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*Gumare Primary Hospital receiving a consignment of emergency medical supplies from Central Medical Stores yesterday. The hospital pharmacist, Ms Gaone Isaka confirmed that the facility had been running low on essential drugs for hypertension, kidney conditions, eye care, diabetes, ARVs, among others. Ms Isaka said she was hopeful that the resumption of fortnightly supplies would prevent future shortages. Residents welcomed the delivery of medicine supplies, expressing gratitude to government for addressing persistent drug shortages. Following President Advocate Duma Boko's declaration of a State of Public Health Emergency on Monday, a four-step plan was unveiled to take command of the disruption of health supplies countrywide. Photo: Kedirebofe Pelontle*

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# Hunyepa addresses public transport operators concerns

By Goweditswe Kome

**RAMOKGWEBANA**

Pirating and unauthorised public transport operation is a source of concern for licensed public operators.

Speaking during a meeting with public transport operators of the Ramokgwebana-Francistown route recently, Assistant Minister of Child Welfare and Basic Education, Mr Justin Hunyepa said unauthorised operators undermined the formal transport sector, at the same time causing anxiety to the accredited ones.

Mr Hunyepa said while they should be benefitting fully from the transport sector, authorised operators were crying foul that illegal operators were depriving them of the benefits due to them.

“Pirating and unfair competition result in local operators losing business. These illegal activities are an issue of concern and must be addressed urgently,” he said.

He said allegations of some Zimbabwean nationals operating on the route were also worrying because they also pushed authorised operators out of business, especially since local operators could not do the same across the border in the neighbouring country.

Mr Hunyepa said cross border inequality where Zimbabwean operators enjoyed trade freedom in Botswana as they could drop passengers at Francistown while local operators were not allowed to proceed beyond the border needed the intervention of the relevant ministries of the two countries.

He blamed some of the challenges being faced by registered public transport operators on loopholes in the laws of the country, weak enforcement of regulations governing the public transport sector.

Mr Hunyepa thus called for

the collaboration of relevant stakeholders in addressing the concerns of public transport operators, and also urged the operators to play a part by reporting to the police illegal activities that were happening in their areas.

He encouraged the introduction of vehicle side stickers for licensed transport operators for easy verification during roadblocks or inspections.

For his part, Ramokgwebana-Francistown road operators chairperon, Mr Chakalisa Segweni said past efforts to address the issue of illegal operators in collaboration with customs officials had not been effective.

Mr Segweni said some of the illegal operators had been working on the route from long back, with some of the vehicles operating illegally between Francistown and Bulawayo bearing Botswana registration numbers while they were being driven by Zimbabweans nationals.

Mr Segweni said most of the illegal operators involved in piracy were using panel vans to transport passengers, alleging further that an illegal taxi rank had been opened between the two borders on no man’s land.

Acting manager of the Botswana Unified Revenue Services at Ramokgwebana Border Post, Mr Service Chipo raised alarm over cases of smuggling of goods in and out of the country, an illegal activity that he said both Batswana and Zimbabweans were involved in.

Mr Chipo said there was also smuggling of goods dented efforts to bring in revenue through the collection of relevant taxes.

He acceded that there was an illegal rank between the two countries, which he said was an eye sore to the border personnel.

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Francistown East MP, also Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship, Mr Tiroeane Ntsima (right) being welcomed by Donga political and traditional leadership ahead of a kgotla meeting in Francistown on Tuesday. Mr Ntsima cautioned that betting should be regarded as a form of entertainment rather than a money-making scheme, and urged that it be done responsibly. Photo: Ogopoleng Kgomoethata

# Execution of death row inmates delays worry residents

By Thamani Shabani

**FRANCISTOWN** - A resident of Donga location in Francistown has raised concerns about the delay in executing convicts on death row, questioning why President Advocate Duma Boko has not carried out the sentences.

Commenting during a kgotla meeting addressed by Member of Parliament (MP) for Francistown East Mr Tiroeane Ntsima on Tuesday, Mr Shingani Matebu expressed his concerns, claiming that there were currently 17 people on death row.

Mr Matebu also questioned the impending establishment of the Constitutional Court, suggesting

that it may be intended to block the death penalty.

He asked why President Boko focused on establishing the court while ignoring calls for the execution of those on death row.

In response, Mr Ntsima said he would convey Mr Matebu’s concerns to President Boko. “I will take your concerns to the President,” he said.

Mr Ntsima also informed the residents that an audit had been appointed to investigate allegations of corruption at the Citizen Entrepreneurial Development Agency (CEDA), with the report to be made public.

He also announced plans to

table three bills in the coming parliamentary session, including the Liquor Trading Act, the Economic Inclusion Bill, and the Gambling Amendment Bill.

The MP also addressed the shortage of residential plots in the city, expressing hope that the second city would benefit from the 45 000 hectares of land acquired by government from Tati Company.

He further announced that he had agreed with all ward development committees in the constituency to channel funding from the Constituency Community Project programme toward a comprehensive street lighting project. **BOPA**

# ‘New radio stations to enhance diversity’

By Lesedi Thatayamodimo

**GABORONE**

- The awarding of five non-commercial radio stations licences seek to enhance diversity and access to information.

Speaking at the licensing ceremony in Gaborone on Wednesday, Botswana Communications Regulatory Authority (BOCRA) chief executive officer, Mr Martin Mokgware said the awarded organisations reflected a wide spectrum of values and interests, from faith-based initiatives and community empowerment to conservation and gender equality advocacy.

“Non-commercial radio is not driven by profit, but by a commitment to public service.

These stations are crucial in giving a voice to marginalised communities, promoting social cohesion and tackling developmental challenges,” Mr Mokgware said.

The five new stations include; The Eternal Foundation, licensed under the ‘Whole Community’ category, the station will broadcast in Francistown and Maun, Apostolic Faith Mission of Botswana, granted an ‘Area of Interest’ license, with broadcasts covering Gaborone, Palapye and Francistown, Men and Boys for Gender Equality, also a ‘Whole Community’ licensee, the station will serve Ghanzi region.

Okavango Human Wildlife Foundation, licensed under the ‘Geographically Defined’ category, the station will cover

Maun, Kasane and Shakawe while the Mega Church International, issued an ‘Area of Interest’ license, broadcasting in Gaborone and Mmatseta

He further said the five licencees had had been give upto 12 months from the date of licencing to commence broadcasting services.

He underscored the responsibilities that came with the licenses, urging stations to operate with professionalism, integrity and a deep commitment to community service.

“BOCRA will continue to walk this journey with you, providing regulatory support and guidance as you contribute positively to Botswana’s media landscape,” he said.

Giving a background on the

licensing process, Mr Mokgware said the journey began in December when BOCRA issued a call for expressions of interest.

He said the initiative was to gauge the interest and readiness of various stakeholders to provide non-commercial broadcasting services, adding that BOCRA received 82 submissions from a diverse range of entities, including NGOs, academic and religious institutions as well as associations.

Following a formal call for applications in May, 20 full applications were submitted, out of which the five successful licencees were selected.

He assured that the remaining applicants would be considered and supported to reach the licensing stage.

He encouraged those who were not selected to continue strengthening their financial and technical capacities in anticipation of future opportunities. Speaking on behalf of the newly licensed entities, Okavango Human Wildlife Foundation’s Mr Kenosi Kamina expressed gratitude to BOCRA for the opportunity.

“We are honoured and ready to serve our respective communities with vision, dedication, and a commitment to values,” he said.

He said the addition of five non-commercial radio stations represented a key effort in ensuring inclusive communication, cultural preservation and equitable access to information for all citizens. **BOPA**



# Africa unites to combat synthetic drugs surge

By Ndingililo Gaoswediwe

**GABORONE** - Africa must work collectively to combat the rising menace of synthetic substances, which threaten the safety, health, and future of the continent's populations.

Speaking at the closing ceremony of the three-day continental consultation organised by the African Union Commission on synthetic drug supply reduction, Assistant Minister for State President, Ms Maipelo Mophuting described the rise of potent synthetic

drugs as a stark and alarming trend.

She pointed to the sophisticated methods employed by transnational criminal networks, which exploited borders, infrastructure, and digital spaces to facilitate their illicit activities.

Ms Mophuting stressed the devastating impact the substances had on communities, particularly the young people whose lives and potential were being stolen.

The assistant minister said that safeguarding youth and strengthening national resilience must be at the heart of all efforts.

Ms Mophuting outlined clear actions emerging from the consultation, which included bolstering national and regional legal frameworks to close loopholes exploited by traffickers, and enhancing cross-border intelligence sharing and joint operations, recognising that criminal networks disregarded national borders.

She called for increased investment in the capacity of law enforcement agencies, judiciary, customs authorities, and health sectors to ensure they were equipped to respond effectively.

Importantly, Ms Mophuting stressed that all interventions

must be rooted in robust data and evidence to guarantee targeted, efficient solutions.

Equally important, she said, was the active engagement of communities.

Enforcement alone cannot stem the tide of synthetic drugs prevention, education, and awareness campaigns are essential components of a comprehensive strategy, Ms Mophuting said and explained that Botswana's recent legislative reforms, such as the Illicit Drugs Amendment Bill, and the establishment of the National Drug Control Master Strategy, exemplified the nation's

commitment. She also highlighted efforts to strengthen regional cooperation and conduct nationwide awareness initiatives to empower citizens.

Ms Mophuting said the fight against synthetic drugs transcended border security and was fundamentally about protecting public health, safeguarding national security, and preserving the future of Africa's youth.

She acknowledged the formidable challenge posed by well-organised and well-financed traffickers but reaffirmed Africa's unwavering resolve to win the fight against synthetic drug supply. **BOPA**

## DCEC investigates 54 high profile cases

By Keamogetse Setilo

**GABORONE** - The Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime (DCEC) is currently investigating 54 high-profile cases and nine of such involved politicians from both the current and past administrations.

This was said by DCEC director general, Ms Bothale Makgekenene during a press conference on Wednesday.

She said the investigations of the cases were at an advanced stage hence she pleaded with the media for patience as the findings unfolded.

She disclosed that the DCEC's 2024 plan centred on lifestyle audits as a way of uncovering corruption and acquisition of illicit assets and unaccounted properties, which according to her, was effective.

She further said in 2024, there were 687 reports of corruption and economic crimes, out of which 239 were classified for investigation for investigation, while the remaining reports were sent to other agencies as they outside DCEC's mandate.

From January to August, she said they had registered 612 reports.

advice accordingly. She explained that for the 2025/26 financial year, DCEC focused on anti-corruption strategies in three high risk areas; procurement, land matters and transport licencing.

At the moment, she said DCEC was reviewing the Corruption and Economic Crime Act to enhance the legislative framework and effectively tackle the intricate and advanced economic crimes of today.

Ms Makgekenene also encouraged the media to report on issues that had been fact-checked; saying breaking news without verification or objectivity could damage the reputation of the accused, reporter and the news organisations.

She said DCEC would use press conferences as one of the strategies they had employed to share updates with the media to ensure a transparent information sharing system. **BOPA**



Assistant Minister for State President, Ms Maipelo Mophuting (second left), African Union Commissioner, Ms Amma Twum-Amoah (second right), Morocco Head of Mission to South Africa, Mr Mohammed Saadaoui (left) and Drug Enforcement Agency director general, Mr Phemelo Ramakorwane during the African Union Commission Continental Consultation meeting on Synthetic Drug Supply Reduction in Gaborone on Wednesday. Ms Mophuting said Africa must work collectively to combat the rising menace of synthetic substances, which threatened the safety, health and future of the continent's population. Photo: Teko Letsholo

## BETP receives over 7 000 idea submissions

By Gontle Merafhe

**GABORONE** - Botswana Economic Transformation Programme (BETP) has received over 7 000 ideas with only 300 sufficing.

Addressing a kgotla meeting in Bonnington South on Tuesday, Vice President and Gaborone Bonnington South Member of Parliament, Mr Ndaba Gaolathe said the ideas were for the energy, mineral beneficiation, agriculture and agro processing, financial services, digitalisation, infrastructure, tourism and creative sectors.

Some of the approved ideas, he said would not need government intervention, while some would need licencing, land and financial assistance.

He said implementation of the projects would be done in a transparent manner adding that many stood to benefit, as employment opportunities would be created.

"We are poised to be the best managed country in the African continent. We want to be the paragon of fairness, unity and inclusive prosperity on the African continent," he said.

Mr Gaolathe, who is also

Minister of Finance, digitalisation for financial inclusivity, improved State-Owned Enterprises (SOEs), change in the education system for rapid artificial intelligence technology upskilling and economic diversification from diamonds were among strategies BETP aimed to attain.

One of the residents, Mr Lempaetse Matenge said government-funded research with output such as bio-digesters, solar lights, which had been carried out, must be implemented to aid employment creation, adding that indications were there that commercialisation of such products was possible.

Mr Keletso Molefhe, a youth, revealed that the Application he had developed could benefit the residents as it could help connect them with service providers such as plumbers, electricians and other handy skilled persons in Difetlhamolelo Ward, where he resided.

He said the App could also generate income for skilled youth, adding that it had an advertising component where the residents could advertise their products and services and in the process generate some income. **BOPA**



Vice President Ndaba Gaolathe (second right) and Kgosi Arnold Somolekae (right) interacting with residents during Difetlhamolelo and Kgale Views wards kgotla meeting in Gaborone on Tuesday. Mr Gaolathe said the Botswana Economic Transformation Programme had received over 7 000 business ideas with only 300 sufficing. Photo: Gaseitsiwe Moruakgomo

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# Financial constraints cripple Bamalete hospital

By Baleseng Batlotleng

**RAMOTSWA** - A reduced health grant from government has left the Bamalete Lutheran Hospital (BLH) with no funds for other critical operational needs, a situation that threatens the hospital’s ability to maintain efficient services.

This was highlighted by BLH superintendent, Dr Tshibelu Mwanza during a presentation to the full council session of the Ramotswa District Council on the current state, challenges and strategic proposals for sustainability for the hospital.

“BLH operates primarily through the ministry of health grant which has been capped at P75.5million annually for five years and now been reduced to P74million for the 2025/26 financial year despite rising costs, personnel emoluments alone amount to approximately P74.74million leaving no funds for other operational needs,” said Dr Mwanza.

He said the hospital’s proposed budget for 2025/2026 was P116.6 million which left a shortfall of P42.6million.

Dr Mwanza said the hospital’s operations had been badly affected by reduced government funding, delayed disbursement of subvention and very low patient fee collection which was usually



*Bamalete Lutheran Hospital Superintendent, Dr Tshibelu Mwanza addressing a full council session of the Ramotswa District Council on Tuesday. He said reduced government funding had severely affected the hospital’s service delivery.* Photo: Baleseng Batlotleng

less than P400 000 per year.

“This has made it even difficult to cover basic hospital operations such as medical equipment servicing, payment of utilities, procurement of critical supplies not available at Central Medical Stores (CMS), staff salaries are sometimes delayed even patient

food is sometimes unstable,” he said.

Frequent stock outs at CMS which often forced the hospital to postpone or cancel elective procedures, outdated infrastructure and ageing medical equipment which compromised service delivery and patient

safety, Dr Mwanza said were among the challenges the hospital was grappling with.

“There is severe shortage of health care professionals particularly nurses and healthcare assistants.,” said Dr Mwanza.

On key interventions and proposals, Dr Mwanza said BLH guarantors and board were engaging with government to secure an urgent supplementary budget to cover essential operations.

He said they were also requesting renewal of the expiring grant agreement with increased budget support sufficient to meet the hospital’s optimal operational needs.

Dr Mwanza said restructuring was also essential to realign BLH with its core mandate of specialised healthcare services.

On restructuring actions, he said they proposed to discontinue walk in general outpatient department, family planning and low risk antenatal and postnatal

care.

He said they planned to strengthen specialist clinics such as high risk obstetrics and gynaecology, paediatrics surgery, ear, nose and throat and internal medicine.

He added that they would redistribute medical officers and nurses to high demand units such as casualty neonatal care.

Dr Mwanza said with the level of underfunding at the hospital, it would not be able to remain operational as the current budget did not even cover minimum operational needs.

The hospital is a 128-bed mission district hospital operating under a grant agreement with government.

It is legally registered as a private company with three guarantors and owners, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Botswana, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Southern Africa (Botswana Diocese) and the Ba-Gamalete tribe. **BOPA**

## ‘BETP needs collaborative measures’

By Chendzimu Manyepedza

**SELEBI PHIKWE**

- The Botswana Economic Transformation Plan (BETP), a nationwide initiative aimed at fundamentally reshaping the structure of the country’s economy, requires collaborative efforts for its success and the achievement of its goals.

This was said by Mayor of Selebi Phikwe Town Council (SPTC), Mr Oageng Makgosa, during an ongoing full council session.

Mr Makgosa said BTEP is aimed at shifting the country from a consumption-driven, import-reliant economy to an investment-led, export-oriented, innovation-driven, and inclusive economy.

He emphasised the need for a collaborative framework and stated that the council authority play a role and would align to the transformative initiative. He added that relevant stakeholders would be consulted to ensure the initiative yields the best possible outcomes for the community and the nation at large.

“BTEP is quite intensive as it is a total paradigm shift. SPTC authority will continuously consult and engage all its stakeholders to align accordingly with this set government priority to promote investment in manufacturing, agriculture, energy, tourism, and digitisation, amongst others,” he said.

Mr Makgosa said Selebi Phikwe, as an already established economic zone, should fare better since some of the structures concerning investment in different entities are already in place.

He said that SPEDU continues to lay the groundwork that facilitates economic diversification within the region by advancing the economic sectors of agribusiness, manufacturing, and tourism, amongst others.

Mr Makgosa highlighted that Gender-Based Violence (GBV) remains a critical human rights issue, evidenced by the rise in GBV incidents. He assured that the SPTC will continue to implement measures aimed at mitigating its impact.

In terms of promoting health among students, Mr Makgosa announced that preparations are underway to establish a youth-friendly services clinic at Selebi Phikwe Senior Secondary School, and a nurse has already been identified for this initiative. He emphasised that this initiative was timely, given the social and developmental challenges faced by learners.

Regarding the overall appeal and cleanliness of the town, Mr Makgosa noted that the clean-up campaign initiated by the Multi-Sectoral Anti-Litter Committee has improved the town’s appearance.

However, he pointed out that the irregular collection of waste in some areas remains a concern. This situation requires collaborative efforts from other stakeholders to resolve the issue and contribute to keeping the town clean.

Furthermore, Mr Makgosa announced that the Water Utilities Corporation has secured a budget for a wastewater maintenance project in the western area of Selebi Phikwe. This project aims to address the

inadequate wastewater network by constructing approximately 7.5 kilometres of pipeline and upgrading five pump stations.

The project began in October last year and is expected to be completed by January 2026. Currently, it is progressing at 34 per cent.

“The government is committed to improving water and wastewater services in Selebi Phikwe, and we are optimistic that this project will benefit the community in both the short and long term,” he stated. **BOPA**

## Kweneng in need of water, infrastructure development

By Lindi Morwaeng

**MOLEPOLOLE**

- Water shortages and delayed infrastructure projects remain some of the major challenges facing Kweneng District, the council chairperson Mr Ontefetse Rankhibidu has told the Full Council.

Delivering his opening remarks at the second session of the Council Meeting on Monday, he said the district continued to grapple with water supply problems, despite the completion of the Gamononyane-Molepolole NSC II Water Connection project in 2023.

He said that many of the existing water schemes had outlived their design life with inadequate tanks and distribution networks making it difficult to meet the growing demand.

He further said Molepolole

Water and Rehabilitation Project that included the construction of a wastewater treatment plant, was at 81 per cent complete, but faced delays due to land acquisition disputes and cash flow challenges.

The project, initially expected to completed earlier he said, was now extended to August 2025.

The chairperson said some components of the project were significantly behind schedule.

These included the 28 kilometre gravity transmission pipelines and sewer pump stations, which are 25 percent complete against the planned 55 percent. He said that changes of scope and late payments to contractors caused the delays.

Mr Rankhibidu also highlighted challenges in education infrastructure.

He said construction of three new primary schools in Kopong and Molepolole was still at 38 per

cent complete, because of non-payment of contractors. Similarly, Molepolole Tribal Administration Office, which began construction in April 2023, remained incomplete at 93 percent despite several deadline extensions. “The delays escalate costs, inconvenience communities, and undermine trust in service delivery,” Mr Rankhibidu said.

He said the council was working to resolve the financial and administrative hurdles that continued to slow down these developments, adding that infrastructure was central to the district’s progress.

Nonetheless, Mr Rankhibidu expressed the council’s commitment to ensuring that these projects were eventually completed and residents of Kweneng accessed reliable water supply and modern infrastructure. **BOPA**





Okavango District councillors during a full council meeting recently. Council chairperson, Mr Gaopalelwe Ronald said the council was committed to expediting development through a new strategic roadmap. Photo: Kedirebofe Pelontle

# District strategy map to expedite development

By Kedirebofe Pelontle

**GUMARE** - The Okavango District Council is committed to expediting development through a new strategic roadmap. Speaking at a full council meeting this week, council chairperson, Mr Gaopalelwe Ronald explained that the strategy aimed to maximise infrastructure development by ensuring complete settlement planning in key growth centres.

Mr Ronald said the council would prioritise several key areas, which included infrastructure which would entail expanding electrification and constructing flood-resilient roads and bridges suitable for the district's unique environment. Other keys include water and sanitation through which the council would ensure availability of potable water for underserved villages and implementing resilient water

management systems. The council would also prioritise economic diversification in effort to promote tourism and economic growth by establishing community-based tourism enterprises and strengthening partnerships with tourism stakeholders. He added that the council would further look into empowering the community through sustainable farming practices, vocational training and commercialise

agriculture. Regrettably, Mr Ronald acknowledged that the district still faced significant challenges, including lack of funds, limited community participation, environmental and climate issues, high unemployment, poverty as well as shortage of

skilled personnel. Notwithstanding, he said the council was dedicated to overcoming such obstacles by mobilising resources, creating empowerment opportunities for women and youth and encouraging greater community involvement. **BOPA**

## BUAN advocates sustainable projects to revitalise economy

By Chendzimu Manyepedza

**SELEBI PHIKWE** - Research, innovative strategies and the development of sustainable agricultural practices have been identified as crucial for fostering economic growth in the Selebi Phikwe region. This was said by the Vice Chancellor of the Botswana University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (BUAN), Professor Ketlhatlogile Mosepele, during the council session. He said that BUAN recognises Selebi-Phikwe as an ideal region for agricultural innovation, aiming to

address food security and reshape the town's economic landscape in the wake of declining mining activities. "BUAN has established a strong presence in the region through various strategic collaborations and impactful projects. Continuously leveraging local resources will significantly enhance agricultural productivity," he said. Professor Mosepele further explained that the approach aimed not only to boost crop yields and diversify farming practices but also to play a vital role in revitalising the local economy, ultimately ensuring sustainable livelihoods for the community.

He highlighted BUAN's mission to unlock national potential through research, innovation, and development. This encompasses building local capacity, transferring knowledge, and fostering entrepreneurship. He said in collaboration with several regional stakeholders, BUAN planned to develop a programme to rehabilitate degraded post-mining land in Selebi Phikwe, to restore 200 hectares of previously mined land, and establish climate-smart demonstration plots. Approximately 150 community members will receive training in land restoration techniques, beekeeping, and water management.

Professor Mosepele noted that these efforts aim to rejuvenate the environment, empower the

youth, and promote economic diversification through collaboration. Moreover, he said BUAN was working on Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) programmes that would encompass the entire value chain of agriculture and natural resources. The intention, he said was to mitigate youth unemployment and ensure their active participation in the national economy. "The programmes will serve as a vehicle for change towards national sustainability. As a publicly funded institution, this is a direct way for Batswana to benefit from BUAN as a return on investment," he stated. Councillor Phemelo Ntlhwane of Lesedi Ward expressed appreciation for BUAN's intention to collaborate with Selebi Phikwe Town Council in developing agricultural programmes in the region, noting that these initiatives would diversify and revitalise the economy while addressing unemployment challenges, especially among the youth. Additionally, specially elected councillor Mr Dimpho Mashaba commended the short courses offered at BUAN but called for the establishment of a satellite campus to facilitate programme access. He noted that traveling to BUAN and securing accommodation to attend courses had proven cumbersome for many individuals. **BOPA**

## Over 17 000 awaits residential plots

By Kehumile Moekejo

**MABUTSANE** - A total of 17 337 residential plot applicants are awaiting allocation in Mabutsane District, while ploughing fields application list stands at 4 251. Addressing a full council meeting on Monday, the council chairperson Mr Tuelo Zulu said Maokane Sub Land Board's waiting list for residential plots was 13 712, with the highest applications received from Sese, Maokane and Thankane, while Mabutsane Sub Land Board had a cumulative waiting list of 3 525 for the 11 villages within its jurisdiction. He noted that the latter failed dismally to reach their allocation target in the last quarter, adding that plans were underway to continue with allocations in the current quarter. "A total of 20 residential plots were allocated during the board meeting of the May 19 to 23. Cumulatively residential plot allocations as from April 1 to June was 20 plots against a target of 286, which represented seven per cent. Allocations of residential plots will be continuing in quarter two for Mabutsane, Kokong and Morwamosu villages," he said. He noted that land board continued to secure land for allocation and layouts were at different stages of approval. He said the layouts for villages such as Morwamosu, Mabutsane,

Itholoke, Kutuku, Keng and Khonkhwa were nearing completion and approval, adding that the base maps in some villages had been approved and pending layout designs by the Ngwaketse Land Board. He further said that site investigations for ploughing fields would be undertaken in the current quarter, following allocation of 51 ploughing fields in the last financial year. Additionally, Mr Zulu said Maokane Sub Land Board allocated only three residential plots in Sese in the last quarter, with 646 planned for allocation next month. He said the waiting list for ploughing fields was at 526, with the oldest application dating back to April 4, 2011. He said of the 80 applications for land transfers received in the last quarter, 69 were approved, two deferred, while nine were referred to the main land board. He also decried low collection rate of Secure Land Title (SLT) at Mabutsane Sub Land Board, which he said stood at 46 per cent. "The total number of SLTs is currently at 58 per cent. To date, 455 SLTs have been printed and 211 have been issued. That means 244 SLTs are still in office awaiting collection. There is low collection of certificates by the customers despite having been notified," he noted. **BOPA**



Professor Ketlhatlogile Mosepele



# Institutions share dev. duty

By Thato Mosinyi

**GABORONE** - Procurement and statistics are not isolated silos but interconnected pillars of governance, accountability and development, Public Procurement Regulator Authority (PPRA), chief executive officer, Ms Tumelo Motsumi has said.

The two entities are to collaborate on research and monitoring activities to inform market intelligence and procurement performance evaluation as well as to build institutional capacity through joint training and knowledge sharing initiatives.

Speaking during the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between PPRA and Statistics Botswana, she said it represented not only collaborations between the two institutions but also a shared commitment toward national development.

She said the MoU brought together the two entities complementary mandates and provided for collaboration and data collection framework, alignment, capacity building and research, which were all aimed at the country's development.

"It allows for the development of official procurement statistics that can strengthen evidence based policy and regulatory decisions," she said.

The MoU, Ms Motsumi said served to jointly enhance data collection tools, methodology and validation processes.

Importantly, she said the MoU would facilitate the establishment of a joint working committee to ensure seamless implementation, which will be practical, continues and of mutual benefit.

She noted that the mechanism reflected on the entities intent to smoothly implement developmental policy geared towards citizenry development.

She said the collaboration



*Statistics Botswana acting statistician, Dr Lucky Mokgathe (left) and Public Procurement Regulator Authority CEO, Ms Tumelo Motsumi during signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between the two entities in Gaborone on Tuesday. Photo: Pheny Moalosi*

directly contributed to the effectiveness of the Economic Transformation Agenda in alignment with Vision 2036 aspirations of a high income and knowledge-based economy.

Ms Motsumi indicated the MoU was also in support of digitalisation, value chain development and

greater accountability in the use of public funds by ensuring that public procurement was timely and well analysed.

As a background, PPRA was established under the Public Procurement Act of 2021 and mandated to regulate, monitor and enhance efficiency, transparency

and fairness within the public procurement system.

She said Statistics Botswana on the one hand was tasked to ensure that data that addressed policy development was credible, comprehensive and in compliance with international standards.

To execute this mandate

effectively, Ms Motsumi said reliable and timely data was crucial adding that Statistics Botswana was keen toward strengthening governance through data driven decision-making.

Additionally, acting statistician general, Dr Lucky Mokgathe said the MoU was a milestone in advancing the country's statistical landscape.

He said MoU was testament to strengthening institutional collaborations for evidence-based decision making in Botswana stating that public procurement was a critical component in the fabric of any economy.

"Across the Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) countries, public procurement expenditure averages 12 per cent as a share of GDP and even larger in many countries, that means the quality of procurement decisions and the evidence base that underpins them directly influence service delivery in health, education and other important sectors," he said.

He said it was worth noting that data driven procurement promoted competition, value for money, integrity and policy goals such as SMMEs participation and greener purchasing. **BOPA**

## 'Unethical business practices collapse economy'

By Keamogetse Setilo

**SEROWE** - Serowe North legislator, Mr Baratiwa Mathoothe has decried unethical business practices that hampers economic growth.

Addressing a consultative kgotla meeting in Serowe Tuesday, Mr Mathoothe said what came to the fore was that the government was incurring losses worth millions due to companies inflating prices for provision of goods and services.

"The government has lost significant funds to unscrupulous

business owners who inflate prices simply because they were providing services to government," he said.

To this end, he noted that the dishonest action caused prices to rise by more than 100 per cent of the market price, leading to government expending outrageous sums on acquisitions.

In addition, Mr Mathoothe, who is also Assisant Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship, said certain companies were employing dishonest tactics like fronting to remove individuals from competition and maximise profits.

"We have observed with concern

that certain companies intended to be solely manufacturers are currently using locals to front and establish businesses that market by-products. For example, you could come across a cement production company that is fronting and making bricks for sale. This is merely a strategy to get rid of local brick dealers and boost profits," he said.

He warned that those fronting would eventually face the wrath of the law.

He urged communities to form clusters, arguing the approach would optimise out-put that could help revitalise the economy.

Moreover, he advised communities to create or merge cooperatives given that they presented opportunities for investments.

He is of the view that cooperatives had proven to be a mainstay of the economy with more than P2 billion investment returns annually.

On other issues, Mr Mathoothe admitted that the government was struggling with provision and maintenance of roads infrastructure and social amenities owing to budgetary constraints, adding such would be dealt with funds permitting. **BOPA**



*Serowe North MP, Mr Baratiwa Mathoothe (left), Kgosi Moakofi Moakofi of Basimane ward (second right), Kgosi Thebe Mathake from Tshikinyega ward (second left) and other dignitaries during a meeting in Serowe on Wednesday. Mr Mathoothe said government was incurring losses worth millions due to companies inflating prices for provision of goods and services. Photo: Baldwin Nyamande*

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# Decrease of Ipelegeng job slots fret residents

By Marvin Motlhabane

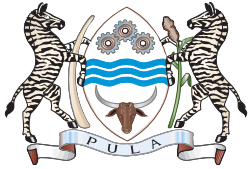
**KANYE** - Residents of Mongala Ward in Kanye are anxious about the drop of participation in the Ipelegeng programme, which has traditionally provided temporary employment to many individuals facing unemployment and poverty. The reduction in available slots for the programme is particularly concerning, as it directly impacts their economic stability. During a recent kgotla meeting addressed by Kanye West MP, Mr Victor Phologolo, vice chairperson of the Marapalalo Village

Development Committee, Ms Dorcus Gadibotsile highlighted that the programme initially employed 104 individuals but has since decreased to only 84. Ms Gadibotsile expressed that this reduction leaves many community members without employment opportunities, exacerbating poverty levels in the area. Kanye District Council deputy council secretary - operations, Mr Emmanuel Swapo, acknowledged the programme’s role in addressing unemployment through short-term public works such as road

maintenance and infrastructure improvement. However, he noted that budget constraints and policy changes have led to fewer job openings in recent times. Mr Swapo reassured residents that following President Advocate Duma Boko’s announcement of the end of the drought season, the programme was expected to revert to its original employment numbers as indicated in the 2023/2024 financial year. While he emphasised past challenges such as COVID-19 and drought, which had contributed to a temporary increase in Ipelegeng

slots, he also pointed out that the current situation has resulted in 1 836 employment slots being allocated to the Kanye District, compared to 2 493. He said the decrease had resulted in 657 fewer opportunities. While residents were hoping for swift action to restore the programme’s capacity to offer more employment and alleviate their financial struggles, they remain hopeful that efforts would be made at both local and national levels to bring relief and opportunities to their community. In the same kgotla meeting,

Mr Phologolo shared updates from the recent parliamentary winter session, where six key bills were passed to address pressing economic, technological, and public health issues. These included Value Added Tax (Amendment) Bill, which focuses on tax framework to support economic growth; Digital Services Bill for regulating emerging digital industries; Cybersecurity Bill for strengthening protections against cyber threats; Cannabis Bill for new policies to manage cannabis use and trade, to mention, but a few. **BOPA**



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To provide leadership in strategy planning and development and performance monitoring & evaluation of policies, programmes and projects.

**KEY PERFORMANCE AREAS**

- Provides professional advice on strategy formulation, monitoring and evaluation.
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- Coordinates the development of Ministry’s Strategic Plan and Annual Performance Plan.
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- Oversees development of performance management framework, associated guidelines, toolkits and templates to facilitate effective, consistent, and proper application of the system.
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- Oversees the design of data collection tools, data collection and analysis strategies.
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To be considered for appointment to this position, candidates must have the following qualifications;

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Applicants should have a minimum of sixteen (16) years post qualification experience two (2) years of which must have been served at E2 salary scale in Government or equivalent level in the Private Sector/Parastatal Organisation.

**KEY SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES**

- Deciding and Initiating Action
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- Formulating Strategies and Concepts
- Adhering to Principles and Values
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- Delivering Results and Meeting Customer Expectation
- Adapting and Responding to Change

**BENEFITS**

- Leave - 30 working days per annum
- Optional Contributory Medical Aid Scheme (Government pays 50% and employee 50%).
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VACANCY CIRCULAR NO. 5 OF 2025

#### 2. MANAGER – FACILITIES (1 POST)

**SALARY SCALE:** E2 (P449,256 – P467,436) per annum.

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To direct the planning and management of the Ministry of Sports and Arts facilities; and provide leadership in the implementation of strategies for facilities maintenance, repair, replacement, in order to achieve the desired outputs within agreed time frame, within budget, to specification and operational standards.

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- Prepares reports on the operational effectiveness of the facilities.
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- Enforces compliance with applicable building and safety codes, hazardous waste disposal and hazardous material etc.
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- Prepare budget for the maintenance of facilities.
- Identifies and engages viable opportunities to ensure optimal usage of

facilities.

- Monitors compliance with budgetary constraints.
- Initiates and manages procurement of Ministry/Department facilities.
- Makes routine and scheduled foot patrols of the facilities, grounds and parking lots, maintain a high degree of visibility at all times.
- Undertakes any other related duties as assigned by Management.

**QUALIFIED APPLICANTS PROFILE**

To be considered for this position, candidates must have Degree in Estate/ Property Management/Construction Management/Facilities Management, Engineering & Building Services or any related field fourteen (14) years post qualification experience, two (2) years of which should have been served at D1 salary scale level in Government or equivalent level in a private/parastatal organisation.

**KEY SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES**

- Deciding and Initiating Action
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- Leave - 30 working days per annum
- Optional contributory Medical Aid Scheme (Government pays 50% and employee 50%).
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**IMPORTANT**

**Applicants should quote the number of this vacancy circular and provide the following details:**

- Detailed Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Certified copies national identity card
- Certified copies of certificates and transcripts
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**Applications should be addressed to:**

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Private Bag 00384, GABORONE and hand delivered to the Ministry Headquarters, Plot 54355 Central Square Building, West Wing, and Office Number 221. Gaborone CBD, Phase 2.

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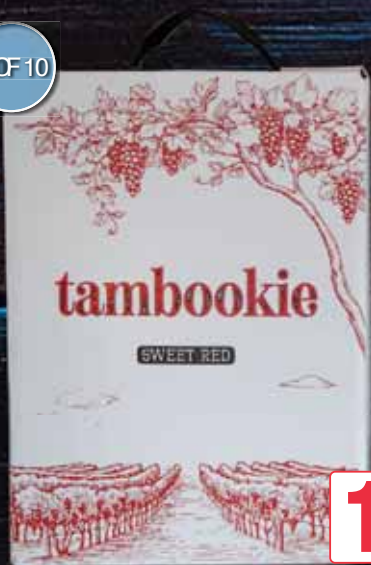


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# Re-A-Nyalana e tsweletse ka go aga malwapa

**Ka Kefilwe selotlegeng**

**MAHALAPYE** - Lenaneo la Rea-Nyalana le tsweletse ka go tshwaragana batho baba nnang mmogo ba sa nyalana. Ba lenaneo la Rea-Nyalana ba ne ba nyadisa batho bale masome a mabedi le botlhano ba metse ya Mookane, Palaroad le Makwate kwa Mookane ka Labobedi. Fa a bua kwa moletlong, Mothusa Tona wa Boatlhodi le Popo Sesha ya Magolegwa, Rre Augustine Nyatanga o supile fa lenaneo la Re-A- Nyalana le dira tiro e e botlhokwa ya go rotloetsa batho ba ba nnang mmogo ba sa nyalana go tsena mo nyalong ka fa molaong. Rre Nyatanga a re lenyalo la lenaneo la Re-A-Nyalana ke lenyalo tota le go iwang kwa ga molaodi gona le basupi le setlankana. A re go nyalana kafa molaong ke go thaya tshimologo ya bo kamoso jo bo siameng jwa bana.

Rre Nyatanga o rotloeditse banyalani gore ba tshedisane sentle, ka lorato a tlhalosa gore tirisanyo mmogo e botlhokwa e aga lelwapa. A re go botlhokwa gore se motho a se simololang go siame a netefatse gore o se fetsa jaaka a ikanne gore ba tlaa kgaogangwa ke loso. Rre Nyatanga a re maikano a bone e ne aa tswang mo boteng jwa pelo, a tlhalosa gape gore baitse gore ke batho bale babedi ba ba sa tshwaneng mme ka jalo ba tlaa farologana ka dilo tse dingwe. O akgotse ba lenaneo la Rea -Nyalana tiro e ntle e ba e dirang ya go aga malwapa ka semolao. A re lefatshe leno le kaiwa le na le batho ba ba tletseng shakgalo ee supiwang ke kgokgontsho ee felelang e baka dipolaano. O ba kopile gore ba seka ba amega mo ditiragalong tsa kgokgontsho a ba rotloetsa borre gore fa ba na le diemo kwa malwapeng ba kope thuso ko mapodising, bo kgosi le baruti.

Mogolwane wa lenaneo la Rea- Nyalana Mme Motshidisi Morwaagole a re ba ne ba bopa lenaneo le ka ba ne ba lemoga fa batho ba jewa ntsoma fa yo mongwe a tlhokafetse ba sa nyalana. Mme Morwaagole a re lenaneo ga lena dipoelo a tlhalosa gore tiro ya lone ke go thusa go emisa kgokgontsho ga mmogo le hema kgogakgogano ya dithoto. Mme Morwaagole a re ba setse segofaditse banyalani bale 729 lefatshe leno ka bophara, ba bo ba thusa ba ba runtshiwang ditshwanelo tsa boswa bale 14 458. A re mo manyalong a 729 ao ga gona le le thubegileng. A re pele ga ba nyalana ba ba direla di thuto-puisano go ba ruta gore fa ba saena ba bo baitsi gore ba dira eng. Mme Morwaagole a re ba baruta ka lenaneo la go aba boswa ba santse ba tshela. A re ba dirisana le offisi ya ga molaodi, ya Omang le Master's Office.**BOPA**



*Lenaneo la Re-A-Nyalana le tsweletse ka go tshwaraganya batho ba ba nnang mmogo ba sa nyalana. Mothusa Tona wa Boatlhodi le Popo Sesha ya Magolegwa, Rre Augustine Nyatanga o supile fa lenaneo le, le dira tiro e e botlhokwa go rotloetsa nyalo.*

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CHANGE MARITAL PROPERTY REGIME**  
(In Terms of Section 8(1)(f) of the Married Persons Property Act, 2014)

1. **BATHUSI BROWN** and **GORATA EVA BROWN (nee MOILATSHIMO)**, married in community of property on the **6<sup>th</sup> October 2012**, 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 or 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, Brown and Company, in writing, before the expiration of the said three (3) weeks period, at the address provided below.

DATED at Gaborone this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2025

**BROWN AND COMPANY** Applicants' Attorneys,  
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# Ba Matolwane ba kopa go ikemela

**Ka Portia Rapitsenyane**

**LESENEPOLE** - Tona wa Dikgaolo le Ngwao, Rre Ketlhalefile Motshegwa o solofeditse banni ba Lesenepole gore e tlaare mo sebakeng sa kgwedi a boele kwa go bone go ba rolela tshwetso e e tserweng mabapi le kgang ya bone. Se se tla morago ga gore Rre Motshegwa a etele motse oo ka Mosupologo go reetsa kgang ya bangwe ba motse ba ba supileng fa e le ba Matolwane mme ba kopa gore ba kgaogannwe le ba Lesenepole gore ba ikemele. Ka jalo Rre Motshegwa o ne a re o ya go lebelela tse banni ka go farologana ba se buileng kana ba di ntshitseng le mekwalo e e tlaa kwalwang mme a tsee tshwetso e e maleba. A re tshwetso e e tlaa tsewang ga go ree gore e tlaa itumedisa botlhe mme banni ba tshwanetse ba amogele gore mongwe le mongwe o ne a neelwa sebaka sa go bua ka kgololesego. O ne a gakolola banni go kwala ditso tsa motse wa bone gore di seka tsa nyelela le gore ba itse gore bogosi bo tlhomagana jang le meelwane ya metse e tsamaya jang. Rre Motshegwa o supile fa a tshwentswe ke dikgang tse di amanang le bogosi le maina a motse a supa fa se se kgona go busetsa ditlhabololo kwa morago. E ne e rile go le pele mongwe wa dibui kwa phuthegong eo, Rre Gareaitse Spark o ne a supa fa ba kopa puso go ba kgaoganya le Lesenepole mme ba bitswe Matolwane. O ne a re ba bitswa Lesenepole ntswa e se leina la bone ka jalo ga go ba itumedise gore ba bitswe ka leina le eseng la bone. A re Lesenepole ke rraabone mogolo mme go le pele ba ne ba bitswa Matolwane mme ga tshwarwa ditlhopho tsa leina la motse mme la fetoga go nna Lesenepole.

O tlhalositse fa ditso tsa bone di a nyelela ka ba beilwe ka fa tlase ga Lesenepole ntswa go sa tshwanela gore go nne jalo. A re ba Lesenepole ga ba ba rerise sentle fa go tla mo dikgannyeng tse di farologaneng tsa motse e bile ba ikgagapeletse kgotla e go kabong gotwe ba e kopanetse mo go felelang dikgosi tsa bone di e fapaanela bogosi jwa teng. Rre Spark a re fa go tsena ditlhopho tsa VDC ba Lesenepole ka ba le palo e ntsi go tsena bone ka palo e ntsi e bo e nna bone ba laolang. A re ba batla go akola lefatshe la bone mme motse o o ka kgaolwa fela jaaka wa kgagodi le Diloro. Rre Spark a re go na le molelwane e bile ditlhabololo jaaka kgotla, sekole le kokelwana di fa gare ga Matolwane le Lesenepole. Rre Mogomotsi Johannes o ne a gatelela mafoko a ga Rre Spark mme a supa fa morafe wa Matolwane o batla go kgaogannwa le wa Lesenepole ka e bile ba itse le meelwane ya dikgotla tsa bone gore e tsamaya jang le one mabitla a bone a kgaogane. Ntswa bangwe ba ne ba supa fa ba batla go kgaogannwa le ba Lesenepole, bangwe ba ne ba supa fa go sa tlhokafale gore ba kgaogannwe mme tshwetso e sale e tserwe ke ditlhopho tsa motse tse di neng tsa dirwa ka ngwaga wa 2015 tsa felela leina la Lesenepole la fenya. Rre Olebeletse Keitiretse o ne a kopa gore Tona Motshegwa a tlhotlhomise kgang e ka kelotlhoko a supa fa ba Matolwane ba ba fitlhetse mo thoteng eo. A re mo motseng wa bone ga gona molelwane ope o o leng teng le ba Matolwane ka jalo ga gona fa ba ka kgaoganyang teng. Rre Ponatshego Banyatsi le ene o ne a gana kgang ya gore Matolwane a ikemele e nne motse. **BOPA**

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# Loetse hair product hits market

By Benita Magopane

**GABORONE** - In a world saturated with hair care products, one local entrepreneur is proving that true success lies in authenticity and a deep-rooted passion.

In July, Ms Tuelo Matlou launched Loetse, a new hair oil that is more than just a product, it is a celebration of natural hair. With its name translating to 'fluffy,' Loetse is quickly making a name for itself by delivering on its promise of soft, manageable hair and selling out in a matter of weeks.

This is the story of a five-year journey born out of a mother's love and a commitment to nurturing natural beauty. In an interview, Ms Matlou said the oil was formulated

with a blend of locally sourced ingredients, including rosemary, lavender, fenugreek, cloves, moringa and neem, with olive oil as the carrier. She however noted that sourcing such ingredients had been a challenge she was determined to overcome.

According to Ms Matlou, the combination of ingredients was designed to stimulate hair growth, reduce breakage, improve scalp health and leave the hair shiny and soft. The product is packaged in UV-protective glass to prevent oxidation and preserve the herbs' nutrients. Matlou's journey began during the 2020 COVID-19 lockdown. "I started experimenting with ingredients and making my own products when COVID hit,"

she said. As a wife and mother of three, she said her initial inspiration came from caring for her young daughter's hair. "I had to rely on myself to wash and style her hair, not the salon. That's how my journey began." For Ms Matlou, such a venture was also deeply personal. Growing up, she was told that natural hair was difficult to maintain and looked 'untidy.' However, after her daughter was born, she was determined to embrace and care for her natural hair. The struggle to find an ideal product for both her own and her daughter's hair motivated her to create her own.

Meanwhile, with its 100 per cent pure, preservative-free formula, Loetse Hair Oil is safe for the

entire family and can be used on all hair types.

Ms Olefile Rathapo, one of Matlou's first clients, shared how the oil helped with his thinning hair and beard. "After just a month of use, the results were remarkable, my hair was visibly becoming healthier and getting restored. The improvement was so impressive that my family has

now started using the oil too," Ms Rathapo shared. Conversely, with Ms Matlou's vision for expansion next year, Loetse is set to become a trusted name for those seeking a solution that truly nurtures and protects their hair, empowering others to celebrate their natural hair, one 'fluffy' strand at a time, nurturing hair and confidence for a 'fluffy' future. **BOPA**



Tuelo Matlou has launched Loetse, a new hair oil for natural hair. Photos: Courtesy of Tuelo Matlou



Ms Tuelo Matlou



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## JOB VACANCY

### Job Profile: Group Head of Market & Business Risk



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

To develop operational risk policies and standards for market and business risk management and perform risk identification and assessments. To implement the risk management strategic plan to prevent, eliminate and mitigate market and business risks. To develop and continuously enhance enterprise risk identification and assessment processes, and to liaise with the lines of business (LOBs) and support departments to monitor risk exposures throughout the organization. The Group Head of Market and Business Risk will also develop and manage the Letshegos' framework for understanding and monitoring all sources of market and business risk in the second line of defence.

#### 2. Education

- Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration, Commerce, Finance, Accounting, Economics or equivalent
- Master's in Business Administration would be an added advantage

#### 3. Experience

- At least 10 years' experience in the credit related role, preferably consumer credit and loan operations with a minimum of 5 years' experience at a management level preferably with a credit union or other financial institution
- Background in Operational Risk management, internal audit, operational process mapping, risk control self-assessment process (RCSA), and writing policies and procedures

#### 4. Certifications

- International certifications in Risk management, such as CIRM, CRCM or ICM

#### 5. Knowledge

- Awareness of current industry threats, trends, technologies and issues that potentially affect organisation's business
- Understanding and interpretation of financial statements
- Ability to understand the economics of the business and appropriately weigh risk/reward trade-offs.
- Comprehensive knowledge of financial products, processes and market practices
- Knowledge and background of RM & IC frameworks

#### 6. Skills

- Ability to partner with senior management across all areas of the business

- Ability to collect and synthesize data and information to develop and provide analytical analysis
- Strong interpersonal skills, including written and oral communication skills
- Excels at collaborating with others at all levels to ensure organizational goals are attained
- Excellent organization and communications skills
- Excellent decision-making, problem solving and ability to multi-task in a fast pace environment
- Sound financial acumen with credit and financial analysis skills
- Proven experience in credit risk assessment and applying a lending delegation

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

- Collaborates with senior management to develop and administer a consistent, coordinated and unified process to identify, assess, measure, and monitor Letshego's operational risk that ensures a high level of quality in our products and processes.
- Develops and maintains operational risk policies and frameworks that drive risk-aware decision making, strong transparency and financial performance.
- Provides leadership and subject matter expertise to the business in support of compliance with Operational Risk Management framework components.
- Facilitates the completion of assigned self-risk assessments (SRAs).
- Establishes risk management metrics/scorecards and dashboards to track performance and monitor/identify operational trends across businesses.
- Coordinates the due diligence process for new or changing products and/or services with risk subject matter experts.
- Ensures all owned processes, methodologies, and procedures are kept current, consistent with documentation requirements, reviewed periodically for compliance and assessed against the business need and reputation risk.
- Expedites the escalation of new risks and issues when exposure exceeds the businesses appetite.
- Provides guidance and support to the business in the development and documentation of risk, issue, and control descriptions and remediation plans.
- Embeds the risk function in the change process to ensure material risks are fleshed out and addressed proactively.
- The Group Head of Market & Business Risk oversees the risk management of the organization's product and service portfolio, including assessing the risk-return profile of various products and services, monitoring portfolio performance, and implementing risk management techniques to optimize the portfolio's risk exposure.

#### 8. Key Performance Indicators

- Timeliness, accuracy and quality of business risk identification, assessment and mitigation processes
- Level of compliance with regulatory guidelines and requirements related to market and business risk management.
- Assessment of risk-return profile of the product and service portfolio
- Monitoring and management of portfolio risk exposures
- Optimization of the portfolio's risk profile in alignment with organizational objectives

#### 9. Complexity of the Role

- Multi-cultural awareness and the ability to interact with a wide range of differing levels in the Group, government, society and business in general.
- Each product and service may have unique operational risks associated with it, requiring the Group Head to understand the intricacies of each product and develop tailored risk management strategies.
- Rapid technological advancements, including digital platforms, mobile applications, and data-driven solutions, requires that Group Head of Operational Risk stay abreast of emerging technologies, assess their associated risks, and ensure that appropriate controls are in place to mitigate operational risks arising from technology-related vulnerabilities, cybersecurity threats, and data privacy concerns.

Application email: [grouprecruitment@letshego.com](mailto:grouprecruitment@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

Closing Date: 12 September 2025

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: Group Head of Market & Business Risk**



# ClassifiedAds

## ACCOMMODATION

**BACHELOR PAD. ENSUITE.** Block 8. P1800. Available 1 September. 76272134

## AUTOMOTIVES

**LOOKING FOR A** heavy duty panel beater. Closing date is 20 September. Contact 72178421.

## FARM WORKERS

**FARM WORKER WANTED** in Mahalapye contact 71569626/72479704

**FARM WORKER NEEDED** . Contact Sekang Tibela P.O Box 30437 Gaborone

**LOOKING FOR HERDBOY** at Motsididi farm/ Kgatleng call 71723402.

**FARM WORKER WANTED** at Mmadinare farm. Job summary: daily management of value cattle. Experience: should be able to read and write. Submit your application to The Director P O Box 800 Mmadinare or contact 74568362, closing date 08/09/25.

**FARM WORKER IS** wanted at Lorolwane farms preferably a lady. Send applications to Ontiretsi Montebatsi. P. O. Box M906 Kanye, or call 74361726/ 77484469

**FARM WORKER NEEDED** at Pitsane Potlokwe - Contact number 73344778, 71258402 Freedman Manele

**HERDBOY WANTED MMADITSHWENE** . Call: 72879265. Masedi Botumile Box 1292 Bobonong

**HERDBOY WANTED AT** Kang Phuduhudu moraka. Closing date: 10-09-2025. Apply: Kagiso Joseph, Box 33 Kang

**FARM WORKER WANTED** Mantsho Farms. Ms Mompoti 71716165/ 72526411.

**FARM WORKERS AT** Lobatse/Dutlwe. Apply to V. Setlhare, Box 47311 Gaborone, 73129178

**2 FARM WORKERS** wanted in Kopong-Lekgweng Farms. Apply to Box 1685 AAD, Poso House Gaborone. Call 71718736/ 71858612.

**FARM WORKER WITH** poultry experience needed Tshukudu farm . Cell : 73196065

**AGENTLY LOOKING FOR** farm workers 1 lady & two male. Contact 73822020.

**LOOKING FOR 2 HERD BOYS AT** LEGOTHWANA, CHOBE DISTRICT AREA. CONTACT : 71986002 NAMES : DICKSON NKUBA

**FARM MANAGER WANTED** Mmamashia P O Box 8 Lobatse  
**HERDBOY WANTED , MANAKANA** Cattle. Boipelo Poifo Bag 0077 Selebi Phikwe, 74053363

**HERDBOY WANTED: APPLY** P O Box 10707 Kanye, Taupone cattlepost 20 Km from Kanye. Contact 76869455, Lame T Monkgwae.

**TWO FARM WORKERS** wanted at Kolobeng lands. Apply to Box 402354 Gaborone.

**TWO FARM WORKERS** Wanted at kang. Molly Sebolokelo Box 134 Kang 7642831

**HERDMAN WANTED AT** Mokene, Paje. Howard Kgwarae : 71330796

**HERDMAN WANTED AT** Kole, Mathangwane Howard Kgwarae : 71330796

## NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

I, **GIRLIE MAIPELO RAPAEYE** of Plot No. 5557, Tlokweng would like to inform neighbours and the public of a proposed erection of a boundary wall on her plot. Any enquiries should be directed to **Tlokweng Sub District Council** on **3695000** or contact **Consultant on 72901855**, within **14 working days of the publication.**

**FARMWORKER WANTED.** Box 139 Selebi Phikwe

**HERDBOY WANTED BUTALE** Reetsang Patson Andries Box 40103 Francistown 72820626

**FARM WORKER WANTED** Nshakazhogwe, Makobo lands. Apply Box 1337 Francistown. Keakanyetswe Ndzinge 71380392

**FARM WORKER NEEDED** at Ditojana Farms, Kanye. 72701203.

**FARM WORKER NEEDED** at Mekgacheng Farm, Otse. 72701203.

## MISCELLANEOUS

**OWNER VEHICLE NISSAN** 1 Ton wanted, registration No: B464 ABR for duplicate and change of ownership. Contact 75341125/71627210

**SMALL STOCK WANTED** contact 72726449

**SAFARI SAVERS (PTY)** Ltd looking for the following candidates, 1) Graphic designer- able to create concepts, layouts, video editing 5 years experience. 2)Capturing clerk- computer literate to work without supervision- 5 yrs exp. CV's & references hand delivered to Plot 54183 Broadhurst Industrial.

## NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

**THE OWNERS OF** lot 3012 located in Hukuntsi, hereby notify the public of their intent to construct a road junction to the plot. Should you have any objection, please contact us at +267 75537620 / +267 75548071

**MAY OWNERS OF** plot 3900 & 3898 Modipane please contact owner of plot 3899 at 72756459 in regard to double storey development.

**NEIGHBOR CONSULTATION. PLOT** owner 4811 in Ramotswa would like to inform neighbours about boundary wall development. For more data visit Ramotswa Physical planners office or call 72253242.

**CHANGE OF LANDUSE** Owner of plot 8925 wishes to change it from residential to commercial. Located in Thamaga, Malakana ward. Whoever has an objection to the proposal should forward it to Mogoditshane Physical Office at 3105615 in writing within 14 days of the publication of the notice.

**NEIGHBOR CONSULTATION. PLOT** owner 23356 in Serowe wishes to inform neighbors about the proposed change of land use from single-family residential to commercial use. For more data visit Serowe Physical planners office.

### REQUIRED: FASHION DESIGNER

**Company:** SS Industries (Pty) Ltd  
**Position:** Fashion Designer  
**Experience:** Minimum 2 years

SS Industries (Pty) Ltd is seeking a talented and experienced Fashion Designer to join our team.

#### Requirements:

- Minimum 2 years' experience in fashion design
- Strong skills in sketching, pattern-making, and garment construction
- Creativity and trend awareness

**Contact:** B. Shyam Sundar  
P.O Box 1141, Selebi Phikwe  
Contact: 2601205/71487148  
Email: mayhs.pal@gmail.com

## NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Master Reference:**ESHGB 000196/24**

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **KELEKWANG MANGWA** who died at Deborah Retief Memorial Hospital,Mochudi,Kgatleng District,Botswana on 01<sup>st</sup> January 2024

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

DATED at .....on this.....Day of.....2025-08-2025

The Executrix, Kelebogile Chai Mangwa,P.O Box 243,Oodi, Cell:76 200 827/ 72 283 400  
The Executrix, Segametsi Mangwa, P.O Box 125, Oodi,Cell:72 157 020

### NOTICE OF LOST DEED

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to apply for a certified copy of deed no 2431/01 dated 18/09/01 made in favour of **COFFIN AND FUNERALS UNDERTAKERS (BOTSWANA) (PROPRIETARY) LIMITED**  
In respect of;  
**CERTAIN:** PIECE OF LAND BEING LOT 4259  
**MEASURING:** 1948 M² (ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FORTY EIGHT SQUARE METRE)  
**SITUATE:** IN THE SELEBI-PHIKWE ADMNISTRATIVE DISTRICT

All Persons having objection to the issue of such copy are required to lodge the same in writing to the Registrar of Deeds, Francistown within three (3) weeks from the last publication notice.

Dated: 15/08/2025

ADDRESS: P O BOX 1110, FRANCISTOWN, BOTSWANA  
COFFIN AND FUNERALS UNDERTAKERS

### NOTICE OF LOST DEED OF FIXED PERIOD STATE GRANT

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the undermentioned intends applying for certified copy of Deed of Fixed Period State Grant No: **1364/2018** dated **16<sup>th</sup>** day of **August 2018** made in favour of Estate Late Boitshepo Balole in respect of:

**CERTAIN** : Piece of land being Lot 2249 Gaborone;  
**SITUATE** : In Gaborone Township Extension 8;  
**MEASURING** : 422.7m² (Four Hundred and Twenty Two Point Seven Square Metres);

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

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF AUGUST 2025

**S.G. MARIRI ATTORNEYS (Attorneys Notaries & Conveyancers)**  
**Plot 7906, Maruapula** | P.O. Box 793 AAH, Gaborone | **Contacts: 391 0606 / 71 487747**

## LOST DEED OF TRANSFER

**NOTICE** is hereby given that we intend applying for a certified copy of Deed of Transfer **No. 923/1999** dated **9<sup>th</sup> June 1999** in favour of DRIFTWOOD PROPRIETARY LIMITED, in respect of:

**CERTAIN** : piece of land being Portion 9 of Portion 3 of Farm No. 36-NQ;  
**SITUATE** : in the North East Administrative District;  
**MEASURING** : 4,5048 m² (Four comma Five Zero Four Eight Hectares);  
**WHICH PROPERTY** : is held under Deed of Transfer No. 923/1999 dated **9<sup>th</sup> June 1999** in favour of **DRIFTWOOD PROPRIETARY LIMITED.**

ANY person having objection to the issue of such copy is hereby required to lodge same in writing to the Registrar of Deeds within three (3) weeks of the last publication hereof.

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 14<sup>th</sup> DAY OF AUGUST 2025.

**MOGALE LEGAL PRACTICE**  
Applicant's Attorneys | P.O. Box 931 FRANCISTOWN.

**OWNER OF PLOT** number 6900 Metsimotlhabe block 4 would like to change land use from single residential to multi-residential whoever has an objection to the proposal should forward it to Physical planning office, Mogoditshane (Kweneng district council) during working hours. 07.30 to 16.30 hours from this date 26/08/2025 to 23/09/2025

**CHANGE OF LANDUSE.** Kealeboga Goitsemodimo Mokonopi in Gaborone, Extension 15, Plot 21133, wishes to change land use from residential to commercial. Any objections contact Gaborone City Council, Physical Planning office at 3657494/ 3657400 within 14 days of this publication. Contact: 72766101.

**PATRICIA MPHOTHO IN** Mahalapye/ Flowertown Ward, Plot number 1682 would like to change land use from single-family to multi family residential units. Anyone with objections, Physical Planning office on Telephone number 4718600.

**I Olorato Melindah SEMAUSU,** OWNER OF FIELD AT MAKGADIKGADI NATIONAL PARK, MENOAKWENA WISHES TO CHANGE LAND USE FROM FIELD TO LODGE AND CAMPSITE. FOR ANY OBJECTIONS PLEASE CONTACT THE BOTETI DISTRICT COUNCIL, PHYSICAL PLANNING OFFICE, TELL 2978278 OR CALL 72918828 WITHIN (14) DAYS OF PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

### IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPLUBLIC OF BOTSWANA HELD AT FRANCISTOWN ESHFT 000596-24

#### NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **Witness Sibanda ESHFT -000596-24** who died at Gaborone District on the 25/05/2008

**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 \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_ 2025

Malebo Grace Sibanda  
Executor Dative  
**FRANCISTOWN**

P/BAG 073 Serowe  
Executor Dative  
P O BOX  
**FRANCISTOWN**

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

## NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS

### Administration of Estate 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 Maun 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
I. LEAH MOETSE	ESHMN-000025-25	15.10.2025	1100HRS

DATED AT MAUN THIS 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH OF 2025

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

## FIRST AND FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

Master's Reference: **ESHGB 000927/24**

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **PIETER JACOBUS PISTORIUS** who died at Kingross Farm, Hereford, Kgalagadi District, Botswana on the **24<sup>th</sup> March 2024.**

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

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

DATE at GABORONE on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of August 2025.

The Executors | Elna Pistorius

**MAKUYANA**  
LEGAL PRACTICE

**MLP House, Unit 14 Plot 102**  
**Gaborone International Commerce Park**  
**P O Box 40142 Gaborone [Ref: 5178]**

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

ESHFT 000410-23

#### NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late Mongwelemongwe Matsarapane who died at Bokhurutshe Ward, Serowe- Central Serowe District, Botswana on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of November 2011.

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

BORETETSE DORCUS MATSARAPANE, The Executrix, P.O.Box 1244, SEROWE, Cellphone No.75457064

## Change of Land Use Notice

**I, Naledi Kgolo-Lotshwao**, owner of **Plot No. 3154** Metlhabeng, Tlokweng, would like to change land use from single-residential to multi-residential.

Anybody who would like to view the plan can do so at **Tlokweng Sub-District Council** during working days from **0730 hours to 1630 hours** with effect from **26<sup>th</sup> August, 2025.**

Whoever has an objection to the proposal should forward it to Tlokweng Sub-District Council, Physical Planning office, **Telephone Nos. 392 8355 or 3928200**, or in writing, **within fourteen (14) days** of publication of this notice.

### APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED COPY OF LOST NOTARIAL DEED OF LEASE NO. MA 25/2003 DATED 14<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2003.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to apply for a certified true copy of Notarial Deed of Lease No. **MA 25/2003** dated **14<sup>th</sup>** day of **February 2003** entered by and between **LILIAN LESHONA SHATERA and TOTAL BOTSWANA (PROPRIETARY) LIMITED** in respect of;

**CERTAIN** : Piece of Land being Lot 55092, Gaborone  
**SITUATE** : In the Gaborone Administrative District;  
**Measuring** : 2913 m² (Two Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirteen Square Metres)  
**HELD** : Under Notarial Deed of Lease No.MA 25/2003 dated the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February 2003 entered by and in between **LILIAN LESHONA SHATERA and TOTAL BOTSWANA (PROPRIETARY) LIMITED.**

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

DATED 26<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2025  
BROWN AND COMPANY ATTORNEYS  
PLOT 18461, PHASE 2, GABORONE, BOTSWANA  
TEL.: (+267) 311 6991  
EMAIL : admin@brownandcompany.co.bw



## NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

**CHANGE OF LANDUSE.** The owner of Plot 5660 in Mogoditshane Block 5, wishes to change land use from residential to multi residential. Any objections contact Mogoditshane District Council, Physical Planning office at 3105615 within 14 days of this publication, Contact: 72766101.

**CHANGE OF LAND USE:** Owner of Lot 7691, Unit 8 Jwaneng wishes to change land use from residential to commercial guesthouse. Any objections should be forwarded to Jwaneng Town Council planning on telephone 5880303 within 14 days of publishing.

**NEIGHBOURS OF PLOT** 394 Ratholo are informed of change of land use from residential to commercial (Hardware). Any objections contact 4930860 within fourteen days of this notice

**NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION OWNER** of plot no 36974 Gaborone West Extension 37, notifies plot no 36973 and 36975 owners of their intention to erect a double storey residence. For objection or comment contact physical planning offices, Gaborone City Council within 14 days of the publication or Alex Mashebera, cell no 71297869.

**I KAGISO KENTSHENG** owner of Plot Mafitlakgosi Ward, Tlokweng intends to change land use from residential to multi residential. For any objection please contact Tlokweng Land Board office in writing with 14 days of publication of this notice.

**ISHADRACKMADIMABE** owner of plot 1794, Goodhope would like to notify public about intensions to change land use from single residential use to multi-residential use. For objection visit Goodhope District Council Physical Planning Office or call 74538670.

**DHK TRANSPORT PTY (LTD)** of plot 3258, Mphakenoko ward, Selibe Phikwe wishes to subdivide and change land use from recreational open space to mixed use (commercial-retail and office, sports and recreation, multi residential area). For any enquiries or objections contact Selibe Phikwe Town Council, Physical Planning Office on this number 2610570 within 14 days of this publication notice.

**OWNER OF PLOT** 3152, Lesetlhane ward, Ramotswa intends to change land use from residential to multi-residential. For any objections please contact Ramotswa Administrative Authority

## PROPERTIES

**BROADHURST TAUNG 2** beds low cost P3k 72338834

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**PLOT FOR SALE,** Kanye Sebonego Ward 1061.55 Sqm 71757110

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## VACANCIES

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## CHANGE OF LAND USE

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For comments contact North-East District Council on **2489242** or

Urban Heights on **71329400**

within 14 days of this publication.

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**GOOGLE DEVELOPER WANTED** at health Directory Botswana Phakalane. Qualification : Certificate in Google Developer. Experience : Minimum 1 year. Apply to : Manager P O Box 502601 Gaborone. Contacts : 76527166. Closing date : 11 September 2025.

### APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED COPY OF LOST DEED OF FIXED PERIOD STATE GRANT NO. 52/2003 DATED 8<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 2003.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to apply for a certified true copy of Deed of Fixed Period State Grant No. 52/2003 dated 8<sup>th</sup> day of January 2003 registered in favour of **LILIAN LESHONA SHATERA** in respect of;

**CERTAIN SITUATE** : Piece of Land being Lot 55092, Gaborone  
: In the Gaborone Administrative District;  
**Measuring** : 2913 m<sup>2</sup> (Two Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirteen Square Metres)  
**HELD** : Under Deed of Fixed Period State Grant No.52/2003 dated the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January 2003 made in favour of **LILIAN LESHONA SHATERA**.

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

DATED 20<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2025  
BROWN AND COMPANY ATTORNEYS  
PLOT 18461, PHASE 2, GABORONE, BOTSWANA  
TELL : (+267) 311 6991  
EMAIL : [admin@brownandcompany.co.bw](mailto:admin@brownandcompany.co.bw)

### APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED COPY OF LOST NOTARIAL DEED OF SERVITUDE NO. MA 26/2003 DATED 14<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2003.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to apply for a certified true copy of Notarial Deed of Servitude No. MA 26/2003 dated 14<sup>th</sup> day of February 2003 entered by and between **LILIAN LESHONA SHATERA** and **TOTAL BOTSWANA (PROPRIETARY) LIMITED** in respect of;

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: In the Gaborone Administrative District;  
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## LOST TITLE DEED

**NOTICE IS HEREBY** given that the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of Deed of Fixed Period State Grant No. 689/2011 dated 12<sup>th</sup> April 2011 made in favour of **KAGELELO RELAENG**.

All such persons having objection to issue of such copy are hereby required to lodge such objection in writing to the Registrar of Deeds for Botswana at Gaborone within (3) three weeks of the date of second publication of this notice.

DATED AT MOLEPOLOLE THIS 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF AUGUST 2025

**KAGELELO RELAENG**  
P O BOX 1235 MOLEPOLOLE

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

**NOTICE IS HERRBY GIVEN** in terms of section 34 of the tribal Act that Ikopoleng and Olebogeng entered into a sale agreement with Kiven Chikunya in respect of the below-mentioned property for the sum of 65,000 (sixty five thousand pula only) in respect of the following property

**CERTAIN:** Piece of land lot being 24423 residential plot

**SITUATE:** Ledubeng Kanye

**Measuring:** 1000m<sup>2</sup> (one thousand square meters)

Any citizen interested in entering in a similar transaction in respect of the above mentioned property shall be given priority notwithstanding the agreement

Reached by the parties.  
Any citizen objecting to this transaction should do so in writing to Kanye sub land landboard **Private Bag M11, Telephone no 5440343, fax no: 5440875** within thirty (30) days of this publication hereof

## APPLICATION FOR CERTIFIED COPY OF TITLE DEED

### FIRST PUBLICATION

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of Notarial Deed of Cession and Delegation No. MA 221/2005 dated the 5<sup>th</sup> day of July 2005 made in favour of in respect of the following property:

**CERTAIN:** piece of land being Lot Lease Area No.1173-K0, (a Portion of Portion 72);  
**SITUATE:** on Portion 69 of Portion 6 of the farm Sentlanane No.18-K0 in the South East Administrative District,  
**MEASURING:** 3047 m<sup>2</sup> (Three Thousand and Forty- Seven Square Metres);

All persons having objection to the issue of such copy are hereby required to lodge the same in writing with the Registrar of Deeds at Gaborone within (3) weeks from the last publication of this notice.  
Dated at GABORONE this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 2025.



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## Notice of intention to enter into Transaction with a non citizen in terms of section 34 of Tribal Land ACT, 2018

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TERMS OF SECTION 34 OF TRIBAL LAND ACT THAT** Otsile Seisa ID 111013110 intends to enter into sales agreement with Morgen Danga, Passport No: FN 071436, in respect of a residential plot at Bokaa for the sum of BWP 200 000.00( two Hundred thousand pula).

**Namely:**

**Certain:** Piece of land being a residential plot

**Situate:** Bokaa

**Measuring:** 1000 sqm ( one thousand square metres)

Held under: resolution customary land grant issued by Oodi Sub Land board on the 08 April 2024

**Subject to:** Such terms and conditions as the aforementioned certificate. 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 objection to this transaction should be done in writing giving reasons to:

Oodi Sub land Board Private Bag 002 Oodi  
22 August 2025

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

ESHFT – 000373-23

### FIRST AND FINAL DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late Tshikanyane Sesinyi - ESHFT – 000373-23 who died at Gaborone Private Hospital, Gaborone District on the 22 September 2023.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY** given that First and Final Liquidation and Distribution Account in the above Estate will lie open for inspection at the chambers of the Assistant Registrar and Master of the High Court Francistown for a period of twenty-one days (21) days from the date of publication hereof.

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 19th DAY OF AUGUST 2025.

Chedu Sesinyi

Executor Dative

P O Box 1029 aad

Poso House **GABORONE**

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

## INTENTION TO CHANGE MARRIAGE PROPERTY REGIME

(In terms of Section 8 (l)(f) of Married Persons Property Act , 2014)

**KAOTE DAVID RANTU AND MMASEGO ESTHER RANTU**, married in community of property on **05<sup>th</sup> November, 2021, at Ramotswa**, wish to change their property regime to out of community of property.

1. The parties intend to apply to the **High Court of Botswana** after expiration of the **three (3) weeks** statutory notice from the date of first publication hereof.
2. Any person, creditor or debtor, who may have an interest in the assets and/ or liabilities of the parties' estate, should they have objections to the parties changing their property regime are to inform the parties' legal representatives, **C/O UB LEGAL CLINIC, GABORONE**, before the expiration of the said **three (3) weeks period**, or make representations before the **High Court of Botswana** once the contemplated application is lodged.

DATED at Gaborone this 12<sup>th</sup> August 2025.

**DOLLY GAANOWE**, Cellphone No. 77480935, c/o **UB LEGAL CLINIC**, Gaborone  
Off Mabutho Road, Gaborone, **Private Bag 00705, Gaborone.**

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

CASE NO: CVHGB - 000055 - 24

In the matter between:

MAIPELO BELINDA TSHEPHE

**PLAINTIFF**

And

SIMON SENKHU

**DEFEDANT**

### NOTICE OF SALE IN EXECUTION

**BE PLEASED TO TAKE NOTICE** that pursuant to a judgment by the above Honourable Court dated **11<sup>th</sup> November 2024**, the following movable property of the Defendant will be sold by public auction by the **Deputy Sheriff TUMELO MOGOROSI** to the highest bidder as follows;

**DATE OF SALE:** 19th September 2025  
**TIME OF SALE:** 10:00 am  
**VENUE:** Broadhurst Magistrates Court  
**PROPERTY TO BE SOLD:** Motor vehicle- land rover discovery of registration number B412 BAE, Samsung Double Door Fridge, Dining table plus 4 Chairs, Samsung Microwave, L-shape couch, 2 Seat sofa, Samsung TV, Floor mat, Logik air cooler, Base Bed & Mattress, Base bed and mattress, Head board, 2 side stand.

**CONDITIONS OF SALE:** Cash or EFT only

DATED AT GABORONE ON THIS 25th DAY OF AUGUST 2025.

**DEPUTY SHERIFF TUMELO MOGOROSI c/o SEDIMO MASIRE ATTORNEYS**  
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**FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT**  
**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **ALBERT KETHOLEGILE** who died at Rakops Primary Hospital, Rakops, Central-Boteti District, Republic of Botswana on the 16<sup>th</sup> August 2024.

**THE FINAL LIQUIDATION AND DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT** in the Estate will be open for inspection at the offices of the Master of the High Court at Francistown for a period of (twenty one) 21 days from the date of publication hereof.  
Any objection to the Estate Account maybe lodged with the Master within 21 days stated above.

**DATED AT FRANCISTOWN this.....Day of.....2025**

Executive Dative Oleji Albert P O Box 188, Rakops Cell: 71517028	Executive Dative Wapama Anita Albert P O Box 188, Rakops Cell: 75543704	Executive Dative Maitumelo Maria Willie P O Box 150076, Maun Cell: 74802793/77002510
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Miss Young Millennial Mannequin International 2025, Omaatla Solomon-Gasemodimo (centre), together her manager, also His Little Mr and Miss Botswana Primary Schools director, Botlhale Menyatso (left), receiving a warm welcome at Sir Seretse Khama International Airport in Gaborone on Wednesday. Omaatla represented Botswana at the prestigious international pageant in the Philippines, where she was crowned the new queen. During the competition, she showcased her versatility by participating in various segments, including sports attire and national costume. She also distinguished herself by winning the coveted Advocacy Award. Her triumph further cements the country’s presence on the global pageantry stage. Photo: Teko Letsholo

# Organisers cancel walk to back anti-GBV initiative

By Lindi Morwaeng

**MOLEPOLOLE** - Organisers of the annual Dithubaruba cultural festival have cancelled this year’s Dithubaruba Heritage Walk which scheduled for this coming Saturday as a curtain raiser to the main festival on September 6.

The festival coordinator Power Kawina announced the decision in an interview on Wednesday. He explained that change follows consultations and a recognition of the urgent need to support a community led initiative under the Total Man banner that will host a solidarity walk in Molepolole to raise awareness about rising cases of gender-based violence (GBV) and so called “passion killings” in the community. “While the Heritage Walk has always been a cherished part of our cultural calendar, we believe that this moment calls for unity,

compassion and collective action,” said Kawina. In addition, he said their presence in the solidarity walk will reflect the values that Dithubaruba holds dear such as community, empathy and cultural relevance. He said the solidarity walk would take place on the same day and culminate at the Molepolole Sports Complex where various awareness activities would be held. As part of their participation, the organisers will host a branded stall at the event providing information about the festival’s community programmes and GBV related initiatives.

They will also engage participants, dignitaries and supporters in discussions about cultural values and healing.

Mr Kawina extended an invitation to festival supporters and partners to join the march stressing that collective presence would help amplify the message of healing and hope. **BOPA**

# Festival fever mounts as day arrives

By Thuso Kgakatsi

**UKHWI** – Ukhwi is eagerly preparing to host its first-ever Ukhwi O Qhuqhayo 2025 Cultural Festival this Saturday, at the scenic Ukhwi Pans.

The festival, whose name in Sesarwa means ‘Ukhwi is on Fire,’ promises a vibrant celebration of local arts, culture, and tourism, set to attract more revellers

Event organiser Lucky Modise shared in an interview that the festival aimed to position Ukhwi as a distinctive destination for adventure and cultural enthusiasts alike.

“This event is about showcasing our rich heritage while promoting tourism in the region,” he explained.

Preparations will kick off on today with tent pitching and scenic photography sessions capturing Ukhwi’s stunning sunsets and sunrises.

The evening will feature poetry readings and a resident DJ to set a festive tone for the weekend.

Saturday’s programme is expected to be lively and diverse, beginning with a music festival headlined by South African group Beat Spirit and a performance by Music of Life.

Traditional performances including Tshutsube, Namastap, Polka, and poetry will also feature, offering attendees a rich tapestry of music, dance, and storytelling.

“The day will extend into a late-night groove, with DJ sessions and spoken word performances,” Modise added.

Visitors, he said would have an opportunity to partake in a guided Ukhwi Village Tour, highlighting the village’s scenic beauty and its strategic position as a gateway for off-road adventures toward the Kgalagadi Transfrontier Park and Namibia.

Modise emphasised that the festival

aligned with government’s tourism development strategies, particularly for the Kgalagadi North district.

“Ukhwi O Qhuqhayo is part of a broader vision to develop sustainable tourism and cultural projects in the area,” he said.

The event is being organised by Ukhwi O Qhuqhayo, a non-profit formed by hiking enthusiasts and nature lovers dedicated to fostering eco-tourism and cultural preservation.

The organisers, most of whom are Botswana citizens, including a native of Ukhwi, are currently funding the event themselves. Long-term, Modise said the festival aimed to grow into a world-class music and arts event that could rival Africa’s top festivals, while also ensuring environmental sustainability.

The Ngwaa Khobe Xera Trust, representing the villages of Ukhwi, Ncaang, and Ngwatle, has partnered with the organisers to support the initiative.

Modise said proceeds from the festival would contribute toward developing a stopover campsite at Ukhwi Pan, creating eco-tourism opportunities for the three villages.

Described as ‘Makgadikgadi on a smaller scale,’ Ukhwi Pan’s rugged beauty is best accessed with vehicles like 4x4s and 4x2s.

Government departments and parastatals have been invited to participate through exhibitions and information stands, fostering community engagement and service awareness.

Ukhwi Village Development Committee will also provide camping facilities, with fully equipped tents available for hire at P500 for two nights.

The event is more than entertainment; it is a platform for cultural preservation, tourism promotion, and community development. **BOPA**



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*Botswana Football Association technical director, Kaelo Kaelo (left) and Zebras head coach, Morena Ramoreboli during the squad announcement in Gaborone on Tuesday. Ramoreboli named a 27-man final squad for the upcoming FIFA World Cup qualifiers, with winger Kabelo Seakanyeng left out. Photo: Gothusang Lesego*

# Seakanyeng out of qualifier line-up

By Anastacia Sibanda

**GABORONE** – Zebras’ star winger, Kabelo Seakanyeng has been left out of the squad for the upcoming FIFA World Cup qualifiers, a move that has sent shockwaves through the local football community.

In an interview, Zebras head coach, Morena Ramoreboli confirmed the exclusion, citing disciplinary issues following Seakanyeng’s visibly upset reaction to being substituted in a recent match against Somalia.

Ramoreboli said Seakanyeng’s behaviour was ‘unacceptable’ and the player had even told him he no longer wanted to be considered for the national team.

“He went to the bench still showing signs of somebody that is very unhappy. Unfortunately, in our camp, we do not allow such. This is a national team, we need to respect its badge.

For now, I will only consider players who are prepared to represent the national team.

It won’t be fair for me to call him after he has told us that he is not prepared to represent the country,” he added.

On one hand, Seakanyeng admitted that he was unhappy after being substituted, adding that his anger was in the heat of the moment.

“I still want to represent my country. I have played for the national team for 11 years and I have never had issues of discipline,” he said. Seakanyeng believed that Ramoreboli should have reprimanded him as a father figure, suggesting they could have handled the issue in a better way.

Addressing a press conference on Tuesday, Ramoreboli also announced the omission of two Libya-based players, defender Thatayaone Dithlokwe and striker Tumisang Orebonye. He explained that the two players had played over

65 matches this season and from discussions with their physical conditioning coach, they had played a lot of games, some with injuries.

“After some discussion, we ended up agreeing that if the medical team approves that Orebonye is ready to play, he might join us for the Mozambique game,” he said.

He added that considering the number of minutes and injuries Dithlokwe has had, they felt it was best to allow him to rest, should they need him going forward.

Meanwhile, Ramoreboli has trimmed the squad from the initial 38 players to 27, to prepare for the upcoming FIFA World Cup qualifiers.

The Zebras are in Group G with Algeria, Mozambique, Uganda, Guinea and Somalia and currently sit in third place with nine points.

The squad comprises Goitseone Phoko (Jwaneng Galaxy), Keagile Kgosipula (Mochudi Centre Chiefs), and Kabelo Dambe (Township

Rollers) in the goalkeeping department.

Defenders include Alford Velaphi and Mothusi Johnson (Gaborone United), Botsile Sekana (Orapa United), Benson Mangolo (Richard Bay-South Africa), Tebogo Kopelang and Thabo Leinanyane (Jwaneng Galaxy), Moshia Gaolaolwe (Township Rollers) and Shanganani Nganda (Mochudi Centre Chiefs).

Midfielders are Gape Mohutsiwa

(Mouloudia Club D’Oran), Mothusi Cooper (Township Rollers), Lebogang Ditsele, Karabo Phiri and Mpho Kgaswane (Gaborone United), Phenyio Serameng (Sua Flamingoes), Gilbert Baruti (Mochudi Centre Chiefs) and Thapelo Babedi (BDF XI). Forwards include Thatayaone Kgmanyane and Thabo Maopona of Gaborone United as well as Serati Semadi of Sua Flamingoes.

**BOPA**

# Win elude Black Lions yet again

By Thato Mosinyi

**GABORONE** - Black Lions’ challenging Premier League debut continues, with the team still seeking their first win following a 2-1 loss to Township Rollers on Wednesday night. The defeat marks the club’s third consecutive loss, following previous 2-0 and 1-0 defeats to Sua Flamingoes and Jwaneng Galaxy, respectively.

Despite showing promise and momentum from a strong weekend performance against Galaxy, the Lions ultimately could not hold on to their lead against Rollers, which came from Dina Dinanga scoring the club’s first-ever Premier League goal in the 36th minute, just before recess.

On one hand, Rollers played a high-tempo game from the start of the second half.

Lehlohonolo Fothoane was deployed in a false nine role due to the absence of a traditional striker.

However, such technical approach initially struggled as Fothoane often found himself isolated and Popa found it difficult to create chances in the final third.

Rollers returned from the break with more determination. Second-half goals from Moshia Gaolaolwe and Omphile Vissagie secured



*Township Rollers’ Thatayaone Ramatlapeng (left) battling for possession with Black Lions’ Michael Tinye during their FNB Premiership clash in Gaborone on Wednesday. Rollers won 2-1. Photo: Gothusang Lesego*



a hard-fought 2-1 victory, giving Rollers their third win of the season.

With the international break approaching, Rollers will next face Orapa United on September 13. Lions will take on Matebele FC.

In other midweek matches, Nico United and Mochudi Centre Chiefs

played to a goalless draw in Selebi Phikwe. Gaborone United defeated Santa Greens 6-1.

It was a historic moment for Thabang Sesinyi as he reached the 100-goal milestone in his career during Jwaneng Galaxy’s 3-0 victory over Orapa United. **BOPA**



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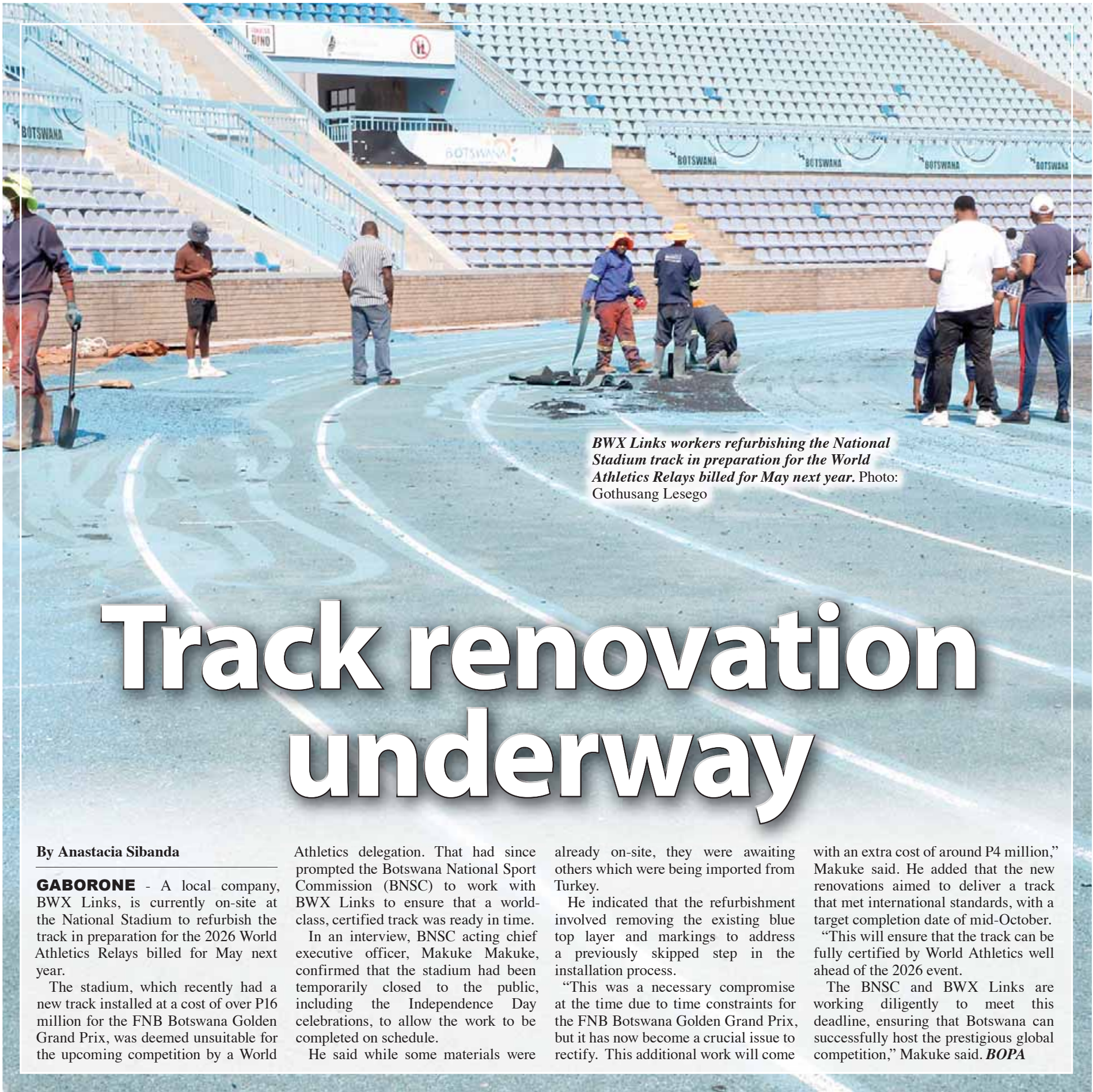
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Interested candidates should submit their applications to [recruitmentbw@simololadrilling.com](mailto:recruitmentbw@simololadrilling.com) on or before the **11<sup>th</sup> September 2025**.





*BWX Links workers refurbishing the National Stadium track in preparation for the World Athletics Relays billed for May next year. Photo: Gothusang Lesego*

# Track renovation underway

By Anastacia Sibanda

**GABORONE** - A local company, BWX Links, is currently on-site at the National Stadium to refurbish the track in preparation for the 2026 World Athletics Relays billed for May next year.

The stadium, which recently had a new track installed at a cost of over P16 million for the FNB Botswana Golden Grand Prix, was deemed unsuitable for the upcoming competition by a World

Athletics delegation. That had since prompted the Botswana National Sport Commission (BNSC) to work with BWX Links to ensure that a world-class, certified track was ready in time.

In an interview, BNSC acting chief executive officer, Makuke Makuke, confirmed that the stadium had been temporarily closed to the public, including the Independence Day celebrations, to allow the work to be completed on schedule.

He said while some materials were

already on-site, they were awaiting others which were being imported from Turkey.

He indicated that the refurbishment involved removing the existing blue top layer and markings to address a previously skipped step in the installation process.

“This was a necessary compromise at the time due to time constraints for the FNB Botswana Golden Grand Prix, but it has now become a crucial issue to rectify. This additional work will come

with an extra cost of around P4 million,” Makuke said. He added that the new renovations aimed to deliver a track that met international standards, with a target completion date of mid-October.

“This will ensure that the track can be fully certified by World Athletics well ahead of the 2026 event.

The BNSC and BWX Links are working diligently to meet this deadline, ensuring that Botswana can successfully host the prestigious global competition,” Makuke said. **BOPA**

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