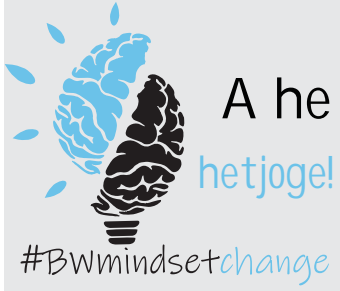


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President Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi (left) sharing a light moment with the World Bank regional vice president for Eastern and Southern Africa, Ms Victoria Kwakwa during a courtesy call at the Office of the President yesterday. He said Botswana waited with anticipation for the World Bank's support, pledge and review of the Southern Africa Customs Union programme. He also said Botswana was looking forward to further advances and support for the digital economy, adding that Botswana had repositioned itself following COVID-19, by putting in place the Reset Agenda to try and drive the country to a high-income status. Photo: Yobe Shonga

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**Kgosho Tawana II (third left) performing the groundbreaking of a house for the two victims of crocodile attack in Maun. The two escaped death by a whisker after they were attacked by a crocodile in the Thamalakane River while harvesting water lily. Photos: Esther Mmolai**

# Tawana calls for HWC victims' fund

By Esther Mmolai

MAUN - Kgosho Tawana II of Batawana has called for the establishment of a compensation fund that will help support victims of human-wildlife conflict (HWC).

While he appreciated government's assistance on medical services towards victims, he said it was disheartening as some were left with permanent disabilities that made their lives unbearable.

He made the remarks during a groundbreaking ceremony to build a decent house for two victims of a crocodile attack in Maun. The duo escaped death by a whisker after they were attacked by a crocodile in the Thamalakane River while harvesting water lily (tswii), in indigenous language.

The victims, Ms Nkoketsang Monnawatsheko and her daughter, Cecilia Monnawatsheko, both lost their arms and now struggle to fend for themselves. They used to survive through selling tswii.

The Simmon Phuthago Organisation (TSPO) is planning to extend and refurbish their house in an effort to restore their dignity.

The organisation's primary purpose is to mitigate human-wildlife conflict and better serve the victims in local communities of Southern Africa's Kavango-Zambezi (KAZA) region.

"This is a touching and painful situation to see people who used to be able-bodied struggling to make ends meet and I thank all individuals and organisations such

as TSPO, which support the family in kind," he added.

Kgosho Tawana said issues of human-wildlife conflict had worsened poverty among some families and emphasised that the establishment of the fund would be a step in the right direction towards conservation.

He said there were a lot of enterprises making profits from the ecosystem and other giant companies, which could be roped in to support the said fund for the benefit of the communities.

He also encouraged the Monnawatsheko family not to lose hope, assuring them that they would be assisted to regain their life.

He also appealed to members of the community to emulate TSPO, noting that as district leaders, they would make efforts to mobilise the business community to come on board and impact positively on the lives of the victims and the community.

TSPO board member, Mr Gosiame Mahupele, said human-wildlife conflict remained a challenge because people sustained permanent injuries from encounters with wildlife while some lost lives.

He said despite that, humans would have to co-exist with wildlife because the issue was complex to address and stressed the need for the relevant authorities to look for interventions to reduce the impact.

He said for the past three years 7 000 cases were recorded in which 14 people lost lives while some got

injured, adding that it was critical to find ways to assist the victims so that they regain hope and lead dignified lives.

He appreciated that the compensation policy was under review, hoping that it would cater for human-wildlife victims.

However, it was reported that the groundbreaking ceremony was a call for support to all to ensure that the family had a decent house as the current one was in bad a condition.

The organisation is intending to extend the two-roomed house with a kitchen, laundry room and a bathroom.

TSPO also plans to refurbish the victims' tuck shop and re-stock it so to sustain the.

For her part, Nkoketsang thanked the organisation for supporting her during difficult times, noting that the crocodile attack had left them hopeless.

She recalled the fateful day saying if she it was not for her bravery to stab the giant crocodile several times with a knife, she could have lost her daughter, who was the first to be attacked.

"I was trying to rescue my only daughter when the vicious animal turned on me and my daughter too kept on pulling me with the remaining arm at the same time screaming and a certain boy came along and hit the crocodile with a stone so it let go of my arm," she narrated.

Nkoketsang thanked TSPO, individuals and other organisations for the support of her family. **BOPA**

# Older persons invaluable sources of wisdom - Pule

By Tshiamiso Mosetha

MAHALAPYE - The theme for this year's International Day of the Elderly Persons; Fulfilling the Promises of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights for Older Persons: Across Generations puts a spotlight on the importance of older persons around the world, the need to safeguard the enjoyment of their rights and address violation of the same rights.

"Further, it talks of strengthening solidarity through equity and trade-off between generations, offering meaningful solutions on the provisions of the Sustainable Development Goals," Assistant Minister of Local Government and Rural Development, Mr Mabuse Pule said.

Mr Pule said demographic evidence indicated that the global population was getting older and Botswana was no exception.

He said older persons were invaluable sources of wisdom, knowledge and experience and had much to contribute towards peace, sustainable development and climate protection.

"We must promote lifelong learning, quality healthcare, and digital inclusion as well as foster intergenerational dialogue and unity. Together we can build a more inclusive and age-friendly and a more resilient world for all," he said.

He challenged all to introspect as to whether they had fully incorporated the principles of independence, participation, care, self-fulfillment and dignity in their programming for the elderly.

Mr Pule, who is also Member of Parliament for Mochudi East, said the day aimed to raise awareness on the impact of an aging population and the need to ensure people could grow old with dignity and to elevate consciousness about things affecting the aged.

He further admitted that for a long time, the country had no policy that covered older people's concerns in a coherent and comprehensive manner, which situation had undermined efforts to promote healthy and active ageing.

He was however pleased to note that government had introduced some programmes meant to assist the elderly by providing welfare services to citizens.

He said the ministry continued to improve access to social services and social safety nets to cushion the elderly from the effects of poverty and other economic shocks such as the Old Age Pension and World War II Veterans Cash Transfer, among others. He said it was his

ministry's mandate to ensure sufficient allocation of resources for the implementation of initiatives aimed at promoting and protecting the rights of senior citizens and these they do with pride.

"My government introduced universal old age pension for citizens who are aged 65 and above in 1996. Currently old age pension stands at P730 per month and government is supporting 138 898 elderly persons under the programme," he said.

He said for World War II veterans monthly allowance currently stood at P750, adding that these allowances would accordingly be subjected to normal review processes, funds permitting.

He appealed to the elderly to take care of themselves, especially healthwise.

The Assistant Minister gifted the elderly with presents. Ms Boineelo Mathuba, representing the pensioners, said they were delighted to be recognised by government.

She, however, said the elderly had challenges at their families, which needed to be addressed by councillors. "Re nna kwa malwapeng re le nosi go sena ba re buabuang le bone, le ba ba re gakololang, ka jalo go oketsa bohutsana le makowa a rona. Re kopa gore lekgotla la kabo ditsha le re abele ditsha kwa re tlaa agelwang mafelo a tiloso bodutu kware tla kopanang teng re le bagolo re gakololana, re tsaya dikgang, re ntshana bodutu," Ms Mathuba requested.

Ms Mathuba also advised fellow elders to exercise regularly, emphasising that even strolling in the yard was enough for the body.

She also advised them to save some money from their allowances.

Earlier, Kgosho Tshipe Tshipe of Mahalapye, who is also the vice chairperson of Ntlo ya Dikgosi, said elders needed protection and peace. He said public servants should be patient when dealing with elderly people.

He also said government should introduce medical scheme for them and that doctors should do housecalls for the elderly.

International Day of the Elderly Persons is celebrated annually to recognise the contributions of older persons and to discuss issues that affect their lives.

The commemoration provides an opportunity to acknowledge the contribution, wisdom, dignity and needs of the senior citizens and rededicate their efforts to ensuring their wellbeing. This year's celebration was held at Mahalapye kgotla on November 8. **BOPA**

# Private security company personnel to carry firearms

By Marvin Motlhabane

GABORONE - Plans are underway to licence private security company personnel to carry firearms and help in enforcing national security, says the Minister of Defence and Security, Mr Kagiso Mmusi.

This was announced during the minister's meet and greet session with ministry boards on

Wednesday in Gaborone.

The minister said 32 000 applications for firearm licences were received in 2023 from citizens, and this has raised concerns of national security. He said it appeared as if people were of the view that they could start protecting themselves.

Mr Mmusi said his ministry stood firm against such a practice, adding that government wanted a

peaceful country, where people do not carry guns.

He said this was the reason why he declined increased allowance of gun possession among citizens, saying that training private security companies to handle firearms proved to be worthwhile.

The minister said the arrangement allowed for proper monitoring and accountability,

adding that should the masses be allowed to carry guns the situation may be uncontrollable.

He said passing the trust into the private sector would allow for responsibility and adequate training of security companies.

Mr Mmusi said this would ultimately create more employment for Batswana.

He pledged his support towards making sure that the private

security licensing board achieved this obligation of facilitating for firearms licences.

Mr Mmusi said it was upon the board to ensure that there were systems and processes to achieve this, citing that the Act allowed for the armament of private companies.

He said the ministry's interest was to keep Botswana safe and secure. **BOPA**

# STEM careers empower women, girls

By Portia Ikgopoleng

KASANE - The participation of girls and women in Science, Technology,

Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) based careers bridge the gender gap and empower more women to solve the world's challenges.

Delivering a keynote address at the L'Oreal-UNESCO for Women in Science Sub-Saharan Africa awards 2023 dialogue session in Kasane on Wednesday, First Lady Neo Masisi said girls needed motivation and encouragement that they were capable of excelling in STEM subjects, adding that the stereotypical belief that girls could not cope with the subjects was wrong.

She urged parents to change the perception that STEM professions were meant for the boy child only, noting that government policy on the provision of education emphasised equity, access and gender sensitivity.

She also noted that local learning institutions and universities had targeted programmes aimed at promoting the uptake of science-based careers by female students.

The First Lady said figures had shown that fewer women and girls enrolled for subjects relating to STEM subjects compared to their male counterparts.

She added that professions related to STEM subjects were dominated by men as women constituted only 30 per cent.

First Lady Masisi said STEM professions had been identified as some of the drivers of the national transformation agenda in line with Sustainable Development

Goal four.

She thanked the foundation and UNESCO for choosing Botswana and Chobe in particular for the awards, saying it motivated young girls and boys from Chobe Junior Secondary School to pursue STEM careers in the future.

She commended Bonolo Phinius and Mesha Mbisana for being among the 2023 laureates from Botswana, also noting that four other local young women had been recipients of the prestigious award between 2017 and 2021.

Loreal Foundation CEO, Ms Alexandra Palt said the empowerment of promising young women scientists was crucial in order to advance global efforts in research. She said she believed in women empowerment and that more than 50 per cent of their leadership positions were held by women.

Ms Palt also noted that scientists in Africa represented only 2.5 per cent of the world's researchers although the continent was faced with many challenges in engineering, medicine, biology, technology and agriculture that could be addressed by research.

She highlighted that STEM careers were driven by passion and had many challenges, but presented many opportunities and a fulfilling career.

She said they provided over 250 grants in more than 110

countries to empower women scientists to pursue their careers, adding that 30 young talented African women researchers in biochemists, epidemiologists, ecologists, those dealing with artificial intelligence and public health had been awarded grants this year.

In her remarks, Assistant Minister of Education and Skills Development, Ms Nnaniki Makwinja encouraged Chobe JSS pupils to pursue STEM subjects, saying science had the potential to propel Botswana to a high-income economy.

She said they were fortunate to have been selected as guests for the dialogue and to listen and learn from young African scientists who were once their age.

"This dialogue should motivate you because you are in the presence of greatness, and don't take it for granted," said Ms Makwinja.

Kasane Customary Court president, Kgosi Thuso Wasetso commended L'Oréal Foundation and UNESCO for staging the awards and dialogue in Kasane, saying it would transform the young generation and build a bright future.

He said STEM professions were the driver of a knowledge-based economy as espoused in the Reset Agenda. **BOPA**

## Minister Kwape attends Saudi-Africa summit

GABORONE - Minister of Foreign Affairs, Dr Lemogang Kwape will participate at the inaugural Saudi-Africa summit billed for Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia today.

The Minister attends the summit on behalf of the President, Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi.

The summit is expected to bring together Heads of State from the African continent to discuss ways of strengthening

ties with Saudi Arabia, as well as explore potential areas of enhanced cooperation in areas of mutual interest such as trade and investment.

The release says Botswana and Saudi Arabia established diplomatic ties in 2007.

The two countries enjoy cordial relations and excellent cooperation. The Minister will be accompanied by senior government officials. **BOPA**

## Budget strategy for high income status

By Pako Lebanna

GABORONE - Botswana is pursuing a budget strategy geared towards advancing the country towards high income status, President Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi has said.

Welcoming the World Bank Regional Vice President for Eastern and Southern Africa, Ms Victoria Kwakwa during her courtesy call at the Office of the President yesterday, Dr Masisi said the country's National Vision 2036 aspiration of high income status would inform the country's budgetary planning.

"We have repositioned ourselves following the COVID-19 pandemic to put in place the Reset Agenda. We are also pursuing a budget and financing strategy to drive us to high income status. A tall order as it requires economic growth, but we are really committed, focused in our budget strategy to do all we can to drive growth," Dr Masisi said.

The President said support in critical areas such as transport and logistics and the digital economy was critical for the country to drive its export development and economic growth.

Dr Masisi added that the World Bank Group had had a stellar record in development financing and Botswana welcomed continuing a mutually beneficial relationship.

For her part, Ms Kwakwa said the World Bank was proud of its partnership with Botswana and

more could be achieved at a point where the country was trying to move to a better stage of its development.

She said the World Bank was also going through a phase in pursuit to reposition itself to be a more responsive, creative institution, forward looking and thinking outside the box to service its clients better.

Ms Kwakwa said they sought to bring better solutions to upper middle income countries such as Botswana.

Currently on a tour of Botswana, Ms Kwakwa will today be part of a consultative dialogue on a World Bank ongoing study titled; Botswana: In Search of New Drivers of Inclusive Growth, in Gaborone.

The study, a flagship World Bank diagnostic study, aims to address the challenge of inclusive growth faced by Botswana, carrying out a comprehensive analysis of the macro and micro-foundations of the growth performance in Botswana and a perspective of growth opportunities, a World Bank statement reveals.

In her visit to the Office of the President, Ms Kwakwa was accompanied by the Minister of Finance, Ms Peggy Serame and fellow World Bank officials, including Ms Marie Marie-Nelly the Country Director for South Africa, Botswana, Namibia, Lesotho and eSwatini as well as Mr Liang Wang, Resident Representative for Botswana. **BOPA**



First Lady Neo (second right) with some of the winners of the L'oreal - UNESCO For Women in Science Young Talents Sub Saharan Africa awards, Ms Mesha Mbisana doctoral student in Analytical Chemistry (left), Ms Jedidah Jacob, Nigeria doctoral student in Conservation Biology, (second left) and Ms Bonolo Phinius, a student in infectious diseases. Photo: Portia Ikgopoleng

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# Parliament 2023

## Question & answer

### Over 60 lives lost in A3 road accidents

The number of lives lost as a result of road accidents along A3 road (Francistown - Maun) in the past two years stands at 65. Minister of Transport and Public Works Mr Eric Molale told Parliament that the accidents were 201 traffic crashes of which 21 were fatal crashes, 18 serious crashes and 46 minor crashes while 116 crashes recorded were of damage only. He said a total of 221 casualties were recorded of which 65 were fatalities, 70 sustained serious injuries and 86 sustained minor injuries. Furthermore, Mr Molale said preparations for the construction of the A3 road were on track, adding that feasibility studies and design works had commenced while actual construction was expected to start on or before April next year. The minister said any life lost was a concern and investigations had shown that most accidents could have been prevented as most were a result of driver behaviour. "I call upon all of us to be exemplary and also spread the message of road safety in our public gathering," he appealed. Member of Parliament for Nata/Gweta Mr Polson Majaga had asked the minister to apprise Parliament on the nature and number of road accidents that had happened in the past two years along the A3 road and the number of lives lost during these accidents. Mr Majaga also wanted the minister to state when construction of A3 road would commence since it was included in the current financial year projects.

### Fire Services projects included in TNDP

The Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development and the Francistown City Council have a standing arrangement for the provision of fire services in Tonota. Answering a question in Parliament, local government and rural development assistant minister Mr Sethabelo Modukanele said it had not been possible to have a fire station in Tonota in the previous plans periods on account of budgetary constraints hence the arrangement. He said in an endeavour to remedy the situation, the provision of fire services for Tonota through the Public Private Partnership model had been included in the Transitional National Development Plan (TNDP). He said preparations were underway to facilitate the implementation of the project at Tonota, Shakawe, Masunga, Tutume, Nata, Gumare, Mahalapye, Hukunsi, Ramotswa and Mmadinare during the TNDP. He said the project would form part of the bids for the 2024/2023 financial year. Mr Modukanele said he was aware that the lack of a fire station facility in Tonota had resulted in tragic fire incidents that destroyed property as well as the cemetery. Tonota MP, Mr Pono Moatlhodi had asked the minister if he was aware that Tonota did not have a fire station facility and had experienced tragic fire incidents that destroyed property as well as the cemetery.

## L00 advocates reservation of events management for youth

By Olekantse Sennamose

GABORONE- There is need for government to cede responsibility from being a big events manager where ministry officials perform roles that should be done by promoters and private events management companies.

Responding to President Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi's State-of-the-Nation Address on Wednesday, the Leader of Opposition, Mr Dithapelo Keorapetse said there was an outcry that officials of the Ministry of Youth, Gender, Sport and Culture dominated events, thereby depriving the youth a good opportunity of earning money from them.

Mr Keorapetse said young Batswana were making it on social media platforms, but their case was unlike elsewhere where many young content creators were earning a living from that.

He said most young content creators with large following were not able to adequately make money through companies that advertised on their platforms because the country did not have a payment gateway.

"We do not have an International Bank Account Number, which could be provided by Bank of Botswana. As such, the UDC will make sure that young people monetise social media content by accordingly amending our tax laws, cyber laws and anti-money

## Beneficiation surest way to create jobs - Keorapetse

By Olekantse Sennamose

GABORONE- The Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC) is confident that Minerals Policy with a strong component of beneficiation is one of the surest ways of improving the economy of the country.

Responding to the State-of-the-Nation Address on Wednesday, Leader of the Opposition, Mr Dithapelo Keorapetse said beneficiation would diversify the economy and create jobs.

He said the UDC had always pledged to move up the value chain across sectors and integrate into global value chains to arrest the export of jobs through unprocessed commodities.

"We promised to develop beneficiation strategies for the mineral sector, especially diamonds, coal, soda ash and nickel/copper and facilitate

investment to domesticate jobs, technology and related intellectual property," he said.

Mr Keorapetse said there was need to move from practices like exporting raw materials such as copper concentrate, blister copper, unprocessed base metals and diamonds if job creation was to be achieved.

On the recent agreement between De Beers and government, he said if UDC was to assume power, it would subscribe to the Extractive Industry Transparency Initiative and push for transparency on mining deals.

He, however, hailed the deal, but called for a final and binding agreement between the two parties.

Mr Keorapetse cautioned that there was a need to assess whether the annual P1 billion to Diamond for Development Fund

for the next 10 years factored in economic determinants such as inflation, and to check how much De Beers itself would be making from the deal.

He said it was disappointing that Jwaneng, Letlhakane and Orapa remained small mining towns, yet they held the most valuable diamond resources in the world.

He said comparatively, other mining cities like Johannesburg developed into metropolis on the back of mineral deposits found there.

Mr Keorapetse said despite the agreement, there was a need to push for more than half the acquisition of De Beers from the current 15 per cent, looking at the fact that Botswana accounted for two thirds of the entire De Beers production.

"When you look at the journey of a diamond, Botswana has for a long time cared and focused on the upstream factors such as diamond exploration and rough diamond production and it is only recently that it showed a bit of interest in the midstream aspect of cutting and polishing.

As a country we are still not doing well in jewellery manufacturing, which is more valuable in terms of global market share and contribution to GDP," he said.

He said in the midstream sector, Botswana only did rough diamond sales and distribution while on the downstream like diamond jewellery retail and global consumer demand, the country was not doing much although it was supposed to be a place to come to for luxury diamond products.

Mr Keorapetse said Botswana should take cue from Saudi Arabia, whom he said threatened to nationalise its oil reserves unless they were given a 50 per cent stake by American oil companies, forced them to relocate from the US and later pushed for more control and acquired 98 per cent of Saudi Aramco. **BOPA**



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laundering controls and making sure that all regulators are on top of their game to enable our young talented entrepreneurs to thrive in social media entrepreneurship," he said.

Mr Keorapetse also urged government to empower local communities by engaging them for major events that occurred within their vicinities and procure services from them.

On sport, Mr Keorapetse called on government to reinstate school sport as a matter of urgency, saying lack of it was killing sport in general.

He, therefore, called for corporate social investment law, which he said would entice companies to invest in sport.

On the health sector, Mr

Keorapetse said it remained poorly resourced on personnel, equipment and medicines, adding that the rural masses still traveled far for basic services such as dialysis.

He said a UDC government would swiftly de-link health services conditions from the main public service and provide medical insurance scheme for all Batswana who do not have it.

"We commit to training more doctors locally and internationally, at least 50 specialists and 200 general practitioners annually," he said.

He said despite agriculture being one of the mainstays of the economy, it was lamentable that it only got six per cent of the annual budget.

This, according to Mr Keorapetse called for more funding towards the sector in line with the Malabo declaration and other international standards.

"If at all we are serious about improving livestock quality and herd quantity in the country, let us move to establish policies and laws that help Batswana subsistence farmers move to commercial ranchers. Farmers need access to affordable capital, infrastructure such as roads, electricity and water," he said.

He said priority should be on making land more productive, which he said would in turn produce the raw materials required for a competitive production industry in rural area. **BOPA**

# Government acquires 45 000 hectares of Tati land

By Moshe Galeragwe

GABORONE - Government has made a breakthrough in reclaiming the largest privately freehold land measuring 45 000 hectares, which was in the hands of Tati Company Limited.

Apprising Parliament on the acquisition in his response to the State-of-the-Nation Address (SONA) on Wednesday, the Minister of Lands and Water Affairs, Dr Kefentse Mzwinila said government would spend over P1.4 billion on acquisition of the land.

Dr Mzwinila said government was given an offer by the company and showed interest as an obvious expectation. He said the valuation of the land with various valuers was in excess of P1.7 billion, as base

valuation. He said government did its own valuation and agreed with the company on a purchase price of over P1.4 billion to be payable over two financial years.

He confirmed that the deal in acquiring the land had been finalised, with the third and last agreement being purchase agreement also signed. As per the agreement, Dr Mzwinila said government would pay a deposit of 3.5 per cent of the total cost of the land by December, while the balance would be paid in two financial years.

Dr Mzwinila said since the deal had been finalised government had access to the said land. He said vast tracks of land in the whole of the North East District including Francistown and some parts of

Tonota was owned by the company.

In his address, President Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi said the North East District was one of the districts which was experiencing shortage of land due to the existence of free hold farms especially in the hands of the Tati Company Limited.

Dr Masisi said government made the decision to acquire the remaining land belonging to the company, measuring about 45 000 hectares. He said the decision demonstrated government commitment to avail land to Botswana for socio-economic development and attainment of the aspirations of Vision 2036 of Achieving Prosperity for All.

Giving background, Dr Mzwinila said in 1911, Tati Concessions Limited was given the land rights.

The land was given as a concession solidifying the whole of Tati Company Ltd in accordance with the Tati Concessions Act of 1911.

Quoting from the Tati Concessions Act of 1911, Dr Mzwinila said, "The Tati Concessions Limited its successors and assigns is hereby confirmed in the full free and undisturbed possession as owners of all the land within the Tati District..." he said.

Dr Mzwinila said what happened was that Tati Concessions became Tati Company Limited with full rights of the land. Initially, Dr Mzwinila said, the land in question was not part of Bechuanaland Protectorate.

Therefore, in 1914, Dr Mzwinila said the company formerly changed its name to Tati Company Limited and continued to be owned by Cecil John Rhodes until 1954 when there was a hostile takeover of the company on the London Stock Exchange and it was taken over by the Glazer brothers, Bernard and Sam.

At Independence, Dr Mzwinila said, one of the conditions in the negotiations for independence was the security of tenure of freehold land because free hold land was occupied by the British thus a condition was to ensure that the perpetuity of free hold land and further confirmed in an agreement with Tati Company Limited in 1970.

Therefore, Dr Mzwinila said the largest private land owner in Botswana was established which was Tati Company Limited. He said in the early 1970s, government was donated various chunks of land within the Tati Company, which established the villages in the North East District including Francistown.

However, Dr Mzwinila said Tati remained with most of its prime land. He said when Bernard Glazer passed on, he transferred the ownership of Tati Company to a trust and the trust controlled the two largest private land owners in Botswana, which was Tati Company and Sam Estate. He said Sam Estate was a sister company to Tati.

Dr Mzwinila said Tati Company and Sam Estates were run by the trust. He said the company had approached government to give right of first refusal which was the right to refuse to purchase the remaining land as the trust was winding up.

He said the right to refusal meant that if government refused to purchase the land, they would be able to go into the market and there were more people lined up who were interested in grabbing the land. He said the 45 000 hectares of freehold land was a massive piece of land, tempting and no one could refuse.

Dr Mzwinila said the offer covered plots in Francistown South, some various ranches, land on either side of the A1 in the Shashe area, Shashe fields on the A1 and Shashe River, Shashe fields extension, Tati Siding East which was the remaining land as part of it was taken to establish Tati Siding village, Tati Siding Farms, offering the remainder of the Tati Concession within the city of Francistown in Monarch, Phase 5, Monarch 9, Area A, Riverside, Satellite North and South, various Blocks in Francistown, Tati town, Francistown Quarry.

He said the other issue in terms of the valuation was what was known

as consideration for territorial integrity. "This land has not been in our hands or in the hands of Batswana for 153 years, thus it was imperative for us to ensure that we maintain our integrity as a nation and our sovereignty as a nation to return this land to Batswana," he said.

"As a sovereign republic we must ensure that our land was in our hands," he said. He said it was imperative for government to get the land adding that if the land was sold to a foreign entity, it will have aspects bordering on national security issues.

As for the mineral rights, Dr Mzwinila said the rights were conferred under the company. He said currently there was illegal goal mining ongoing in the said land. Now that government has access to the land, Dr Mzwinila said, the illegal goal mining on that land would be addressed. **BOPA**

## Dow joins Botswana Congress Party

GABORONE - Specially elected Member of Parliament, Dr Unity Dow has announced that she has joined the Botswana Congress Party (BCP).

She made the announcement in Parliament, Wednesday when responding to State-of-the-Nation Address (SONA).

"For those wondering what I am doing next, I take this opportunity to announce my membership of the BCP and my intention to offer myself for election during the 2024 general elections," the former Botswana Democratic Party member told Parliament.

Addressing issues raised in the SONA, Dr Dow said she was concerned by the economy of the country, arguing that the strategy to reform, transform or diversify the economy was not well defined.

She said the public also needed assurance on how the recently launched Temo Letlotlo would benefit them.

She said while the country continued investing in coal, focus should be on harnessing the energy from the sun which the country was endowed with.

She said the country could be the hub of solar energy for the region.

The MP further said it was important for Botswana to use its strategic location in the heart of Southern Africa by positioning itself as a clearing house for goods headed into the rest of Africa.

On the human/wildlife conflict, Dr Dow said it was possible to manage the conflict in a way that benefited both.

She said the health sector was generally faced with challenges and welcomed the development to construct a health facility in Rasesa for the Kgatleng district.

However, she was sceptical as to whether it would be possible to construct the facility basing on the budget estimates of P400 million projected in 2017 when the plan was still being mooted. **BOPA**



Mr Moatlhodi (left) deliberating at Parliament on Wednesday. He said Dr Masisi's initiatives aimed at improving the quality and growing livestock population were commendable. With him are Minister of Local Government and Rural Development, Mr Kgotla Autwetse (centre) and Minister of Justice, Mr Machana Shamukuni. Photo: Phenyio Moalosi

## Moatlhodi applauds livestock improvement initiatives

By Moshe Galeragwe

GABORONE- President Dr Mokgweetsi Masisi has been applauded for encouraging Botswana to venture into livestock production and explore business opportunities in the agriculture value chain.

Responding to the State-of-the-Nation Address in Parliament on Wednesday, Tonota legislator, Mr Pono Moatlhodi said Dr Masisi's initiatives through the Ministry of Agriculture aimed at improving the quality and growing livestock population were commendable.

He said other initiatives such as the Reset Agenda encouraged Botswana to open up, look for opportunities even beyond the borders of the country and contribute towards a high-income economy.

Mr Moatlhodi took note of efforts that were made to push long over due projects.

Another welcome development was on improving access to water and connection to power in many settlements across the country.

However, Mr Moatlhodi said Tonota South East was faced with serious water shortage, adding that Toyota West was equally troubled by frequent water interruptions and power outages.

The legislator welcomed the proposed construction of Tonota Primary hospital, which was long promised.

He said the good news was that the project was planned for under the ongoing Transitional National Development Plan.

MP Moatlhodi also appealed to government to establish an Artificial Insemination facility in his constituency either at Sasau camp or any other identified location.

Another commendable development was the proposed construction of the P676 million road linking Semotswane with other villages in Shashe West. He appealed for the project to include a 10km access road from Semotswane to Tonota West.

Meanwhile the MP of Gaborone Bonnington South, Mr Christian Greeff said in the past five years, Gaborone had been experiencing some commendable projects facilitating the city.

Mr Greeff noted that the projects included the interchanges along the major road as well as their expansion to ease traffic flow during peak hours.

Another project aimed at improving traffic in the city is the ongoing installation of intelligent robot system. The MP requested

that the planned storm water drainage masterplan be prioritised.

Mr Greeff said some roads in the city were still in a bad state hence he called for their urgent maintenance.

He proposed that Gaborone be divided into two local authorities as it has appeared that Gaborone City Council was not coping with the work load.

Mr Greeff added that some parts of the city were dark and called upon the city authorities to as a matter of urgency to respond to the maintenance of street lights.

MP Greeff commended council through the Economic Recovery Transformation Plan for the construction of a new primary school in his constituency. However, he said what was of concern was that two of the six primary schools in his constituency were not offering reception classes.

Mr Greeff added that since most of the residents of Gaborone were migrants who came for employment opportunities, they were greatly affected by the issue of minimum wage.

He said it was unfortunate that the majority were in the lower cadre, affected by the minimum wage, unfair treatment and at time dismissed from work without getting their dues. **BOPA**



# Technology key for value addition

By **Thato Mosinyi**

**GABORONE** - Access to modern technology is key for value addition and value chain development as manufacturing is technology driven, Minister of Trade and Industry, Mr Mmusi Kgafela, has said.

Mr Kgafela said this at the 29<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Intergovernmental Committee of Senior Officials and Experts (ICSOE) of Southern Africa in Gaborone on Wednesday.

He said harnessing technology and innovation for the private sector and value chains development was key for competitiveness in the environment created by the Africa Continental Free Trade Agreement (AfCFTA).

"Access to technology is critical for productivity gains and competitiveness as higher productivity leads to growth which in turn leads to higher wages and improved welfare, thus lowering levels of poverty," he said. He added that innovation hubs and special economic zones were ideal strategies in such endeavour thus should be engrained as part of national and regional industrialisation efforts.

"Through collaborative efforts of governments and the private sector, supporting innovation and technology development can lift southern Africa out of poverty particularly through capacitating our Micro Small and Mediums Enterprises, youth and women-owned businesses," he said.

Mr Mmusi said he was

optimistic of the private sector's potential to support elevated levels of industrial development.

However, he said, such should be preceded by creating an enabling environment for doing business and investment.

"Our collective effort towards diversification of exports through value-addition especially in the context of the AfCFTA remains imperative," he added. "Therefore boosting intra-Africa trade through the AfCFTA will generate immense benefits for our regional economies."

The importance of the agreement establishing the AfCFTA to the region's short and long-term development needed no introduction because many countries had developed implementation strategies and were currently seized with capacitating stakeholders to competently participate in the larger continental market.

"The whole continent is on board and the pace at which protocols are being concluded and the recent introduction of the guided trade initiative all point to an African continent that is committed to creating a seamless environment for industrialisation and trade," he said.

Mr Kgafela said it was impressive that the ICSOE secretariat had proposed an agenda which built on exploring the benefits of deeper regional integration through the AfCFTA, industrialisation, regional integration and value chains development.

He said as illustrated by varied



*Economic Commission for Africa director, Ms Eunice Kamwendo (left) and Mr Kgafela at the official opening of the 29<sup>th</sup> meeting for the Intergovernmental Committee of Senior Officials and Experts of Southern Africa in Gaborone on Wednesday. Mr Kgafela said boosting intra-Africa trade through the AfCFTA would generate immense benefits for the regional economies. Photo: Godfrey Mpuse*

progress towards Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), inclusive development remained elusive for regional citizens, hence the need for deeper economic integration and exploitation of regional and global value chains.

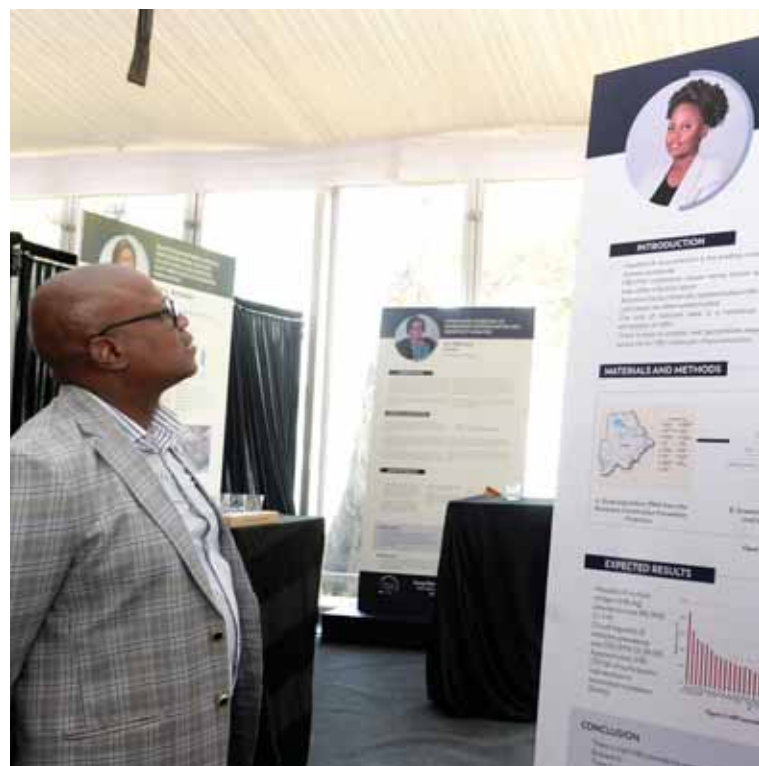
"In this endeavour, our drive for industrialisation remains paramount and needs to be pursued with the energy that it deserves," he said. He urged

regional governments to explore the intricate link between industrialisation and trade and how best the region can enhance competitiveness of its products, create sustainable jobs for the burgeoning youthful population and reduce the impact of primary commodity dependence.

He said SADC should, as a region, frontload industrialisation and trade in its regional

industrialisation blueprint in an effort to produce high value trade-able goods.

Mr Kgafela said he remained hopeful that the SADC region would accelerate the implementation of the AfCFTA to ensure that all stakeholders benefitted and that the seemingly intractable challenges of poverty, vulnerability and inequality were addressed. **BOPA**



*Minister of Communications, Knowledge and Technology, Mr Thulagano Segokgo viewing profiles of the two young Batswana women who were participating in the L'Oreal - UNESCO Women in Science Young Talents Awards prior to the ceremony in Kasane yesterday. He commended the duo for the excellent research they were undertaking. Photo: Felicity Male*

# Batswana scientists relish L'Oreal - UNESCO awards

By **Portia Ikgopoleng**

**KASANE** - Two Batswana women scientists have relished the opportunities conferred by the L'Oreal - UNESCO For Women in Science Young Talents Sub Saharan Africa awards.

The duo, Ms Mesha Mbisana, a doctoral student in analytical chemistry and Ms Bonolo Phinius, a doctoral student in infectious diseases were part of the 30 winners of the 14th L'Oreal - UNESCO awards.

Speaking at the dialogue session in Kasane, Ms Phinius said her research was on the prevalence of the Hepatitis B virus (HPV) in Botswana, and that she was following participants in 30 rural and urban communities to guide policy on prevention strategies.

Ms Phinius stated that her

mentors connected her to the awards where she developed interest, applied and became a beneficiary through financial support to help conduct her research. "I knew what I wanted from a young age, and I studied hard in pursuit of my dreams with the help of my teachers who pushed me to attain 48 points in my BGCSE," she said.

She attributed her success to family and mentorship support. She also noted that there were opportunities available online for one to benefit from.

Ms Phinius also said her career path had helped her push barriers and empower other women to pursue their passions and to bridge the gender gap in sciences.

For her part, Ms Mbisana said her research work was aimed to improve the safety of food crops

by removing harmful toxins.

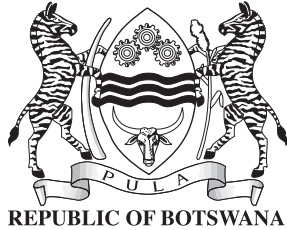
She said she was developing effective and sustainable methods to analyse and remove toxic compounds produced by certain types of fungi from food such as maize and sorghum.

She said some stored crops gathered molds and fungus which was not healthy for humans.

Ms Mbisana also said her career path required an open mind to absorb diverse material not just science oriented.

She encouraged people to leverage on digital media platforms such as LinkedIn to connect with people from across the globe and explore opportunities available online.

She highlighted that it was imperative for women to conduct scientific discoveries that would improve economic growth. **BOPA**



REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### **Notice issued in terms of Section 10 of the Environmental Assessment (EA) Act (Cap 65:07) NOTIFICATION FOR PUBLIC REVIEW OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT for the development of Monachira Lodge in Moremi Game Reserve NG/28**

The major findings of an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) undertaken for the development and subsequent operation of Monachira lodge are summarised hereunder.

#### **Nature and Magnitude of the Activity**

The proposed project will involve the development of a new 16-bed capacity photographic safari lodge in the north of the Moremi Game Reserve.

#### **Rationale for the Project**

The proposed development will provide a new photographic safari lodge in the Moremi Game Reserve, further diversifying the safari product offered, improving utilisation of the Reserve, and creating employment from within the local communities and providing economic returns to local businesses, the Ngamiland region and Botswana as a whole.

#### **Location of the Activity**

The proposed development site is located at: -19.145644, 23.203091 (WGS 84, Decimal Degrees), in the North-Central, Medium intensity Use Zone of the Moremi Game Reserve.

#### **Anticipated Impacts and Proposed Mitigation Measures**

The environmental impacts and mitigation measures identified by the EIA study are presented in detail in the EIA report and summarised in the table below. A detailed Environmental Management Plan to help manage and monitor potential impacts is included in the report.

Impact	Project phase	Proposed Mitigation / Enhancement Measures
<b>Physical and Chemical Impacts</b>		
Soil compaction, erosion and dust creation	Development Decommissioning	Limit removal of vegetation, apart from where absolutely necessary. Rehabilitate affected areas Use designated pathways and tracks Minimise use of vehicles, particularly short journeys through proper planning Ensure drivers read, sign and abide by the code of conduct
Soil and water contamination	Development Decommissioning	Ensure all liquid waste produced on site is treated in a liquid waste treatment plant with water only released if it meets BOS 93:2012 standards No untreated wastewater is to be allowed to permeate into the ground or flow into open water
Ground water depletion	Development Operation Decommissioning	Develop a detailed water conservation plan to be followed at the lodge; check for leaks daily Install flow-restrictor taps and low/dual flush toilets Recycle and reuse water wherever possible across the site
<b>Biological and Ecological Impacts</b>		
Vegetation destruction	Development Decommissioning	Limit removal of vegetation, apart from where absolutely necessary. Rehabilitate affected areas
Introduction of exotic species	Development Operation Decommissioning	Limit removal of vegetation, apart from where absolutely necessary. Rehabilitate affected areas Undertake regular monitoring to identify invasive or exotic species and remove from site Ensure transport vehicles use the designated transport route only
Fire	Development Operation Decommissioning	All machinery/vehicles/ appliances to be regularly serviced and turned off when not in use Fire extinguishers and fire hoses to be positioned around development site with staff to be trained in firefighting and fire prevention
Wildlife problem animals	Development Operation	Ensure that animals do not gain access to any unnatural food or water sources that are present as a result of the sites operations Ensure all solid waste is stored securely to prevent wildlife access, including the establishment of an electrified fence around the waste management areas
<b>Sociological and Cultural Impacts</b>		
Disease transmission	Development Operation Decommissioning	Education of staff and visitors on dangers of disease transmission Ensure supply of condoms is available
Noise and visual disturbance	Development Operation Decommissioning	Carefully plan vehicle journeys to minimise impacts on surrounding activities Developments to be incorporated within the surrounding vegetation to ensure natural look is maintained Developments to be designed with a low profile to minimise visual appearance Ensure generator is sound proofed and only run generator when necessary Minimise use of vehicles unless absolutely necessary Restrict development and decommissioning activities to daylight hours only
Environmental constraints	Development Operation Decommissioning	Ensure all staff receive appropriate guidance for working in a remote environment in challenging conditions Ensure sufficient water availability for all staff.
Archaeological loss or damage	Development Operation Decommissioning	All construction staff and personnel to be fully briefed on the nature of cultural and heritage material to look out for during the development All chance finds to be reported to DNMM and remain undisturbed in situ
<b>Economic and operational</b>		
Employment	Development Operation Decommissioning	Staff to be employed from the nearby communities and local region with trickle down benefits
Financial costs of decommissioning	Operation	Operator to ensure sufficient budget available to fully decommission and rehabilitate lodge site

#### **Conclusions and Recommendations of the Study**

According to the results obtained from impact analysis, the development phase will bring some short-term impacts. If properly managed, the impacts are not of significant threat to the environment. Some long-term impacts were identified under the operational phase. In the same manner, if properly managed, the impacts can be mitigated successfully. The consultants believe that the proposed development of Monachira lodge will provide a valuable addition to both the budget and mid-level sections of the photographic tourism market in northern Botswana. All of the proposed developments will utilise semi-permanent materials such as wood and canvas and thatch. It is recommended that the project proponent undertakes regular monitoring throughout the different phases of the project with monitoring reports containing the information specified in this EIA report and which should be submitted for auditing to the relevant government departments.

#### **Environmental Management Plan Placement**

Copies of the EIA can be reviewed at the following locations:

**Department of Environmental Affairs, Maun office**  
**Khwai Kgotta**

#### **Correspondences**

All comments, concerns and objections from interested and affected parties should be addressed in writing to District Environment Coordinator, Department of Environmental Affairs, PO Box 35, Maun. Tel: 6801237, Fax 6862506 or hand delivered to Plot 523, Mophane Street, Light Industrial, Near Motovac, Maun, on or within two (2) consecutive weeks from the first appearance of this notice.



## KITSISO YA SECHABA

### **Kitsiso e, e anamisiwa go tsamaelana le molao wa Environmental Assessment (EA) Act (Cap 65:07) Tshedimosetso ka maikutlo a sechaba mabapi le tshhekatsheko ya tikologo (EIS) ka; Go agiwa ga Monachira lodge mo lefelong la Diphologolo-Moremi Game Reserve NG/28**

Dintlhakgolo tsa tshhekatsheko tikologo ka go agiwa ga Monachira lodge go supile tshoboko ya ditlamorago tse di latelang.

#### **Tlhaloso ya mohuta wa tiro**

Tiro e e akaretsa go agiwa ga Monachira lodge mo bokone jwa jwa lefelo la thokomelo diphologolo la Moremi, lefelo le le tlaaba le amogela bajanala ba le lesome le borataro.

#### **Boleng jwa tiro**

Tiro e e akaretsa go agiwa ga matlwana a boroko a bajanala ko lefelo la thokomelo diphologolo la Moremi, se e le maiteko a go kabakanya kgwebo ya Bojanala, go oketsa tiriso ya lefelo, go tshabela ba metse a gaufi ditiro le gone go godisa itsholelo ya kgaolo ya Ngamiland le Botswana ka kakaretso.

#### **Lefelo la tiro**

Monachira lodge e tla agiwa mo bokone jwa lefelo la diphologolo la Moremi, go ya ka dipalo tse di latelang, -19.145644, 23.203091 (WGS 84, Decimal Degrees).

#### **Ditlamorago le ditselana tse di ka fokotsang ditlamorago tsa tikologo**

Ditlamorago tsa tikologo tse di neng tsa lemogwa ke thulaganyo e ya ditshekatsheko tsa tikologo (EIA) le metlhale ya go di reba bogale, di sobokilwe ka tsela e e latelang.

Ditlamorago tsa tikologo	Legato la tiro	Maiteko a go ka fokotsa
Ditlamorago tse di bonalang le tsa bothole		
Tshenyego ya mmu, go kgotilesega le lerole le le ka bakeng	Nako ya kago Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Fokotsa go kgaolwa ga dimela, fa e se fa go thokega. Letla mafelo a amegileng go thoga gape Dirisa ditsela tse di segilweng Fokotsa motsamao o mo ntsi wa dikoloi, thatathata mesepele e mekhwane ka go dira lenaneo le lethomameng Netefatsa gore bakgweetsi ba bala ba boba sala melao morago
Kgotilesego ya mmu le metsi	Nako ya kago Nako ya go dira ga lodge Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Netefatsa gore metsi othe a leswe a tswang mo lefelong, a dirwa motshaping e tlhatswang metsi a leswe mme metsi a tswang a ka dirisiwa fela fa e le gore a mo boleng jo bo letlelelweng ke ba BOS 93:2012 Go senne le metsi a leswe a tla tsholelwang fa fatshe kana mo mafelong a bulegileng
Metsi a ka fa tlase ga lefatsh	Nako ya kago Nako ya go dira ga lodge Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Dira lenaneo la go somarelwa ga metsi mme go salwe morago mo lodge; ela thoko nako le nako gore ga gona metsi a tshologang Tsenya dipompo tse di tswalwang thata le go fokotsa matlwana a boitsetso a dirisang metsi Boeletsa le go dirisa metsi gape fa go thokega mo lefelong
Ditlamorago mo dithsheding le matshelo a tsona		
Kgoreletsego mo dimeleng	Nako ya kago Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Fokotsa go kgaolwa ga dimela, fa e se fa go thokafala. Letlamafelo a amegileng go thoga gape
Go bonagala ga dimela tse di sa tlhalesegang	Nako ya kago Nako ya tiriso Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Fokotsa go kgaolwa ga dimela, fa e se fa go thokafala. Letlamafelo a amegileng go thoga gape Nna le ke lelelo mo lefelong go lemoga dimela tse di sa tlhalesegang mme di ntshiwe mo lefelong Netefatsa gore dikoloi tse di rwalang dilwana di dirisa ditsela tse di segilweng
Tlhagogo ya molelo	Nako ya kago Nako ya tiro Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Tsothe di dirisiwa/dikoloi di a baakangwa nako le nako le go timiwa fa di se mo tirisong Ditlhamolelo le mathompo di tshwanetse go bewa ka mpa yothle le go netefatsa gore babereki ba rutunshiwa mo go lwantsheng le go iphemela mo go thagong ga molelo
Go tshwenya ga diphologolo tsa naga	Nako ya kago Nako ya tiriso	Netefatsa gore diphologolo ga dinne le sebaka sa go bona dijo kana metsi tse di tswang mo kampeng ka nako ya go bereka ga lefelo Netefatsa gore matlakala a bewa fa go tswetsweng go itsa diphologolo tsa naga le go diraterata ya motlakase go dikologa lefelo le matlakala a beilweng teng
Tsa matshelo a batho le ngwao		
Tshelano ya malwetse	Nako ya kago Nako ya tiriso Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Thutunsho mo babereking le bajanala mabapi le tshelano ya malwetse Netefatsa gore dikausu di nna di le teng
Modumo o montsi	Nako ya kago Nako ya tiriso Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Dira moalo wa motsamao wa dikoloi go fokotsa ditlamorago mo mafelong a mangwe a Bojanala Dikago e tshwanetse go nna tse di tsamaelang le dimela tse di fitlhelwang go netefatsa gore selebege e nna se sengwefela Netefatsa gore generatara e tswetswe thata mme e dirisiwa fa go thokega Fokotsa go dirisiwa ga dikoloi fa e se fa go thokega Netefatsa gore go agiwa le go ntshiwa ga dikago go dirwa motshegare fela
Diemo tsa tikologo tse di saiketang	Nako ya kago Nako ya tiriso Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Netefatsa gore babereki ba rutunshiwa ka go berekela mo lefelong la diphologolo Netefatsa gore metsi a babereki a nna a le teng
Go latlhega kana senyega ga dithuto tsa bogologolo	Nako ya kago Nako ya tiriso Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Baagi le babereki ba tshwanetse go rutiwa ka tholego ya tsa botaki le ngwao tse di ka bonalang ka nako ya kago Dipe fela tse di ka bonalang di begiwe kwa ba lephata la ntlo ya Ditso mme di tlogelwe fela molefelong
<b>Tsa itsholelo le tiriso</b>		
Tsaphiro	Nako ya kago Nako ya tiriso Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Babereki ba hirire go tswa mo kgaolong go akola meamusu
Phokotsego ya ditshono tsa kgwebo	Nako ya tiriso	Modirisi wa lefelo o tshwanetse go netefatsa gore madi a teng a lekane go tlosolosa dikago le go dibusetsa mo maemong a rileng

#### **Tshoboko ya ditlamorago le metlhale ya go di tsibogela**

Go tsweng ga maduo a ditshekatsheko, karolo ya go aga e tla tisa ditlamorago tse e seng tsa sennela ruri. Ditlamorago tsa teng ga di na bothabetsi bope mo tikologong fa dikago tse di maleba tsa go reba-bogale jwa tsona di ka tsewa le go salwa morago ka fa tshwanelong. Dingwe ditlamorago tsa sennela-ruri di ne tsa lemogwa mme tsona di amana le legato la tiriso ya matlo le lefelo lotlhe ka bophara, mme ka mo go tshwanetseng, le tsona fa di ka tsibogelwa sentle ga di kake tsa nna bothabetsi. Ba bogakolodi ba dumela gore go agiwa ga Monachira lodge go ka tswela. Go tlaletsela se, go tla dirisiwa di dirisiwa tse e seng tsa sennela ruri jaaka mapako le saile. Go gakololwa gore lenaneo le, le salwe morago mo magatong othe a go agiwa ga lenaneo le, ka go ntsha mealo e supang kitsu mo lenaneo la kanako ya tikologo (EIA) mme le isiw go dupiwa ke badupa dibuka mo makalaneng a lebaneng a goromente.

#### **Mafelo a go ka bonwang dikwalo tsa ditshekatsheko mo go one**

Mereti ya EIA e ka bonwa ko mafelo a latelang:

**Ofisi ya Lephata la tsa Tikologo, ofisi ya Maun**  
**Kgotla ya motse wa Khwai**

#### **Ditlhaeletsanyo**

Tsothe dikakgelo, dingongorego le go sa dumalana go tswa go ba na le seabe le bangongoregi ba ka kwalela mo ateseng e, Go Motsamaisa wa Tikologo mo kgaolong, Lephata la tsa Merero ya Tikologo, P O Box 35, Maun, megala ke: 6861237, fax 6862506 kana wa isa ka letsogo kwa ofise ya Lephata la tsa Merero ya Tikologo, Plot 523, Mophane Street, Light Industrial, go bapa le Motovac, Maun, mo lebakeng la beke tse pedi go tloga tsatsi la kanamiso ya nthla ya pego e.

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**Ka Portia Rapitsenyane**

**TUMASERA / SELEKA** - Molemisi wa kgaolo ya Machaneng, Rre Frederick Rantsho o kopile balemi ba kgaolo ya Sefhare/Ramokgonami go ikwadisa mo lenaneong la Temo Letlotlo.

Fa a bua kwa phuthegong ya kgotla e e neng e buisiwa ke mopalamente wa kgaolo Dr Kesitegile Gobotswang kwa Tumasera le Seleka ka Labobedi, a re balemi ba tlaa ikwadisa ka maranyane ba dirisa mogala wa letheke mongwe le mongwe mme

ba thusiwa ke balemisi.

Rre Rantsho o supile fa go ikwadisa go tlaa thusa gore go itsiwe gore go na le balemi ba le kae, ba lema kae, ba lema ditema di le kae le gore ke balemi ba ba tlhaga go le kae.

A re balemi fa ba sena go ikwadisa ba tlaa kgaogannwa ka gore a ke molemi yo gotlhelele a senang letseno lepe, yo o amogelang kwa tlase ga P2 500, ba ba amogelang kwa godimo ga P2 500 le ba bangwe fela jalo mme ba tlaa sekwisekwa ke ba lephata la boipelego gore ba wela fa kae.

A re Temo Letlotlo e rotloetsa gore Batswana ba nne le dijo kwa malwapeng.

O kaile gape fa balemi ba tlaa bo ba sa tlhole ba duelelwa ke ba lephata la temo-thuo mme ba tlaa neelwa madi gore ba ituelele ba ba ba lemelang le go reka tsotllhe tse di tlhokafalang.

Mo go tse dingwe, Rre Rantsho o gakolotse balemi go baakanya masimo a bone go ipaakanyetsa temo. A re bontsi jwa masimo a supa fa a ise a epiwe ditema tse di kgotsofatsang le go agelelwa sentle ka jalo, balemi ba tshwanetse ke go itsolopanya go oketsa ditema.

A re mo nakong eno, balemi ba

tshwanetse ba tsibogele go dira tsotllhe tse di tlhokafalang gore masimo a bone a nne ka maemo dipula di ise di simolole.

O ne a rotloetsa balemi go itlwaetsa go dirisa dipeo tsa setso tse di tlaatseng seemo sa lefatshe leno sa bosa.

A re dipeo tse ba di dirisang thata tsa mmoulo ga di bogadi bogaufi ka di dirisiwa thata kwa mafatsheng a dipula e leng matsorotsoro.

Rre Rantsho o kopile balemi go bula ditsela kwa masimong a bone, a re mo malatsing a gompiano ga go gontsi gore batho ba ithaopele go bula ditsela tsa masimo ntsa sekgwa sa tsone se

le borai ka dirukutlhi di kgona go iphitlha mo go one.

O kopile balemi go tsosa matlo a bone kwa masimo ka mangwe a setse a o le, gore ba kgone go tlhokomeka dijwalo ba nna kwa masimo, thobo e tle e nne e e botoka.

A re bontsi jwa balemi ba tlhokomela masimo ba nna kwa gae mme seo se ise thobo kwa tlase ka ba tlologa dinonyane mo ditshimong.

Rre Rantsho o itsisitse balemi ka lenaneo le lesa la Temo Letlotlo a supa fa ba tlaa thusiwa ka lone mme le ba neng ba thusiwa ka lone pele la ISPAAD le sa tlhole le le teng. **BOPA**

## Ba Ga-Mmangwato ba rapelela pula le go amogela Temo Letlotlo

**Ka Patricia Speakson**

**SEROWE** - E re ka jaana paka ya temo e gorogile, Ba Ga-Mmangwato, ba eteletswe pele ke mothusa kgosi wa Ga-Mmangwato Kgosi Serogola Seretse ba ne ba phuthaganeletse kwa kgotleng kgolo go rapelela pula.

E rile a ema morafe ka lefoko Kgosi Seretse a re ka nako ya tlala le lenyora ga go thona gore baeteledipele le morafe ba kopane go rapelela diemo tse di sa iketlang.

Kgosi Seretse a re se ke ka gore Modimo o fa tsholofelo ya gore fa batho ba ikokobetsa fa tlase ga gagwe o a reetsa.

O ne a adima mafoko mo lokwalong la ga Jeremiah 33:3 'mpitse ke tla go araba, ke go supegetsa tse dikgolo tse o sa di itseng'.

"Kopo yame ke gore e seka ya nna thapelo fela, e nne le tumelo ya gore se re se lopang re tlaa se bona" Kgosi a gatelela.

Reverend Pono Galekgone wa phuthago ya United Congregational Church of Southern Africa (UCCSA) a re Modimo ka nosi ke ene aka nesang pula ee tlhokegang gore batho ba leme.

Reverend Galekgone o supile fa balemi ba tshwanetse go tlhoafalela lenaneo la Temo Letlotlo, ba bo ba dumele gore temo e ka ba tshetsa.

E ntse ele kwa phuthegong eo, ba lephata la temo-thuo ba ne ba ipega mo magosing ka lenaneo la Temo Letlotlo.

Mothusa mogokaganya ditirelo tsa temo-thuo Mme Oarabile Letsatsi a re ba bone go tshwanetse go tsema merapelo go tla go ruta balemi ka Temo Letlotlo ka e

santse ele magorogo masha.

Mme Letsatsi o tlhomamiseditse banni le magosi fa go tlaa tshwarwa phuthago e e tlaa rutang ka lenaneo le ka kgwedi ya Ngwanatsele ele lesome le bofera bongwe.

Morago ga go tsharabolola lenaneo la Temo Letlotlo, banni ba ne ba a kgwa lekoko dikgaba ka dipotso le dikakgelo.

Monni wa Serowe, Mme Kitso Simon one a botsa ka dipeo tsa Setswana kana tsa bogologolo, a botsa gore a Temo Letlotlo e tlaa di busetsa mo tirisong go netefatsa fa di sa nyelele.

Mme Simon o ne a lebogela puso lenaneo le a supa fa e bile le na le matlhasedi a lenaneo la bogologolo la ARAP le la ISPAAD.

A re se se mofa tsholofelo ya gore temo letlotlo e tlaa kgona go kaba phatlha e e neng e tlogelwa ke mananeo ao. Monni wa Serowe, Rre Monkgogi Lenkamile o supile matshwenyego ka mananeo a tlang thari kwa go bone mme e bile a dirisa maranyane a a reng a nako tse dingwe a sa berekeng.

Mme Kemmony Setumo le ene e le monni wa Serowe a re ba lema ka kgwedi ya Tlhakole jaanong o ipotsa gore a e tlaare ka nako eo ba kgone go ntsha maduo a balemisi ba a solofetseng mogo bone. O ne gape a kopa puso go dira thulaganyo ya gore ba ye go tsaya malebela kwa baleming ba Pandamatenga ba ba tswelletseng sentle mo temong e bile ba ntsha dijo tse di meletswang mathe ke bontsi.

Fa Rre Keolopile Gaborone a ne a supa matshwenyego ka go akaretsa lephata la kabo ditsha golo gongwe mo lenaneong la Temo Letlotlo, a tlhalosa fa le tsamaisa dilo ka bonya. **BOPA**



Rre Rantsho o gakolotse balemi ba kgaolo ya Sefhare/Ramokgonami go baakanya masimo a bone go ipaakanyetsa temo.

## Tlhophelang bana mafoko - Lesetedi

**Ka Aobakwe Molefhi**

**METLOBO** - Go tlhophela mafoko, le go diga maikutlo fa motsadi a bua le bana, go botlhokwa ka go ka tsisa kagiso mo malapeng.

Mothusa molaodi wa kgaolo ya Goodhope/Mmathethe Rre Lee Lesetedi o buile mafoko a kwa thuto seka-dipuisanyong ya Men Sector kwa Metlobo boshebg.

Rre Lesetedi a re batsadi ba tshwanetse go nna sekao mo baneng ba bone ka go ba tlhophela mafoko.

Mothusa molaodi i a re batsadi ba tshwanetse go dirisa mafoko a a sa sotleng mme ba leke ka nako tsotllhe go dirisa a a agang ngwana.

Maikaelelo magolo a pitso eo e ne e le go leka go rotloetsa morafe segolo jang borre gore ba itlwaetse gore fa ba na le mathata ba phuthologe ba kope dithuso.

Rre Lesetedi a re seo se ka fokotsa dipalo tsa a kgokgontsho ya bong e gantsi e dirwang ke gore ngwana wa mosimane le rre ga ba nke ba supa maikutlo fa ba kgopisegile.

Mo boemong jwa ba sepodisi, Assistant Superintendent Moshe Gaboswele o ne a ruta setshaba ka melato e gantsi batho ba iphitlhelang ba le mo mathateng ka yone mabapi le kgokgontsho ya bong. O gakolotse gore sengwe le sengwe se se dirwang mo lenyalong kana mo leratong e ka tswa ele tlhakanelo dikobo kana eng fela, se tshwanetse gore se bo se dumalanwe, a re fa go sa dumalanwa, molao o lemoga seo e le petelelo kana kgokgontsho.

Mokwaledi wa mokgatlho oo Rre Omphile Makhokhoba a re o dumela fa pitso eo e butse ba le bantsi matlho. A re o lemogile seo ka gore fa thuto-seka dipuisano eo e simologa, go

ne go bonala sentle gore borre ba ne ba sa dumelane gore go ka nna le molato wa petelelo kana kgokgontsho gareng ga bakapelo.

O tlhalositse fa bokopano joo e ne e le tshimologo ya e mentsi e ba tlaa e tshwarang go ralala kgaolo maikaelelo e le go ruta le go tsibosa setshaba ka ba itemogetse gore melato ya dipolaano e oketsega.

Bontsi jwa borre ba motse oo jo bo neng bo tsene pitso bo supile fa go se bonolo gore o ka ya mapodising go ikuela ka tsa kgokgontsho.

Moemi wa sepodisi yo a okametseng dikgang tsa kgokgontsho ya bong, Kgethololo Kgongwana o supile fa go na le mapodisi a a rutetsweng go reetsa dikgang tsa kgokgontsho.

A re gago kgathalesage gore a moikuedi ke monna kana mosadi go ka reediwa, le go fiwa thuso ee maleba. **BOPA**

# Jwaneng squatters eviction imminent

By Kehumile Moekejo

JWANENG - From time immemorial Jwaneng has been haunted by squatters who come from different areas across the country to settle around the township planning area. Most of these people come with expectations to eke a living from any opportunities that may arise from the mining town, but due to exorbitant rentals and high unemployment, they end up erecting temporary structures for their families.

From the biggest squatter camp to ever emerge, Senthumole, to Nagamphabatho and many others surrounding the township, it is without doubt that these informal settlements are not only an eyesore, but are also a health hazard to the inhabitants.

In the absence of basic services such as potable water and ablution blocks, among others, the families fetch water with small containers from nearby houses in the township while they mostly use the bush for sewer disposal.

In an endeavour to preserve the image of the town, efforts have been made in the past, including amicable engagements with all stakeholders and evictions.

In the last eviction undertaken in 2015, Jwaneng Town Council (JTC) in collaboration with other local authorities to transport squatters and their properties back to their respective villages.

However, fast forward to eight years later, the dynamics have also added a twist with an increased

number of illegal farms emerging around.

Subsequently, the Jwaneng Urban Development Committee recently moved to recommend for yet another eviction for all the squatters within the township planning area and its peripheries.

Giving an overview of their findings, a member of the squatter monitoring task force, Mr Lemmy Maphanyane indicated that their recent monitoring exercise established that over 100 people lived in various informal settlements around the township planning area.

He further noted that while most of them were a result of rural-urban migration in pursuit of better livelihoods, only a few had jobs, while the majority were either unemployed or engaged in temporary jobs such as Ipelegeng.

Their structures were also found to be unfit for human habitation, especially for families with children. Additionally, he revealed that the over 66 illegal cattle posts found in the outskirts of the township hindered efforts by the JTC to keep livestock away from the town.

"The closest are just over one kilometre from the township built-up area perimeter fence and therefore thwart efforts by council to keep cattle out of the township," he said.

For a town that has embarked on a journey to redeem its image through the environmental regeneration strategy and sparkle like diamonds initiatives, among others, the

absence of sewerage and sanitation services at the squatter camps have been identified as a hindrance to such efforts. Furthermore, the living arrangements in the informal settlements do not resonate with Botswana's aspirations for her

people concerning health and education as espoused in Vision 2036.

While the task force made a recommendation that all squatters be subjected to voluntary eviction and their structures be demolished,

it also called on the relevant government departments and other stakeholders to facilitate for availing services such as national identity cards (Oman) needed to access government programmes. **BOPA**

## Ex-BDF members case class action - Judge

By Bonang Masolotote

GABORONE - Transfer and transition of the pension funds of the former member of the Botswana Defence Force (BDF) to Botswana Public Officers Pension Fund (BPOPF) will be litigated as a class action.

Justice Michael Leburu of Gaborone High Court ruled on Wednesday, in a case in which the Attorney General representing BDF and Ministry of Defence and Security opposed the matter brought before court by some on behalf of others.

Over 2 000 ex-military members had taken their former employer to court arguing that their transfer and transition to BPOPF operated pension scheme had no legal basis and therefore a nullity for all members of the BDF and in particular the respondents who joined the BDF before April 1 2001.

They argued that the pension entitlements of members ought to have been calculated using the BDF Act and its regulations and not in accordance with BPOPF Pension

Scheme.

However, when the matter started on August 23 this year, the ex-BDF members applied that the action be proceed as a class action considering the commonality of the factual and legal issues raised.

Members stated that there were over 2 000 plaintiffs, hence it would be impractical to call everyone to give viva voce evidence.

Though the state opposed the application, court ruled in favour of the former soldiers, hence the state brought an application for leave to appeal to the High Court as well as an application for stay of operation of the ruling pending the hearing and determination of the leave to appeal.

When dismissing the state submissions, Justice Leburu said the decision to regard the matter as a class action was purely interim and was not definitive of the parties' rights in the main trial.

He said the order was issued at an intermediate stage as a procedural order that gave directions on how the trial should proceed.

Justice Leburu said the state had

submitted that by ordering a class action, the issue of locus standi of the plaintiffs becomes topical.

However, he said the effect of a class action was to truncate a trial and permit only a few similarly circumstanced plaintiffs to take the stand.

Adding that the respondents had amply demonstrated their direct and substantial interest in the matter.

The attorney general had also submitted that by ordering a class action, they were denied the right to cross examine each and every plaintiff.

"The answer to this submission is simply that it is the very nature and essence of a class action that not every claimant should give viva voce evidence, but just a few of them," Justice Leburu said.

Therefore, he said having determined that the interim order was not appealable, the consideration of the application for stay of execution was then rendered academic.

The case will convene for status hearing on 23 November. **BOPA**

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## FARM WORKERS

**FARM WORKER NEEDED** in Sikokwe along Matshelegabedi road. Contact: Sakhubama Neo, 71299966. P. O. Box 1316, Francistown.

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**URGENTLY WANTED: SEASONAL farm worker** at Mathangwane. Apply to Segametsi Sole. P. O. Box 3027, Francistown. Cell: 72568375. Closing date: 24/11/23

**URGENTLY WANTED; FARM labourer** at Mathangwane. Apply to: Omphile Habangana. P.O. Box 238, Mathangwane. Tel: 71832580

**URGENTLY WANTED; FARM labourer** at Mandunyane Farms, Apply to: David Valela, P.O Box 30023, Francistown. Tel: 71842944

**URGENTLY WANTED FARM worker** at Sojwe. Apply to Letsweletse Modise. P. O. Box 35 Sojwe. Tel: 72642772

**URGENTLY WANTED FARM worker** with more than 5years working experience at Radisele. Apply to Onkokame Toboka, Box 44, Radisele. Tel: 74491589

**URGENTLY WANTED FARM worker** at Jackalas No. 2. Apply to Grace Mpofo. Private Bag 007, Francistown. Tel: 75937399

**FARM WORKER WANTED** at Ramonnedi farm at Kanye. Call Mrs Judith Gora, Box M76 Kanye. Cell No 74744803/ 75985485

**FARM WORKER AT** Sentlhane Box 60566 Gaborone.

**TWO FARM WORKERS** wanted with references x 2. Age 22-40 yrs, Chaokeng farm (along Moleps/Thamaga road). 75909328

**FARM WORKERS NEEDED** at Kgamakwe and Zwenshabe lands. To apply: send application to Professor O. Pansiri, P O Box 21887 Bontleng. Closing date: 21 November 2023

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**KE BATLA MODISA** ko Marapong lands mo Kgaolong ya Kgatleng, Moeti Pheko. Cellphone 72259754. P O Box 1487 Mochudi.

**HERD GIRL WANTED** Tonota (Ditladi), 71498741. Kadi Mogapi, P. O. Box 200, Francistown

**2 FARM WORKERS** wanted at Mmamhiko. Write to P.O Box 501378, Gaborone. Contact 77966600. Closing date 13/11/23.

**FARM WORKERS WANTED** at Mampung / Sojwe. Contact 74308368 / 75093894.

## NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

**MATILDAH NDWAPI INTENDS** to change land use from residential to multi-residential at Letsibogo ward, Plot 8201. Any objection contact Boteti District Council.

**ANASTACIA TOTENG INTENDS** to change land use of Plot 9849 from residential to civil & community. Any objection contact Tutume District Council.

**OWNER OF PLOT 2041** Metlhabeng, Tlokweng would like to change land use from civic and community to multi-residential. Neighbors on Plots; 1967, 1976 and the neighborhood are informed. contact Tlokweng Physical Planning for any queries.

**CHANGE OF LAND USE.** Snooz (Pty) Ltd, owner of plot 6400 would like to sub-divide and change land use portions from mixed to residential & commercial in Tlokweng. For any objections, contact Tlokweng District Council Physical Planning Office within fourteen (14) days of publication of this notice.

**CHANGE OF LAND USE.** Zibo Mmolawa owner of Plot 6436 would like to change land use portions from residential to multifamily in Tlokweng. For any objections, contact Tlokweng District Council Physical Planning office, within fourteen (14) days of publication of this notice.

**NTABISENG NOMIE DARKO** wishes to change use of her plot from orchard to multifamily in Matebele village whoever has an objection should contact Kgatleng physical planning office or call 71203186.

**BAATWENG MABIHI, OWNER OF SLAUGHTER HOUSE PLOT SITUATED AT RAMOKGONAMI, LEKOBENG WARD WISHES TO CHANGE LAND USE FROM SLAUGHTER HOUSE TO MORTUARY. ANY OBJECTIONS SHOULD BE FORWARDED IN WRITING TO THE PHYSICAL PLANNING, MAHALAPYE DISTRICT COUNCIL PRIVATE BAG 002, MAHALAPYE.**

**7272, KHUDU WARD,** Goodhope wish to inform neighbours of intention to change land use from residential to multi-residential. Objections be forwarded to Goodhope Council-physical planning

## CHANGE OF LAND USE PUBLICATION

BotswanaPost, the owner of a plot allocated as a Post Office located at Mmopane (behind Mmopane Police Station) would like to change land use from Civic and Community to Commercial. Anybody who would like to view the Plan can view them at office Mogoditshane District Council during work hrs 07:30 hrs to 16:30 hrs from 13 November 2023 to 04 December 2023. Any objection, please contact Mogoditshane Physical Office at 3105615 in writing within 14 days of the publication of the notice.

**OWNER OF PLOT 33861** Gerald Francistown, Informs owners of plot 33862, 33860, 33858 his intentions to erect a residential double storey. For objections, contact Francistown City Council: 2411806

**CHANGE OF LAND** use Kabo Motyali owner of plot 9069 would like to sub-divide and change land use from residential to commercial in Goodhope. For any objections, contact Goodhope District council physical planning office, within fourteen (14) days of publication of this notice.

**CHANGE OF LAND** use. Kopano Kgari owner of plot would like to change land use from residential to commercial in Tloung ward, Kanye. For any objections, contact Kanye District Council Physical Planning Office, within fourteen (14) days of publication of this notice.

**OWNER OF PLOT 3 4 3 7 3 , M a g o k o t s w a n e , Molepolole** would like to change land use from residential to multi family.It shares boundaries with plot 22453,22454,22455,23071,22458 and 22462 respectively.Contact Kweneng district council building control on 5922100/5915122 for any comments or queries during working hours.

**COSMIC SALES INTENDS** to build double storey, multi-family residential in plot 66347, Gaborone North, Gaborone. Whoever has an objection should contact GCC, physical planning office Tel: 3657537 or contact cell: 72161140 within 14 days from date of publication.

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## NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

**OWNER OF PLOT 9491,** Letlapeng, Tlokweng would like to inform neighbors about the intention to erect a boundary wall. For any objections contact Tlokweng physical planning office on 3695000 in writing within fourteen (14) days of publication of this notice.

## NEIGHBOR CONSULTATION

**I, Unity Phoza,** owner of Lot no 13505, Matlhatlaganyane Ward Tsabong intend to change land use from residential to commercial (Self catering apartments).

Neighbors who have any objections to the proposal should forward it to **Tsabong District Council Physical Planning Office,** within fourteen (14) days of publication of this notice, their contact number **+267 654 0255.**



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- Good planning, organisational, problem-solving and reporting skills.

An application letter, CV and at least two references should be forwarded to:

The Headmaster  
Clifton College  
Private Bag F48 Francistown  
Tel: 241 8571

Email: collegehead@cliftonschoo.net

**Closing date: 29 November, 2023**

## NOTICE IN TERMS OF SECTION 34 OF THE INSOLVECY ACT [CAP. 42:02] ("the Act")

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in terms of Section 34 of the Act of the intended sale of business, goodwill, book debts and certain of the assets forming part of the business of **Sukuma Safari Proprietary Limited.**

DATED AT GABORONE ON THE 24 DAY OF OCTOBER 2023.

**SUKUMA SAFARI PROPRIETARY LIMITED**  
c/o Bookbinder Business Law  
9th Floor, itowers North, Plot 54368 Gaborone  
Attention: Jeffrey S. Bookbinder  
Email: jeffrey@bookbinderlaw.co.bw

## CHANGE OF LAND USE

**I, PILOT & LILLIAN LEKOBA** owner of **Tribal Lot No.10446** Kanye, Maabakgomo ward inform **THE PUBLIC AND NEIGHBOURS** of change of land use from single to multi-family residential.

We also intend to develop double-storey multi-residential structure on this plot.

For any objection to this development, contact Kanye District Physical Planning Office @Telephone No. 544 3319/544 0217, in writing within fourteen (14) days of this publication.

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## NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Masters Reference: ESHGB 000392/22

**IN THE ESTATE** of the late **LAWRENCE MATLAPENG & PATRICIA MATLAPENG** who died at Orapa Hospital, Orapa, Orapa District, Republic of Botswana on the 9<sup>th</sup> May 1985 and 15<sup>th</sup> October 2015 Kgosing ward, Sikwane, Kgatleng District, Republic of Botswana respectively.

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

DATED at \_\_\_\_\_ on this \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2023.

Executrix Dative  
Christinah Matlapeng  
P O BOX 26 **SIKWANE**  
CELL: 72166123/76104929

## APPLICATION FOR LOST TITLE DEED

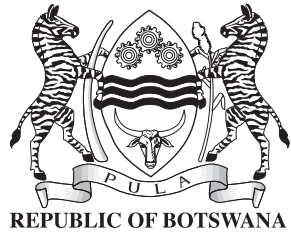
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of a **Deed of Transfer No. TL 1152/2019** dated 12<sup>th</sup> November 2019 passed in favour of **Gaone Geoffrey Seleka** in respect of the following:

**CERTAIN:** Piece of Land bearing Lot 36342 Mogoditshane  
**SITUATED:** Situated at Mogoditshane (cadre 89) in Bakwena Tribal Territory  
**MEASURING:** 838 SQM (Eight hundred and thirty-eight square metres)

All persons having objection to the issuance of such copy are hereby required to lodge the same, in writing, with the **Register of Deeds, Private Bag 0020,** within **three weeks (3)** of publication of this notice.

DATED at Gaborone this 1<sup>st</sup> Day of November, 2023

**Gaone Geoffrey Seleka,** Plot 26475, Block 9 Gaborone,  
Private Bag AE 232 AEH, Gaborone, Botswana



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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Notice issued in terms of Section 10 of the Environmental Assessment (EA) Act (Cap 65:07) NOTIFICATION FOR PUBLIC REVIEW OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT for the development of Mababe Marsh Camp, airstrip, two game viewing hides and an artificial waterhole in NG/41- zone 3**

**Rationale for the Project**

The proposed development will provide a new photographic safari camp in NG/41, answering concerns of limited tourism infrastructure in the concession. It will also provide employment opportunities to local communities thus allowing various social groups to benefit from the natural resources that surround their villages. The project also proposes to develop and construct an airstrip, this will increase the tourism potential by targeting the international fly-in lodge market further creating employment and providing economic returns to local businesses, the Ngamiland region and Botswana as a whole.

**Location of the Activity**

All developments will occur within NG/41 zone 3 in northern Botswana. Mababe Marsh Camp is located in NG/41 zone 3 at GPS-19.099454, 24.101474 (WGS 84, Decimal northeast of Mababe village while the airstrip is located at -19.193613, 24.029628 (WGS 84, Decimal Degrees) east of Mababe village.

**Anticipated Impacts and Proposed Mitigation Measures**

The environmental impacts and mitigation measures identified by the EIA study are presented in detail in the EIA report and summarised in the table below. A detailed Environmental Management Plan to help manage and monitor potential impacts is included in the report.

Impact	Project phase	Proposed Mitigation / Enhancement Measures
<b>Physical and Chemical impacts</b>		
Soil compaction, erosion and dust creation	Development Decommissioning	Limit removal of vegetation, apart from where absolutely necessary. Rehabilitate affected areas Use designated pathways and tracks Minimise use of vehicles, particularly short journeys through proper planning Ensure drivers read, sign and abide by the code of conduct
Soil and water contamination	Development Operation Decommissioning	Ensure all liquid waste produced on site is treated in a liquid waste treatment plant with water only released if it meets BOS 93:2012 standards No untreated wastewater is to be allowed to permeate into the ground or flow into open water
Ground water depletion	Development Operation Decommissioning	Develop a detailed water conservation plan to be followed at the lodge; check for leaks daily Install flow-restrictor taps and low/dual flush toilets Recycle and reuse water wherever possible across the site
<b>Biological and Ecological Impacts</b>		
Vegetation destruction	Development Decommissioning	Limit removal of vegetation, apart from where absolutely necessary. Rehabilitate affected areas
Introduction of exotic species	Development Operation Decommissioning	Limit removal of vegetation, apart from where absolutely necessary. Rehabilitate affected areas Undertake regular monitoring to identify invasive or exotic species and remove from site Ensure transport vehicles use the designated transport route only
Fire	Development Operation Decommissioning	All machinery/vehicles/ appliances to be regularly serviced and turned off when not in use Fire extinguishers and fire hoses to be positioned around development site with staff to be trained in firefighting and fire prevention
Wildlife problem animals	Development Operation	Ensure that animals do not gain access to any unnatural food or water sources that are present as a result of the sites operations Ensure all solid waste is stored securely to prevent wildlife access, including the establishment of an electrified fence around the waste management areas
<b>Sociological and Cultural Impacts</b>		
Disease transmission	Development Operation Decommissioning	Education of staff and visitors on dangers of disease transmission Ensure supply of condoms is available
Noise and visual disturbance	Development Operation Decommissioning	Carefully plan vehicle journeys to minimise impacts on surrounding activities Developments to be incorporated within the surrounding vegetation to ensure natural look is maintained Developments to be designed with a low profile to minimise visual appearance Ensure generator is sound proofed and only run generator when necessary Minimise use of vehicles unless absolutely necessary Restrict development and decommissioning activities to daylight hours only
Environmental constraints	Development Operation Decommissioning	Ensure all staff receive appropriate guidance for working in a remote environment in challenging conditions Ensure sufficient water availability for all staff.
Archaeological loss or damage	Development Operation Decommissioning	All construction staff and personnel to be fully briefed on the nature of cultural and heritage material to look out for during the development All chance finds to be reported to DNMM and remain undisturbed in situ
<b>Economic and operational</b>		
Employment	Development Operation Decommissioning	Staff to be employed from the nearby communities and local region with trickle down benefits
Financial costs of decommissioning	Operation	Operator to ensure sufficient budget available to fully decommission and rehabilitate lodge site

**Conclusions and Recommendations of the Study**

According to the results obtained from impact analysis, the development phase will bring some short-term impacts. If properly managed, the impacts are not of significant threat to the environment. Some long-term impacts were identified under the operational phase. In the same manner, if properly managed, the impacts can be mitigated successfully. The consultants believe that the proposed development of Mababe Marsh Camp, together with the associated development of the game drive routes, viewing hides, artificial water hole and the airstrip construction will provide a valuable addition to both the budget and mid-level sections of the photographic tourism market in northern Botswana. All of the proposed developments will utilise semi-permanent materials such as wood and canvas and thatch. It is recommended that the project proponent undertakes regular monitoring throughout the different phases of the project with monitoring reports containing the information specified in this EIA report and which should be submitted for auditing to the relevant government departments.

**Environmental Management Plan Placement**

Copies of the EIA can be reviewed at the following locations:

**Department of Environmental Affairs, Maun office  
Mababe Village Kgotta**

**Correspondences**

All comments, concerns and objections from interested and affected parties should be addressed in writing to District Environment Coordinator, Department of Environmental Affairs, PO Box 35, Maun. Tel: 6801237, Fax 6862506 or hand delivered to Plot 523, Mophane Street, Light Industrial, Near Motovac, Maun, on or within two (2) consecutive weeks from the first appearance of this notice.

**KITSISO YA SECHABA**

**Kitsiso e, e anamisiwa go tsamaelana le molao wa Environmental Assessment (EA) Act (Cap 65:07) Tshedimosetso ka maikutlo a sechaba mabapi le tshiekatsheko ya tikologo (EIS) ka; Go agiwa ga kampa ya Mababe Marsh le lebala la difofane mo NG/41-Zone 3**

**Thaloso ya mohuta wa tiro**

Tiro e tla akaretsa go agiwa ga Mababe Marsh Camp e tla amogelang bajanala ba le masome a mabedi le bone, go aga lebala la difofane, ditsela tse di tlabong di dirisiwa, ntle e go bonelwang diphologolo mo go yone le mogobe o go sielwang diphologolo metsi mo go one. Boleng jwa tiro Go agiwa ga lefelo le go tla araba seelo se se ntšeng se le teng sa go tlhokafala ga dikampa tsa bojanala mo NG/41, zone 3, tiro e gape e tla tlhama diphathha tsa meberekho mo banning ba metse e e gauti, mo go tla thusang merafe go akola dipolelo tsa ditsatholego tsa metse ya bone. Go tla agiwa lebala la difofane, mme se se tla oketsa dipolelo tsa Bojanala ka go oketsa Bojanala jwa mahatshe-hatshe mo go tla tokafatsang itsholelo le dipolelo mo kgaolong ya Ngamiland le Botswana ka kakaretso.

**Lefelo la tiro**

Dikago tsothe di tla diragalela mo NG/41 -zone 3. Kampa e tla agiwa mo bokone bophirima jwa motse wa Mababe go ya ka dipalo tse di latelang; GPS-19.099454, 24.101474 (WGS 84, Decimal) mme lebala la difofane le tla agiwa go ya ka dipalo tse di latelang -19.193613, 24.029628 (WGS 84, Decimal Degrees) mo botlhaba jwa motse wa Mababe .

**Ditlamorago le ditselana tse di ka fokotsang ditlamorago tsa tikologo**

Ditlamorago tsa tikologo tse di neng tsa lemogwa ke thulaganyo e ya ditshekatsheko tsa tikologo (EIA) le metlhale ya go di reba bogale, di sobokilwe ka tselo e e latelang.

Ditlamorago tsa tikologo	Legato la tiro	Maiteko a go ka fokotsa
Ditlamorago tse di bonalang le tsa bothole		
Tshenyego ya mmu, go kgotlelesega le lerole le le ka bakegang	Nako ya kago Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Fokotsa go kgaolwa ga dimela, fa e se fa go thlokega. Letla mafelo a amegileng go thoga gape Dirisa ditsela tse di segilweng Fokotsa motsamao o mo ntsi wa dikoloi, thatathata mesepele e mekhuswane ka go dira lenaneo le lethomameng Netefatsa gore bakgweetsi ba bala ba boba sala melao morago
Kgotlelesego ya mmu le metsi	Nako ya kago Nako ya go dira ga kampa Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Netefatsa gore metsi otlhe a leswe a tswang mo lefelong, a dirwa motshiping e thatswang metsi a leswe mme metsi a tswang a ka dirisiwa fela fa e le gore a mo boleng jo bo letlelelwang ke ba BOS 93:2012 Go senne le metsi a leswe a tla tsholelelwang fa fatshe kana mo mafelong a bulegileng
Metsi a ka fa tlase ga lefatshe	Nako ya kago Nako ya go dira ga kampa Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Dira lenaneo la go somarelwa ga metsi mme go salwe morago mo lodge; ela tlhoko nako le nako gore ga gona metsi a tshologang Tsenya dipompo tse di tswalwang thata le go fokotsa matlwana a boitketso a dirisang metsi Boeletsa le go dirisa metsi gape fa go thokega mo lefelong
Ditlamorago mo ditshedding le matshelo a tsone		
Kgoreletsego mo dimeleng	Nako ya kago Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Fokotsa go kgaolwa ga dimela, fa e se fa go tlhokafala. Letlamafelo a amegileng go thoga gape
Go bonagala ga dimela tse di sa tlwaelesegang	Nako ya kago Nako ya tirisio Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Fokotsa go kgaolwa ga dimela, fa e se fa go thlokega. Letlamafelo a amegileng go thoga gape Nna le ke lelelo mo lefelong go lemoga dimela tse di sa tlwaelesegang mme di ntshwe mo lefelong Netefatsa gore dikoloi tse di rwalang dilwana di dirisa ditsela tse di segilweng
Tlhagogo ya molelo	Nako ya kago Nako ya tiro Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Tsothe di dirisiwa/dikoloi di a baakangwa nako le nako le go timiwa fa di se mo tirisong Ditlamolelo le mathompo di tshwanetse go bewa ka mpa yotlhe le go netefatsa gore babereki ba rutuntshiwa mo go lwantsheng le go iphemela mo go tlhagong ga molelo
Go tshwenya ga diphologolo tsa naga	Nako ya kago Nako ya tirisio	Netefatsa gore diphologolo ga dinne le sebaka sa go bona dijo kana metsi tse di tswang mo kamping ka nako ya go bereka ga lefelo Netefatsa gore matlakala a bewa fa go tswetsweng go itsa diphologolo tsa naga le go diraterata ya motlakase go dikologa lefelo le matlakala a beilweng teng
Tsa matshelo a batho le ngwao		
Tshelano ya malwetse	Nako ya kago Nako ya tirisio Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Thutuntsho mo baberekeng le bajanala mabapi le tshelano ya malwetse Netefatsa gore dikausu di nna di le teng
Modumo o montsi	Nako ya kago Nako ya tirisio Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Dira moalo wa motsamao wa dikoloi go fokotsa ditlamorago mo mafelong a mangwe a Bojanala Dikago e tshwanetse go nna tse di tsamaelang le dimela tse di fitlhelwang go netefatsa gore selego e nna se sengwefela Netefatsa gore generatara e tswetswe thata mme e dirisiwa fa go thokega Fokotsa go dirisiwa ga dikoloi fa e se fa go thokega Netefatsa gore go agiwa le go ntshiwa ga dikago go dirwa motshagare fela
Diemo tsa tikologo tse di saiketang	Nako ya kago Nako ya tirisio Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Netefatsa gore babereki ba rutuntshiwa ka go berekela mo lefelong la diphologolo Netefatsa gore metsi a babereki a nna a le teng
Go lathega kana senyega ga dithuto tsa bogologolo	Nako ya kago Nako ya tirisio Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Baagi le babereki ba tshwanetse go rutlwa ka tholego ya tsa botaki le ngwao tse di ka bonalang ka nako ya kago Dipe fela tse di ka bonalang di begiwe kwa ba lephata la ntlo ya Ditso mme di tlogelwe fela molefelong
Tsa itsholelo le tirisio		
Tsaphiro	Nako ya kago Nako ya tirisio Go ntshiwa ga dikago	Babereki ba hiriwe go tswa mo kgaolong go akola meamuso
Phokotsego ya ditshono tsa kgwebo	Nako ya tirisio	Modirisi wa kampa o tshwanetse go teneffatsa gore madi a teng a lekane go tlosolosa dikago le go dibusetsa mo maemong a rileng

**Tshoboko ya ditlamorago le metlhale ya go di tsibogela**

Go tsweng ga madi a ditshekatsheko, karolo ya go aga e tla tllisa ditlamorago tse e seng tsa sennela ruri. Ditlamorago tsa teng ga di na botlhabetsi bope mo tikologong fa dikgato tse di maleba tsa go reba-bogale jwa tsone di ka tswela le go salwa morago ka fa tshwaneleng. Dingwe ditlamorago tsa sennela-ruri di ne tsa lemogwa mme tsone di amana le legato la tirisio ya matlo le kampa yotlhe ka bophara, mme ka mo go tshwanetseng, le tsone fa di ka tsibogelwa sentle ga di kake tsa nna botlhabetsi. Ba bogakolodi ba dumela gore go agiweng ga Mababe Marsh Camp, lebala la difofane ga mmogo le ntlo ya go bonwa ga diphologolo go tla tllisa maemo a nthla mo go tsa mmaraka mo bokone jwa Botswana. Go tlaleletsa se, go tla dirisiwa di dirisiwa tse e seng tsa sennela ruri jaaka mapako le saile. Go gakololwa gore lenaneo le, le salwe morago mo magatong otlhe a go agiwa ga lenaneo le, ka go ntsha mealo e supang kitso mo lenaneo la kanoko ya tikologo (EIA) mme le isiweng go dupiwa ke badupa dibuka mo makalaneng a lebaneng a goromente.

**Mafelo a go ka bonwang dikwalo tsa ditshekatsheko mo go one**

Mereti ya EIA e ka bonwa ko mafelo a latelang:

**Ofisi ya Lephata la tsa Tikologo, ofisi ya Maun  
Kgotta ya Mababe**

**Ditlhaeletsano**

Tsothe dikakgelo, dingongorego le go sa dumalana go tswa go ba na le seabe le bangongoregi ba ka kwalela mo atereseng e, Go Motsamaisa wa Tikologo mo kgaolong, Lephata la tsa Merero ya Tikologo, P O Box 35, Maun, megala ke: 6861237, fax 6862506 kana wa isa ka letsogo kwa ofise ya Lephata la tsa Merero ya Tikologo, Plot 523, Mophane Street, Light Industrial, go bapa le Motovac, Maun, mo lebakeng la beke tse pedi go tloga tsatsi la kanamiso ya nthla ya pego e.



## Trendy designs to dominate show

By Ketshepile More

GABORONE - Chic, flamboyant and creative designs are expected to be on show at the Leteitse on Fleek do billed for Bojanala Waterfront on Saturday.

Leteitse on Fleek revellers have over the years, since the start of the event, used it to show off their beautiful designs and colours.

Leteitse has stood the test of time, from plain dresses until this era of fusing different leteitse with other materials.

The use of adornments and embroidery such as trimmings and the net has been prevalent in some designs bringing out the best in simple outfits.

This year, the show, which is on its third year, fashion enthusiasts are expected to showcase the most creative and outstanding attires with vibrant summer colours and African royalty designs.

One of the popular colours in the past and now is blue.

The event will not only showcase leteitse designs, but entertainment will be galore.

Botswana's creative cream of Charma Gal, Ditiro Leero, Dr Vom, Nono Siile alongside South African-based, DJ Fresh will keep revellers on their toes with sounds of traditional contemporary songs, dance, jazz and soul house tunes.

Other acts from South Africa are Loyiso, Thabsie and Musa.

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Chic, flamboyant and creative designs are expected to dominate the Leteisi on Fleek show at Bojanala Waterfront on Saturday.

## Expo highlights Intangible Cultural Heritage value

By Job Makati

GABORONE - University of Botswana (UB) art gallery has been turned into a captivating space adorned with pottery displays and visuals of other UNESCO listed cultural heritage elements.

The harmonies of choirs attract visitors to explore the exhibition area, which also features audio-visual displays of Botswana's rick folk music.

The exhibition is one of the activities that UB Archaeology final students have employed as strategies to celebrate 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Convention for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH).

Also, the exhibition is meant to unveil the country's hidden treasures of intangible cultural heritage.

With Botswana set to host the 18<sup>th</sup> session of the inter-governmental committee for the safeguarding of intangible cultural heritage in Kasane, the students are also using the exhibition to raise awareness of the country's intangible cultural heritage and the upcoming event.

One of the Archaeology students, Tshephang Dinake said three elements, which were listed with UNESCO for safeguarding were earthenware pottery-making skills found in Kgatleng District, which was listed in 2012, dikhwaere or dikopelo listed in 2017 and Seperu folk dance and associated practices in 2019.

She said the Hosana ritual dance and associated practices have been nominated for listing.

Of the earthenware pottery-

making skills, she said only two master potters remained in Kgatleng District, with the oldest being a 105-year-old woman.

"The potters use clay soil, weathered sandstone, iron oxide, cow dung, water, wood and grass to craft pots of diverse forms and styles that reflect the traditional practices and beliefs of their community.

The skills are passed down through generations by observation and practice.

UNESCO recognises that potters and master potters are at risk of extinction due to their dwindling numbers, low prices for their finished products and the growing use of mass-produced containers.

Dinake also talked of the second listed intangible heritage, dikhwaere or dikopelo.

The vibrant practice involves vocal singing and dancing in a patterned choreography without musical instruments where people from a particular area join together to sing.

Communities and practitioners are unwavering in their commitment to safeguard the cherished tradition, as illustrated by their eagerness to compete with choirs from other districts.

Dikhwaere have also been used as a strategy to protect young people from social ills and to promote positive messages within communities.

On the safeguarding of Seperu folk dance and associated practices, Dinake said it was undertaken by the Ministry of Youth, Gender, Sport and Culture. The initiative aims to preserve the folk dance, which involves singing, dancing

and sacred rituals that hold significance to communities in the Chobe District.

The Seperu multi-layered dress was inspired by peacock tail, known as Mushishi while the male attire is Chiziva.

The knowledge bearers and practitioners of Seperu are diminishing, which will impact on the visibility, continuity and transmission of the cherished cultural practice.

Through the exhibition, Dinake said they intended to raise awareness of the heritage and also to make it accessible to all audiences.

She noted that they had provided a Braille version of every visual display to ensure equal access to information.

Dr Keletso Dikoka, Archaeology instructor and developer of the exhibition, commended the students' efforts.

She said more needed to be done to raise awareness about intangible cultural heritages.

She said over 120 intangible cultural elements were under threat and were in need of urgent safeguarding.

Dr Dikoka also stressed the importance of educating people about the benefits of ICH listing.

One choir practitioner from Kgatleng, Happy Tseko admitted that he initially underestimated the importance of listing a choir.

He said they took the issue lightly because dikopelo was a popular practice in their region.

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Dinake (right) taking a visitor on a tour of three Intangible Cultural Heritage elements on display in Gaborone on Wednesday. Dinake said three elements, which are listed with UNESCO for safeguarding were earthenware pottery-making skills, Dikopelo and Seperu folkdance and associated practices.

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# BNSC sustains sport development

By Anastacia Sibanda

GABORONE - The Botswana National Sport Commission (BNSC) programmes such as the School of excellence, Re Ba Bona Ha, and Zebras Elite are still running despite the challenge of the absence of school sport.

In an exclusive interview with the BNSC Director for Sport Development, Peaceful Seleka, he said school sport has been a development initiative towards their elite.

Seleka said the BNSC was an arm of government, which was mandated to oversee sport development in the country, therefore they found it prudent to rely on the available programmes in the absence of school sport.

One of the development programmes they are currently driving is the Re Ba Bona Ha programme, adding that it was a grassroots development programme targeting age ranges five to 17.

He added that because they had

adopted the Botswana Long-Term Athlete Development (BLTAD) template, they were now going to revise the age ranges to 13 years so that they cover the first stage of the BLTAD.

"Currently as we speak, we have 15 national sport associations that have the Re Ba Bona Ha programme in different areas of the country," he said.

Seleka said one of the codes, football, has centres in the different areas amongst them Gaborone and

Selebi Phikwe.

He said they recently launched the Botswana Table Tennis Association and Bowling as the new sporting codes in the programme.

"As these programmes are launched, national sports associations are also targeting areas where they are resourced enough to have the programme, which is sustainable.

We are looking at human resource, like coaches who are trained and passionate to run the

programmes and facilities," he said.

Furthermore, Seleka said after ticking all the boxes, that is when the programme can be rolled out and the BNSC monitor it on a regular basis.

He said they also receive reports that they share with Debswana as their main sponsor for the programme. Seleka said he was happy that the programme was active and running well despite the absence of school sport as the centres were operating. **BOPA**

## Youngsters to watch Soweto Derby

By Bakang Wren

GABORONE - Africa Must Arise Initiative (AMAI), will hold Soweto Derby Football Experience to raise funds for boys and girls who could potentially secure contracts to play football in Spain.

The initiative aimed to grow youth talent in Botswana will take place at Cresta Hotel on Saturday.

AMAI founding Director Tumisang Keitseng said this during a media briefing on Wednesday.

Keitseng said they believed that the amusing event will gather football lovers to watch South African Dstv Premiership giants Kaizer Chiefs and Orlando Pirates at a prize. Proceeds will help out-of-school youth to showcase their skills and excel in football.

She said their team was ready for scouting experts and sports educators to screen and recommend for contractual work.

So far, they were training more than 125 young boys and girls who were awaiting the opportunity to sign up with seven teams in Spain, some in Laliga.

She said according to the FC Barcelona head coach teacher at La Masia, Marcal Sevillano, second division teams would afford the young boys the opportunities to train.

Keitseng said coach Jojo Gabashe was working hard to train team AMAI at The Fields mall every Sunday for free.

"The youth are excited over this unbelievable chance to appear before a team of expert soccer coaches and trainers from their Spanish league," she said

Keitseng also mentioned that they were proud of these young ones who have proved their resilience to intense training, guidance and motivation.

"We no longer consider out-of-school youth as out of place, truly and ready to do mischief because these have shown us how much energy lay wasted, talent is hidden and idling when it should be turned around into productive service and goods society demanded," she said.

Also, she said already 56 boys had found sponsors from compassionate individuals, institutions and organisations such as High Commissioner of South Africa, Thaninga Soumah, Bokomo, CA Sales and Distribution, Lactalis, Botswana, Lady M football academy and PST Chemicals.

She said these young boys and girls were mostly from the outskirts of Gaborone, such as Mogoditshane and Molepolole and in Old Naledi and Bontleng within Gaborone.

Shedding more light about the Saturday Soweto Derby event, she said people must expect fun where they will watch football in a big screen.

She said they will be coming dressed in their favourite football jersey, and will also chill with their soccer legends.

There will also be FIFA PlayStation games, pool, snooker and darts.

Sports lovers will also be treated to a braai and barbeque meals as well as have the opportunity to have a spa day courtesy of Beauty Spark amongst many activities that will be taking place. **BOPA**

**FIRST DIVISION SOUTH LEAGUE**  
WEEK 5 FIXTURES

**SATURDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2023**

- CITY POLAR VS MOCHUDI CENTRE CHIEFS  
Ramonaka Stadium | KICKOFF 1600HRS
- NOTWANE VS YOUNG STARS  
SSG Ground | KICKOFF 1600HRS
- UB HAWKS VS UNION FLAMENGO SANTOS  
UB Stadium | KICKOFF 1600HRS
- URI BLACK FOREST VS DESERT NXAU  
Black Forest Arena | KICKOFF 1600HRS

**SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2023**

- TLOKWENG UNITED VS EXTENSION GUNNERS  
Royal Aria Stadium | KICKOFF 1630HRS
- MOGODITSHANE FIGHTERS VS PRISONS XI  
Mogo Fighters | KICKOFF 1600HRS

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<b>REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA PUBLIC PROCUREMENT REGULATORY AUTHORITY</b>	<b>TENDERING PROCEDURES</b>	<b>T 1.1 TENDER NOTICE and INVITATION TO TENDER</b>
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**Tender Reference No. DS/PRI 053/2023-2024/SUPL**

**Tender Title PROCUREMENT OF HOUSING UNITS IN GABORONE, FRANCISTOWN, MAHALAPYE AND LETLHAKANE FOR BOTSWANA PRISON SERVICE**

Sealed Tender offers are invited for the procurement of **PROCUREMENT OF HOUSING UNITS IN GABORONE, FRANCISTOWN, MAHALAPYE AND LETLHAKANE FOR BOTSWANA PRISON SERVICE**

- The Procuring Entity is: **Botswana Prison Service**
- Procurement Method is: **Open Domestic Bidding**

Tenderers who are domiciled in Botswana must, in order to be considered for the award of the contract, be registered with the Public Procurement Regulatory Authority in the following categories

**Code 316 (Real Estate Services) Sub Code(s) 02 Estate Agency or 05 Property development and sales.**

- Submit a copy of the Title deed documents or ownership certificate (such title deed or certificate of ownership to indicate ownership by the bidder as per the bidder's registered name. If bidder is an agent, a formal Power of Attorney signed by the owner of the property must be submitted).

**INDIVIDUAL MUST**

- Submit Tittle Deed and Identity (ID) of house owners
- Submit Certificate of Customary Land Grant

The tender is reserved for 100% citizens or citizen contractors as stated under Section 76 (1) of the Public Procurement Act

**Code 316 (Real Estate Services) Sub Code(s) 02 Estate Agency or 05 Property development and sales.**

- Preference margins will be applied to qualifying bidders in line with the prescribed Preference Scheme
- Preferences will be to suppliers with: Economic Diversification Drive (EDD) under the cabinet directive cab no 11 of 2010 Economic Diversification Drive as per guidelines on the diversification and stimulation through preference margin based on turn over and threshold shall be implemented in the evaluation of this tender. (The successful to abide by the undertakings given on the diversification and stimulation of 2010 published by the Ministry of Trade and Industry.
- Bidders should be registered with Ministry of Trade and Industry and attach certified copy of Economic Diversification Drive (EDD) certificate and CEE for illegibility to receive preference under this Tender
- Presidential Directive 19 (B 2013) the local procurement scheme is in line with Citizen economic empowerment policy which advocate for the economic empowerment of women, youth and people living with disabilities in general and specifically in the rural areas will be applied in this tender, bidders should attach relevant documentation for entitlement to the scheme (Certified copy of Identity Card, certificate of disability or sworn declaration for the entitlement to the scheme.

The physical address for collection of tender documents is: **Botswana Prison Service Headquarters, Ministry of Defence and Security Headquarters building, Office no. 305, 3rd Floor, Eastern Block , Central Square Building, Plot 54355, Central Business District, Gaborone**

Documents may be collected during working hours between **0730hrs to 1245 and 1345 to 1500hrs** with effect from **23/10/2023**.

- A non-refundable deposit of **BWP P 250 and P 125.00** for youth and youth companies, payable by cash in favour of the Government of Botswana or the procuring entity stated in the Tender document and is required on collection of the tender document.
- Queries or clarifications relating to the issuance of these documents may be addressed in writing not later than seven (7) days before the tender closing date to Assistant Commissioner of Prisons O Bedi obedi@gov.bw Tel No: 3611700/11
- The closing date and time for receipt of sealed tender offers is **0900 hours on 21/11//2023**
- Late tender offers will not be accepted.
- The Bid Submission Method is: **One (1) Envelope Submission Method** in which a tenderer's financial and technical offers are submitted together in one sealed envelope.
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shall be delivered to shall be delivered to: **PERMANENT SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF DEFENCE AND SECURITY, PRIVATE BAG 00384, GABORONE, GROUND FLOOR, OFFICE NO:004, PLOT 54355, CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT, GABORONE, BOTSWANA**

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**Director Procurement Oversight  
Ministry of Defence and Security**



A dusty ride... a biker in a previous event. A nail-biting off road race is set to take place on the outskirts of Mmopane tomorrow.

## Riders to remember fallen legends

### Baleseng Batlotleng

RAMOTSWA - A nail-biting off road race is set to take place on the outskirts of Mmopane village tomorrow in remembrance of the local motorsport fallen legends. According to one of the race organizers, Jackie Meyer, of Gaborone Motor Club (GMC), the race dubbed 'The Mmopane 200 Off Road Race' is the first

of its kind in loving memory of some of the finest riders who took part in the sport.

She said the race was also meant to welcome back former racing champions who either retired from the sport or quit racing owing to several reasons.

Meyer said the Mmopane race is a nostalgic affair that would take riders back to their roots, as the route was established by

the GMC in the 80s. She said it was in a way taking all those who were pioneers of the sport to where they belonged and first met.

Some of the riders who passed on include quad biker Motsumi Lekone, Kagiso Monametsi, Shane van Niekerk and Julio Ferreira.

The late Lekone, fondly known as Tsuu in local riding circles,

would be best remembered for his exploits in the closely contested Toyota Desert Race and the annual Khawa Dune Challenge. Meyer said some of the returning legends include among others quad biker Binn Matengu and veteran two-wheeler Lepsy Mosope.

In the elite category, a close contest is expected between the likes of Kosmas Mamalokous,

Boineelo Rantao and Seth Meyer. Rantao is the current champion in the OR 2 class. In the junior category, it would be an exciting battle between the likes of Jordan Maloba and close rival Zibo Moabi.

The challenging route is within the fenced track in Mmopane behind the Sir Seretse Khama International Airport with a 30km loop within. **BOPA**

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