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**EU suspends Botswana beef import**

## European Union has suspended beef imports from Botswana until the country has regained FMD free status.

The European Union has suspended beef imports from Botswana's larger Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) free zones until the country has regained FMD free status and the EU requirements have been satisfied.

The zones are 4b, 5, 8, 6a, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13.

According to a press release from the Ministry of Lands and Agriculture, the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) also suspended the FMD free status of the larger FMD

free zone, which consists of zones 3c (Dukwi), 4b, 5, 8, 6a, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 following the FMD outbreak in Zone 11.

The release further states that the ongoing disease surveillance has detected FMD in three more crushes; Phihetswane, Bethele and Crowsly Park farm.

This is in addition to cases recently reported at Ramatlabama Artificial Insemination Laboratory, Papatlo, Matasalalo, Ramatlabama village crush and Primefast feedlot near Hildavale. **BOPA**

## Smuggled drugs and phones undermine prison rehabilitation

The smuggling of illicit drugs and mobile phones into Botswana's prisons is undermining offender rehabilitation efforts, Assistant Minister of Justice and Correctional Services, Mr Augustine Nyatanga, has said.

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# Unity and economic reforms key to transformation - Boko

Lindi Morwaeng  
TLOKWENG

Botswana National Front (BNF) marked its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary in style on Saturday night, with President Advocate Duma Boko using the gala dinner to deliver a candid and forward-looking address centred on unity, economic reform and faith in the country's future.

The commemorative event brought together party members, diplomats, investors and

stakeholders to celebrate six decades of a movement that President Boko said was born out of a failed attempt to unify factions within the Botswana People's Party.

That failure, he explained, led to the formation of the BNF as a broad-based platform to unite peasants, workers, farmers, small traders, business people and the poorest in society under a common democratic programme.

Paying tribute to the party's founding figures, including Dr Kenneth Koma and Mr Otswelsetse Moupo, the President said their sacrifices and resilience during difficult periods laid a solid foundation for the current leadership.

"They led the party during its most trying times.

Where we are today is because of

their sacrifices," he said. Reflecting on the party's political journey, President Boko highlighted the formation and evolution of the Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC), noting that despite internal tensions and setbacks, the BNF remained steadfast.

"We remained undeterred. We kept our shape and our dignity. At the heart of his address was a strong emphasis on leadership driven by faith, which he described as the ability to envision progress beyond present challenges. You cannot lead if you don't have faith," President Boko said.

He urged members to remain focused on long-term goals despite current economic pressures.

Turning to the economy, the President acknowledged the country's heavy reliance on diamonds, which he said accounted for about 80 per cent of revenue, warning that declining performance in the sector had created significant fiscal constraints.

"The country does not have the revenue it used to have and yet it must function," he said, describing Botswana's ability to remain stable under such pressure as 'a miracle.'

He stressed the urgent need to diversify the economy by attracting

investment, reforming bureaucratic processes and accelerating project implementation.

Lengthy procurement systems and institutional inefficiencies, he noted, continued to delay critical developments.

President Boko cited large-scale infrastructure projects such as the proposed Trans-Kalahari rail line as key opportunities for job creation, estimating that each kilometre of railway constructed could generate up to 50 jobs during the construction phase.

"Why are we wasting time when these jobs are available?" he asked, calling for decisive action to fast-track such initiatives.

The President also advocated for a shift towards production-based empowerment, discouraging dependency on government tenders and encouraging citizens to engage in agriculture and value addition.

He pointed to the planned national school feeding programme as a ready market for local producers.

"Our people must produce. There is already a market," he said.

He further underscored the importance of cooperatives as a policy direction to empower communities, create jobs and reduce reliance on government support.

On governance, President Boko reaffirmed his administration's commitment to the rule of law, transparency and institutional reform, while cautioning against arbitrary dismissals of public servants without due process.

Meanwhile, BNF secretary general, Mr Stephen Modise, described the anniversary as a historic milestone, noting that for the first time in its 60-year history, the party celebrated as part of the governing movement of the great republic.

"For 60 years, the BNF has been the clarion call for the marginalised," he said, adding that the party continued to draw inspiration from its founding vision of a united front for social justice.

Mr Modise said the celebration was not only about reflection but also recommitment to building a "new Botswana" anchored on equality, prosperity and cohesion.

As the evening concluded, the secretary general emphasised that the message from the BNF leadership was clear, the struggle that began in Mochudi in 1965 continues, now with the added responsibility of governance and delivering tangible change for Botswana. **BOPA**

## Smuggled drugs and phones undermine prison rehabilitation

Bonang Masolotatse  
GABORONE

The smuggling of illicit drugs and mobile phones into Botswana's prisons is undermining offender rehabilitation efforts, Assistant Minister of Justice and Correctional Services, Mr Augustine Nyatanga, has said.

Mr Nyatanga raised concern during a visit to inmates at the First Offenders Prison in Gaborone on Friday, noting that contraband such as marijuana and cellphones continues to be discovered during routine searches.

He said the situation was particularly troubling as some of the confiscated phones had been linked to criminal activities outside prison walls.

"People complain of robberies, and when phones are tracked, they lead to prisons," he said.

The Assistant Minister warned that such conduct defeats the purpose of incarceration and rehabilitation, as some inmates continue to engage in unlawful behaviour while serving their sentences.

"You should be disciplined to show that you are indeed rehabilitating," he told inmates, adding that similar concerns had been raised across all seven prison facilities he recently visited.

Mr Nyatanga further noted that nearly half of the inmates at First Offenders Prison could be eligible for parole, but ongoing misconduct significantly reduces their chances.

He encouraged inmates to participate in rehabilitation programmes such as character building and anger management, saying such involvement demonstrates a genuine commitment to reform.

The Assistant Minister also announced that government would soon begin reviewing prison meals, following complaints from inmates particularly those on special diets. The review aims to ensure menus

meet appropriate health standards.

Earlier, Commissioner of Prisons, Mr Anthony Mokento, acknowledged that the smuggling of marijuana and phones remains a persistent challenge. He said prison authorities continue to counsel inmates against such behaviour, warning that it hampers rehabilitation progress.

Mr Mokento also revealed that many inmates had requested visits from judges and magistrates, while others raised concerns about delays in accessing court records, which hinder their ability to lodge appeals.

During an open discussion, inmates

One inmate, Opelo Kgathi, attributed the prevalence of contraband partly to idleness and lack of meaningful engagement. He therefore proposed the establishment of specialised prisons focused on vocational training and skills development. He suggested that inmates could participate in mass production initiatives to generate income for themselves and the prison service.

Another inmate, Chippo David, called for improved access to legal assistance, arguing that some individuals remain incarcerated due to limited knowledge of the law.

Inmate John Masawe raised concerns about dietary support, suggesting that prisoners especially those with special nutritional needs should be allowed to receive food from relatives.

He also highlighted disparities in access to specialised medical care for foreign inmates, foreigners were not adequately assisted with specialized medical treatment that is not available in public hospitals, while locals can be taken to private hospitals.

Additionally, he proposed participation in public works programmes such as school construction, government houses and road maintenance, saying this could help reduce government expenditure while providing them with practical skills.

Mr Nyatanga is currently on a nationwide tour of prison facilities to engage inmates and assess conditions within correctional institutions. **BOPA**



President Advocate Duma Boko (centre) accompanied by Botswana National Front officials, cutting a cake to mark the party's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary in Tlokweng on Saturday. President Boko paid tribute to the party's founding figures, including Dr Kenneth Koma and Mr Otswelsetse Moupo, saying their sacrifices and resilience during difficult periods laid a solid foundation for the current leadership. Photo: Thompson Keobaletswe

## Authorities on high alert as malaria cases surface in Tsabong District

Naomi Leepile  
WERDA

Tsabong District council has issued an urgent public health notice following detection of three malaria cases within the community of Werda.

The development has triggered a state of heightened vigilance across the region, as the Tsabong District is traditionally recognised as a malaria-free and non-endemic area.

In a statement released on April 16, acting deputy council secretary for primary health care services, Ms Margret Ontiretse, confirmed that all three patients were currently receiving medical management from health authorities.

The sudden cases of Malaria is public health concern for a district that did not typically report such occurrences.

Medical officials are urging the public to familiarise themselves with the signs of infection to ensure early intervention. Common symptoms include fever, persistent headaches and muscle or joint aches, patients may also experience rigors, characterised by chills and shivering, alongside fatigue, nausea and loss of appetite.

Health practitioners have also warned parents, noting that children may manifest the illness through lethargy, irritability or a sudden refusal to eat.

To combat the potential spread, the district council has called for a comprehensive community response. Residents have been urged to utilise insecticide-treated nets and repellents and also wear long-sleeved clothing to minimise skin exposure. Environmental management is also being prioritised, with homeowners advised to clear tall grass and

eliminate any stagnant water that could serve as a breeding ground for mosquitoes.

A critical component of the containment strategy involves disclosure of travel history.

Members of the public visiting health facilities are also requested to inform staff of any recent movement to known malaria-endemic regions.

Authorities have emphasised that such transparency was vital for accurate diagnosis and effective case management. Furthermore, the public is reminded that anyone experiencing symptoms must seek testing at the nearest health facility immediately. As the district continues to push for sustainable livelihoods and excellence in governance, officials stress that immediate action was the only way to prevent further transmission and save lives within the community. **BOPA**



Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs, Mr Kethlalefile Motshagwa (left), Gaborone deputy mayor, Ms Mankie Sekete (right) and acting Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Local Government and Traditional Affairs, Ms Tshepo Kebakile at the Primary Health Roundtable Dialogue in Gaborone on Friday. Mr Motshagwa said the current decentralised model, where primary health facilities were managed by local councils, would enhance service delivery and improve customer satisfaction. Photo: Felicity Male

# ‘Rethink Autism support systems’

Lesedi Thatayamodimo  
GABORONE

African countries have been urged to move beyond autism awareness and prioritise concrete, evidence-based interventions that improve the lives of autistic individuals and their families.

in Botswana, noting that the journey often begins with uncertainty, stigma, misinformation and delayed diagnosis.

She said limited access to trained specialists, high costs of care and gaps in inclusive education systems continue to place a heavy burden on families.

“Behind every child is a family navigating emotional, financial and social strain, often alone. Yet the earliest years of a child’s life are the most critical. When we fail to act early, we miss a vital window to help children learn, communicate and thrive,” she said.

Ms Selotote stressed the importance of balancing cultural relevance with scientific integrity in developing autism support systems.

She said for Africa being ‘rooted in culture’ means designing services that communities trust and can access without fear or misunderstanding, while being driven by science required dismantling harmful myths and adopting validated diagnostic and intervention methods.

This dual approach, she argued, was not optional but foundational.

She further challenged African leaders to invest in professional training, strengthen early detection systems, improve data collection and expand accessible, measurable support services.

“Science must not remain in journals and classrooms. It must reach clinics, schools, communities and homes,” she said.

The congress also highlighted the importance of multi-sector collaboration, noting that governments, researchers, educators, families and autistic individuals must work together to build inclusive and sustainable systems.

Reaffirming ongoing national efforts, Ms Selotote pointed to initiatives focused on early diagnosis, reducing stigma and empowering caregivers and frontline workers.

She emphasised that partnerships and advocacy remain key in influencing policy and shifting public perception.

Ms Selotote urged delegates to ensure that discussions translated into real impact. **BOPA**

This message came out during the Pan-African Congress on Autism (PACA), where stakeholders emphasised that awareness without action is no longer sufficient.

Speaking on behalf of First Lady Mrs Kaone Boko, a representative from the Office of the First Lady, Ms Gothatamodimo Selotote, called for a decisive shift from dialogue to implementation.

She said while awareness of autism had steadily increased across the continent, much of this progress remained symbolic without firm commitments to scientific research, early diagnosis and inclusive support systems.

“Awareness alone is not enough. Africa must commit to evidence-based practices that translate knowledge into meaningful change for autistic individuals and their families,” she said.

Held under the theme: Rooted in Culture, Driven by Science, Advancing Autism Services Across Africa, the congress brought together policymakers, researchers, educators, advocates and community stakeholders to address gaps between knowledge and practice.

Ms Selotote highlighted the challenges faced by many families

effective November 12, 2024, formalised the transfer of primary healthcare services from the Ministry of Health to his ministry, marking a major shift in the governance of healthcare services.

He clarified that the transfer excluded primary hospitals and instead focuses on clinics, public health services, and community-based programmes. The reform is expected to improve the reach and accessibility of healthcare, particularly for vulnerable populations.

He said the transfer of public healthcare services was a deliberate effort to strengthen coordination and collaboration between local authorities, community leaders and the health sector.

Mr Motshagwa added that the move would empower local authorities to better implement community-based health initiatives and foster stronger partnerships with traditional leaders.

He also highlighted the importance of adopting an integrated approach to healthcare delivery, noting that factors such as access to clean water, sanitation, and education play a critical role in improving health outcomes.

He further said primary

healthcare is not only about treating illnesses, but also about prevention and promoting overall wellbeing.

The minister further underscored the value of incorporating traditional knowledge and practices in promoting health and wellbeing, saying traditional leaders possess valuable experience in community health initiatives.

He said government is committed to working with them to develop more effective and culturally sensitive health interventions.

In her welcome remarks, Acting Permanent Secretary in the ministry, Ms Tshepo Kebakile, said public healthcare services had previously been transferred to the Ministry of Health in 2010, but government now believes local authorities were better positioned to deliver these services.

She said the dialogue was intended to gather input from stakeholders on how best to ensure a smooth and effective transition.

Ms Kebakile added that the meeting brought together a wide range of participants, including community service organisations, faith-based organisations, and other key stakeholders, to ensure an inclusive approach to the reform process. **BOPA**

## Government revamps healthcare services

Ndingililo Gaoswediwe  
GABORONE

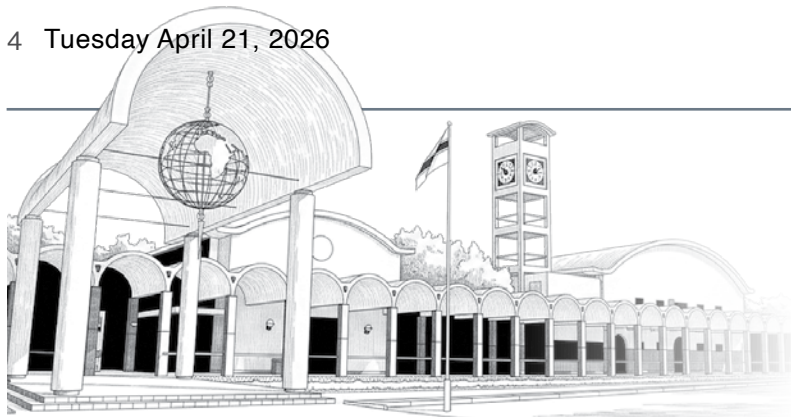
Speaking at a Public Healthcare roundtable dialogue in Gaborone on Friday, the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs, Mr Kethlalefile Motshagwa, emphasised that the move is aimed at streamlining services and enhancing access to healthcare at community level.

Mr Motshagwa said Government Notice No. 742,

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### No plans to upgrade Oodima and Madikwe to unified schools

GABORONE

There are currently no plans to upgrade any of the Junior Secondary Schools to unified secondary schools, says Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education, Ms Nono Kgafela-Mokoka.

Minister Kgafela-Mokoka was responding to a parliamentary question from Member of Parliament for Kgatleng East, Mr Mabuse Pule recently.

The minister explained that for schools to be upgraded, they had to go through rigorous procedure of selection supported by net enrolments from catchment areas, proximity to utilities, services, transport and other considerations.

Thus, she said the ministry was not aware of the intention to convert Madikwe and Oodima Junior Secondary Schools into unified Secondary Schools, rather Madikwe JSS was earmarked for maintenance during this financial year while Oodima JSS teachers' houses were expanded during the 2017/2018 financial year.

On one hand, the minister

informed Parliament that Molefi Senior Secondary School was a 48-stream and currently has 773 Form Five learners in 21 classes and 1 121 Form Four learners in 28 classes.

She noted that the school enrolment had increased from 1 563 in 2025 to 1 894 in 2026 and the number of learners placed outside Kgatleng District was 161 in 2025 and 201 in 2026.

She said learners had been placed at Moeding College and Kagiso Senior Secondary School.

MP Pule had asked the minister to state the current enrolment capacity of Molefhi SSS compared to the number of applicants from Kgatleng District and further state the number of learners who were placed in schools outside the district in the past year due to space limitations.

He also asked the minister to state whether government intended to convert some junior secondary schools, particularly Oodima and Madikwe into unified secondary schools in order to ease pressure on Molefhi SSS. **BOPA**

### Funding shortfall stalls Lobatse integrated office block

GABORONE

The proposed government integrated office block in Lobatse has been suspended due to lack of funding, Assistant Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs, Mr Ignatius Moswaane told Parliament recently.

Mr Moswaane said that while the ministry appreciated the importance of the project and its timely implementation, the necessary funding to start development was not yet available, despite government's commitment to fulfilling community requests.

"Since the tenure of the late Ronald Sebege, the office block has not been consistently included in subsequent Urban Development Plans

(UDPs) and National Development Plans (NDPs)," the assistant minister said. He acknowledged that the project would positively impact local economies, efficient service delivery and the quality of life for residents of Lobatse and its hinterlands.

"However, current financial constraints have forced its suspension," he said. He assured Parliament that government remained committed to undertaking the project once the country's finances improved.

This was in response to a question by Member of Parliament for Lobatse, Mr Kamal Jacobs, who had asked the minister to state whether it was time to consider constructing government integrated offices in Lobatse, that were promised during the late Sebege's tenure. **BOPA**

## Mmadinare-Robelega road project 51 per cent complete

GABORONE

The contract for reseal of Damuchujenaa and Mmadinare access including surfacing of 40km Mmadinare-Robelega Road project was awarded to Ocean Cables (Pty) Ltd at the amount of P95 356 092.50. This was revealed by Minister of Transport and Infrastructure, Mr Noah Salakae when responding to a question in Parliament on Wednesday.

Minister Salakae said the to date, P27 644 811.93 representing about 29 per cent of the total project budget had been expended. The minister told Parliament that the project commenced on February 12, 2024 and was due for completion

on February 11, 2026 and the overall project progress had reached 51 per cent of its 100 per cent target.

He noted that the Serule-Selebi Phikwe road marking (16km) was finished and the Mmadinare access road (13.6km out of 14km) was 97 per cent complete, the Mmadinare-Robelega Road (40km) had only seen minimal earthworks (1.2km base and 2.5km subgrade) and the resealing of the Damuchujenaa access road (6.5km) was yet to begin.

"The project experienced delays primarily due to the contractor's performance and rainfall, which affected consistent progress on site.

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## Govt considers re-demarcation of veterinary disease control zones

Thato Mosinyi  
GABORONE

Government will consider urgently re-demarcating existing veterinary disease control zones, particularly Zone 11, 3B and similar areas across the country and embark on maintenance of all zonal fences with the aim to enhance livestock disease management and improve the livelihoods of farmers nationwide.

The development followed adoption of a motion by Boteti West Member of Parliament, Mr Sam Digwa, in Parliament last Friday. Motivating the motion, Mr Digwa argued that for years, veterinary disease control zones had served as the primary defense mechanism against devastating outbreaks, such as Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) and Contagious Bovine Pleuropneumonia (CBPP), in Botswana.

Such zones, he explained, were designed to separate healthy livestock from potential disease reservoirs and wildlife.

However, he pointed out that many of such boundaries were drawn decades ago. He argued that as human populations had expanded, grazing patterns had shifted and climate change had altered livestock movement, the old boundary lines no longer served their original purpose.

Mr Digwa stated that recent FMD outbreaks in certain areas sent shockwaves through the agricultural sector, straining exports and plunging farming communities into uncertainty.

He said the motion sought to modernise such boundaries to ensure that they effectively served their intended purpose of biosecurity.

He attributed several pressing factors necessitating the shift, noting that the push for re-demarcation was driven mainly by outdated parameters, as the current zones did not account for modern migration routes or the growth of communal farming areas.

Furthermore, he said dilapidated infrastructure had contributed to an increase in wildlife-livestock conflict.

He added that as wildlife habitats shrank, the contact between buffalo, which carried FMD and cattle, had increased and current zones were failing to mitigate such interaction effectively.

Again, he said the old zones had led to economic stagnation and farmers in red zones or poorly

managed areas faced perpetual movement bans, preventing them from accessing lucrative markets and trapping them in a cycle of poverty. By implementing a strategic re-demarcation and fence maintenance programme, Mr Digwa argued that farmers would realise significant gains.

He emphasised that effective zoning was a pre-requisite for international meat export, therefore, better management could open doors to high-value markets, such as the European Union (EU) or regional neighbours, thus bolstering foreign exchange. Furthermore, he said robust fences and clearly defined zones allowed for targeted vaccination campaigns and more efficient monitoring, leading to reduction in total outbreaks. Cognisant of the costs associated with re-demarcation, Mr Digwa suggested that government adopted

a phased and consultative approach. He proposed that community-led fencing committees be empowered to oversee local maintenance, which would lower costs while creating local employment.

He suggested that government should explore Public-Private Partnerships (PPP) and seek international agricultural grants to fund infrastructure. He also argued that protecting the livestock sector was a matter of national interest.

"By improving zones and strengthening physical barriers, the country can reduce the frequency and duration of outbreaks and ensure that farmers can consistently participate in the economy," he said. While budgetary implications and land-use sensitivity presented valid concerns, Mr Digwa highlighted that such were manageable through transparency and phased implementation. **BOPA**



Government will consider re-demarcating veterinary disease control zones, including zones 11 and 3B and maintain zonal fences to improve livestock disease management and farmers' livelihoods, following the adoption of a motion by Boteti West MP, Mr Sam Digwa in Parliament on Friday.

key personnel to site in October 2025. Further to that, he said, in January 2026, the contractor mobilised additional resources to the site and the required EOT was likely to push project completion to August 2026. "Despite these interventions, progress, particularly on the Mmadinare-Robelega section remains slow and the ministry will continue to monitor progress with a view to coming up with a workable solution," the minister said. Mr Salakae said rainfall delay claim had not been submitted but on site the contractor had to rework some section. He said due to the omission of cement stabilisation in the Bill Of Quantities (BOQ), the road base material was being

changed from crushed stone to G5 to avoid stabilisation requirements, a variation expected to extend the contract completion date to August 2026.

Member of Parliament for Selebi Phikwe West, Mr Reuben Kaizer, had asked the minister to appraise Parliament on the status of the construction and upgrading of the Mmadinare-Robelega Road.

He also asked the minister to state the total budget allocated to the project and how much had been expended so far and whether the project had experienced any delays and the causes. He also wanted to know the measures the ministry had put in place to ensure timely completion of the project. **BOPA**



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Cote d'Ivoire invests in roads to boost growth

**ABIDJAN** - Cote d'Ivoire intends to make road infrastructure a strategic pillar of its development and emergence, Thomas Camara, chairman of the board of directors of the Road Maintenance Fund (FER), said on Sunday. Speaking at a ceremony marking the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the FER, Camara commended the efforts made by the Ivorian government to manage and improve road infrastructure. "These infrastructures constitute not only a driver of economic development, but also a source of national pride," he said, calling on all stakeholders to contribute to their maintenance and preservation. "As part of the broad infrastructure modernisation program launched by the Ivorian government, the FER aims to strengthen its central role. **Xinhua**

Uganda exports surge 63% due to gold and coffee

**KAMPALA** - Uganda's export earnings for the year ending February 2026 grew by 63 per cent largely due to gold and coffee, a new report said Saturday. The Performance of the Economy Report for March 2026 issued by the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development showed that export earnings grew to UDS1.37 billion in February 2026, compared to US\$839.28 million in February 2025. "This growth was mainly on account of a significant increase in gold and coffee export receipts over this period," the report showed. Gold export earnings more than doubled, increasing from US\$318.71 million to US\$818.16 million dollars over the same period. **Xinhua**

Foreign buyers hit record high at China Canton Fair

**GUANGZHOU** - The first phase of the 139<sup>th</sup> China Import and Export Fair, also known as the Canton Fair, closed on Sunday with a record number of overseas buyers, the organiser said. As of 5 p.m. on Sunday, about 167 000 overseas buyers from 216 countries and regions had attended the offline exhibition, up 5.9 per cent from the same period of the previous edition, according to the China Foreign Trade Center. The turnout, the highest for any first phase of the fair, underscored the resilience and vitality of China's foreign trade, it said. The first phase of the fair, themed "advancing manufacturing," featured more than 25 000 booths and over 12 000 exhibitors. **Xinhua**

## BPOPF ventures into eco-tourism

**Kedirebofe Pelontle GUMARE**

Botswana Public Officers Pension Fund (BPOPF) through one of its investment property asset managers, Messidor Investments, has secured an eco-tourism venture in the NG26 concession

management area that falls in the Okavango District.

BPOPF through a company named, Abu Private Reserve in partnership with Singita is constructing a camp in the NG26 which is expected to be completed in December according to Messidor

representative, Mr Victor Senye.

Mr Senye said the move was expected to expand and diversify BPOPF portfolio since it was the pension fund's first opportunity in the eco-tourism industry.

Mr Senye who was speaking in an interview after appraising the Okavango District Development Committee (DDC) about the venture on Wednesday said, the investment property manager whose role was to seek investment opportunities for the pension fund, had so far had a share in the areas of residential, industrial, hotel and hospitality and commercial offices with projects such as Airport Junction Shopping Mall, Hilton Hotel and Botswana Accountancy College offices, all in Gaborone. "Eco-tourism is an area we have not yet explored hence we are pleased as a major investor like BPOPF to have a footing in the concession and eco-tourism industry," said Mr Sennyne.

He explained that BPOPF was a significant player in the investment landscape of Botswana with impactful ventures that contributed immensely to the economy by undertaking businesses that would bring returns to ensure its members had dignified retirements.

Singita head of conservation

community, Ms Inge Kotze, said the company was excited about the partnership with BPOPF, noting that the company had foot prints in South Africa, Zimbabwe, Rwanda, Tanzania and Botswana.

Singita generally focuses in early childhood, vocational training, employment and youth empowerment in their areas of operation.

Ms Kotze therefore, said part of their plan was to empower youth in NG26 neighboring villages of Habu and Nokaneng, with scholarships in culinary arts for professional chefs as well as ensure community involvement to appreciate tourism and being alive to issues of human-wildlife conflict.

The company has so far produced 250 globally recognised professional chefs in Southern Africa and job placements through their initiative, Ms Kotze said.

Okavango District council chairperson, Mr Gaopalelwe Ronald, appreciated the company's pledge towards youth empowerment and appealed to the company to ensure employment creation for local communities and support for the agricultural sector, to help the district council's efforts in reviving the economy. **BOPA**



Messidor Investments representative, Mr Victor Senye (left) and Singita head of conservation community, Ms Inge Kotze (right) briefing the Okavango District Development Committee about their partnership in Gumare recently. Photo: Kedirebofe Pelontle

## LEA consults on SMMEs registration

**Goweditse Kome MASUNGA**

Local Enterprise Authority (LEA) is lobbying for the introduction of mandatory Small Medium and Micro Enterprises (SMMEs) registration.

Consulting on National SMMEs Mandatory Registered Framework recently, Masunga LEA branch manager, Ms Kgomotso Masunga said mandatory registrations were used to regulate access to SMME incentives and targeted support aimed at addressing identified SMME needs, including capacity development, technology access, modified financing solutions, market access facilitation, government procurement, among others.

Ms Masunga indicated that once approved and made into law, access to all SMMEs services, incentives and benefits would require proof of registration, adding that in a mandatory SMMEs registration environment, there were no penalties for non-registration while access to SMMEs targeted services and products were not accessible without proof of status.

She noted that the move for mandatory registration arose when stakeholders and development partners decried lack of reliable SMMEs data and its economic contribution in the country.

"The problem was further exacerbated by lack of an updated gazetted SMMEs definition in Botswana resulting in the use of multiple definitions across the economy," she said, adding that information on the size and contribution of SMMEs to the economy was based on estimates.

On the other hand, Ms Masunga

noted that mandatory registration would strengthen Botswana's enterprise development ecosystem and support the country's long-term economic transformation agenda.

She said streamlining SMMEs registration was essential as it would empower government institutions to identify, classify and provide targeted support to small businesses and that would bridge policy planning gaps and resolve data inaccuracies, improve traceability and streamline the delivery of targeted SMMEs support programmes.

"Establishing a unified, mandatory registration and certification system would create a credible national SMMEs database that enhances data integrity, enables evidence-based policy formulation and improves coordination across ministries, agencies and

development partners," she said.

She stated that the purpose of the stakeholders' consultation process was to sensitise district councils, development partners and the public on LEA's current lobbying efforts for a mandatory SMMEs registration framework and source their inputs and contributions and also to clearly articulate the socio-economic advantages of formalisation, specifically how mandatory registration facilitated better resource allocation and market access for local businesses.

Ms Masunga said the mandatory registration would provide a formal platform for the councils and key stakeholders to contribute feedback and ensure that the proposal was aligned with the realities of the local districts.

"The registration would also assist in eliminating functional overlaps



Local Enterprise Authority (LEA) branch manager, Ms Kgomotso Masunga (left) and LEA business consultant, Mr Gaolaolwe Phologolo during consultations on National SMME Mandatory Registration in Masunga recently. Ms Masunga said registration would strengthen Botswana's enterprise development ecosystem and support the country's long-term economic transformation agenda. Photo: Goweditse Kome

# Koosimile turns old tyres into master pieces

**Booster Mogapi**  
**GAKUTO**

In era where unemployment has reached new heights and the economy forgives no one, the youthful, Mr Bangwe Koosimile has decided to create employment for himself by turning used tyres into master pieces.

In his appreciation of life, he is quick to state that when life gives you lemons, turn them into lemonade to earn a better living.

Mr Koosimile said in an interview that youth unemployment was a challenge that affected many youth across the length and breadth of the country, but those who stood out and bring their ideas into life, always made it.

"Life has never presented a comfort zone to anyone, therefore young people must strive, never give



Mr Koosimile said customers appreciated his creativity, therefore his tables and chairs made from discarded tyres found home in many households and businesses.

up to make ends meet."

Mr Koosimile said the idea of using old tyres was born a few years ago. As someone who was fascinated by art and design, the love propelled him to bring his ideas to fruition.

Therefore, he said the sight of old tyres lying round was not only an eyesore, but was equally an opportunity which drove him to research more on how to recycle them into useful masterpieces.

"It is not pleasant at all to stay home without work. I have found solace in designing chairs from old tyres, therefore contributing to the cause of reducing potential harm on the environment by engaging in a recycling initiative," he said.

Mr Koosimile added that his shortcomings was that he had never sought funding to expand his business which he believed had the ability to create employment.

He said customers appreciate his creativity, therefore his tables and chairs made from discarded tyres find refuge in many households and businesses.

He said with the help of Kweneng District Council he had attended different shows in and outside the district, getting an opportunity to meet new customers, thereby expanding his business base.

"I am happy that so far. Whatever I design is loved by people," he said.

He said the finishing touches to his products which included coating with an oil paint made the final products appealing and hard to resist.

Mr Koosimile said his artistic works was not limited to designing furniture out of old tyres. His carpentry works were equally outstanding as he produces chairs of the quality that customers appreciate.

Koosimile's artistic works goes



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However, Mr Koosimile said like any other business undertaking, his craft was not immune to challenges.

Amidst economic challenges, where unemployment was at its peak, Mr he said marketing his products remained a challenge.

Currently, he said social media was the primary platform where he marketed his products, even though acknowledging it was not enough to reach his diverse customer base.

Despite challenges, Mr Koosimile is adamant on expanding his business. He was hoping to get funding to expand his business and continue with his contribution toward a clean environment.

"Every business has the ability to grow and develop into an empire, but one has to put their all in it to realise its potential to change the lives," he said.

He said time has come for the youth to take their place in the business industry, stop idling and pursue their dreams.

Therefore, he encouraged his peers to wake up from slumber and think of the future they wanted.



Gakuto youth, Mr Bangwe Koosimile is self-employed thanks to turning used tyres into master pieces. He said the idea of using old tyres was born a few years ago and his fascination with art and design drove him to turn those ideas into reality.

He said young people had what it took to make it in life, and their abilities would only be turned into reality by focusing on some positives and applying their minds

Mr Koosimile said stepping forward and doing something was a positive move toward establishing a reputable business of his desire.

Even though hampered by lack of transport to move around collecting tyres and taking his products to potential markets, he appreciated the support that keeps him going.

He said lack of a workshop was a hindrance in expanding his business but remains hopeful as he sees light at the end of the tunnel. **BOPA**

# PAC report adoption sets path for financial accountability

**Thato Mosinyi**  
**PARLIAMENT**

The adoption of the 61<sup>st</sup> Public Accounts Committee (PAC) Meeting Report for the 2021-2022 financial year serves as a critical roadmap for strengthening financial accountability, enhancing public service delivery, and ensuring transparency in government spending.

Parliament adopted the PAC report following a debate by Members of Parliament, the majority of whom called for the capacitation of the committee to carry out its mandate effectively.

Earlier, while debating the report before its approval, Member of Parliament for Lobatse and PAC member, Mr Kamal Jacobs, noted that after evaluating audited accounts and cross-examining accounting officers, the PAC provided recommendations to

guide ministries on improving performance and correcting irregularities.

He emphasised that such recommendations provided a clear roadmap that must be acted upon with urgency to achieve equitable development.

"We must appreciate the PAC authority to enforce its resolutions and also must ensure that such resolutions are implemented for the betterment of the citizenry," Mr Jacobs said.

He stated that the PAC findings underscored the need to improve project planning, monitoring and accountability.

He added that public funds allocated for development must translate into tangible outcomes, including the timely completion of projects within the stipulated scope and value for money. He further argued that development

was inseparable from strong legal and governance frameworks.

Consequently, he indicated the necessity of reforming the legal framework, including strengthening enforcement of the Public Finance Management Act and procurement legislation to minimise fraudulent acts.

Mr Jacobs stated that empowering oversight institutions and ensuring accountability regarding public resources was a key component in maintaining the relevance of the PAC and guarding against wastage.

"Institutions reforms and effective overights are important to strengthen complacency and prudence usage of public funds," he said.

He noted that a strengthened legal environment must be in place to capacitate parliamentary oversight organs, like the PAC, to take legal action against inefficiency.

Similarly, PAC member and Kanye West MP, Mr Victor Phologolo, pointed out that the adoption of the report was essential in affirming Parliament's oversight role and sending a clear message that public funds must be used responsibly.

Mr Phologolo indicated that the 61<sup>st</sup> PAC report highlighted deficiencies in audits and recommended concrete actions to improve government performance, particularly in managing development projects. He revealed several alarming financial discrepancies, including more than P1 billion in unsupported payments that could not be reconciled and an inability to recover government debt amounting to P200 million due to weak recovery mechanisms.

Furthermore, he said severe cost overruns were discovered across most government development

projects and court-ordered staff settlements amounting to over P800 million were putting pressure on the national fiscal while negatively affecting service delivery.

Mr Phologolo noted that the committee found some government assets and investments, including equity participations, were not properly reflected in national books, thereby weakening transparency and fiscal reporting.

"These challenges run across most government ministries. The committee, therefore, calls for stronger internal controls, timely recovery of public funds and proper recording of all assets and liabilities," he said.

He highlighted that to ensure long-term accountability, state institutions must follow up on the serious revelations to ensure that public resources were used efficiently and effectively. **BOPA**

# National sustainability framework underway

GABORONE

Parliament has been informed that government has, since September 2025, commenced the process of developing a National Sustainability Framework, which seeks to operationalise the nation's sustainability aspirations.

Answering a question in Parliament recently, Assistant Minister for State President, Defence and Security, Ms Maipelo Mophuting-Dikoloti, said the initiative aimed to align Botswana's development trajectory with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Vision 2036, taking into account global Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) standards while strengthening national governance, social inclusion and environmental stewardship at all levels of society.

Ms Mophuting-Dikoloti said a multi-sectoral committee, comprising key government entities, civil society, the private sector and development partners, was in place under coordination of the National Planning Commission (NPC).

She added that the Ministries of Environment and Tourism, Labour and Home Affairs and Finance were leading stakeholder engagement through the three ESG streams respectively.

She also told Parliament that the National ESG Strategy, which formed part of the framework, was anticipated to be completed in the current financial year.

Again, she said the strategy would serve as an action plan to guide development of a comprehensive sustainability framework. Furthermore, she said government acknowledged that the absence of a nationally coordinated sustainability framework had created challenges in fully capitalising on the growing global demand for sustainable and responsible investment.

"The absence of such a framework has meant that individual entities, particularly in the private sector, have to navigate international ESG requirements independently, often at higher cost and with limited coordination," she said. She further noted that international lenders often offered lower interest rates for green bonds, which had left Botswana-based entities without such a framework to rely on traditional and expensive debt.

However, she indicated that there had been good progress toward building operational frameworks at sectoral level, which included the Botswana Stock Exchange Sustainability Disclosure Guidance and the Sustainable Financing Strategy (2023-2030).

She further said the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) had recently committed to providing technical support for the framework, which would be key to a sustainable future.

Member of Parliament for Okavango East, Mr Gabatsholwe Disho, had asked

when government intended to establish the framework to guide environmental, social and economic governance.

MP Disho asked if government acknowledged that its absence disadvantaged Botswana and caused missed opportunities to access green finance and sustainability-linked funding and what immediate corrective measures were being taken to avert further loss. **BOPA**



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## Only 24 organic turmeric farmers anticipate to generate over P152 million

GABORONE

At least 160 farmers were contracted under the pioneering organic turmeric export initiative for the 2025/26 and 2026/27 seasons.

Responding to a parliamentary question on behalf of acting Minister of Lands and Agriculture, Assistant Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship, Mr Baratiwa Mathoothe, said the project was a partnership between a German company and a local agricultural firm. Mr Mathoothe said of the 160 contracted farmers, only 24 successfully planted turmeric this season and they had planted a total of 22.3 hectares across eight districts. He attributed the low participation rate to high start-up costs.

He said establishing one hectare required approximately P61 000 for seeds alone, while total input costs per hectare per season, including certification, traceability standards and full production expenses, can reach up to P300 000.

"Many aspiring farmers were unable to secure the necessary loans," he said. He added that the turmeric was planted between September and November 2025 and was currently at the vegetative or early reproductive stage.

He said harvesting was expected in May or June this year, followed by drying, with the first consignment scheduled to be exported to the German market in August or September. He further told Parliament that the 24 farmers were projected to produce 892 tonnes this season.

At current market prices, he said the project was expected to generate approximately P152 million in revenue from the farmers while a single hectare was anticipated to yield between P4 million and P6 million in revenue from both rhizomes and leaves.

The assistant minister reported strong momentum for the upcoming 2026/27 season, saying during the official turmeric programme launch held on March 28 this year at a model farm in Palapye, more than 100 participants attended and 70 farmers had already received training and were finalising

contracts to plant in the next season, which is expected to begin in August.

"A comprehensive training programme will run from March to July this, while farmer enrolment continues through media campaigns and newspaper advertisements. One large-scale farmer is preparing to plant up to 200 hectares, which is expected to create over 120 permanent and 180 temporary jobs," he said.

Mr Mathoothe also highlighted the environmental benefits of the organic production model, indicating that farmers were using organic manure, compost, green manures, crop residues and mulching.

"These regenerative practices improve soil organic carbon, structure and microbial activity, while enhancing nutrient cycling,

water retention and reducing erosion as well as gradually restoring degraded soils," he said. He further said the project aligned with the new Agricultural Policy, which emphasised sustainable farming systems, climate-smart agriculture, diversification into high-value export crops and reduced reliance on chemical inputs.

"In the coming season, most products will undergo local value addition before export to maximise revenue and job creation," he said.

Furthermore, he said the ministry was planning to expand organic methods to other high-value crops such as ginger, garlic, safflower and medicinal herbs and the 70 newly contracted farmers would also have access to additional crops, including

safflower, moringa, birds-eye chilli and roselle, during the 2026/27 season.

Mr Mathoothe emphasised that the initiative was being promoted as a countrywide programme aimed at attracting further investment, creating employment and positioning Botswana as a reliable supplier of organic produce on the international market.

Member of Parliament for Shoshong, Mr Moneedi Bagaisamang, had sought details on the number of Botswana farmers contracted to grow organic turmeric for export to Germany in the 2025/26 season, the number who actually planted, reasons for non-planting, expected harvest and export timelines, as well as the projected tonnage and total revenue. **BOPA**

## BQA confirms full operations for consultancy and workplace ETPs

GABORONE

The Botswana Qualifications Authority (BQA) has lifted all suspensions and fully reopened registration and accreditation services for Consultancy and Workplace Education and Training Providers (ETPs), Minister of Higher Education, Mr Prince Maele, has assured Parliament.

Responding to a parliamentary question from Mr Caterpillar Hikuama, MP for Maun West, last Friday, Minister Maele confirmed that both categories were now operating without any restrictions.

The minister explained that the BQA began registering Workplace and Consultancy ETPs in 2017, in line with the BQA Act No. 24 of 2013.

In July 2021, he said the Authority suspended the services for five months to clear a backlog of applications and review its quality assurance processes.

"The suspension was later extended until December 2022 as the BQA assessed the relevance of such services to its mandate," he said. He added that in December 2022, the BQA board resolved to resume registration while continuing stakeholder consultations, including with the Human Resources

Development Council (HRDC). "The suspension was officially lifted in February 2023.

However, a fresh suspension was imposed later that same month to allow for the possible transfer of consultancy services to the HRDC. The consultancy suspension was lifted again on May 10, 2023, although the simultaneous lifting for workplace ETPs was inadvertently omitted from the public notice," Mr Maele noted. Notably, he said the services faced further temporary closures during the BQA's December 2024 annual shutdown.

"While other portals reopened in January 2025, the consultancy and workplace portals remained closed. On February 27, 2025, the Authority announced that consultancy applications would reopen on June 12, 2025.

The workplace portal was separately reopened in March 2025 following a Board resolution," he added. Again, he said as of April 2026, the BQA had received 164 consultancy ETP applications and nine workplace ETP applications and both registration portals remained open.

Mr Maele highlighted ongoing stakeholder engagement, including consultative meetings with registered consultancies held on July 18, 2025

with 54 participants and 69 on March 26, 2026.

He said the sessions addressed public concerns and focused on capacity building, particularly compliance with the Annual Reporting Policy, adding that further consultations were planned under the BQA's 2026/2027 stakeholder engagement strategy.

"I wish to assure this House that both consultancy and workplace ETPs are now fully operational. The ministry continues to closely monitor performance to ensure that services are delivered effectively and in a timely manner," said Mr Maele.

The minister further told Parliament that BQA had introduced several measures to improve efficiency, reduce turnaround times and strengthen regulatory processes, with the ultimate goal of protecting the integrity of the National Qualifications Framework.

Mr Maele pledged continued transparency and assured Parliament that the ministry would provide regular updates on any further developments.

MP Hikuama had asked the minister to enlighten Parliament on the suspension of Registration and Accreditation of Workplace and Consultancy Education and Training Providers. **BOPA**

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Motshwarela Tona ya Lefatshe le Temo Thuo, Dr Edwin Dikoloti (mojeng) le mokhanselara wa Hebron, Rre Gofaone Nkwane ba le kwa phuthengong ya kgotla kwa Phitsane Molopo ka Matlhatso. Dr Dikoloti o kopile baagi go emisa go tloa terata ya molelwane go ya South Africa, a tlhagisa gore mokgwa oo, o ka anamisa bolwetse jwa tlhako le molomo, mme wa kgoreletsa maiteko a go bo laola. Senepe: Pheny Ramatu

# Dikoloti o kopa Barolong go emisa go tloa molelwane

Aobakwe Molefhi  
PHITSHANE MOLOPO

Motshwarelela Tona ya Lefatshe le Temothuo, Dr Edwin Dikoloti, o kopile baagi ba Barolong go emisa go tloa terata ya molelwane le fa e le go etela ba losika kwa South Africa, a tlhagisa gore mokgwa oo o ka anamisa bolwetse jwa tlhako le molomo, mme wa kgoreletsa maiteko a go bo laola.

Fa a bua kwa phuthengong ya kgotla kwa Phitsane Molopo ka Matlhatso, Dr Dikoloti o supile fa a swabisiwa ke mokgwa o o sa ntseng o le teng mo bathong bangwe ba ba batlang go tshela molelwane go ya go reka le go etela ba losika le fa bolwetse bo setse bo bonagetse mo lefelong leo.

“Ke le kopa gore lo amogele kgakololo mme lo rutwe ka ga bolwetse jwa tlhako le molomo, go botlhokwa gore lo bo tlhaloganye,” ga bua Dr Dikoloti.

O tlhalositse gore maikaelelo a phuthengo eo e ne e le go itsise

baagi ka seemo sa bolwetse, a lemoga gore bo setse bo amile metsana mengwe mo kgaolong ya Barolong, mme go ka kgonega gore bo fitlhe mo lefelong la bone.

Dr Dikoloti o kopile balemi le setshaba go fetola mekgwa ya bone le go dirisana sentle le badiredi ba diphologolo, a re seo se tlaa nonotsha maiteko a go lwantsha bolwetse.

O rotloeditse gape balemi go lebelela dikgomo tsa bone ka kelotlhoko gore dikai dipe tsa bolwetse di bonwe ka bonako.

Dr Dikoloti o gakolotse gape banni go emisa go kopa go kentiwa ga dikgomo, a tlhalosa gore go kenta go fokotsa boleng jwa tsone, mme go ka thibela mebaraka ya kwa ntle e e nang le boleng jo bo kwa godimo.

O kopile setshaba go thusa go baakanya terata ya taolo, e e nang le seabe se segolo mo go laoleng motsamao wa dikgomo.

Banni, mo letlhakoreng la bone, ba kopile mafelo a go fula dikgomo, fa bangwe ba botsa gore a go tloa terata go ya go reka

dilo tsa botlhokwa go tla tsewa e le molato, ba supa gaufi le theko e e kwa tlase ya mabenkele a kwa moseja wa molelwane.

Dr Dikoloti o rile dikakanyo tseo di a swabisa, ka gonne o ne a solofetse gore setshaba se tla tsaya karolo ka mafolofolo mo go lwantsheng bolwetse.

O gateletse botlhokwa jwa go fetola mokgwa wa go akanya, a re bangwe ba sa ntse ba dumela gore bolwetse bo ka laolwa ka go fudusa dikgomo fela.

O senoletse gore diketsahalo tsa bolwetse di setse di bonwe kwa polasing kwa Hildavale le kwa lefelong la diphologolo tsa poo kwa Ramatlabama, se se bontshang gore bolwetse bo anamela le fa go na le dikgato tse di ntseng jalo.

Dr Dikoloti o kopile gape dikgosi, bagakolodi le baeteledipele ba dikereke go thusa go ruta setshaba, a re go santse go tlhokega tiro e ntsi go netefatsa gore batho ba tlhaloganya dikotsi tse di amanang le bolwetse jwa tlhako le molomo. **BOPA**

## Barui bangwe ba kgoreletsa twantsho ya tlhako le molomo

Relief Lephutshi  
KANYE

Letsholo la ntwaga khatlanong le bolwetse jwa tlhako le molomo le kgorelediwa ke bangwe Batswana ba ba ikgatholosang molao khatlanong le go lwantsha bolwetse joo.

Se ke matshwenyego a a supilweng ke mogolwane e bile e le Ngaka ya Twantsho Matlhoko a Leruo mo kgaolong ya Kanye, Dr Kennedy Ndlovu fa a ne a ne a ntsha pego ka seemo sa bolwetse jwa tlhako le molomo kwa bokopanong jwa khansela e e faphegileng kwa Kanye ka Labone.

Dr Ndlovu o supile fa go tshwenya go bo barua - kgomo bangwe mo kgaolong ba tshabisetsa dikgomo tsa bone kwa mafelong a sele bosigo.

A re go dira jaana go busetsa maiteko a puso ko morago le gone go senya mmaraka wa lefatshe leno kwa mafatsheng a sele.

O ikuetse mo khanseleng go tsibosa morafe ka tlhwaafalo khatlanong le go ikgatholosa molao wa twantsho bolwetse ja tlhako le molomo mo setshabeng.

Dr Ndlovu o tlhalositse fa mo nakong eno go sa letlelesego go bolaya leruo lepe la tlhako e maphatla le fa e le go lo tsamaisetsa kwa ntle ga dithota tse go ruetsweng mo go tsone.

Mo godimo ga moo, o kopile gore barui ba rotloediswa go tlhatlhela leruo lwa bone

O tlhalositse fa mo kgaolong ya borwa, marekisetso a nama kwa matlhabelong a Lobatse a santse a na le nama e mo bogompienong e leng yone e letelesegang go

ka rekwa le go tsamaya mo kgaolong.

Dr Ndlovu o sedimoseditse makhanselara gore kotlhao ya go roba melao khatlanong le go lwantsha tlhako le molomo ke dikete tsa dipula tse tlhano go ya go tse di lesome le botlhano.

O tlhalositse fa mo sebakeng se makoko a bakenti a phatlaletse le kgaolo go tlhodumela motlhala wa bolwetse mo dithoteng ka go farologana.

Fa ba akgela mo pegong ya seemo ka bolwetse mo kgaolong, makhanselara a supile fa ba amogela le go ema nokeng kitsiso ya molaodi wa kgaolo ya Kanye, Rre Mompoloki Mochanang, yo e rileng go le pele a tlhalosa fa boeteledipele jwa motse go akaretsa bogosi, bo tla tsena phuthego ya go sekaseka go rulaganyetsa mephato go tsaya karolo mo twantshong ya bolwetse.

Ba ne ba atla mogopolo oo, ba re ke selo se se botlhokwa go tlatsa maiteko a puso mo go thuseng lefatshe.

Le fa go ntse jalo, bangwe ba supile matshwenyego a gore go tsibogela twantsho le thibelo ya tlhako le molomo ke puso go ka tlase thata, ba supa fa go ka be go gagamadiwa fela jaaka fa go ne go lwantshiwa bolwetse ja COVID-19.

Ba kgadile thata badiri ba ba mo dikganeding tsa tsela tsa twantsho bolwetse basupa ba le maoto a tshupa go dira ka tlhwaafalo.

“Fa bapalami ba dibese ba fologa go tipa ditlhako, ga ba fologe ka dibeke tsotlhe, tse dingwe di sala mo beseng”

Ba gakolotse lephata la Matlhoko a loruo go ntsheisa mo pontsheng dikotlhao tse batlola molao ba dipegilweng.

“Se se ka tsibosa le go bontsha ba bangwe gore go tlhoafetswe go le kae go tseela badira molato dikgato”, ga

tlatsa Rre Themba Stimela. Mo godimo ga go amogela selelo ka lephata gammogo le maiteko a batsaya karolo ba bangwe mo go lwantsheng bolwetse, makhanselara a dumelane go thusa ka go gasa molaetsa kwa diphuthengong ka go farologana. **BOPA**



**Addendum**

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (EOI)  
FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS, AND PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP (PPP) ARRANGEMENTS**

**EOI Reference No:** CAT/EOI/2026/01  
**Date of Issue:** 25th March 2026  
**Closing Date:** 7 May 2026

**1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND**

Catalyst Real Estate Proprietary Limited (“Catalyst” or “the Company”) is a Government of Botswana-owned Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) established under the Companies Act (Cap 42:01) with a mandate to professionalise, optimise, and monetise a portfolio of state-owned real estate assets. Operating under the portfolio of the Ministry for State President, Defence and Security, Catalyst is structured as a bankruptcy-remote, limited-purpose entity designed to:

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- Structure and implement Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs) for strategic assets
- Professionalise facilities management across the government portfolio
- Mobilise private sector capital and expertise for public asset optimisation

The Company is governed by an independent Board of Directors and operates in alignment with Botswana's national priorities, including the Economic Diversification Drive (EDD) and Citizen Economic Empowerment (CEE) policies.

**2. OBJECTIVE OF THIS EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

Catalyst invites suitably qualified and experienced firms, consortia, and joint ventures to submit Expressions of Interest for the provision of services and strategic partnerships across the following categories:

**CATEGORY A: TRANSACTION ADVISORY AND CAPITAL MARKETS**

- Lead Arranger / Transaction Advisor for asset-backed securitisation (ABS) issuances on the Botswana Stock Exchange
- Credit Rating Agency services for inaugural and ongoing ABS ratings
- Trustee and Security Agent services for bondholder representation
- Listing Sponsor services for BSE listings

**CATEGORY B: LEGAL SERVICES**

- Securitisation Counsel – specialist legal expertise in structured finance, ABS transactions, and capital markets
- Conveyancing and Property Law – title due diligence, property transfers, and registration
- PPP and Project Finance – legal advisory for complex PPP structuring
- General Corporate and Commercial – ongoing corporate advisory
- Letter of good standing from the Law Society of Botswana
- Certified copies of all valid Practising certificates, Conveyancing and Notary Public and Fidelity Certificates
- Professional Indemnity

**CATEGORY C: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES MANAGEMENT**

- Tier 1 Integrated Facilities Management (IFM) Master Integrators – comprehensive facilities management services for government portfolios
- Property Valuation Services – REIB-certified or equivalent valuation firms
- Condition Assessment and Technical Due Diligence – engineering and technical assessment services
- Space Optimisation and Utilisation Studies
- Letter of good standing from REIB

**CATEGORY D: PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS (PPP)**

- Development Partners for complex real estate projects (mixed-use, commercial, hospitality)
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**CATEGORY E: FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

- External Audit Services – IFRS-compliant audit firms
- Internal Audit Services – outsourced internal audit function
- Tax Advisory Services – corporate tax, VAT, transfer pricing, and transaction tax structuring
- Actuarial and Risk Advisory Services – complex financial modelling, covenant analysis
- ESG and Sustainability Advisory – green bond readiness, ESG reporting frameworks
- **Financial Institutions** – banking, development finance institutions, and institutional investors for capital mobilisation and funding partnerships
- **Insurance Services** – underwriting, risk transfer solutions, and insurance advisory for asset portfolios and structured transactions

**CATEGORY F: TECHNOLOGY AND SYSTEMS**

- ERP / Asset Management System Providers – integrated platforms for asset and financial management
- Facilities Management (CAFM or IWMS) Solutions – technology platforms for FM oversight
- Cybersecurity and IT Managed Services
- Data Analytics and PropTech Solutions

**CATEGORY G: SPECIALIST CONTRACTORS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS**

- Citizen-owned Enterprises (Tier 3) – routine maintenance, cleaning, landscaping, minor works (in alignment with CEE policy)

**3. ELIGIBILITY AND QUALIFICATION CRITERIA**

**3.1 General Requirements**

All applicants must demonstrate:

- 1. Legal Status:** Registration as a legal entity in Botswana or eligibility to register and operate in Botswana
- 2. Experience:** Minimum 5-10 years relevant experience (depending on category) with verifiable track record
- 3. Financial Capacity:** Sound financial position with ability to undertake scope of work
- 4. Professional Indemnity:** Appropriate professional indemnity insurance (where applicable)
- 5. Regulatory Compliance:** Valid licenses and registrations with relevant regulatory bodies (e.g., PPRA registration for construction-related services, BICA for audit firms, relevant professional bodies)
- 6. Fit and Proper:** Key personnel must meet fit-and-proper requirements
- 7. Conflict of Interest:** Disclosure of any actual or potential conflicts

**3.2 Specific Category Requirements**

Category	Specific Requirements
Transaction Advisory	Proven track record in Asset Backed Securities (ABS), securitisation, or bond issuance in Africa/emerging markets
Financial Institutions	Demonstrated experience in infrastructure finance, real estate funding, or securitisation transactions
Insurance Services	Relevant registration with Non-Bank Financial Institutions Regulatory Authority (NBFIRA) and experience in large-scale asset or transaction insurance

**4. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Interested firms must submit the following:

**4.1 Mandatory Documents**

1. Cover Letter – clearly indicating the Category/Categories applied for
2. Company Profile – including ownership structure, year established, core business
3. Registration Documents – Certificate of Incorporation, VAT registration, relevant licenses
4. 4.Tax Clearance Certificate – valid (not older than 6 months)
5. 5.Financial Statements – last 3 years
6. 6.Key Personnel CVs – qualifications and relevant experience
7. 7.Track Record – detailed experience in relevant category, including:
  - Description of similar assignments
  - Client references (minimum 3)
  - Contact details for reference checks
  - Value and scale of projects
8. Quality Assurance / Accreditation – relevant certifications (ISO, etc.)
9. CEE Status – where applicable
10. Professional Indemnity as required

**4.2 Technical Proposal (max 10 pages)**

- Understanding of Catalyst's mandate
- Proposed approach / methodology
- Differentiators and value proposition
- Proposed team structure
- Examples of relevant work

**4.3 Financial Proposal (Separate File/Envelope)**

- Proposed fee structure (where applicable for panel appointments)
- Rate cards for different personnel categories
- Volume discount proposals (if any)

**NOTE:** For transaction-specific roles (Arranger, Rating Agency), financial proposals may be submitted at RFP stage.

**5. PROCUREMENT PROCESS AND EVALUATION**

**5.1 Process Overview**

Stage	Activity
1	Publication of EOI
2	EOI submission deadline
3	Evaluation of EOIs
4	Shortlisting and notification
5	Issuance of RFP to shortlisted firms
6	RFP responses
7	Evaluation and negotiations
8	Award and contract signing

**5.2 Evaluation Criteria**

Criteria	Weight
Relevant Experience and Track Record	40%
Technical Capacity and Expertise	30%
Key Personnel Qualifications	15%
Financial Capacity	10%
Local Presence / CEE Status	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

**6. PPP AND STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS - SPECIAL NOTE**

For Category D (PPP and Strategic Partnerships), Catalyst is seeking partners with capacity for:

- Long-term concession arrangements
- Design, Build, Own, Operate, Transfer (DBOOT) structures
- Significant capital investment
- Operational expertise in relevant sectors

The Government of Botswana is advancing its PPP legal framework, with a draft bill expected during 2025/2026. Catalyst is positioned as a key implementing vehicle for real estate-related PPPs.

**7. CONFIDENTIALITY AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**7.1 Confidentiality**

All information provided in response to this EOI will be treated as confidential.

**7.2 Conflict of Interest**

Applicants must disclose any actual or potential conflicts of interest, including:

- Relationships with Catalyst Board members, management, or Shareholder
- Existing contracts with Government of Botswana that may conflict

- Relationships with competitors or potential consortium partners

**8. SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS**

**8.1 Submission Deadline**

**Cut-off date for clarifications: 30 April 2026**

**Closing Date:** 07 May 2026

**Closing Time:** 12:00 noon (Botswana Time)

Late submissions will not be considered.

**8.2 Submission**

**Electronic Submission:**

[procurement@catalystrealestate.co.bw](mailto:procurement@catalystrealestate.co.bw) by sending a link to the repository of your bid.

\*Note: Electronic submissions must be in PDF format, password-protected (password to be provided separately upon request), and must not exceed 20MB.\*

**8.3 Envelope/File Labelling**

All submissions must be clearly marked with:

**“EOI REF: CAT/EOI/2026/01 - [CATEGORY APPLIED FOR]”**

**9. ENQUIRIES**

All enquiries related to this EOI must be directed in writing to:

**The Procurement Officer**

Catalyst Real Estate Proprietary Limited

Email: [procurement@catalystrealestate.co.bw](mailto:procurement@catalystrealestate.co.bw)

**Cut-off date for clarifications: 30 April 2026**

No telephone enquiries will be accepted.

**10. GENERAL CONDITIONS**

1. **Right to Accept/Reject:** Catalyst reserves the right to accept or reject any EOI, and to annul the procurement process at any time, without incurring any liability.
2. **Cost of Participation:** Applicants bear all costs associated with EOI preparation and submission.
3. **Shortlisting:** Submission of an EOI does not guarantee shortlisting or invitation to RFP.
4. **Joint Ventures/Consortia:** Joint ventures are welcome. Lead partner must be clearly identified, and JV agreement must be submitted.
5. **Multiple Categories:** Applicants may apply for multiple categories but must submit separate EOIs for each.
6. **Validity Period:** EOIs must remain valid for 120 days from submission deadline.
7. **Verification:** Catalyst reserves the right to verify any information provided and to conduct site visits or interviews.
8. **Language:** All submissions must be in English.
9. **Currency:** All financial information must be in Botswana Pula (BWP).
10. **Governing Law:** This procurement is governed by the laws of the Republic of Botswana.

**11. ANTI-CORRUPTION AND ETHICS**

Catalyst Real Estate is committed to the highest standards of ethics and transparency. Any attempt to:

- Offer bribes or improper inducements
- Engage in collusive practices
- Provide false information
- Influence the evaluation process improperly

will result in immediate disqualification and may be reported to the Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime (DCEC).

**ISSUED BY:**

**Board of Directors**

**Catalyst Real Estate Proprietary Limited**

*This EOI is issued in alignment with the principles of the Public Procurement Act and reflects Catalyst's commitment to transparency, value for money, and citizen economic empowerment.*

# Classified Ads

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

**FARM WORKERS**

**FARM WORKER WANTED** aged 18 years and above. Closing date 10/05/2026. Apply to B. Leshaga. P O Box 1642 Serowe 71 685 030

**WE ARE LOOKING** for a farm worker, experienced in horticulture at Moologe, Mochudi, Gaborone 73 000 8891 / 74 113 455

**2 FARM WORKERS WANTED** at Serule. Box 60 Serule. Masar Field Serule. Ms Thotholetso Mudongo 76 279 942.

**FARM WORKER WANTED** at masimo a Tlokweng. Contact no. 71 464 861.

**FARM WORKER NEEDED** at Pandamatenga. Apply To: Naomi Makhondo Box 52 Kasane.

**GENERAL/SEASONAL FARM** workers wanted. Apply at Phatsimo Ranthukge P O Box 727 Metsimotlhabe.

**UPCOMING BUSINESS** looking for farm worker, special skills on poultry agro, feedlot & small stocks preferred. Apply to: P O Box 269 Palapye. Email: farm48foods@gmail.com

**3 FARM WORKERS NEEDED** at Kazungula. Please Call 73 872 942

**EMPLOYER - GA EFE LE LESOTLHO**, location-Gakuto two farm workers requires to assist with general farming operations. Minimum of 5 years experience required, knowledge of crop and livestock management. Apply to P O Box 1406 Mogoditshane. Closing date 03 May 2026

**GENERAL/SEASONAL FARM** worker wanted. Apply at Robert N. Kalane P O Box V680 Ramotswa.

**GENERAL/SEASONAL FARM** worker wanted in Ramokgwebane at Phillip Genge. Call: 75 810 028

**FARM WORKER WANTED** at Mathangwane Omphile Habangana Box 1 Mathangwane 71 716 981

**MR BADIRI HELMORE MOTLALENG**, owner of an integrated farm at Mmakolobe lands in Tumasera, wishes to change land use from agriculture (integrated farm) to mixed use (agriculture & industrial). For objections contact Mahalapye District Council, Physical Planning Office on 471 8636/16 within 14 days of publication.

**LOOKING FOR 4 FARM** labourers Cell 73 299 011, Box 15, Pandamatenga

**2 FARM WORKERS** wanted at Gakuto farms. Apply to the Manager Box 47160 Phakalane. Cell: 73 970 269 / 71 349 995

**EXPERIENCED FARM** **MANAGER** urgently required for an integrated farm in Marapong. Qualifying candidates to apply to : P.O Box 183 Sebina. Cell No. 73666228

**FARM WORKERS WANTED** Bonno Mpedinyane, P. O Box 202 Thamaga

**FARM WORKER WANTED** at Lecheng Farms. Call 71 326 792

**TWO FARM WORKERS WANTED** at Marapong to look after an integrated farm. Apply to: P.O Box 183 Sebina. Cell No. 73 666 228

**FARM WORKER WANTED** at Lorwana Loba Farms for horticulture including ginger. Contact Gaelaiwe at 71 883 569 / 73 883 569, Box 1413, Lobatse

**4 SEASONAL WORKERS** needed. Call 71 445 345

**FARM WORKER**, Nakedi Phitsane Box 181 Kanye 72 495 236

**FARM WORKER** Vivian Boingotlo Masibi, Box 10779 Kanye 72148218

**FARM WORKER** Seitebo Sebonego Box 438 Jwaneng 71311247

**FARM WORKER WANTED** at Motokwe Village Lethakeng to take care of the farm by ploughing the fields. Write to Masego Michael Gaebine at P O Box 151, Lethakeng, 2 years experience. The advert must circulate for 14 days after advert publication.

**FARM WORKERS REQUIRED, MUST BE ABLE TO READ AND WRITE FOR PURPOSES OF RECORD KEEPING IN RELATION TO ANIMALS BEING LOOKED AFTER. BASIC HOUSE KEEPING ESPECIALLY AT FEEDLOT MAY REQUIRE EXTRA HOURS OF WORK. CLOSING DATE: 04/05/2026**  
**WRITE TO:**  
THE DIRECTOR  
PRIMEFAST  
P O BOX 68,  
WERDA

**"WANTED:**  
**Extra Heavy-Duty Driver for Cross-Border Routes!**  
- Min 10 years experience driving extra heavy loads (up to 50 tons+)  
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- Defensive driving skills, mechanical checks a bonus  
- speaks and understand English  
- Competitive pay, good conditions  
  
**Contact 73684810 / Email flexipathsolutions@gmail.com for details**

**CHANGE LAND USE**  
Josephine Isaacs being plot owner of Plot No: 17728 in Matamora Ward, Mochudi, intends to apply for a change of land use from Commercial to Multi-family residential.  
  
**Any objection** to this proposal should be lodged within fourteen (14) days from publication of the notice.  
  
**All queries and objections should be addressed to** Kgatleng District Council or the plot owner on 72 960 194.

**ADVERTISEMENT: POSITION AVAILABLE FULL-TIME MINISTER**

To be Dutch Reformed Church in Botswana – Lobatse Congregation  
**Location:** Lobatse  
**Language Requirement:** Fluent in Afrikaans (All services and communication will be in Afrikaans)

The Dutch Reformed Church in Botswana: Lobatse Congregation invites suitably qualified candidates to apply for the position of Full-Time Minister.

**Requirements / Qualifications**

- Theological qualification – BA Theology and BTh Theology / MDIV
- An ordained Minister of the Dutch Reformed Church
- Strong calling to ministry and spiritual leadership
- Good communication and interpersonal skills
- Ability to work with a diverse congregation

**Responsibilities**

- Lead worship services and preach the Word in Afrikaans
- Provide pastoral care and counselling
- Congregational development and spiritual guidance
- Involvement in community outreach

**Salary:** Remuneration will be negotiated based on experience and qualifications.

**Applications:** Submit CV and cover letter to [drclobatse02@gmail.com](mailto:drclobatse02@gmail.com) by 07 May 2026.

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

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

Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	TIME	MASTER
LETSOLARONA MMOPA	ESHMY 000057-26	11.05.26	0900HRS	SARM

**DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 16<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2026**  
**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CHANGE MARRIAGE PROPERTY REGIME**  
(In terms of section 8(1)(f) of married Persons Property Act, 2014)

**1. MOMPATI TAOLO and PHATSIMO BEVELINE TAOLO (nee TLADI)**, married in community of property on the 22nd April 2016, wish to change their marital property regime to out of community of property.

**2.** The parties intend to apply to the High Court of Botswana for leave to change their Marital property regime as aforesaid after the expiration of **three (3) weeks** from the date of the **Third Publication hereof**.

**3.** Any person, creditor or debtor who may have an interest in the assets and liabilities of the parties joint estate or who may have objections to the parties changing their property regime, are hereby requested to communicate such objection to the Parties Attorneys, Resheng Resheng Attorneys, in writing, before the expiration of the said **three (3) weeks period**, at the address provided below.

**DATED at Gaborone this 9th day of April, 2026**  
**RESHENG RESHENG ATTORNEYS Applicants' Attorneys, Plot 23952, Phase 4, Gaborone, P.O.Box 26014, Gaborone Botswana.**

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**  
Master's Reference: ESHGB-000071/24

**IN THE ESTATE** of the **Late Bogadi David** who died at Phuting Ward, Thamaga, Kweneng District, Botswana on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2001.

**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**

**Executive Dative**  
**Odirile David**  
P O Box 1055, **THAMAGA**  
**CELL: 71590140**

**NOTICE FOR A CERTIFIED COPY LOST DEED**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** THAT the undersigned intends to apply for a certified copy Of Deed No. 1213/2DD5..... dated .....16th day of 2005..... made in favor of **JUBY HILDAB BOIKUTSO SENOME**..... In respect of:  
**CERTAIN:** Piece of land being LOT 20474, Gaborone;  
**SITUATE:** in Gaborone West Extension 11;  
**MEASURING:** 450m<sup>2</sup> (Four Hundred and Fifty Square Metres);  
**HELD UNDER:** Title Deed No: 1213/ 2005 dated **16<sup>th</sup> June 2005**  
All persons having objection to the issue such copy are hereby required to lodge the same in writing with the Registrar of Deeds, PRIVATE BAG 0020 GABORONE within three (3) weeks of the last publication of this notice hereof.  
**DATED AT ..... ON THIS ..... DAY OF..... 20.....**  
.....  
APPLICANT

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

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

Name of Deceased	Person Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
Baemedi Moatswakgotla	ESHFT-000305-26	16-06-26	09000hrs	SARM

**DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 14<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2026**  
**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

**Newton International School (NIS)**  
P O Box 403505 Gaborone  
**Plot 39971 Block 6 Gaborone**

**VACANCY FOR THE FOLLOWING:**

**1. SECONDARY IGCSE TEACHERS**  
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**2. LOWER & UPPER PRIMARY TEACHERS**

**3. PRE-SCHOOL TEACHERS**

- Vacant posts available for Secondary - 1 post per subject.
- Lower and upper Primary teachers - 2 posts for each.
- Preschool- 1 post.

**Minimum Requirements:**

- All applicants must have a minimum qualification of a Diploma in Education
- 3 years' experience in teaching in a Preschool, Primary school & IGCSE syllabus at Secondary in a private school.
- All candidates wanting to apply must meet the minimum requirements and an ideal candidate should demonstrate a strong academic background and fit well into NIS culture.

Please send applications (CVs) and cover letter to: [admin@newtonschools.com](mailto:admin@newtonschools.com)

**Contacts** : +267 390 0261, 76 345 042  
**Closing date** : 08 May 2026.



**FARM WORKES**

**FARM WORKER WANTED**  
Gathwane 71 446 380

**FARM WORKERS WANTED**  
Thobo Ronald Phadi P.O Box 1846 Gaborone

**2 FARM WORKERS WANTED**  
at Takatokwane lands by Patrick Molefe. Apply to P O Box 4 Gabane before 30/05/2026

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**VW B496 ADO OWNER WANTED**  
exchange ownership. 71 230 190

**I AM LOOKING FOR LOVEMORE**  
Chihumba of previous address, plot 238 Tsholofelo, concerning a car I bought from him B597BIU, His passport has expired, I want to change ownership. Contact 76344042

**NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION**

**MR JUS SHELENI, OWNER** of plot no. 2831 at Extension 10 Gaborone, would like to change use of land from civic and community to commercial land use. For any objection contact Gaborone District Council, Physical Planning Office on telephone number +267 365 7400 within 14 (fourteen) days of publication of this notice.

**CHANGE OF LAND USE** Thabo Balopi, owner of plot 32042, Gaborone North, intends to change land use from residential to multi-family residential. For any objections, contact Gaborone City Council, physical planning department on telephone No. 3657400 within fourteen (14) days of publication of this notice.

**NOTICE TO NEXT OF KIN MEETING**

Administration of Estates Act (Cap.31.01)

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**NAME OF DECEASED PERSON**  
GAOLATLHE TENEGO  
**ESTATE NUMBER** : ESHMY 000012-26  
**DATE OF MEETING** : 01.06.26  
**TIME** : 0900HRS  
**MASTER** : SARM

**JOB ADVERTISEMENT LOGWADI INVESTMENTS**

Logwadi Investments seeks a **Senior Consultant-ESG** with a strong background in Impact Investing, Environmental, social, and governance (ESG) strategies. The ideal candidate should have an MBA qualification from a leading University and a deep understanding of sustainability practices, corporate governance, and social responsibility initiatives, along with the analytical skills to drive impactful changes for our clients. International experience would be an added advantage.

**Qualifications:**  
o MBA from an accredited academic institution.  
o ESG qualification (e.g., SASB, GRI, CFA ESG).  
o Minimum of 3 years of experience in consulting, with a focus on ESG, sustainability, or corporate social responsibility.

**What We Offer:**  
o Competitive salary and performance-based bonuses and Comprehensive benefits package, including health, dental, and retirement plan

**How to Apply:**  
Please send cover letter, resume and certificates to [info@logwadi.com](mailto:info@logwadi.com)

**VACANCY STALLION SECURITY**

We are looking for an **Alarms sales representative** with strong experience and excellent references in the field of marketing and alarm monitoring.

**If you wish to apply, please ensure you meet the minimum requirements of the position.**

- VALID DRIVERS LICENSE
- COMPUTER SKILLS – MICROSOFT EXCEL, WORD AND OUTLOOK

**VACANCY DETAILS**

**JOB TITLE** : ALARM BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT OFFICER  
**LOCATION** : GABORONE  
**SALARY** : MARKET RELATED  
**CLOSING DATE** : 30 APRIL 2026  
**EMAIL SUBMISSION** : [info@stallion.co.bw](mailto:info@stallion.co.bw)

**SRK Exports Proprietary Limited**

**SRK Exports Pty Ltd** a Diamond Cutting and Polishing Factory seeks skilled candidates to apply for vacant **"Fancy Diamond Polisher" Positions.**

**Job Openings** : FANCY DIAMOND POLISHERS

**Round Fancy Polisher x3 positions:**

**Experience** : ( 3 years minimum experience)

Candidates must be proficient in the final polishing/brillianting of the Bottom, Top, and Table for the following shapes:

- Pear
- Oval
- Marquise

**Apply Now** Send your CV and cover letter to the Human Resources Manager – SRK Exports Pty Ltd, P O Box 403320, Block 8 Industrial Gaborone, Hand delivery at **PLOT 61128-61130** OR email to [hr.bw@srk.me](mailto:hr.bw@srk.me)

**Deadline** : 08<sup>th</sup> May 2026

**Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted**



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**PRIVATE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL WANTED**

A visionary leader that can be able to inspire teachers' students and parents is required at Noka ya Botshelo English Medium School. We are looking for a dynamic **principal** who will guide our institution into the next chapter of growth and excellence.

We are an independent value based institution dedicated to shaping future leaders. With a strong academic tradition and a warm, inclusive environment, our school is a place where curiosity thrives and character is built.

**APPLY NOW**

- Send your C.V and cover letter, also include certificates (Bachelor's degree in Education).
- Two most recent references.
- The qualification certificates must be from a well accredited institution.
- The applicant must have been a head teacher in an English Medium School for a minimum of 5 years.

**Deadline of the application:**  
**24/04/2026**

**Application should be sent to**

**The School Head,**  
Noka ya Botshelo English Medium School  
P.O. Box 30, **Kasane**

**OR**

emailed to [nokayabotshelo@gmail.com](mailto:nokayabotshelo@gmail.com)



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**NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION**

**OWNER PLOT 8930 PALAPYE** would like to inform neighbours attention to construct boundary wall. For queries contact Central District Council 492 1092 / 77515577.

**OARABILE TEBO MAPOGO** - owner of lot 9556, Tlokweg, Letlapeng ward wishes to change land use from single family residential to multi family residential. For comments contact Tlokweg district council: 369 5000 with 14 days of this publication.

**FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION**

**ACCOUNT ESHGB-000884/24**

IN THE ESTATE OF THE LATE **OOKEDITSE MOKWADI** who died at Sekgoma Memorial Hospital, Serowe, Central-Serowe District, Botswana on the 16th October 2003.

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

**DATED AT...ON THE...DAY OF...2026**

The Executor, Gaolefufa Mokwadi,  
P O Box 44,MOGOROSI, Cell:77081925

**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 Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
JABULANI BILLY MAPOSA	ESHFT-001456-25	09-06-26	0900 HRS	SARM 2

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 09<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2026**

**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

**NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS**

**ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATES ACT (CAP. 31:01)**

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	MASTER
LETSOGILE KETSHABILE	ESHFT-000040-26	02-06-26	0900 HRS	DRM

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 15<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2026**

**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

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

**NOTICE IS HEREBY** given that by virtue of section 31 of the administration of Estates Act (Cap: 33:01), heirs and next of kin of the deceased and all persons having claims against the above estate, are being called upon to attend before the Master of 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
MPHINE MOSEKI	ESHMY 000159-26	15-06-26	0900HRS	SARM

**DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 13<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2026**

**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

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

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**Name of Deceased Person Estate Number Date of Meeting Time Master**

**DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 16th MARCH 2026**

**MASTER OF THE COURT**

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ENTER INTO A TRANSACTION WITH A NON-CITIZEN IN TERMS OF SECTION 34 OF TRIBAL LAND ACT, 2018**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** in terms of Section 34 of the Tribal Land Act, that **RINAH MALOKWANE** ID No. 970 229 004 intends to enter into sale agreement with **ABUBAKER MAHMED UMAR IBRAHIM GANGAT** (PASSPORT No. Z6406981), a non-citizen, in respect of the below mentioned property, for the sum of P400,000.00 (Four Hundred Thousand Pula) namely;

- CERTAIN SITUATE** : Piece of land being Commercial Tribal Lot 657 at Extension 4 ward, Palapye in the Bamangwato Tribal Territory;
- MEASURING** : 1,300m2 in total extent as will more fully appear from Diagram with DSM No. 1003/2009 framed in May 2009 by Land Surveyor C.P Vista and approved by Director of Surveys and Mapping on the 17th day of June 2009 and is
- HELD UNDER**: No. FT MA 358/2025 dated 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025 in favour of **RINAH MALOKWANE**
- SUBJECT TO** : such terms and conditions as the aforesaid of Resolution will more fully point out.

Any citizen interested in a similar transaction in respect of the above property shall be given priority notwithstanding the agreement reached by the above parties.

Any citizen objecting to this transaction should do so in writing, giving reasons thereof, to Palapye Sub Land Board, P.O. Box 868 Palapye, within **thirty (30) days**.

**Dated at Palapye this 17<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

**RINAH MALOKWANE | P.O. Box 11402 Palapye | Cell 71656292**

**OWNER OF PLOT No. 13630** Extension 11, Palapye wishes to inform neighbours of plot 13631. 13646, and 13647 about intention to erect boundary wall. For any objection contact Palapye District Council, Physical Planning Office on telephone No. 493 0800/89 within fourteen (14) days of this publication.

**KEKHUMO MUDLOVU OWNER** of plot 6512 Metsimotlhabe intends to change land use from residential to multi residential. Enquiries: Mogoditshane district council, telephone 316 6646 within 14 days of publication of this advert

**GOGAONE STANLEY, OWNER** of a commercial plot at Ramokgonami in Mhela Ward, hereby gives notice of intention to change the land use from commercial to multi-family residential. Any objections should be forwarded to the physical planning office, Mahalapye district council, or by calling +267 4718622 within 14 days of publication.

**365 3592**

**FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT**

ESHGB-001447/25

IN THE ESTATE OF THE LATE **CHARALAMBOS SHANIOS** who died at Boswelatlou Ward plot 524, Lobatse, Lobatse District, Botswana on the 8th day of June 2025. **THE FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT** in the Estate will lie open for inspection at the offices of the Master of the High Court at Gaborone for a period of twenty-one (21) days from the date of publication hereof.

**DATED AT Gaborone ON THE 17th DAY OF April 2026**

Executer Testamentary  
Constandinos Shanios  
Plot 524, Nkuruma Road  
Boswelatlou Ward LOBATSE  
CELL: 71614828

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

ESHFT000286/23

**NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS**  
IN THE ESTATE of the late Jose Armando -ESHFT000286/23 who died at Nyangabgwe Referral Hospital, Francistown, Francistown District on the 17<sup>th</sup> May 2005.

**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 16<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2026**

**ROSALIA ARMANDO 71562871**

Executer Dative  
P O Box 20543  
Monarch  
FRANCISTOWN

Executer Dative  
P O Box 20543  
Monarch  
FRANCISTOWN

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

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

Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date Of Meeting	Time	Master
AUBREY EVANS MAGAWA	ESHFT-001512-25	09-06-26	0900HRS	DRM

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 08<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2026**

**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

**FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT**

Master's Ref: ESHGB-000423/23

IN THE ESTATE of the Late **HISTORY DITSO SERAME** who died at Princess Marina Hospital, Gaborone, Gaborone District, Botswana on the 7th July 2023.

**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.....on the .....day of .....2025**

The Executor, Mothusi Serame, P.O Box 80520, Gaborone, Cell: 72216699

**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
KEGOAMANG DIKGANG	ESHMY 000244-26	15.06.26	0900HRS	SARM

**DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 13<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026**

**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

**NOTICE OF NEXT KIN MEETING**  
**Administration of Estate Act**  
**(Cap 31:01)**

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
GAOFSWEPELO LEBOGANG	ESHMY 000315-26	16.06.2026	0900HRS	SARM

**DATE AT MAHALAPYE THIS 14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2026**

**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

**MR AND MRS TSHOSA** would like to change land use of plot No 25122, Gaborone North from single residential to multi-family residential. Any comments or objection should be forwarded to Gaborone City Council Physical Planning Unit on Telephone No. 365 7400

**PROPERTIES**

**BACHELOR PAD FOR SALE,** Ramotswa, 74 479 879 / 71 215 694

**VACANCIES**

**DR KADIYALA SURGERY** providing medical services located plot 4754 Broadhurst industrial Gaborone 75 757 575 looking for GP MBBS doctor with minimum 10 years working in Botswana to working in Botswana to work full time. Send CV drkadiyalasurgery@gmail.com Closing date: 08-05-2026

**CHANGE OF LAND USE AND NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION**

**OWNERS** of Plot No. 7950, Broadhurst, Gaborone, hereby notify neighbours at **Plot Nos. 7949 and 7951** and the public of the intention to change land use from single residential to commercial, including alterations to the existing dwelling to create a two-storey structure.

For any queries, please contact the **Gaborone City Council (c/o Physical Planning Office)** on Telephone No. 3657400, within **fourteen (14) days** of publication of this notice.

**TWO (2) FARM WORKERS WANTED**

at Molongwana farms. Primary responsibilities of cultivation of crops and the care of livestock.

Apply to **Mr Israel Joseph** at P/Bag BR 307 Gaborone or hand deliver in Molongwana farms behind Rhino Bricks or contact **71275742. Closing date 6 May 2026.**

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

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**Name of Deceased Person:** Moses Mkutshulwa  
**Estate Number:** ESHFT-000807-25  
**Date of Meeting:** 09-06-26  
**Time:** 0900HRS  
**Master:** SARM 1

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 16<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2026**  
**MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT**

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**365 3592**

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## VACANCIES

**CARE TAKER IS NEEDED** at Gaborone stay in, P O Box31 Kasane, +267 72 444 485

## NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

Rebaone Nthibo of plot No. 30909, Mogoditshane Block 8, would like to notify owners of plot No. 30908 and the general public about the erection of a residential boundary wall.

Any objection contact Mogoditshane District Council, Physical Planning Office within fourteen (14) days of this publication.

Residents within **Mokatse** customary court area are kindly informed that Orange Botswana proposes to build a telecommunications tower 36 metres tall on a plot size measuring approximately 10mx10m, the plot is 170m away from the Mokatse customary court. Anyone with objections should file with Kgatleng District Council Physical planning, tel: 5773512 within 14 days of this publication

### 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
JABULANI MALAMULELA	ESHFT-000788-25	09-06-26	0900HRS	SARM 2

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 08<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2026  
MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

### APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED COPY OF LOST DEED

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **TORO JANSEN** intends applying for a certified copy of Deed of fixed Period State Grant No: 987/2012 dated the **10<sup>th</sup> day of July 2012** in respect of lot 130 Mogoditshane in respect of the below mentioned property namely:

**CERTAIN** : piece of land lot 130 commercial Mogoditshane  
**SITUATED** : IN MOGODITSHANE  
**MEASURING** : 1599sqm (one thousand five hundred and ninety-nine square metres)  
**WHICH PROPERTY** : is held under Deeds of Fixed period states Grant no: 987/2012 dated the **10<sup>th</sup> day of July 2012** made in favour of **TORO JANSEN**

All persons having objection to this issue of such copy is hereby required to lodge same in writing with the register of deeds within three (3) weeks from the last application of this notice.

DATED AT GABORONE ON THE DAY OF 25 MARCH 2026

**TORO JANSEN** Lot 130 Mogoditshane | P o box 130 Mogoditshane

### NOTICE OF SALE IN EXECUTION

BE PLEASED TO TAKE NOTICE THAT pursuant to the Judgment granted by the Honourable Court the following movable property of the Defendant will be sold by public auction by **DEPUTY SHERIFF MEDUPE** of Cell No: 72315134 to the highest bidder as follows:-

**DATE OF SALE** : 22 May 2026  
**TIME OF SALE** : 10.30am  
**PLACE OF SALE** : Opposite Selibe Phikwe Police Station  
**PROPERTY TO BE SOLD** : 1x White Truck Nissan UD Truck Reg B381 BRE 5 TON  
**TERMS AND CONDITIONS** : Cash or Bank guaranteed cheque otherwise details and conditions of sale may be inspected at the Plaintiff's Attorneys offices.

DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 16<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2026

**DEPUTY SHERIFF MEDUPE** | CELL: 72 315 134 | **b/s PIYUSH SHARMA ATTORNEYS & CO.** (Plaintiff's Attorneys) CELL: 72 727 272 | TEL: 319 1622 | [sharma@sharma.co.bw](mailto:sharma@sharma.co.bw) PLOT 6358, Kgware Road | P.O. BOX AD 34 ADC GABORONE [Ref: PS 18163]

### IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN ESHFT 000045-22

#### NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the late **LUKA RAPSON** of death certificate number **D27/02562678/2022 -ESHFT 000045-22** who died at Nyangabgwe Referral Hospital, Francistown, Francistown District on the 17<sup>th</sup> January 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 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2026  
AND TO: Master of the High Court  
Kgosi Rapson  
Executor Dative  
P O Box 11798,  
Tatitown  
FRANCISTOWN  
Private Bag F13  
FRANCISTOWN

### NOTICE FOR A CERTIFIED COPY OF LOST DEED

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the undersigned intends to apply for a certified copy of Deed NO: FT MA 182/08 dated 11<sup>th</sup> day of December 2008 made in favour of **Mokibe & Mosinyi Investments Proprietary Limited** In respect of:

**CERTAIN:** Piece of land being Tribal Lot 2273 Serowe  
**SITUATE:** At Serowe in the Bangwato Tribal Territory  
**MEASURING:** 1084 m2 (One thousand and eighty-four square meters)  
**HELD UNDER:** FT MA 182/2008

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

DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 15<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL 2026

APPLICANT: BOBATENG GODIRWANG MOSINYI

### NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DISPOSE TRIBAL LAND TO NON-CITIZEN

**TRANSFEROR** Bigani Kombani  
**TRANSFeree** Clement Nongo  
**CERTAIN** piece of land being Plot No 7329 Semane Serowe  
**MEASURING** 900m<sup>2</sup> (Nine hundred square Meters)  
**WHICH PROPERTY PURCHASE** In held under memorandum of Plot 7329  
**CONSIDERATION** P50,000,00 (Fifty thousand pula only  
**SUBJECT** to terms and conditions of the law applicable

**BE PLEASED TO take notice further that:**

The transaction is between Bigani Kombani and Clement Nongo By the virtue of this citizen of Botswana interested in entering into a similar offer of the above-mentioned property must give their submission to the contacts below within thirty (30) days' notice thereof.

**BIGANI KOMBANI, Applicant**, P O BOX 2297 GABORONE

CELLPHONE No 76629355

### 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:** Piece of land being Lot 40969  
**SITUATE:** at Molepolole ( Cadastre 66) in Bakwena Tribal Territory  
**MEASURING:** 2,0263 HA (Two Point Zero Two Six Three Hectors)  
**HELD UNDER:** it held under Memorandum of Agreement of Lease No. TG 4/2026 dated 12<sup>th</sup> March 2026 granted by KWENENG LAND BOARD in favour of **PHEMELO SIMANYANA**

#### 2. Parties to the proposed transaction

The parties to the proposed transaction are:

**TRANSFEROR:** **PHEMELO SIMANYANA** P O Box 949 Molepolole ID No.989119302  
**TRANSFeree:** Modern Structure Civil Works (Proprietary) Limited owned by Two Directors Motswana with 50% and Non Citizen with 50%

#### 3. Details of the proposed transaction.

The transferor, **PHEMELO SIMANYANA** proposes to cede his rights, interest and title in the said property to the Transferee, Modern Structure Civil Works (Proprietary) Limited

#### 4. Consideration for the proposed transaction.

Consideration for the proposed cession is the sum of P210, 000.00 (Two Hundred and Ten 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  
a) Intention to oppose and the reasons therefor or;  
b) Wish to enter into similar transaction in respect of the above named property, as the case may be.

DATED AT MOLEPOLOLE THIS 31<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2026

**LEGOLO RELAEANG ATTORNEYS**  
P O BOX 1235, MOLEPOLOLE

### UNIK CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING (Pty) LTD

#### VACANCIES

- 1. Project Manager x2:** minimum of 15 years of road construction experience. BSC/ Beng in Civil Engineering or more. Registration of ERB is required
- 2. Quality Assurance Specialist x2.** Minimum of 15 years of experience in total work experience with at least 5 years of experience in large-scale and multidisciplinary construction projects.
- 3. Tendering Manager:** Minimum of 10 years of work experience, knowledge in Tendering and estimation. Preferably with CCS Competencies
- 4. Senior Estimator x2:** Minimum of 10 years general experience, minimum of 5 years' experience in similar position.  
Responsible for analysing project documents, calculating costs, preparing estimates, and ensuring accuracy in all tender submissions.  
BSc/BEng. in Civil Engineering, Degree in Quantity Surveying, Engineering, or relevant field is preferred, Registration with ERB or QRSC is essential. CCS or equivalent experience is a must.
- 5. Technician x15:** Minimum of 8 years of work experience, in SHEQ, Highway, Building and road construction.
- 6. Heavy duty driver:** 10 years of relevant work experience with authentic drivers' licenses and references.
- 7. Safety Specialist x2:** 10 years of work experience
- 8. Construction Manager: X1:** 10 Years or more work experience in the field of construction, overseas experience would be an added advantage
- 9. Construction Engineerx2:** Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering or related field, Professional registration with a recognized engineering body is an added advantage Minimum of 5 years' experience in construction projects (roads, buildings, or infrastructure) Strong knowledge of construction methods, materials, and regulations.
- 10. Civil Engineer x5:** 10 years' experience in design and structural engineering in a construction environment. BSc Civil Engineering or equivalent.
- 11. Senior Quantity Surveyor x2:** 10 years' post qualification experience. Diploma or BSc in Quantity Surveying, MSc is added advantage. Proven knowledge of QS/estimating software is a pre-requisite
- 12. Site Agent x2:** 7 – 10 years or more experience in Civil and road works, willing to relocate
- We are looking for the following operators with 15 years of work experience:
  - Asphalt tipper operator
  - Grader operator
  - Asphalt batch plant operator

#### NOTE:

- NO ERB IS REQUIRED, HOWEVER PROPOSED CANDIDATE MUST PROVIDE PROOF OF REGISTRATION WITH RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL BODY.
- ALL APPLICATIONS SHOULD INCLUDE RECENT RESUME, CERTIFIED COPIES OF CREDENTIALS. PREFERENCE WILL BE GIVEN TO CITIZENS

**Closing Date: 05/ 05/ 2026**

Send email applications with job title CLEARLY stated in the email heading to:

EMAIL: [recruitment.bw@unikconst.com](mailto:recruitment.bw@unikconst.com);  
For more information, contact: **The Human Resource Manager,**  
**P/Bag 26, Gaborone, Tel: 3924965, Fax: 3923001**



# Celebrating Nationhood

## What does unity look like to you



Oratile Moatlhodi

Ha o bua ka unity ke a budulala, mo pudulalong yame ke bona  
 1) Univercity Of Botswana  
 2) Mahisa  
 3) Dikgafela. Amen. **Tick dee**

Tshwaragano ke letsema fa re tsenya mabogo, re agela yo mongwe ntle, re mo thusa go lema. **Thato Taolo**

Tshwaragano means consultations, working together and the value for each individual's idea for the development of the country. **Boitshepo Kgosiemang**

Despite the difference people may have, there are still certain values and principles that are non-negotiable and binding to the society as a whole. **Tiiso Mpedi**

Tshwaragano mo go nna ke tirisano mmogo le therisano. Tshwaragano e raya popagano gareng ga nna le ba ke tshelang le bone, re dirisana mmogo ka kagiso le thokgamo.

Sekai sa teng ke ka ha ke tshelang ka teng ke le morekisi, tirisano mmogo yame le beng ba madirelo e letla gore ba ntlelele go rekisa fa pele ga madirelo a bone. Re itse gore rotlhe re a tlhokana, e bile fa re tshwaragane, rotlhe re a fenyaa, re ka bona dipelo tse di nametsang. **Monei Mandevani**



Ratie Keitire

Unity means coming together as one even when we are different. It's when people set aside divisions and act with a shared purpose, care and identity. It also means standing together through good or bad. **Naledi Radibeke**

Unity is working together to achieve more. It brings peace and harmony. Motswana a re setshwarwa ke ntja pedi ga se thata, moroto wa o esi ga o ele. Let's team up to build our country. **Grace Mafhoko**

Tshwaragano ke lorato, boingotlo le tlotlo, gape ke setho mo mothong. Tshwaragano e tsisa kagiso mo morafeng, mowa wa kutlwelobothoko mo setshabeng le popagano mo setshabeng. **Kedirelang Buka**

Tshwaragano mo go nna e raya lorato le go thusana mmogo ka nako tsothe. **Akanyang Isaac**

Unity is shared purpose. It is when communities, leaders, and citizens align around building a better future. It is when policies reflect the realities of households, and when progress is felt in everyday life - not just spoken about. **Louis Sibanda**

Unity to me is mutual support, such as rejoicing or suffering together, active cooperation, listening to one another. Or diverse individuals working together towards a common purpose, characterized by harmony, shared goals and mutual support. **Faith Marumo**

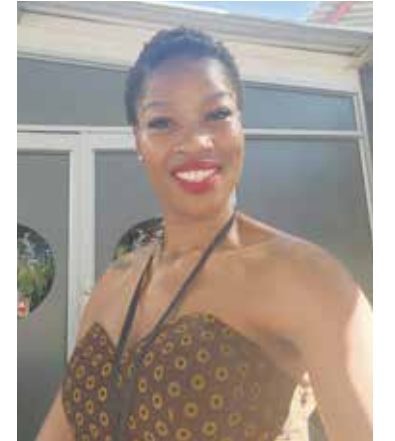
Tshwaragano ke go utlwana, go thusana le go direlana ka lorato. **Ratie Keitire**

Tshwaragano ke neelano, lerato, kutlwano, fa di seyo ga go na jaaka le ka tshwaragana. **Lesedi Sesiro**

Tshwarago ke go bereka mmogo le abelana megopolo le dirisanya mmogo go bona katlego mo go se le se kopanetseng. **Oratile Moatlhodi**

Tshwaragano ke bojammogo, neelano, tirisano mmogo, mo go tse tsothe lorato lo le kwa pele. **Cado Mosweunyane**

Unity is coming together in oneness, It's a big tribe gathering... where people from different areas come together and move forward as one. Unity is when people share stories, laughter and help each other to overcome their struggles. This brings the family or nation close to each other in unity. **Kefilwe Gaanagababo**



Faith Marumo



Akanyang Isaac



Kefilwe Gaanagababo



Lesedi Sesiro



Grace Mafhoko



Cado Mosweunyane



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- Gaborone**  
14<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> April 2026  
Fairground Holdings
- Francistown**  
21<sup>st</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026  
F/Town Council Stadium  
(Old Stadium)
- Maun**  
28<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> April 2026  
The Life Centre Botswana

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HRDC invites all prospective students, potential exhibitors and sponsors to participate in the upcoming fair.

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## Aobakwe Molefhi PHITSHANE MOLOPO

Acting Minister of Lands and Agriculture, Dr Edwin Dikoloti, has cautioned farmers against advocating for the vaccination of livestock against Foot and Mouth Disease

# Government explores cost effective methods of road construction

## Booster Mogapi MAHETLWE

Residents of Mahetlwe have been told that government is exploring alternative cost effective methods of road construction such as soil stabilisation technology.

Addressing a Kgotla meeting on Thursday, Assistant Minister of Transport and Infrastructure, Mr Keoagile Atamelang indicated that the said technology has been used successfully to improve roads connectivity in South Africa, Namibia and Congo.

He said such roads constructed using the soil stabilisation technology have a lifespan of 15 years, without grading or major maintenance.

Mr Atamelang said a road constructed using the said technology would cost about P300 000 per kilometer compared with bitumen use, with an estimated cost of around P9 million for the same distance.

In addition, he said the country has a distance of gravel roads connecting villages covering a total distance of about 10 500 kilometers.

Even though the plan was to improve the said gravel roads, she said it would be expensive to use bitumen, therefore soil stabilisation technology would be cost effective.

Mr Atamelang added that experts were conducting soil surveys as part of efforts to implement such modern solutions.

Therefore, he urged the residents to remain patient and hopeful as funds permitting, government would deliver on its promise.

He said despite the challenging fiscal environment, government remained committed to its ambition to transform the nation.

Mr Atamelang said the envisaged development and improvement of road networks included the gravel roads linking Mahetlwe with Molepolole, Hatsatladi, Lentsweletau and Medie which were in dire need for maintenance.

He said government was taking into account their plea for the said roads to be improved to bitumen standards.

Kgosi Mopati Motsatsi has indicated that Mahetlwe served as a conduit to Hatsatladi, Molepolole, Medie and Lentsweletau villages.

He said the community has long been promised a tarred road since 2008.

Despite the delay, he said the community remained patient and hopeful that the challenging roads connecting the village to other parts of the district would be improved in the near future.

Kgosi Motsatsi said the situation was a nightmare during the rainy season, as the community of Mahetlwe was at times trapped as all exist roads were flood plains, making it difficult to travel.

While patiently waiting for

(FMD), citing potential economic consequences. Addressing residents of Phitshane Molopo recently, Dr Dikoloti acknowledged that while vaccines could help contain and control the disease, they carried significant long-term implications for the livestock industry.

He explained that vaccination

the road surface to be improved, Kgosi Motsatsi has appealed to government to urgently grade the road. **BOPA**

could undermine the value of cattle, as international markets particularly the European Union (EU) generally do not favour meat from vaccinated animals. "The international markets do not prefer vaccinated meat and if we choose to vaccinate, we risk losing our lucrative EU market," he said.

Dr Dikoloti expressed concern over growing calls for government to consider vaccination as a mitigation strategy, warning that such a move could ultimately devalue Botswana's beef industry.

Instead, he urged farmers to focus on strategies aimed at eradicating the disease, which was detected in the country in early March.

Responding to suggestions from residents to establish ranches for better livestock management, Dr

Dikoloti noted that FMD does not discriminate based on location.

He cited the example of the Ramatlabama ranch, despite its high level of security, saying it was among the first to record positive cases, along with a feedlot in Hildavale.

"If not treated with the utmost care and seriousness required from each and every individual, the disease will always find its way, even into secured areas," he said.

Dr Dikoloti called on farmers and the public to support government and veterinary efforts to contain and eradicate the disease, warning that failure to do so could worsen the situation.

He revealed that the economic impact was already being felt, particularly in Zone 11, where positive cases have disrupted the

beef value chain.

The Botswana Meat Commission (BMC) is reportedly facing losses exceeding P2 million, with stock originally destined for the European market now unsold.

Additionally, BMC has temporarily suspended operations, although it continues to meet salary obligations for its workers. The ripple effects have extended to butcheries, many of which have closed due to lack of supply, leaving numerous employees without income.

Dr Dikoloti emphasised that collective action is critical in combating the outbreak.

He said It is high time that the public came together and worked closely with veterinary services in the fight against FMD before it was too late. **BOPA**

### APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED COPY OF LOST DEED OF FIXED PERIOD STATE GRANT

Notice is hereby given that we intended to apply for a certified copy of the Deed of Fixed Period State Grant No. 1238/2000 dated 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 2000, made in favour of CALVIN TSHEKISO.

**CERTAIN SITUATE MEASURING HELD UNDER:** Piece of land being Lot 25451 Gaborone. in Gaborone west Extension 25; 450m<sup>2</sup> (Four Hundred and Fifty Square Meters); Deed of Fixed Period State Grant No. 1238/2000 dated 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 2000, made in favour of CALVIN TSHEKISO.

**SUBJECT TO:** the terms and conditions as are contained in the aforesaid deed.

Any person having objection to the issue of such copy is hereby required to lodge same in writing with the Registrar of Deeds, Private Bag 0020 Gaborone within three (3) weeks from last publication of this notice.

DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 24<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2026

SENAMELA SEKGA ATTORNEYS, APPLICANT'S ATTORNEY PLOT 2859 EXTENSION 10, CHURCH ROAD P.O.BOX 1551 GABORONE.

## FARM WORKERS WANTED

MILTON KHACHANA owns lot 82 RO -7HA and field 64 -26.883HA, in Kazungula and Pandamatenga, Chobe District. The farms mainly produces agricultural products for sale. These products include chickens, dry land farming and horticulture.

### FARM LABOURERS - FIVE (5)

- Maintain crops, chickens and livestock.
- Feeding and cleaning.
- Plant, cultivate, irrigate and harvest crops.
- Maintain the farm facilities.

### QUALIFICATIONS

- Standard seven (7)/JC

### EXPERIENCE

- Minimum two (2) years

Send resume to  
Milton Khachana Box 505 Kasane lot 82 RO Kazungula  
mkhachana@gmail.com | Contacts: 74060720

Closing date: 10/05/2026

## VACANCY

**RHINO STEEL ROLLING MILLS (Pty) Ltd, Ramotswa Station Industrial, invites applications for the following positions:**

**Induction Furnace Operator** – Responsible for full melt cycle operations including charging, melting, temperature control, alloy additions, and tapping. Must have experience with induction furnaces, process control systems, and safe high-temperature operations.

**Furnace Skimmer (Induction Furnace)** – Responsible for removal of slag and impurities from molten metal to maintain steel quality. Duties include monitoring slag, assisting during melting and tapping, and supporting safe furnace operations. Experience with induction furnaces and furnace lining awareness required.

Applicants must have a **minimum of 5 years' experience** in a similar steel or metal processing in-dustry, **be able to work independently, and train shop floor staff.**

**Apply in confidence to:** The Director, Rhino Steel Rolling Mills (Pty) Ltd, P.O. Box 3028, Gaborone Botswana

## D3 TECHNOLOGIES BOTSWANA WISHES TO ENGAGE A MICROSOFT CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST.

The Microsoft consultant should be results oriented, self-driven and have experience in deployment of Microsoft technologies. Academic and work experience requirements are as follows:

- Microsoft Professional Certification
- Microsoft Specialist Certification – Microsoft Volume Licensing Solutions
- Microsoft Certification in any relevant Microsoft System - Systems Center Configuration manager, Microsoft Exchange, Microsoft Azure.
- Transcript stating Exams and date written

**Diploma in Information Technology or Computer Science, Degree in the same or related field is an added advantage.**

Must have at least 8 years work experience of which 6 years should be working, deploying and supporting Microsoft solutions

The Prospective applicant must be able to work under minimal supervision and may be required to work in client offices when carrying out projects.

Must have understanding of Microsoft licensing. Must have proven Microsoft Solutions Deployment and Support. Must be able to gather client requirements, Design, Implement and Test solutions while providing training on the same field.

Must be familiar with the Microsoft deployment life cycle. Must be able to work with the business development team in developing proposals for clients and have good communication skills.

Interested candidates should submit their applications before the 30<sup>th</sup> of April 2026 to D3 Technologies Botswana Plot 121 Unit 2.3 Gaborone International Finance Park or P.O Box 20449, Gaborone or email to info@d3techbw.com Phone: 76 055 259

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

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

Name of Deceased	Person Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
Lawrence Matjologwe	ESHFT-0000152-26	15-06-26	09000hrs	SARM

DATED AT MAHALAPYE THIS 13<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2026

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

H/W DESMOND-RAKODI

## IN THE MAGISTRATES COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF GABORONE HELD AT VILLAGE CASE NO. CCMVL-001672-25

In the ex parte application of:

<b>BOLUX GROUP (PTY) LTD</b>	Applicant
And	
<b>ALCUM INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD</b>	Respondent
In re:	
<b>BOLUX GROUP (PTY) LTD</b>	Plaintiff
And	
<b>ALCUM INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD</b>	Defendant

### SUBSTITUTED SERVICE: SHORT FORM OF PROCESS

**TO: ALCUM INVESTMENTS (PTY) LTD**, a company duly incorporated in accordance with the laws of Botswana, whose address is Motshewa Ward, Masunga, P. O. Box 30028, Serowe.

**TAKE NOTICE** that by Application issued out of this Court, you have been called upon to give notice within fourteen (14) days after publication hereof, to the Clerk of the Magistrates Court for the District of Gaborone held at Village and to BABUSENG ATTORNEYS the Plaintiff's Attorneys of your intention to oppose (if any) in an application wherein BOLUX GROUP (PTY) LTD claims the following orders:

- Payment in the sum of P27, 411.50;
- Interest thereon at the rate of 10% per annum a tempora morae;
- Costs of suit;
- Further and/ or alternative relief.

**TAKE NOTICE FURTHER** that if you fail to give notice, judgment may be granted against you without further reference to you.

DATED IN GABORONE ON THE \_\_\_\_ DAY OF FEBRUARY 2026

**BABUSENG ATTORNEYS** | Applicants' Attorneys  
Plot 4864, Madikwe Close, Extension 11  
P. O. Box 549 AAH, Masa Square GABORONE | Tel: 311 5000

## VACANCY: SENIOR EXTERNAL AUDITOR

To be responsible for, amongst others: identification and control of irregularities and misstatements; audits as per International Standards on Auditing (ISA); client portfolio management; assessment of internal controls, compliance and risk management processes; preparation of detailed audit reports and financial reporting; tax, audit, regulations/laws and general advisory; and effective working/collaborative relationship with management.

A well-qualified and growth-oriented career professional with Bachelor's degree in Applied Accounting and professional qualification in either ACCA, CPA or CA. The suitable candidate must also demonstrate relevant skills in Accounting software proficiency (Mobilink, SAGE, Ms Suites); IFRS accounting and sustainability standards; strong auditing, finance and commercial awareness; teambuilding and leadership; and excellent analytical and communication skills.

Must be registered/cleared with BICA and/or the equivalent relevant professional regulatory body from outside Botswana and have a minimum of at least 5 (five) years' proven experience in an external auditing or professional services firm. Essential skills and ability to work independently and manage multiple client engagements shall be an added advantage.

Deadline: 8th MAY, 2026

Apply: Director, Mamlathan & Associates (Pty) Limited,  
P O Box AE 746 AEH, GABORONE



Republic of Botswana

## Ministry of Youth and Gender Affairs

### EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT

#### VACANCY CIRCULAR NO 3 of 2026

REF: MYSC 4/4/25  
14th April 2026

#### PRINCIPAL PROJECT OFFICER I (ANTI-CORRUPTION)

The above vacancy exists in the Ministry of Youth and Gender Affairs under Corporate Services. A talented, proactive, self-driven and visionary candidate is therefore sought to fill the above-mentioned position.

**Salary Scale:** D2 (P337, 008 – P371, 628) per annum.  
**Leave:** 30 working days per annum.  
**Benefits:**  
a) Optional Contributory Medical Aid Scheme. (Government pays 50% and the Employee pays 50%).  
b) Compulsory Contribution Pension Fund Scheme (Government pays 15% and the employee 5% for Permanent and Pensionable appointment)

**Qualifications:** To be considered for appointment to this position, candidates must have at least a Degree in Social Sciences.

**Experience:** Applicants must have a minimum of ten (10) years' work experience in Anti-Corruption or Investigative field, or related field, two (2) of which should have been served at D3 level or equivalent level in the Public Service or equivalent level in a Parastatal or in the Private Sector.

#### Competencies:

- Deciding and Initiating Action
- Working with People
- Adhering to Principles and Values
- Relating and Networking
- Analyzing
- Creating and Innovating
- Coping with Pressures and Setbacks

#### Purpose of the Job:

To coordinate the development and implementation of Anti-Corruption projects/plans and initiatives within the Ministry.

#### Key performance areas:

1. Coordinate development and implementation of Corruption Prevention initiatives in the Ministry.
2. Conduct sensitization of staff and stakeholders on Anti-Corruption initiatives.
3. Build capacity for Corruption Prevention Committee members.
4. Monitor implementation of annual work plans for Anti-Corruption Units (ACU) and Corruptions Prevention Committees (CPC).
5. Draft publicity materials on Anti-Corruption initiatives.
6. Coordinate Corruption Prevention Committees Programmes and Projects.
7. Coordinate identification of risk prone areas within the Ministry, its impact and prevention initiatives thereof;
8. Provide secretarial and advisory services to Ministerial Corruption Prevention Committee (MCPC) on Anti-Corruption related matters.
9. Conduct preliminary inquiries and analyse cases and refer matters requiring further investigation to Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime (DCEC) and Botswana Police Services (BPS).
10. Conduct Transactional Monitoring (TM) exercises and make recommendations;
11. Coordinate Preliminary Inquiries (PIs) of corruption cases and dispose them accordingly.
12. Monitor implementation of recommendations of Transactional Monitoring (TM) and Preliminary Inquiries (PIs).
13. Monitor and maintain the Corruption Risk Register.
14. Initiate responses to all referrals from the DCEC.
15. Undertake any other related duties as required to meet exigencies of the service if any such tasks and duties do not result in conflict of interest.

#### APPLICATIONS:

Applicants should quote the Vacancy Circular No. and provide the following:

- i. Full name and contact details;
- ii. Detailed Curriculum Vitae containing information on:
  - a. Date of first appointment;
  - b. Date of present position, salary scale and date of appointment thereto;
- iii. Certified copies of Certificates and National Identity card
- iv. At least two (2) recent work related references (not more than 6 months old.).

#### IMPORTANT

All applications from serving public officers should be routed through their Heads of Department and Permanent Secretaries. Applications not so routed will not be considered.

Only shortlisted candidates will be responded to.

Applications should be addressed to:

**The Permanent Secretary**  
**Ministry of Youth and Gender Affairs**  
**Private Bag 00514**  
**Gaborone**

**OR Hand deliver to the Ministry Headquarters in Central Business District (CBD), Plot No. 54372, (next to the Botswana Unified Revenue Service) Records Management Unit, Fifth (5) floor.**

**Closing date: 13th May 2026.**

**For further information, please contact: Human Resource Office on 3682600/2677/2601/2654.**

## JOB VACANCY

### Job Profile: Head of Finance



#### 1. Main Purpose (Why does the role exist)

**Letshego Financial Services Limited is looking for a dynamic and strategic Head of Finance to help shape our future and drive sustainable growth.**

This role provides enterprise-wide financial leadership and stewardship, ensuring long-term financial sustainability, strong governance, and full regulatory compliance. As a trusted strategic partner to the executive team, the Head of Finance will enable confident, data-driven decision-making through robust financial planning, performance management, capital optimisation, and risk management.

More than a leadership role, this is an opportunity to make real impact, strengthening financial integrity, safeguarding the organisation's reputation, and unlocking long-term value to support Letshego's ambitious strategy and transformation journey.

#### 2. Education

- Fully qualified Professional Accountant (ACCA, CA, CIMA or ACA)
- Registration with relevant professional bodies is required
- A post graduate degree such as MBA, or equivalent will have an added advantage.

#### 3. Experience

- At least 13 years of proven experience, of which 5 were in senior leadership roles within the financial services industry or similarly regulated environments
- Proven experience with Boards, Regulators and External Auditors
- Demonstrated track record of driving financial performance and transformation

#### 4. Knowledge

- In-depth knowledge of financial and treasury principles, practices, and regulations applicable to the financial services sector
- Deep understanding of financial services, lending models, and regulatory frameworks.
- In-depth knowledge of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and statutory reporting
- Advanced knowledge of capital structure optimization, funding strategies and balance sheet management
- Knowledge of treasury instruments, interest rate management and funding mechanisms
- Understanding of lender and investor expectations, covenants and funding negotiations
- Knowledge of fintech, mobile micro solutions such as e-wallet, mobile savings, commercial/retail/transactional banking operations and solutions
- In-depth understanding of corporate financial law and risk management practices

- Knowledge of Environmental, Social and Corporate Governance (ESG), social impact and sustainability framework
- Excellent knowledge of data analysis and forecasting methods
- Strong understanding of regulatory frameworks: NBFIRA, Bank of Botswana, AML/CTF, Data Protection.

#### 5. Skills

- Demonstrated leadership capabilities, with a track record of building and motivating high-performing teams
- Exceptional strategic thinking capabilities backed by strong analytical capabilities.
- Ability to translate financial data into strategic business insights and decision support.
- Excellent problem-solving skills (i.e., problem definition & structuring, analysis definition, insight generation & recommendation generation)
- Excellent communication and interpersonal abilities, with the capacity to effectively engage with diverse stakeholders.
- Ability to oversee and manage multiple projects at the same time
- Ability to work with shared leadership and in cross-functional teams
- Ability to thrive in a fast-paced, dynamic environment and adapt to evolving business and regulatory requirements
- Proficient in the use of MS Office and financial and accounting management software

#### 6. Critical Deliverables /Core Accountabilities and Responsibilities

- Develop and execute comprehensive financial strategies aligned with Group Strategy and Country Strategy to ensure long-term organisational sustainability.
- Provide strategic financial guidance to Country Management Committee and the Board on long- and short-term organisational initiatives and business sustainability projects.
- Oversee budgeting, forecasting, financial planning and cash-flow management to support organisational performance and growth.
- Conduct advanced financial analysis to identify opportunities for cost optimisation, revenue growth and profitability enhancement.
- Oversee enterprise-wide risk management with a focus on financial risk identification, assessment, mitigation and regulatory compliance.
- Implement and monitor financial controls, governance frameworks and compliance structures to safeguard organisational assets.
- Ensure accurate, timely and compliant financial reporting, including IFRS-aligned Annual Financial Statements (AFS).
- Lead engagements with regulators, external auditors, funders, banks, and shareholders on financial reporting, funding, capital, compliance and governance matters.

- Develop and manage capital allocation strategies, ensuring optimal capital structure and shareholder value creation.
- Oversee treasury operations, liquidity management, investment decisions, and capital markets activities to ensure financial resilience.
- Manage bank and funding partner relationships, negotiating favourable terms and funding arrangements.
- Develop, refine and enforce robust financial, treasury and governance frameworks for operational efficiency and transparency.
- Drive automation and digital transformation initiatives to streamline financial operations and improve accuracy and efficiency.
- Develop and lead a high-performing finance team, fostering a culture of collaboration, innovation and governance excellence.
- Ensure adherence to procurement governance, financial procedures, and cost-control standards.
- Develop and maintain robust financial policies, systems, processes, and controls to enhance efficiency, accuracy and transparency in financial operations.
- Ensure full compliance with regulatory requirements (NBFIRA, AML/CTF, Data Protection) and internal governance frameworks, maintaining audit readiness and promoting a strong control culture across the Finance function.
- Proactively monitor regulatory changes and drive operations activities as required
- Role models Letshego values and ethical leadership that is consistent with Group culture.

**Closing Date: 05 May 2026**

**Application email:** LFSB.recruitment@letshego.com

**Disclaimer:** Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

**Letshego Contact number:** 364 3000

**Remuneration:** A competitive remuneration package will offered to the suitable candidate

Interested applicants should forward their Curriculum Vitae to the provided email by indicating the position they are applying for on the subject of the email: **Ref: Head of Finance**

# Arts & Culture

Founders of the Healthy Family Foundation, Percy Thaba (right) and wife, Ashley have highlighted the importance of establishing a solid foundation within marriages, during a month-long family building workshop in Selebi Phikwe. Their advocacy highlights the need for couples to prioritise communication, mutual respect and shared values in building and maintaining a successful marriage.



## The Thabas advocate for strong marriage foundation

**Gaboselwe Olesitse**  
**SELEBI PHIKWE**

Percy Thaba, the founder of the Healthy Family Foundation, along with his wife, Ashley, have highlighted the importance of establishing a solid foundation within marriages.

Their advocacy highlights the need for couples to prioritise communication, mutual respect and shared values in building and maintaining a successful marriage.

Speaking during a month-long family building workshop in Selebi Phikwe, Ashley emphasised that most couples took time to prepare for a wedding, which cost them considerable amounts of money, but failed to plan for a

marriage, something that would last a lifetime.

Ashley said it was time people changed such an approach, and encouraged couples to take time in figuring out why they wanted to marry and what they needed to accomplish in life before seeking a lifelong partner.

She said the deteriorating state of families in the country had led to several negative outcomes such as high divorce rates, the increase in the numbers of orphans and vulnerable children, the rise in gender-based violence incidents, and the spread of HIV and AIDS.

Ms Thaba explained that Healthy Family Foundation therefore sought to contribute to efforts to strengthen families, with the hope that healthy

families would create people who would contribute positively to society, and to show that marriage could be a blessing and could inspire others through real and honest conversations.

She said in marriage, it was important to address conflicts rather than avoid them so as to build a strong and well-organised family.

She said that as a couple that had remained married since 2004, they had made a bold decision to open up about their marriage to the world.

"We shared the good, the challenges, and answered real questions about our journey, but that does not mean that we are perfect", she said.

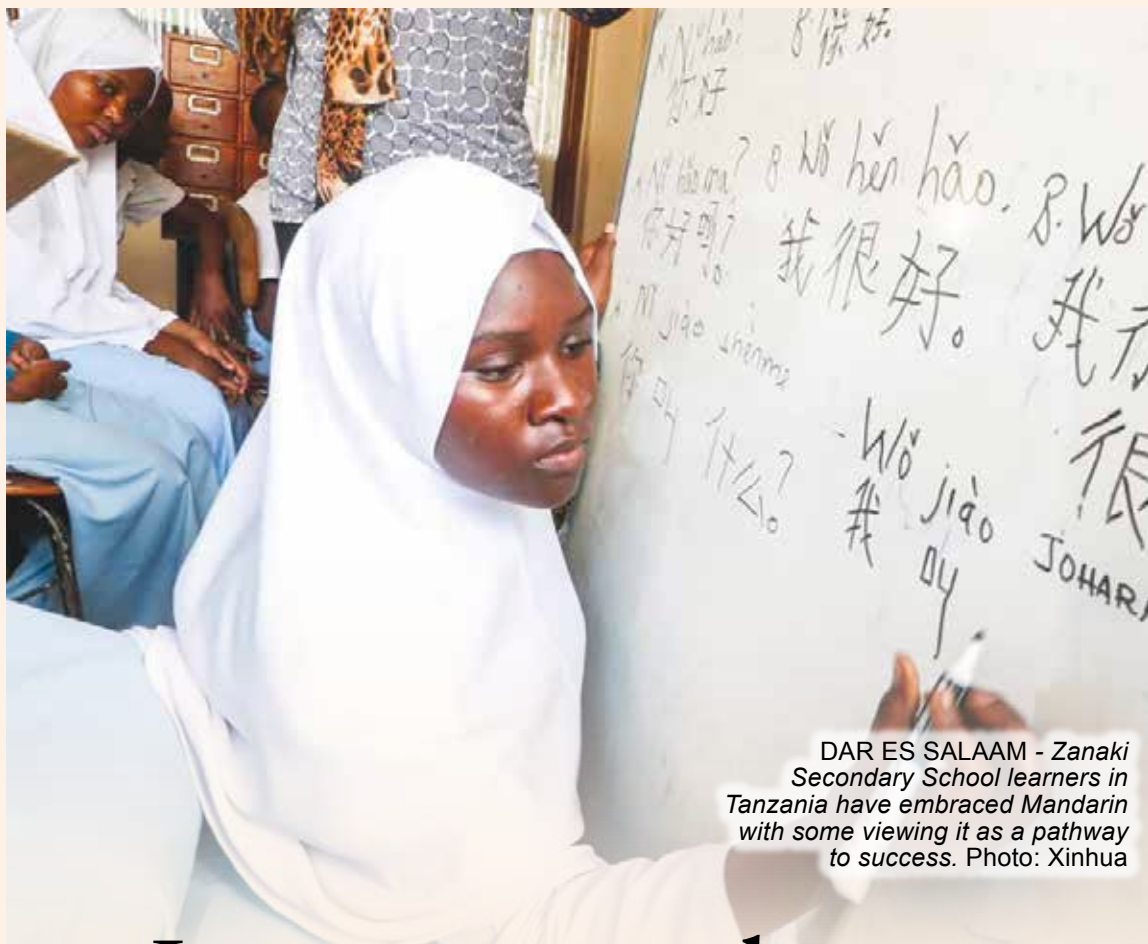
Percy emphasised the significant impact of the workshop they held in

Selebi Phikwe to encourage couples to journey toward building stronger families.

He noted that participants had come to truly value their efforts in creating better family dynamics, and many had shared personal stories about their experiences, which served as a testament to their commitment to improvement.

Furthermore, Percy encouraged participants to engage their children in meaningful conversations, underscoring the importance of nurturing family relationships.

He believed that open dialogue with children could significantly contribute to building a cohesive and supportive family environment. **BOPA**



DAR ES SALAAM - Zanaki Secondary School learners in Tanzania have embraced Mandarin with some viewing it as a pathway to success. Photo: Xinhua

# Learners embrace Mandarin as pathway to opportunities

## DAR ES SALAAM

In a classroom at Zanaki Secondary School, a government-owned girls' school in Tanzania's Dar es Salaam, 13-year-old Rosemary Thadei Mushi stands among her peers, carefully guiding them through the tonal subtitles of Mandarin Chinese.

Across the campus, learners are increasingly embracing Chinese not merely as an academic subject, but as a pathway to future opportunities.

As the world prepares to mark Chinese Language Day, the enthusiasm among students reflects a broader trend across Africa, where interest in learning Mandarin continues to grow. For Rosemary, a Form One student, studying Chinese has already begun to reshape her perspective.

Beyond mastering characters and pronunciation, she has developed a more nuanced understanding of Chinese culture and people. Aspiring to become a doctor, she believes proficiency in the language could help her secure a scholarship to study abroad and broaden her horizons. She also challenges common perceptions.

What some describe as a 'strict' sound, she says, often reflects tonal complexity rather than temperament.

Her own experience has revealed something different, a culture she describes as warm and considerate.

Fifteen-year-old Koletha Fikiri Mtakuja shares a similar vision.

A Form Three learner with ambitions in engineering, she views Mandarin as a gateway to accessing China's technological advancements.

"China is very advanced in science and technology. Knowing Chinese will help me learn directly from their engineers," Koletha said.

Both learners dream of visiting China, hoping to walk along the Great Wall in Beijing and experience firsthand the traditions

**"China is very advanced in science and technology. Knowing Chinese will help me learn directly from their engineers,"**

and rapid development they currently encounter through digital platforms, music, and films. Their ambitions align with a broader global movement.

Observed annually on April 20, Chinese Language Day was established by the United Nations to promote multilingualism and the equal use of its six official languages.

In recent years, the day has also come to symbolise the growing educational and economic ties between China and Africa.

Behind the students' progress stands their teacher, Ema Silagomi, one of Tanzania's pioneering

Chinese language educators. Motivated by a passion for languages, she trained in China between 2018 and 2019 under a joint programme by the Tanzanian and Chinese governments, studying at Zhengzhou University of Aeronautics and Henan University, where she gained both language skills and teaching methodologies.

Upon returning to Tanzania as one of the first local Chinese language teachers, Silagomi faced the challenge of building the program from scratch.

Despite limited teaching materials and the absence of immersive language environments, she remained committed to expanding access to Chinese language education.

"I saw the opportunities in China regarding education, business, and cultural exchange, and I wanted Tanzanian youth to benefit," Silagomi explained. "It is a language full of opportunities." **Xinhua**

# Young comedian aims high

Keetile Bontsibokae  
**MOLEPOLOLE**

**K**atlo Masuga of Molepolole discovered his passion for comedy as early as Standard Six. By the time he reached Form One at Tshegetsang Junior Secondary School, he had already set his sights on drama, joining the group, Re Kgaola Re Petleka.

"There, I learnt a lot of things," he recalled.

After completing his junior certificate, Katlo aged 18, collaborated with several well-known comedians, including Mawee, Maatla Ephraim Basha, Alex Zandra, Six Six, Major Bw, and Vetrenrosky.

His growing presence in the comedy scene even earned him interviews on Yarona FM and Lobatse Online Radio.

Masuga, known as Pablo Bw in the comic world, describes his style as observational comedy, rooted in everyday life.

"I gather common issues and transform them into comedy. My dream is to be a great comedian who tours around Botswana and South Africa," he said.

Masuga has his sight set on

collaborations with veteran comedians such as William Last KRM (Motsetserepa), Mjamaica, and Juvivine, and an ambition to one-day feature on platforms such as Showmax or Netflix, representing Botswana at international comedy extravaganzas.

Beyond comedy, Masuga is also involved in video editing, brand promotion and graphic design.

He said comedy had given him identity, confidence and the power to speak out.

"People recognise me on the streets and shopping centres. It has boosted my confidence. Despite difficulties in producing content on time, comedy has helped me become organised and cooperative with other artists," he explained.

To fellow artistes, he emphasised collaboration over competition.

"Let us work together and do away with jealousy. Let us preserve Tswana culture and teach children our traditions," he said.

Masuga considers comedy as more than entertainment but a tool for healing.

"Comedy can be used to mend torn hearts and provide psychological therapy to victims of Gender Based Violence," he stated. **BOPA**



Katlo Masuga



**MAN OF MANY TALENTS...** Botswana National Front secretary general, also Minister of Health, Dr Stephen Modise (right) performing alongside Jazz maestro, Lister Boleseng during the party's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration in Tlokwen on Saturday. They performed their version of the legendary Ben E. King's Stand by Me. Charma Gal, Lizibo, Scavenger, BenjiSaxo, Cultural Spears and Dalom Kids also performed. Photo: Thompson Keobaletswe

# BTC marathon brings life and vibrancy to Francistown

By **Thamani Shabani**  
**FRANCISTOWN**

The 5th Botswana Telecommunications Corporation (BTC) Francistown Marathon has been hailed for bringing life, colour and vibrancy to the city and affirming its growing reputation as a centre of excellence in sport and community engagement.

Speaking at the end of the event held on Saturday, Francistown mayor, Gaone Majere said the marathon had become more than just a race, but now an integral part of the city's identity.

"Each year, it strengthens social cohesion, promotes healthy living and unites people across generations and backgrounds," Majere said.

He added that the event aligned with the Francistown Urban Development Plan 5, which envisioned a vibrant, inclusive



*Shepherd Kenatshepo (left) congratulating his daughter, Kefilwe Galeitsewe after she emerged the BTC Francistown Marathon 2026 champion in the 42.2km ladies category, clocking 2:43:57 on Saturday. Photo: OgoPoleng Kgomoethata*

Marathon is a living example of this vision in action. It activates our public spaces, promotes wellness and positions Francistown as a destination for regional and national events," he said.

Also, he said the event of such scale stimulated the local economy. He thanked BTC for its unwavering commitment to sport, wellness and community development.

Majere also acknowledged sponsors, the Botswana Athletics Association (BAA) and the Francistown Athletics Club for their technical support.

"To all athletes, today you are the embodiment of courage, discipline and perseverance. In our city, we celebrate not only the winners on the podium, but every individual who dared to start and had the strength to finish,"

and economically dynamic city that leveraged sport, tourism and culture as drivers of sustainable growth.

"The BTC Francistown

he said.

BTC chief executive officer, Branden Green, said the company had so far spent over P1 million on the marathon as part of its corporate social responsibility programme to uplift lives in Francistown, Tonota, Masunga and Tutume districts.

Meanwhile, Zimbabwean male runners dominated the 42.2km category, claiming first and second positions as Botswana settled for third.

Owen Slowly crossed the line first in 2:19:29, despite rainfall and wind.

"I finally made it despite repeated failures," an emotional Slowly said after the race, tears of joy visible as he spoke, adding that he finally realised his dream.

Tawanda Bvunzawabaya of Zimbabwe finished second in 2:26:36, holding off rivals who threatened to overtake him in the closing stages.

Botswana's Wame Semitwe finished third in 2:29:29.

He said the weather impacted his performance, but noted his improvement from fourth place last year.

"Next year I will show them," he said.

In the women's 42.2km, Botswana turned the tables. Local

runners claimed first and second positions, with Zimbabwe taking third, a reverse of the men's result.

In both men's and women's 42.2km categories, winners went home with P37 500, while those in second and third positions pocketed P25 000 and P15 000 respectively, in addition to the gold, silver and bronze medals they received.

The marathon proved a neck-and-neck encounter.

With seasoned local and international runners increasing each year, officials expect future editions to be even more competitive. **BOPA**

## Botswana diamonds to the world

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"At the heart of this sponsorship are 120 medals embedded with Botswana natural diamonds, cut and polished here at home, each one a tangible expression of our nation's contribution to the world," he said.

Minister of Sport and Arts, Jacob Kelebeng said as the country marked 60 years of diamond leadership, the progress had been shaped by deliberate choices, strong governance, and enduring partnerships.

"In this regard, we extend sincere gratitude to our partners in the diamond sector. We acknowledge the Ministry of Minerals & Energy, Debswana Diamond Company, Okavango Diamond Company (ODC), Diamond Trading Company Botswana (DTCB), KGK, Minerals Development Company Botswana (MDCB), Lucara and Brand Botswana," he said.

He said for decades, the institutions had contributed far beyond their core mandate, given that they had helped build Botswana, investing in people, infrastructure and in platforms such as sport that unite the nation and carry the countries story to the world.

"It is pleasing to note that the support towards sport and arts sectors provided by the above institutions has accelerated sport and arts development with financial and logistical support," he said.

Minister Kelebeng said they also extend their appreciation to all sponsors, partners, organisers and stakeholders whose collective effort has made this moment possible.

The hosting of the Debswana World Athletics Relays Gaborone 26 on May 02-03 demonstrates our coordination as government, our commitment, and our shared national ambition. **BOPA**

# BAA set to claim awards glory

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In an interview, the adjudication panel chairperson, Dr Lebone Kasale said athletes were judged using a holistic assessment tool which accounted for performance quantitatively.

For National Sport Associations (NSAs), he said the process included a compliance matrix to verify legal status.

This year's key nominees include the Sportsman of the Year title which would be contested by Collen

Nowe of Athletics alongside chess stars, Centy Kgosikoma and Natalie Banda.

In the coaching department, t h e

Coach of the Year nominees are Chilume Ntshwarang of BAA, Pheny Matong of Tennis and BFA's Under-20 national team coach Tapaphiwa Gaebolae.

For the Team of the Year, the athletics senior men's 4x400m relay team would face off against the Davis Cup tennis team and the 4x400m mixed relay team from BOTESSA.

Other notable nominations include BAA, Botswana Swimming Association (BSA) and Botswana Table Tennis Association (BTTA) for the National Sport Association of the Year award.

S a m e Mhutsiwa of

Athletics, Melodi Saleshando of Swimming and Neelo Modise of Judo would compete for the Junior Female Sportsperson of the Year while Sport Administrator

of the Year nominees comprise presidents Kudzani Motswagole of Table Tennis, Marea Modutlwa of Bowling and BFA's Tariq Babitseng.

The Umpire of the Year nominees include Oratile Ndadziila of Athletics, Abel Mataboge of Softball and Doroth Okatch of Basketball while the Female Sportsperson with Disability nominees are Omphile Botlhasitse of Tennis and Gloria Majaga of PASSOBO. **BOPA**



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## Botswana diamonds to the world

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Botswana will once again showcase its diamond prowess to the world during the eagerly awaited Debswana World Athletics Relays Gaborone 26 finals to be held at the National Stadium on May 02-03, 2026.

The winners will be draped with unique medals embedded with authentic and locally sourced Botswana diamonds.

Speaking during the unveiling of the medals on Monday, President Advocate Duma Boko said for the first time in the history of global athletics, the medals will feature a natural diamond from Botswana.

He said the medals were more than a design choice, but a statement, a powerful reminder that behind every natural diamond was a place, a people and a story, shaped by time, pressure, responsibility, and vision.

President Boko said as athletes competed for the medals, they would not only compete for victory, they would carry with them a piece of Botswana.

He said as the medals travel the world and rest on the chests of champions, they would quietly tell Botswana's story.

Also, he said it would be a story of resilience, a story of leadership, a story of a people whose brilliance continued to shine on the global stage.

"As the world is asking deeper questions about authenticity, origin and impact, Botswana is uniquely positioned to answer those questions. This is not simply a narrative. It is a lived reality. It is this story that we must now tell with greater clarity, confidence, and global reach, he said.



President Advocate Duma Boko (second left), Minister of Minerals and Energy, Bogolo Kenewendo (second right), former athletes, Amantle Montsho (left) and Isaac Makwala during the unveiling of Debswana World Athletics Relays Gaborone 26 medals in Gaborone yesterday.

President Boko said in an era defined by rapid transformation and global uncertainty, this moment calls for resilience, unity and bold leadership, not only from Botswana, but from Africa as a whole.

"Like a relay team, success depends on coordination, trust, and shared purpose. And in the same way, our continent's future will be shaped by our ability to move forward together. Like diamonds, these athletes are forged under pressure. They are shaped by discipline and they shine through resilience," he said.

Furthermore, he said the medals therefore symbolised more than achievement, given that they were a tribute to perseverance, excellence and the relentless pursuit of greatness.

"We acknowledge the Okavango Diamond Company for its P10 million sponsorship commitment, a demonstration that diamonds must do more than shine, they must serve purpose.

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President Boko said for the first time in history, global athletics medals of the Debswana World Athletics Relays Gaborone 26 would feature a natural diamond from Botswana. Photos: Thompson Keobaletswe

## BAA set to claim awards glory

**Anastacia Sibanda**  
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Botswana Athletics Association (BAA) is the sport code to beat this year following the release of

nominees for the 45th National Sport Awards billed for May 9. BAA is leading the charge with a record eight nominations and emerging talents. All eyes would be on the Junior

Male Sportsperson of the Year, where nominees include Justice Oratile of Athletics, Ntungamili Raguin of Tennis and Edwin Nyoka of Bowling.

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