionise tourism in Maun by repositioning local culture as a key tourism asset.

A brainchild of Bonty Botumile, the package offers visitors and tourists a three-hour cultural excursion that includes a display of cultural activities and visit to nearby cattleposts for a richer and more authentic experience of rural life.

In a recent interview, Botumile said the package, which was still being piloted, aimed to showcase the uniqueness of the region, giving tourists an experience that went beyond typical sightseeing.

She said her decision to undertake a project of this nature was inspired by the fact that cultural tourism remained largely untapped as Botswana's tourism was mainly wildlife-based.

"With Maun's deep well of talent and rich cultures and tradition, I want to create a cultural commodity that will turn the area into a destination of choice and not as a gateway to the Okavango Delta as it is now known," she said.

She said the idea was to have visitors spend some nights in Maun before proceeding to the delta, and noted that it would give them time to experience and embrace the rich and vibrant culture within the locality.

Botumile said the package would enrich tourists' experiences through its offering of real creative arts such traditional dance and choirs, drum beating and folklore.

Furthermore, she said escapades to nearby cattleposts within a 30-kilometre radius of the village would give visitors a taste of moraka and an opportunity for them to appreciate the economic activities practised there.

Apart from benefitting visitors, she said communities also stood to reap some returns as through employment and income generation as different creative artistes and groups would be engaged to perform for visitors.

However, Botumile noted that while the project had just started, it was already proving to be a hit, with international tourists taking keen interest on it.

She said those who had



Bonty Botumile (left) sharing insights on Botswana culture with visiting tourists in Maun recently. Photo: Esther Mmolai

visited so far had left raving reviews regarding how authentic their experience had been.

Botumile hailed safari

companies for supporting her work by bringing their clients to her premises to enjoy the vibrant culture on display there.

With the package's official launch billed for the beginning of next year, she is optimistic that it will have a lasting impact on

the development of creative art industry in the area and eventually help improve the quality of life for the community. **BOPA**

Festival promises unforgettable experience

By Banyatsi Banyatsi

KANYE - All roads will lead to Lobatse Plantation on September 27 for the Bandleng Leteisi Annual Festival.

The cultural extravaganza promises an unforgettable experience, blending traditional performances, and modern sounds.

The headline act for this year's edition is none other than Trademark, a South African musician, while Machesa Traditional Group, Tshumo from Dikakapa, Exodus, Kgokgonono, Figos Pekara, Sparks Lehipi, will feature as supporting acts.

Host, Karrim Entertainment's founder and festival organiser, Bokamoso Karrim, said the festival also aimed to shine a light on emerging talent, particularly from Lobatse and surrounding areas.

"This is not just a music festival, it's a celebration of who we are," said Karrim in an interview.

He also stated that they would be working with Botswana Police Service, to ensure safety

of patrons.

Now in its second edition, Bandleng Leteisi is becoming a cultural fixture in Lobatse's calendar of events.

Karrim hopes to use the proceeds from the event to support charities.

"We want to give back, especially to organisations

like Bothakga, which care for people living with disabilities in Lobatse. This is about more than just music, it's about the community," he said. **BOPA**



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Botswana will host the World Athletics Relays from May 2 to 3 at the National Stadium, where athletes from over 60 countries are expected to compete.

World relays plans progressing well

By Anastacia Sibanda

GABORONE - Preparations for the prestigious World Relays are progressing well, says Moses Bantsi, chief executive officer of

World Relay Gaborone 26. He said in an interview that that committee members were working hard to meet their deadlines and ensure Botswana hosts a successful event.

Botswana is hosting the relays from May 2 to 3, next year at the National Stadium in Gaborone where over 60 countries are expected to compete in the relays that will be held in Africa for the

first time. Bantsi said the ticketing department had already sent the pricing of the two-day event to local organising committee for appreciation, given that the intention was that by October, tickets for the relays should hit the market.

He said the security section, like all other departments, was making good progress. Bantsi stated also that the accommodation arrangement was almost complete and the relevant department was ready submit the whole package to the World Athletics body.

“The package is very comprehensive; it illustrate who stays in which hotel and the distance between the hotels and the stadium,” he said.

The CEO said the medical team had done their planning, adding that the first phase was engaging sectors and the hospital that would be used during the World Relays.

“All committee members, be it ticketing, volunteering and others are busy in their different portfolios,” he said. Bantsi



Moses Bantsi

said the volunteers’ committee was currently focused on the recruitment process, noting that 600 volunteers would be needed to ensure the event’s success.

He said the marketing portfolio plan was good to go and ready to solicit sponsorship and create strategic partnerships. “There are tiers in the sponsorship package, we will have a title sponsor and others, so as soon as they finish to categorise them, then the plan will be compete,” he said. **BOPA**

Zebras World Cup hopes fading

By Anastacia Sibanda

GABORONE - The Zebras chances of qualifying for the FIFA World Cup for the first time in history are diminishing after a back to back defeat against Algeria and Mozambique.

The Zebras are in Group G with Algeria, Guinea, Uganda, Mozambique and Somalia.

The national football team is in position five with nine points after eight games. The team lost 2-0 against Mozambique on Monday, following last week 3-1 defeat by Algeria.

Zebras head coach, Morena Ramoreboli said had they made less mistakes in the two matches they could have either won or at

least secured draws. “We made mistakes against Algeria, we conceded, we made mistakes against Mozambique and we conceded.

I always say it is easy for one to look at the results and say we struggled, but when you look at the bigger picture there are a couple of things that happened that might have led to that,” he said.

Ramoreboli said they had only two days to prepare for Algeria, while in that country, and as for Mozambique they did not even prepare, given that they did not arrive on time.

Furthermore, he said in the morning when preparing for team talk, the medical team was

busy trying to see if Goitseone Phoko could be ready for the game.

Ramoreboli said it was imperative for the nation to be patient, adding that he was not coaching Zebras for AFCON, but building a team that would qualify again for AFCON and World Cup.

“All these things come with patience, we need to have a little bit of patience, as we try to build and work around that, and then we will make a better team,” he said.

Ramoreboli said Zebras, now left with two games, would do their best in their remaining matches. **BOPA**