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President Advocate Duma Boko (left) swearing-in the new Chief Justice, Justice Gaolapelwe Ketlogetswe at the Office of the President on Saturday. Chief Justice Ketlogetswe takes over from Justice Terrence Rannowane who stepped down on medical grounds. President Boko said Justice Ketlogetswe brought a wealth of experience, wisdom and a strong sense of duty to the role and urged him to lead with humility and integrity. Photo: Yobe Shonga

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‘Uphold highest standards of accountability’

By Lesedi Thatayamodimo

GABORONE - Members of Parliament have been called upon to exemplify ethical conduct, uphold the rule of law, and maintain the highest standards of accountability.

Vice President Ndaba Gaolathe said this during the closing of a two-day parliamentary retreat on Thursday.

He said that their duty goes beyond obligation saying it was a solemn promise to the people of Botswana.

Mr Gaolathe encouraged legislators to reaffirm their commitment to excellence in public service, consistently prioritising the needs of citizens.

The retreat, themed: Commitment to Human Rights: Leading with Integrity, aimed to guide MPs in propelling Botswana toward a high-income economy and reinforcing its status as a democracy and development leader in Africa.

“Today’s gathering is a testament to our shared dedication to the principles of good governance, integrity, and collective responsibility, all crucial in achieving the goals set

forth in our national manifesto and ultimately Vision 2036,” Mr Gaolathe said.

The Vice President noted that the sessions provoked thoughtful discussions, fostering reflections on the constitution and examining Parliament’s critical

role in ensuring effective service delivery.

“These sessions have not only deepened our understanding of our individual and collective responsibilities but have also fortified our resolve to collaborate in addressing the challenges

facing our nation,” he stated.

Looking ahead, Mr Gaolathe outlined the necessity of translating their manifesto into actionable policies, legislation, and development plans.

He called on ministries and ministers to actively engage in

the forthcoming development of NDP 12, emphasising that the public expected a great deal from them.

He acknowledged the limitations of government funding for all development projects included in the plan.

To address this, he proposed a high-level developmental strategy to involve the private sector, investors, and other stakeholders, ensuring efficient delivery of services to Batswana.

Furthermore, the Vice President urged legislators to adapt the insights gained during the retreat into concrete strategies within their respective ministries.

“Let us embrace a spirit of teamwork and innovation to drive forward the reforms critical to our nation’s transformation,” Mr Gaolathe said. **BOPA**



President Advocate Duma Boko (second right) and Vice President Ndaba Gaolathe (centre) interacting with ministers during the closing of cabinet retreat in Gaborone on Thursday. Mr Gaolathe said the retreat aimed at equipping ministers with skills, which would enable them to carry out their national duties. Photo: Gothusang Lesego

President attends World Economic Forum

Government extends TNDP to July

By Bonang Masolotate

GABORONE - Government has announced a delay in the implementation of the National Development Plan 12 (NDP 12) and has chosen to prolong the Transitional National Development Plan until July.

Speaking during a meeting with ministry executive leadership on Friday, the Minister for State President, Mr Moeti Mohwasa, said the decision was made to align NDP 12 with the new government manifesto..

“I must inform you that NDP 12 has been delayed to align it with the new government manifesto and promises,” Mr Mohwasa said.

He emphasised that aligning the plan with the ruling party’s

vision was essential for promoting inclusive growth and enhancing the quality of life in the country.

As the leading ministry, Mr Mohwasa noted that the State President’s office played a critical role in the delivery of both national and local services through effective governance and oversight. He urged ministry leadership to take the lead in exemplifying these responsibilities.

“Your role, among others, is to facilitate, advise, and support me as your minister, to ensure that decisions made by the government are informed by professional insights and empirical data,” he added.

Mr Mohwasa also addressed the topic of public service progression,

stating that advancements would be based on merit alone.

He emphasised that acquiring the ruling party’s membership cards would not be a prerequisite for career advancement.

“Do not join the Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC) in order to progress; what is needed is merit,” he cautioned.

He further highlighted the pressing challenges facing the nation, including low employee morale, declining diamond revenues, high unemployment rates, and government cash flow problems.

The minister called on all government officials to commit to tackling these issues. He stressed the importance of upholding the foundational national principles of

Democracy, Unity, Development, Self-reliance, and Botho as essential pillars in addressing the country’s challenges.

Minister Mohwasa underscored the necessity for immediate solutions to performance issues in various sectors to enhance service delivery, along with the need for long-term reforms for sustainable growth.

“This requires bold leadership, strategic action, and accountability to transform your departments,” he stated.

He also outlined the government’s commitment to reforming state-owned enterprises, as well as independent departments like the Independent Electoral Commission and the Directorate of Corruption and Economic Crime, aiming to bolster governance and operational efficiency.

Additionally, he said government planned to revitalise the Bargaining Council and develop strategies to improve workforce morale to address employee welfare issues, which significantly affect productivity.

Assistant Minister for State President, Ms Maipelo Mophuting, echoed the need for urgent action regarding the 100-day milestones of the new government.

“As the government reflects on the Transitional National Development Plan and prepares for NDP 12, we must recognise the monumental task ahead. Collaboration, teamwork, and strategic foresight are essential for our success,” she stated.

For her part Ms Goitsema Morekisi, the permanent secretary for the Ministry of State President, called on executives to contribute to the first 100 days report and urged prudent spending in light of the country’s economic challenges. **BOPA**

GABORONE - President Advocate Duma Boko will participate at the 2025 World Economic Forum (WEF) in Davos, Switzerland from January 20 to 24.

This is an annual event that brings together global leaders from various sectors including government, international organisations, private sector, civil society and academia, to deliberate on ways of improving the state of the global community through entrepreneurship, innovation, and cooperation, says a press release from the Ministry of International Relations

The release says the meeting will be held under the theme: Collaboration for the Intelligent Age, will cover five thematic areas which would among others, explore ways of enhancing global cooperation and economic growth, identify common solutions for tackling climate change through clean technologies, examine ways to invest in human capital development as well as promote upskilling and job creation.

During the event, President Boko will participate in a number of High-Level sessions including being part of panels focusing on Africa’s economy and governance, as well as co-chair a session on the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA).

President Boko will also hold a series of High-Level bilateral meetings with government and business leaders.

About 60 heads of state and government are expected to participate at this year’s forum.

President Boko will be accompanied by Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship, Mr Tiroaona Ntsima and other senior government officials.

They are expected back home on January 24. **BOPA**



Minister for State President, Mr Moeti Mohwasa (left) and Assistant Minister Maipelo Mophuting at a Ministerial Super MPIC meeting in Gaborone on Friday. Minister Mohwasa said the recent rationalisation of government portfolio responsibilities highlighted the commitment of the new government to build a strong and effective public sector for efficient service delivery. Photo: Phenyio Ramatu



President Advocate Duma Boko (left) and Leader of the Opposition, Mr Dumelang Saleshando during a courtesy call at the Office of the President on Friday. The two leaders agreed to strengthen Botswana's democracy. President Boko said the meeting served as a reminder that despite their political differences, shared goals remained the same in advancing the development and well-being of the nation. Photo: Thompson Keobaletswe

Prioritise people needs, fight corruption - Gaolathe

By Bakang Wren

GABORONE - Vice President and Minister of Finance Mr Ndaba Gaolathe has called on local authorities to focus on the needs of their communities while upholding integrity and accountability.

Addressing councillors, mayors, district commissioners and other key stakeholders, who attended the Local Authorities Budget Pitso to hold discussions aimed at shaping a budget strategy that reflects the values of inclusivity, sustainability, and progress for all in Tlokweng on Friday, Mr Gaolathe emphasised that the success of the 2025/2026 budget hinged on their collective commitment to improving lives and combating corruption.

The Vice President commended the newly elected local leaders, urging them to approach their roles with vision and dedication.

"You are the anchors of hope for the people who entrusted you with leadership," he said, adding that their decisions would echo in the lives of many 'tomorrow'.

Highlighting the challenges on the global and local economic landscape, VP Gaolathe mentioned the importance of reimagining priorities to address critical issues such as poverty, unemployment and inequality.

He said Botswana's real GDP growth had slowed significantly, while inflation had fallen to its lowest levels in years, creating a mixed economic outlook.

The VP also challenged local authorities to diversify revenue streams in order to reduce dependence on singular sources such as government grants.

"Diversifying revenue is

essential to financial sustainability and ensuring the effective delivery of services," he stated, identifying property rates as a key area with untapped potential. As such he urged councils to conduct accurate property valuations and improve collection mechanisms.

The Vice President also stressed the importance of fiscal prudence and cost containment, urging leaders to focus on essential services, be proactive in maintaining infrastructure and eliminate wasteful spending.

"Financial discipline is not just an administrative responsibility; it is a moral obligation," he said

Mr Gaolathe described corruption as the greatest enemy of progress, eroding public trust and diverting resources meant for development, urging local leaders to take a firm stand against misconduct and ensure transparency in managing public funds.

He also called for collective action in advancing Local Economic Development (LED), which he said was a strategy to empower communities, create jobs and foster sustainable growth.

"The success of LED lies in the collaboration of local authorities, businesses, civil society, and citizens," he noted.

To enhance public participation, he said the Ministry of Finance had introduced platforms such as a WhatsApp line and an email address, inviting citizens to contribute ideas for the 2025/2026 budget.

This, he said, was to ensure that the budget reflected the collective wisdom and aspirations of the nation.

In his closing remarks, the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs, Mr Ketlhalefile Motshegwa said making the budget process more open by involving local leaders and citizens was meant to ensure that the budget met the needs of communities.

He encouraged local leaders to work together, promote transparency and make decisions geared toward improving life for every citizen. **BOPA**

Ketlogetswe takes over as Chief Justice

By Bonang Masolotatse

GABORONE - Judge Gaolapelwe Ketlogetswe is the new Chief Justice, taking over from Justice Terrence Rannowane who stepped down on medical grounds.

President Advocate Duma Boko announced on Saturday during the taking of oath of office by Justice Ketlogetswe.

President Boko said Justice Ketlogetswe's appointment came at an opportune moment when the country had made a commitment to uphold human rights in every action, decision, intervention and approach it undertakes.

Hence, he told the incoming Chief Justice to lead with integrity and humility as the nation expected such from him.

President Boko said Chief Justice Ketlogetswe would be leading a judiciary which was by creation an important arm of government and of the nation.

"You have become a high priest

Boko, Saleshando vow to strengthen democracy

By Pako Lebanna

GABORONE - If the country's political actors could work together for a common purpose of entrenching national democratic culture, Botswana could set the bar high for governance for its citizens and the African continent.

This was said by President Advocate Duma Boko while welcoming the Leader of the Opposition, Mr Dumelang Saleshando, ahead of their private talks at the Office on the President on Friday. The two leaders pledged to work together to ensure the country's democratic traditions were enhanced over the current parliamentary cycle.

Welcoming Mr Saleshando at his office, President Boko said in the aftermath of the 2024 general elections, as elected leaders, they should focus on institutionalising the country's democratic culture, through relevant policies, and engaging in matured, policy-centred debates.

"We need to work in the best interest of everyone in Botswana, citizens and residents," Advocate Boko said.

He said the current Parliament should assess the country's laws and work on improving pieces of legislation to further consolidate Botswana's democracy. He further called for a new culture of debate, to refocus on engaging issues instead of being personal.

"We need to move to a new level where our democratic discourse is about discussing ideas and issues, engage what is truly being raised, not about falsifying the

other's viewpoint, creating a straw man fallacy where the debate is distorted and avoids the real issues raised," President Boko said.

The President said politicians from across the divide should openly critique each other and be open to listen to those who see things from a different perspective.

For his part, Mr Saleshando said he was pleased to be working with a President who is a former Leader of the Opposition, a sentiment he said he had also extended to the Speaker of Parliament, Mr Dithapelo Koorapetse in their recent meeting.

Mr Saleshando said having the executive and legislature being led by former opposition leaders should make it easier for him to work with them on how to improve his office and the various other parliamentary functions, as they understand some of the challenges his office and the legislature face.

He said given some similarities in the policies of the governing and official opposition parties - the Umbrella for Democratic Change and Botswana Congress Party, the two leaders could explore where they converge and expedite their implementation.

Where they differ, Mr Saleshando agreed with the President that they could engage in an open, robust debate, but disagree in a respectful manner.

"I can assure you that we will play our part in focusing on issues, to play the ball, not the man. Where we critique, my point of departure is that no matter how strong you feel about your position, what matters most is the national interest," Mr Saleshando said. **BOPA**

in the temple of justice," President Boko said, adding that in his new role, he ought to rise above the ordinary and common place, as he owed loyalty to the legal profession and the nation.

He cautioned him that he would be subjected to the most intense and probing examinations by society, which he said members of the public were entitled to.

"By accepting this office you submit to all these probing and examinations," he said.

Hence he implored him to listen to the views of all and further said while he would meet challenges, arguments and propositions in discharging his duties, he ought to apply the law.

President Boko said the Chief Justice in his duties should reflect carefully on the competing interests of the people, litigants and the society in general, adding that failure to listen to critics could stifle democracy.

Justice Ketlogetswe ascends

to the position of Chief Justice having joined the Administration of Justice as a magistrate in 2001, after which he rose through the ranks to principal magistrate.

Chief Justice Ketlogetswe has also worked in private practice.

He had also served in the High Court as Assistant Registrar and Master of the High Court, and was later appointed judge of the High Court.

President Boko said the new Chief Justice had been exposed to all facets of the functions of the country's judiciary from his career which spanned over 30 years, thus making him a suitable candidate for the job.

"You have demonstrated humility. Above all the competence you have judicial temperament, you have the ability to listen to even the most unpopular," he said.

President Boko further told Chief Justice Ketlogetswe that the nation placed confidence in him to serve well. **BOPA**

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Mophuting calls for corporate support

By Lesedi Thatayamodimo

GABORONE - The business community has been implored to lend a hand in the ongoing relief efforts following the destruction caused by flash flood associated with Cyclone Dikeledi last week.

The call was made by the Assistant Minister in the Ministry for State President Ms Maipelo Mophuting in an interview during an assessment of damage caused around Gaborone and Metsimotlhabe areas on Thursday.

Ms Mophuting emphasised the need for collective support to help rebuild the affected communities and provide essential aid to those impacted by the rains.

She urged businesses to contribute in ways such as providing financial aid, and

resources or manpower to assist in the recovery process.

Her appeal underscored the significance of shared responsibility in addressing the crisis and ensuring that the affected areas received the necessary aid.

She noted that the current relief fund of P20 million was insufficient to address the scale of the destruction and provide lasting relief to individuals whose lives had been upended.

The rains, which swept through the country with unexpected ferocity on Thursday, caused widespread damage, including flooding, property destruction,

loss of crops and displacement of people. Extensive flooding also resulted in power outages, leaving people in the dark and without telephone network for communication purposes.

Most roads were left flooded, making them impassable, forcing people to remain confined to their homes.

Ms Mophuting said to efforts to mitigate the situation were ongoing with the Botswana Defence Force and the Botswana Police Service having been working tirelessly to provide emergency relief.

Despite the profound challenges, Ms Mophuting

expressed gratitude for the outpouring of support from the community, noting that neighbours have offered accommodation and assistance in different ways to those in need. She urged Batswana to continue opening their hearts to provide help during such difficult times.

The assistant minister also highlighted that the Dikeledi cyclone was a wake-up call that laid bare the urgent need for more comprehensive disaster response plans, greater investment in resilience building initiatives, and a more substantial funding commitment to mitigate the damage caused by future natural

disasters.

Ms Tsietsego King of Mogoditshane shared the emotional turmoil that the disaster brought upon her, describing how the loss of her house and valuable possessions when the roof of her house got blown away, had altered her life.

The resident also lost two vehicles which got damaged during the downpours.

“The sense of despair has been palpable as we face the daunting task of rebuilding lives from the ground up,” Ms King said, as she shared how her son also got injured as he got hit by a brick when the wall collapsed. **BOPA**

Minister appoints team to review DM model

GABORONE - Minister of Transport and Infrastructure, Mr Noah Salakae, has appointed a team of eight professionals to conduct a comprehensive review of the Development Manager (DM) model, aiming to assess its fiscal sustainability.

A press release from transport and infrastructure ministry, says the DM model was introduced by the previous government to enhance project implementation and management within the infrastructure sector.

The release says the newly commissioned team will operate under specific terms of reference that encompass the conceptualisation and approval of the DM model, procurement processes, and the implementation and coordination of DM projects. The review will cover the entire life cycle of infrastructure development projects, from conception through to closure.

The press release says that government has previously encountered significant challenges in implementing infrastructure projects, including cost overruns, project delays, and low-quality outcomes. These issues have had adverse effects on economic growth and have contributed to an environment conducive to corrupt practices.

Mr Mboki Chilisa will lead the review team, which will also address pertinent questions arising from the assessment of the DM model. The establishment of this team signifies the beginning of an in-depth evaluation intended to improve infrastructure development processes in the country. **BOPA**



Movement came to a standstill Friday morning after the A12 Road was closed near Metsimotlhabe bridge and Kopong junction following heavy downpours that left the road submerged in water. The situation called for immediate attention due to safety concerns but was later reopened after the water subsided. Photo: Tshepo Gombo

Donation shot in the arm for Tamocha primary

By Victoria Kesimolotse

MAHALAPYE - Tamocha Memorial School in Mahalapye received a donation of 1 000 books courtesy of President Advocate Duma Boko who was fulfilling the promise he made during a kgotla meeting in Mahalapye last year after ascending the country’s highest post. Speaking during the handing over ceremony at the

school premises on Friday, the Minister of Communications and Innovation Mr David Tshere said the importance of books in the academic journey of students could not be overemphasised.

Mr Tshere, who is also the Member of Parliament for Mahalapye West said the decision to donate books by President Boko was a reward and sign of encouragement toward improvement of grades

and knowledge. “President Boko was a student here and he wants you to adopt the culture of reading,” Mr Tshere said.

He also said the books would help to lay a strong foundation for learners to become the best versions of themselves given that they were leaders of tomorrow.

The minister also stated that no schools in the area had achieved below 50 per cent pass mark ever since he introduced

the performance improvement initiative of awarding the best performing students with laptops and the best performing teachers with monetary prizes.

Mr Tshere urged all to come on board to improve academic performance in schools. He said as the country continued to fight challenges head-on, communities were expected to come up with innovative ways of being self-reliant.

Principal Education Officer, Ms Anti Tshireletso was of the view that the donation would promote good grades and fluency in English.

“This kind of support is highly appreciated by communities we serve and we wish our President would continue with the noble gesture,” she said.

Ms Tshireletso was optimistic that the obstacles of the past would lead to new beginnings.

“The school head, Ms Tlholego Kemelo, said where possible, the minister should assist the school with a library to instill sense of reading.

She said the school had been performing well with 80 per cent pass rate, adding that they were also thankful to the President of Botswana for fulfilling the promise. **BOPA**

Madiba receives 2 000 books

By Victoria Kesimolotse

MAHALAPYE - Madiba Senior Secondary School students have been encouraged to work hard to achieved desired results that will unlock opportunities for them.

This was said by the Minister of Communications and Innovation Mr David Tshere during the handing over of 2 000 books to the school on Friday, courtesy of alumnus President Advocate Duma Boko.

Minister Tshere, who is also Mahalapye West legislator said

the books should also serve as an inspiration as the President was a student at Madiba during his school days.

He also said the noble gesture should challenge students to aim for high marks. “President Advocate Duma Boko is giving you these books so that you can develop interest in a broader spectrum of career path,” Mr Tshere said. Appreciating the donation, Principal Education Officer Ms Anti Tshireletso said shortage of resources takes centre stage at schools thus impeding quality service delivery.

She applauded the minister for making time to ensure the successful delivery of books and for motivating learners to work hard. The deputy school head, Mr Omphemetse Maitshoko thanked the minister for his performance improvement initiative stating that his son was able to attain 48 points and a laptop.

Phatsimo Mosudisa, a student representative expressed gratitude to the noble gesture and said the motivation was enough to push them beyond boundaries with research and attaining knowledge. **BOPA**

Brigades lecturers decry poor state of affairs

By Gontle Merafhe

GABORONE - Botswana College of Engineering and Technology, Tlokweng College of Education and Tlokweng Brigade lecturers have expressed displeasure at the lack of professional progression in their respective institutions.

Briefing the Minister of Tertiary Education, Mr Prince Maele, who visited the institutions on Friday, the staff of the three facilities indicated that lack of progress incapacitated production due to demoralisation, which they said was worsened by unconducive work environment.

They told the minister that they found themselves stagnated at C-scales where they earned too little against the high living standards.

Representing the Tlokweng Brigade staff, Ms Primrose Seiphemelo said her institution had only one D4 position, making it impossible to grow beyond C2 scale, where most of them had stagnated.

Ms Seiphemelo said in the Business Department they were not receiving scarce skill incentives like their peers at other institution, yet they were

teaching the same programme.

She said even if they applied for advertised positions in other institutions, they neither get invited for interviews nor feedback on their shortcomings.

For his part, Mr Johannes Tshukudu of Tlokweng College of Education said the work environment at the college was appalling with office space shared among a maximum of four people, which set up he said was not ideal for both colleagues and clients.

He decried shortage of printers, which he said compromised exams credibility as printing now had to be done in Gaborone.

Mr Tshukudu also decried lack of progression within the college staff, citing other maladministration issues where an officer at D4 scale acted for a D1 position over 12 months while supervising those at D3 and D2 salary scale.

He appealed for SmartBots internet installed in the college for easy internet access.

BCET staff also shared their grievances through Mr Kago Ramaselwana, a Mechanical Engineering lecturer at Botswana College of Engineering and Technology, who said that they also lacked progression in their profession.

Mr Ramaselwana also spoke of lack of staff development, which appeared to be a stumbling block when trying their luck with job opportunities. He requested that programmes offered by the institution be upgraded from Diploma to Degree level.

The Mechanical Engineering lecturer also said the equipment and laboratory materials needed upgrading to enhance teaching.

Mr Ramaselwana suggested that staff at his college be provided with institutional accommodation, adding that the 12 units they were offered in 2012 after lodging complaints to the Minister and the Permanent Secretary were uninhabitable because ceilings were collapsing and paint peeled off.

In response, Minister Maele said government acknowledged the dire situation from which brigades and technical colleges operated.

He further said the plan was to use technical colleges and brigades to create employment for the youth.

Mr Maele said he was to embark on a nationwide tour of such institutions to appreciate their state, thereby informing government decision going forward.

Minister Maele suggested online courses for brigade lecturers in order to continue schooling while teaching. **BOPA**



Three Makaleng arson victims, Ms Opatile Nthoka, her son, Tlotlo and cousin, Kaone Nthoka were laid to rest on Saturday. Minister of Youth and Gender Affairs, Ms Lesego Chombo, Assistant Minister for State President, Ms Maipelo Mophuting and Assistant Minister of Higher Education, who is also Tati West MP, Mr Justin Hunyepa were amongst multitudes of mourners who attended the funeral service. Photo: Thamani Shabani

Makaleng arson victims laid to rest

By Thamani Shabani

MAKALENG - Mourners among them Minister of Youth and Gender Affairs, Ms Lesego Chombo, assistant ministers for State President, and of Higher Education, Ms Maipelo Mophuting and Mr Justin Hunyepa respectively, on Saturday attended the funeral service in Makaleng for the three victims who died in an arson attack on January 8.

The trio are Ms Opatile Nthoka (31), her son, Tlotlo Nthoka (4) and a cousin, Ms Kaone Nthoka (20) who died when their house was set on fire, allegedly by Ompatile's boyfriend in the early hours of that fateful day.

The boyfriend, a murder ex-convict from Thini Ward in Tutume subsequently committed suicide and was found hanging from a nearby tree later on the same day he committed the incident.

Speaking at the funeral, Ms Chombo condemned the brutal killings that particularly targeted

defenseless women and children, and called for the nation to pray against such.

Minister Chombo implored the nation to put God first in all that they did because the fear of the Lord was the beginning of wisdom and love which were essential to building a peaceful Botswana.

She emphasised President Advocate Duma Boko's government commitment to protect human rights hence said, the right to life was fundamental and therefore, Gender-Based Violence (GBV) had no place in society.

Mr Hunyepa, who is also the area MP, expressed deep concern over the rising number of children who got killed in the country.

He said the phenomenon was devastating and created widespread fear and anxiety within communities and called for a need to find an urgent solution as it was a violation of human dignity.

"It dehumanises victims, stripping them of their sense of

safety, self-worth and control over their own lives," said Mr Hunyepa. He said the physical and emotional scars inflicted by GBV could be lasting, impacting every facet of a survivor's existence, from their relationships and mental health to their economic opportunities.

The devastating consequences of GBV extend far beyond the immediate victim, Mr Hunyepa said and added that families and communities were shattered by the trauma and loss while the social fabric was weakened by the pervasive fear and insecurity it created.

Mr Hunyepa said addressing the crisis required a multifaceted approach that included prevention, support for survivors and the vigorous prosecution of perpetrators.

Kgosi Thuso Ramokate of Makaleng expressed heartfelt gratitude to the residents for supporting the bereaved family, noting that the loss of three lives was devastating and impossible to bear. **BOPA**

Ntlo ya Dikgosi orientation for Palapye

GABORONE -The second meeting of the fifth Ntlo ya Dikgosi orientation is billed for the last week of January in Palapye.

A Press Release from the National Assembly states that Ntlo ya Dikgosi will take business to Palapye tomorrow, following its opening by the newly elected chairperson of Ntlo ya Dikgosi, Kgosi Malope II of Bangwaketse in Gaborone today.

It also states that from the Palapye orientation, a capacity-building workshop will be held for Members of Ntlo ya Dikgosi through briefings by various government departments starting January 27 ending January 31 at the Botswana Bureau of Standards premises in Gaborone.

This is to make way for the National Assembly February meeting. **BOPA**



Trust members demand accountability

By Portia Ikgopoleng

PANDAMATENGA

Residents of Pandamatenga have raised concerns over divisions and lack of consultations from Pandamatenga, Lesoma, Kazungula (PALEKA) Community Conservation Trust.

Raising their views during a kgotla meeting addressed by Chobe MP, Mr Simasiku Mapulanga on Wednesday, residents remarked that PALEKA was fragmented because of failure to consult communities from the three villages by the board.

They stated that the interim board that was elected in 2023 following a motion of no confidence against the old board had failed to call an Annual General Meeting to update members about the state of PALEKA.

Moreover, members of the community suggested that the board liaise with the Technical Advisory Committee led by the Office of the District Commissioner to facilitate consultations with the community and ensure government was aware of the people's concerns.

Responding to the questions, PALEKA board chairperson, Mr Kabozu Kabozu assured the community that an AGM would be held in February.

He stated that members of the community trust would be updated on the operations of PALEKA and receive an audited accounts and report at this AGM.

Moreover, he said PALEKA members would be kept abreast on all the trust's activities and financials, how much revenue was generated through leasing of concessions and hunting quotas.

Mr Kabozu implored community members to attend this AGM in order to express their views and probe the board on any matters of their interest.

For his part MP Mapulanga said that PALEKA was an economic engine for the three villages generating millions that could be channeled to developments and community empowerment. He said currently developments were lagging behind in Pandamatenga citing dire water supply, power outages and poor internal roads.

He stated that projects like internal roads maintenance could be carried out through PALEKA funds. He however noted this had failed because of the conflicts surrounding the community trust.

Mr Mapulanga said Chobe District was endowed with natural resources being perennial Chobe River and wildlife hence noted it was essential that the economic value of these resources reflected on the people of Chobe by improving their livelihoods.

He said community trusts like PALEKA were established



Chobe MP, Mr Simasiku Mapulanga (left) and Chobe District Council chairperson, Mr Johane Chenjekwa (second right) interacting with Pandamatenga residents following a kgotla meeting recently. Mr Mapulanga implored residents to upskill themselves by acquiring skills from brigades and CITF in order to be competitive for government contracts. Photo: Portia Ikgopoleng

to preserve natural resources sustainably and create opportunities based on communities and in return

generate income injected back into the community.

The MP encouraged residents to

enroll at CITF and Chobe Brigade to gain skills and knowledge that would help them start their

own businesses to supply and be contracted by government and other entities. **BOPA**

Heavy rains flood Boipuso Hall, disrupt activities

By Thato Setlhare

GABORONE - Boipuso Hall, one of Gaborone's key event venues, was submerged in water following a torrential downpour on Thursday night.

The unexpected heavy rains rendered the hall unusable, leading to the cancellation of several planned events and raising concerns about the city's drainage infrastructure and its ability to withstand extreme weather.

Fairgrounds Holdings Chief Executive Officer, Ms Gorata Gabaraane confirmed the extent of the damage during an interview on Friday, stating that not only was Boipuso Hall severely affected, but adjacent buildings were also flooded.

"Water gushed through the main entrances and even through the roofing, completely deluging the floor.

This caused significant damage to the wooden furniture that had already been set up for an event," she explained.

Ms Gabaraane also revealed that sensitive equipment such as cameras, which had been left onsite by event organizers in preparation for the morning were submerged.

"We were not anticipating this level of rainfall and flooding.

Our team is conducting thorough

assessments to determine the extent of the damage and to liaise with third parties regarding any harm to their property," she added.

In response to the disaster, Ms Gabaraane emphasised that Fairgrounds Holdings was taking steps to prevent similar incidents in the future, stating that they were investigating the root cause of the flooding to implement lasting solutions.

She said they had engaged their insurance partners, who had advised on immediate control

measures.

Ms Gabaraane noted also that they were working to provide alternative venues for their clients to ensure minimal disruption to their events.

She assured the public that her team was working tirelessly to restore normalcy within two working days.

"We are doing everything in our power to stabilise the situation.

While this incident was unfortunate, we are confident in our ability to address it effectively.

Clients should not hesitate to make future bookings," she concluded.

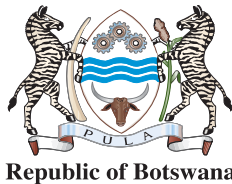
The flooding has sparked discussions about the adequacy of Gaborone's drainage systems, especially in light of climate change, which has led to increasingly unpredictable weather patterns.

Stakeholders are calling for urgent interventions to upgrade the city's infrastructure to avoid similar disruptions in the future.

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Boipuso Hall is one of the areas in Gaborone that were affected by the Thursday downpours. The rains caused damages to the hall, resulting in cancellation of planned events.



Republic of Botswana

EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE AND SECURITY
VACANCY CIRCULAR NO. 6 of 2024

SENIOR MANAGER, CORPORATE SERVICES

The Ministry of Defence and Security invites applications from talented, decisive, self-driven and qualified citizens of Botswana to fill the vacant position of **SENIOR MANAGER, CORPORATE SERVICES** in the Ministry Headquarters.

SALARY SCALE: E1 (P512,148 – P532,860) per annum.

MAIN PURPOSE OF THE JOB

To provide strategic management in the implementation of Corporate Services functions.

KEY PERFORMANCE AREAS

1. Interprets Corporate Services Policies.
2. Develops Corporate Services long, medium and short term plans and programmes in Corporate Services.
3. Translates long, medium and short term Plans and Programmes in Corporate Services into work activities.
4. Coordinates the implementation of Corporate Services programmes.
5. Contributes in developing sound operational guidelines to facilitate implementation of Ministry's objectives.
6. Reviews Annual Plans and Programmes to facilitate implementation of Corporate Services strategies.
7. Manages and reviews performance of Human Resource

- Management and Administration functions.
8. Promotes communication and sharing of information within the Corporate Services function.
 9. Consolidates the Department's budget for incorporation into the Ministerial budget.
 10. Monitors the budget expenditure to ensure appropriate utilisation.
 11. Undertakes any other related duties as may be assigned by Management.

QUALIFIED APPLICANT'S PROFILE

To be considered for appointment to this position, candidates must have at least Degree in Human Resource Management or Public Administration and Management or Business Administration or Strategic Management or equivalent. A Masters Degree in a relevant field would be an added advantage.

Applicants should have a minimum of 16 years in a corporate environment.

KEY SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

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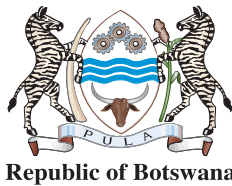
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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE AND SECURITY
VACANCY CIRCULAR NO. 5 of 2024

PRINCIPAL PROJECT OFFICER II

The Ministry of Defence and Security - Headquarters invites applications from talented, decisive, self-driven and qualified citizens of Botswana to fill the following post: -

PRINCIPAL PROJECT OFFICER II (1 POST)

SALARY SCALE: D3
(P293,652.00 – P323,748.00 per annum)

MAIN PURPOSE OF THE JOB

To provide coordination of anti-corruption initiatives within the Ministry.

KEY PERFORMANCE AREAS

1. Develop, implement and review annual work plans for Anti -Corruption Unit (ACU) and Corruption Prevention Committees (CPC).
2. Conduct preliminary enquiries for Anti-Corruption Units and refer matters requiring further investigation to Directorate on Commission and Economic Crime (DCEC) and Botswana Police Service (BPS)).
3. Compile reports for ACUs and CPCs.
4. Coordinate Corruption Prevention Committee programmes and projects.
5. Coordinate implementation of all agreed recommendations arising from corruption audits.
6. Respond to all referrals from DCEC.

7. Develop, implement and monitor an assessment tool for measuring impact of anti-corruption initiatives within Ministry of Defence and Security.

QUALIFIED APPLICANTS PROFILE

To be considered for this position, candidates must have at least Degree in any Social Sciences or any related field, complimented by eight (8) years post qualification experience. Two (2) years should have been served at D4 salary scale or its equivalent.

KEY SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

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

BENEFITS

- a) Leave of 30 working days per annum
- b) Optional contributory Medical Aid Scheme (Government pays 50% and employee 50%).
- c) Contributory Pension Scheme (Government pays 15% and employee 5%).

IMPORTANT

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- (c) In case of serving Public Officers, applications must be routed through their Heads of Department and Permanent Secretaries. Applications not so routed will not be considered
- (d) Only shortlisted applicants will be responded to

Applications should be addressed to;

Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Defence and Security
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Gaborone CBD, Phase 2.

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CLOSING DATE: 27 JANUARY 2025

Kanye WUC reports water reticulation challenges

By Marvin Motlhabane

KANYE - The Kanye Service Centre has reported challenges regarding water reticulation in the village, exacerbated during the festive season due to disruptions at the Moralané pump station and the Masama boreholes.

Kanye requires 15 million litres of water daily, sourced from boreholes and the North-South Carrier (NSC), which provide 7 million and 8 million litres, respectively.

However, the service centre finds itself receiving less than 8 million litres from the NSC, owing to a number of reasons.

In an interview with BOPA on Thursday, Water Utilities Corporation (WUC) General Manager-Kanye, Mr Monametsi Ramosu, explained that recent heavy rains over the holidays led to the water supply issues facing Kanye and surrounding villages.

He said thunderstorms damaged the electricity supply necessary for the operation of their pump stations.

This situation necessitated urgent repairs to restore water services, including the replacement of components affected by the storms.

The Masama WellPoint, crucial for delivering high-pressure water to greater Gaborone, including Kanye, was unable to meet demand during December.

However, Mr Ramosu

emphasised that WUC worked diligently to keep the community informed about the developments related to the water shortages, using social media and public announcement systems for communication.

As part of their efforts to improve communication, WUC was in the process of implementing SMS alerts

to enhance updates for their customers, particularly during critical service interruptions.

He acknowledged challenges in communication with residents, especially when maintenance work was outsourced to contractors who sometimes fail to report issues, such as broken pipes, in a timely manner.

Mr Ramosu assured residents

that these communication issues were being addressed.

He also expressed concern regarding the ongoing vandalism of water reticulation infrastructure by some community members, noting that such acts disrupted water flow and strained the corporation's budget due to increased repair costs.

He warned the public about

the dangers associated with tampering with high-pressure water distribution pipes, which could result in severe injuries or fatalities.

"The Kanye services centre continues to prioritize restoring service reliability while addressing the challenges posed by both natural and human factors," he said. **BOPA**



Disruptions at the Moralané pump station and the Masama boreholes have exacerbated challenges regarding water reticulation in Kanye.



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South Africa positions as investment centre

JOHANNESBURG - As South Africa's finance minister and his team prepare to attend the upcoming World Economic Forum (WEF), an economist emphasized the importance of positioning the country as a competitive investment destination.

The Annual Meeting 2025 of WEF will start Today in Davos, Switzerland, and last until Friday.

In a recent interview with Xinhua, Professor Jannie Rossouw of Wits University urged the delegation to demonstrate why investors

should choose South Africa over other countries.

"The minister and his team have to present South Africa as an investor-friendly destination. They must be able to explain why investors should come to invest in South Africa instead of going somewhere else," Rossouw said.

He reckoned they must be able to showcase South Africa's competitiveness and what it had to offer that its counterparts did not.

"They must show why investors should come here instead of

Brazil or Kenya, for instance," he said.

Rossouw's comments followed remarks by Finance Minister Enoch Godongwana, who stated Thursday that the WEF meeting provided an opportunity to showcase the country's offerings to various stakeholders.

Godongwana also said these stakeholders would likely want to understand both the challenges South Africa faced and the opportunities it presented.

"It is essential that we align our key messages to showcase our country's strengths, address

misconceptions, and advance our collective priorities.

By presenting a unified message, we can enhance South Africa's standing and influence in the global community," Godongwana said in Johannesburg ahead of the meeting.

While acknowledging economic challenges, including a contraction in gross domestic

product in the third quarter last year, Godongwana expressed optimism about 2025, citing a stronger foundation.

"There are significant upside risks to growth in the final quarter, including faster-than-anticipated easing of inflationary pressures, improved electricity reliability," Godongwana added.

Xinhua

Nigeria to use BRICS platform to advance economic development

ABUJA - Nigeria will leverage the opportunity of being a partner country of the BRICS bloc to advance strategic partnerships that align with its development objectives, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs said Saturday.

"Nigeria is poised to leverage this platform to advance shared goals in trade and investment, energy security, infrastructure development, technology, and climate change," the ministry said, while formally accepting the invitation to join BRICS as a partner country. "The formal acceptance to participate as a partner country underscores

Nigeria's commitment to fostering international collaboration, leveraging economic opportunities."

The ministry said BRICS, as a bloc of major developing economies, presented a unique platform for Nigeria to enhance trade, investment, and socio-economic cooperation with member countries.

"The partnership also aligns with Nigeria's national aspirations for inclusive growth, regional integration and active participation in shaping a fair and equitable economic order in line with the ethos of strategic

autonomy. Nigeria looks forward to engaging constructively with BRICS members to drive innovation, and foster people-to-people exchanges in line with our national interests and strategic priorities," added the ministry in its statement **Xinhua**



TORONTO - People visiting the 2025 Toronto International Boat Show in Canada. Showcasing more than 1 000 boats of all sizes, the annual event kicked off on Saturday and will last until Sunday.

Photo: Xinhua

Police airlift Malelejwe RADS pupils

By Tebogo Masureke

MALELEJWE - The recent torrential rains that caused significant flooding in some

parts of Botswana, has prevented 87 pupils from Malelejwe settlement from returning to school.

Located about 22 kilometres

south of Sowa township, the children were stranded on one side of overflowing waters from a stream near Tshwaane settlement that had swollen into a lake, effectively blocking their access to schools in Sowa township and Nata village.

The flooding, caused by the Mosetse River overflowing into Tshwaane, and subsequently spreading into the Makgadikgadi Pan, made it impossible for the children to cross the water by conventional means.

As a result, Botswana Police Service deployed a helicopter to airlift the 87 pupils to safety on Thursday morning, two days after schools reopened.

The helicopter transported the children across the impassable stream to a point where government vehicles could then take them to their respective schools.

Tutume District commissioner, Ms Tlotleng Rampha clarified that while flooding significantly impacted the area, Malelejwe settlement itself was not inundated.

The severe flooding occurred at Tshwaane settlement, forcing temporary relocation of 27 families to Sowa while others sought refuge with neighbours. **BOPA**



AMSTERDAM - People attending HORECAVA 2025 in The Netherlands recently. The annual HORECAVA, a Dutch trade fair for food, beverage and service industry starts today and ends Thursday. Photo: Xinhua



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Ba Smart Switch ba abela baithuti

Ka Puseletso Kenyaditswe

MANTSHWABISI - Ba khamphani ya Smart Switch ba abetse bana ba sekole se sebotlana sa Mantshwabisi ba ba nnang mo sekoleng dibeke, ditlhako le dikausu tse di lopileng P130 000.

E rile a amogela baeng kwa tirong eo bosheng, Mogokgo Nelly Tautona, a tlhalosa fa sekole sa Mantshwabisi se na le bana ba le 465, mme ba le 283 ba nna mo sekoleng fa ba le 182 ba nna mo motseng.

Mogokgo o tlhalositse fa go na le batlhokomedi ba bana ba le bararo, ba ba thusang ba le lesome le bobedi, barutabana ba le masome mabedi le motso le badiri ba bangwe ba le bane.

Mme Tautona o ne a tlhalosa fa bana ba ba nnang kwa sekoleng seo ba tswa kwa mafelong a a farologanyeng a a kgakala le ditlamelo jaaka masimo le meraka le metse e mengwe jaaka Magakabe, Mosime, Maseru, Kgare, Ditshegwane, Takatokwane le Dikabaneng.

O tlhalositse fa bana ba tswa kwa ba nnang teng ba santse ba le bannye go tla go simolola mophato wa ntlha, mme fa ba fitlha kwa sekoleng ba gakgamadiwa ke fa ba nnang teng, a supa fa bana ba ba tshwarisa bothata mo kgweding ya ntlha ba batla go boela kwa magaeng.

Mogokgo o supile gape fa bana ba tlhoafalela batsadi ka e le sa ntlha ba kgaogana le bone, a bo a tlhalosa fa ba thusa bana go tlhaloganya seemo se ba leng mo go sone.

O supile gape fa bana ba ba nnang mo dikoleng ba na le kgwetlho ya go tlhoka diaparo le ditlhako, a bo a leboga Modimo ka batlhokomedi ba bana bao ka ba dira tiro ya bone ka botlalo.

Mothusa mokwaledi wa khansele ya Letlhakeng, Mme Delic Sehunwe, o ne a leboga Smart Switch le khansele ya Letlhakeng ka tiro e ntle e ba e dirileng.

Mme Sehunwe o tlhalositse fa khansele ya Letlhakeng e ne ya simolola go ikemela ka ngwaga wa 2022 ka Ngwanatsele. O supile gape fa khansele e na le boikarabelo jwa go tlhokomela bana ba ba nnang kwa sekoleng sa Mantshwabisi ka go ba rekela paka ya sekole.

O tlhalositse fa ba sa le ba nna le botsalano le ba Smart Switch ka 2008, a tlhalosa fa puso ka esi e ka seke e kgone go thusa Batswana botlhe jaanong go tlhoka gore dikgwebo di thuse.

Mothusa mokwaledi o ne a leboga ba Smart Switch go itumedisa bana le go thusa khansele go rekela bana paka ya sekole.

A re go lesego letsogo le le

abang go na le le le amogelang mme a ba kopa ba Smart Switch go ithhophela go tlhokomela bana ba ba nnang mo sekoleng seo.

Mogolwane go tswa kwa Smart Switch Rre France Mabiletsa o supile fa ba dira dipoelo mme ba thuse dikole ka bontlha bongwe jwa tsone, a bo a supa fa e le ngwaga wa bone ba thusa dikhansele tse di farologanyeng.

O tlhalositse fa ba simolotse ka go thusa sekole sa Thankane kwa kgaolong ya Mabutsane ka paka ya sekole, ba tswela ba aba dikobo le dibeke kwa Shoshong kwa kgaolong ya Mahalapye, fa ngogola ba ne ba le kwa Okavango ba aba dikobo le dibeke.

Rre Mabiletsa o ne a kopa bana go itebaganya thata le thuto a re ke baeteledipele ba kamoso, a bo a supa fa go tlaa tswa makhanselara, mapalamente, dikgosi le dikgosana, bagwebi le badirelapuso mo go bone.

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Mookamedi wa khamphani ya Smart Switch, Rre France Mabiletsa (bobedi mojing) a rolela mothusa mokwaledi wa khansele ya Letlhakeng, Mme Delic Sehunwe (bobedi molemeng) le Kgosi Dikaelo Tsiang wa Mantshwabisi (molemeng) dimpho tse di akaretsang dibeke, ditlhako le dikausu bosheng tse di tlaa abelwang bana ba sekole sa Mantshwabisi se se botlana. Senepe: Mothusi Galekhutle

Puso e tokafatsa seemo sa metsi kwa Lobu

Ka Cathrine Simane

GAKHIBANA - Polasi ya Lobu e e simolodisitsweng ka 1978 ka maikalelo a go thusa barui ba kgalagadi le Batswana ka ka kakaretso go tlhabolola loruo go nna lwa boleng jo bo kwa godimo le go lo atisa e tswa kgakala e tlhaelelwa ke metsi a go nosa loruo le go dira ditirelo tse dingwe mo go yone.

E ne yare ngogola ka kgwedi ya Phukwi, ba lephata la metsi le kgopo metsi aa leswe ba tshwaraganye le ba lephata la temo thuo ba tsibogela seemo seo ka go thapa khamphani ya Geomin Technologies Impala Drilling JV go rarabolola seemo.

Mo diphuthegong tsa kgotla kwa motseng wa Kolonkwaneng, Bogogobo, Khuis, Middlepits le Gakhibana ee gaufi le polasi eo mogolwane go tswa mo lephateng la metsi, Rre Tefo Lobelo o tlhalositse fa maikalelo e le go tla go rerisana le morafe go oketsa bokete le selekanyo sa metsi go thusa go nosa loruo le go dira ditirelo tse dingwe mo polasing eo.

Rre Lobelo o supile fa maikaeleo a diphuthego tseo e le go tla go rola semmuso khamphani mo morafeng, e e leng yone e tlaa dirang tiro eo ya go phunya metsi ka go dirilwe maiteko gantsi ke puso mme ba itaya sefologotse ka mabaka a metsi a a letswai kwa Lobu.

O supile fa ditumalano le khamphani ya Geomin

Techologies Impala Drilling JV, e le go epa didiba tse tharo, go phunya metsi mo tikologong ya polasi mme ba setse ba simolotse tiro ngogola, e ae tla welang mo lobakeng lwa ngwaga.

Rre Lobelo o boletse fa mo karolong ya ntlha, puso e rebotse madi aa fetang P11 Million go dirisiwa mo tirong e e akaretsang tshekatsheko, go dupa, go epa, tlhatlhobo ya boleng jwa metsi, bokete le selekanyo sa o ne mme tiro nngwe le nngwe ka go latelana, khamphani e tlaabo e begela mohiri ka fa ba tswelletseng ka teng.

O tlhalositse fa mo karolong ya bobedi ya tiro, e tlaabo e le go gogela metsi mo polasing, go aga ditanka le tse dingwe le gore gape fa ka go tlhoka lesego metsi go ka fitlhwelwa a le letswai, ba tswe ka tharabololo ya go dira lefelo la go a tlhatswa mme tiro e, e tlaa ikopelwa gape le go abelwa khamphani e sele e e tlaa atlegang. Mong wa khamphani ya Geomin Technologies Impala Drilling JV, Rre Goboletswe Mangadi o tlhalositse fa ba setse ba potietse mafelo a le boferabobedi mo tikologong ya polasi ya Lobu, go dupa mo go o ne mme fa ba atlega, maikalelo ke go phunya metsi mo didibeng tse tharo.

Rre Mangadi o boletse fa ditumalano le mohiri e le go phunya metsi a a nang le boleng, a a ka nowang ke loruo le batho ba ba berekang mo polasing ka mo nakong eno ba sielwa metsi

ka koloi ke ba koporasi ya metsi. go tswa kwa Gakhibana le Khuis.

A re maikaelelo ke gore metsi a ba tlaa a phunyang a bo a le phepa ebile a na le boleng jo bo kwa godimo, bokete le selekanyo se se ka kgonang go rarabolola seemo sa tlhalelo e e leng teng kwa Lobu.

Rre Mangadi a re mo lobakeng lwa dkgwedi tse thataro morago ga go wetsa tiro, ba tlaabo ba ntse ba etse seemo tlhoko, go bona gore a sengwe le sengwe se diragala ka fa go tshwanetseng ka teng, mme morago ba boele gape kwa merafeng go ba begela. Tiro e wela ngwaga oo tlang ka kgwedi ya Hirikgong e le lesome le boraro.

O supile fa maikaelelo a khamphani e le go thapa banni mo metseng ee gaufi le Lobu go tsibogela seemo sa letlhoko la ditiro bogolo jang banana.

Dr Tshepang Moeng go tswa kwa lephateng la matlhoko a loruo kwa Tsabong, e ne o supile fa tsholofelo e le gore tiro e atlege, gore ditlhabololo di tswelele.

O tlhalositse fa maikaelelo e le go simolodisa ditirelo di akaretsa kgwediso ka seatla, go lema dijo tsa loruo, go hirisetsa LEA bontlha bongwe go dira incubation Plant le go ruta barui tiro tsa diatla di itebagantseng le thuo.

Fa a tswa la gagwe, motshwarelela mookamedi wa polasi ya Lobu, Rre Kabo Kemoreile o tlhalositse fa go na le kgolo e e kwa godimo ya

loruo mo polsing ya Lobu fa a tshwantshanya le mo nakong e e fetileng ka palo ya e e fetang dikete tse nne tse di akaretsang dikgomo, dihutshane le dipitse.

Rre Kemoreile o supile fa maikaelelo e le go fokotsa dipalo tsa loruo tse di kwa godimo ka go rekisa ka palobalo ngwaga le ngwaga mme maikaelelo e le go rekisa gabedi mo ngwageng fa go sena dikgoreretsi go ya ka ditsamaiso tse di tshwanetseng go salwa morago.

Are mo nakong ya gompiano, go na le badiri ba feta masome a supa ba ba dirang ditiro tse di farologaneng mo polasing go akareditswe le badisa ba ba thapiwang mo lobakeng lwa ngwaga.

Banni mo metseng ya Kolonkwaneng, Bogogobo, Middlepits, Khusi le Gakhibana ba ne ba galaletsa puso ka maiteko a go tsibogela letlhoko la metsi kwa Lobu ba supa fa polasi e tswa kgakala e ba tswela mosola ka ba ikaegile thata ka loruo.

Rre Dick Kotokwe go tswa Khuis o supile fa go na le sediba se se fa gare ga motse se se sa dirisiwang mme ba kopa gore go dirwe ditshekatsheko go thusa ka didiba tse di ka rarabololang seemo sa metsi.

A re didiba tsa barui di dikologile polasi mme seo gongwe se baka dikgoreletsi go phunya metsi mme karabo e nnile gore dipuisano le ditshekatsheko di tlaa dirwa magareng ga barui le puso. **BOPA**

World Economic Forum springboard for SA to increase visibility

JOHANNESBURG - South Africa Minister of Finance Enoch Godongwana on Thursday called for a concerted effort by government and business to use the upcoming World Economic

Forum (WEF) to raise the country's global profile and showcase its G20 presidency. The Annual Meeting 2025 of the WEF will take place in Davos, Switzerland from today until

Friday. Speaking on Thursday at the Pre-WEF Breakfast Briefing Session in Johannesburg, Godongwana emphasised that this year's WEF is "particularly significant" for the country.

"This presents a golden opportunity to not only strengthen South Africa's visibility on the world stage but also to profile our G20 presidency," he said. South Africa assumed the G20 presidency in December 2024 and will host the G20 Leaders' Summit later this year.

Godongwana revealed that President Cyril Ramaphosa will lead South Africa's delegation to the WEF for the first time in many years.

The delegation will highlight South Africa's G20 presidency, which, under the theme: Solidarity, Equality, and Sustainability reflected the essence of the country's vision for global leadership.

The finance minister also noted that this year's WEF theme: Collaboration in the Intelligent Age, aligned with South Africa's focus on innovation and inclusion to address its economic and social challenges.

In order to leverage this opportunity, Godongwana emphasised the need for cooperation between business and government as South Africa prepares to present its story on

the global stage. "It is essential that we align our key messages to showcase our country's strengths, address misconceptions, and advance our collective priorities. By presenting a unified message, we can enhance South Africa's standing and influence in the global community," he said.

"In conclusion, as we prepare to represent South Africa in Davos, let us remember the strength that lies in collaboration. Together, government and business can drive the messages that matter most, which are those of resilience, opportunity, and shared prosperity," he added. *Xinhua*

Namibia reports lumpy skin disease outbreak

WINDHOEK - Namibia's Directorate of Veterinary Services (DVS) issued a warning to farmers on Thursday night following the outbreak of lumpy skin disease (LSD) in several areas.

There have been 73 confirmed cases of the disease, a debilitating viral infection that affects cattle, in the Otjombinde Constituency within the Epukiro Veterinary District in the Omaheke Region of eastern Namibia, Johannes Shoopala, acting chief veterinary officer at the DVS, said in a statement.

"LSD is a state-controlled disease, and wherever it occurs, it must be reported to the nearest state veterinarian," he said.

According to Shoopala, LSD is transmitted by blood-feeding insects such as flies, mosquitoes, and ticks.

He noted that depending on the epidemiological situation of the area, local state veterinarians are empowered by law to implement control measures to safeguard the livestock industry, which may include quarantine of the affected area, vaccination of all in-contact animals with the recommended vaccine, and treatment of all animals showing symptoms of LSD.

"The directorate is strongly advising farmers countrywide to vaccinate their cattle against LSD, control biting insects, and report any suspected LSD case to their nearest state veterinary services office as required by law," Shoopala added.

Namibia exports beef to the European Union, Norway, China, South Africa, the United Kingdom, and the United States. *Xinhua*



JOHANNESBURG - Johannesburg business hub. South Africa Minister of Finance Enoch Godongwana on Thursday called for a concerted effort by government and businesses to use the upcoming World Economic Forum to raise the country's global profile and showcase its G20 presidency. Photo: Xinhua



Republic of Botswana

MINISTRY OF SPORT AND ARTS

PUBLIC NOTICE

Ministry of Sport and Arts informs the general public that the two (2) positions advertised under Ministry of Defence and Security, Headquarters on the " Botswana DailyNews" newspaper appearing on the **14th January 2025** and **20th January 2025** being;

- a) Senior Manager – Corporate Services (E1) and,
- b) Principal Project Officer II – D3

should be directed and addressed to: Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Sport and Arts, **Private Bag 00384, Gaborone.**

The closing date remains unchanged being **27th January 2025.** We sincerely apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused.

APPLICATIONS ADDRESSED TO MINISTRY OF DEFENCE AND SECURITY WILL ALSO BE CONSIDERED.

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Fax: 395 7873 / 391 2001
Telex: 2141 BD



Republic of Botswana

MINISTRY FOR STATE PRESIDENT

Department of Information Services

January 17, 2025

NOTICE OF APPROVED BIDDER

Name of Procuring Entity	Department of Information Services
Title of Procurement	Distribution of 40 000 copies of Daily Newspaper to 155 places for a period of six (6) months
Method of Procurement	Direct Appointment
Approved contractor	Mogaka (Pty) Ltd
Period of contract	Six (6) months

This is in line with the Public Procurement Regulations 2023, on Direct Appointment, clause 20(3) which reads;

'A procuring entity shall, by Notice in the Gazette, in a newspaper of national circulation, electronic media or Government portal, publish the name of a contractor who has been approved for Direct Appointment, except the name of a contractor who has been approved for sensitive and classified procurement.'

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LOOKING FOR FARM WORKERS in Mahalapye. Contact 77 145 628

FARM WORKER WANTED at Mabele village call: 72 231 290

HERDMAN (BOY) WANTED at Pandamatenga Contact No: 72112437 / 71 596 605 or Write To: P. O. Box 306 Kasane

HERDBY: WANTED. SHAKAWE cattle post. P.O. Box 2575 Serowe. Contact: 74 150 944

KE BATLA MODISA ko Panda Contact no: 74 635 620 Sharan Takwe P. O. Box 22 Pandamatenga

TILWANE FARM BOKAA, Kefilwe Modise looking for farm worker, preferably lady; 74 096 333.

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HERDBOY WANTED at Seokeng - Mmadithorana cattle-post. Apply to: Seemo Malete, Box 1 Mogapi Extension area, Mogapi.

FARM WORKER WITH horticulture experience wanted in Kgope 71334636 / 75 509 755

HERDBOY/ FARM WORKER wanted at Rasepepe cattle post (Mogapi Extension Area). Apply to: B. Motsemeng Box 1295 Selebi Phikwe.

FARM WORKER REQUIRED with minimum 5 years experience in cattle farming, able to read and write for record keeping purposes. Farm maintenance & up keeping essential, Ready to work on Holidays. Forward applications to: Primefast (Pty) Ltd P O Box 68, Werda, Closing date: 3/2/25.

FARM WORKER WANTED, Kwahu Land, Ranaka. Box 687, Lobatse. Contact 71 478 790 / 78 437 999.

FARM WORKER WANTED, Kgatleng Rasesa farm. P O Box 70215 Rasesa. 71 840 096

OWNER OF PLOT no 13597 Palapye, Extension 11 want to erect a boundary wall. Any objection contact Palapye Building control or 74 108 940 within 14 working days.

OWNER OF PLOT 1260, Ramokgonami wish to change use from Agriculture to mixed use (Agriculture and Commercial), any objections contact Mahalapye Council Physical Planning office on 471 2145

OWNER OF PLOT NO. 526, Botebele ward, Lesoma wishes to inform the public about the intention to change land use from residential plot to commercial plot.

DEWAH ELIAS MOYO , the owner of a horticulture farm at Molongwana / Mmamashia lands, wishes to inform neighbors of the intention to change land use from horticulture to mixed-use (commercial / industrial). Contact 74 597 944. For any objections contact Kgatleng District Council, physical planning office within 14 days of this publication.

I REFILWE PHOLO Baepi of lot number 1269, Lekgwapheng Molepolole intend to change use from single-family residential to multi-family residential. For objections contact Kweneng District Council Physical Planning Office at 5915512 within 14 days

ZETA CLINIC (PTY) Ltd is looking for position: General Practitioner-Doctor with 5 to 10 years work experience, should be registered with Botswana Health Professionals Council, Bachelor degree of Medicine of Surgery or equivalent. Apply to Human Resources Manager, P O Box 730, Gaborone, zetaclinic@gmail. com. Closing date: 30th January 2025

MISCELLANEOUS

LOOKING FOR APPIAH-KONADU FELIX B 639 AWH. Contact Atang Mooketsane. 74 754 806.

NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION

ROBERT MOATSWI OWNER of a poultry at ShasheMooke/ Duela would like to change the land use from poultry to commercial. For any objection contact Tonota District Physical Planning Office on 2484248 within fourteen (14) days of publication of this notice



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NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Masters Reference: ESHGB-000048/24


IN THE JOINT ESTATE of the Late **LESLEY AGNES BURGER** who died at Bokamoso Private Hospital, Mmopane, Kweneng District,Botswana on the 8th day of December 2023 and the late **PETRUS JOHANNES BURGER** who died at Gaborone Private Hospital, Gaborone, on the 1st day of September 2024.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **Debtors and Creditors** in the above Joint 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 GABORONE ON THIS 20th DAY OF DECEMBER 2024



The Executor Lefika K. Nkolonyane
P.O Box 503433 GABORONE
Cell: 74 308 355 / 73 041 623



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NOTICE OF NEXT OF KIN MEETINGS

ADMINISTRATION OF Estates Act
[Cap 31:01]

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
ABRAHAM SENYATSO	ESHFT-000751-24	25-03-2025	0900HRS	BASUPI

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 16TH DAY OF JANUARY 2025

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MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

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

ESHFT 000245-23

NOTICE TO DEBTOR AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the late **MOTHUSI KEDIKILWE ESHFT:000245-23** who died at TUTUME HOSPITAL CENTRAL DISTRICT, on the 16th day of JULY 2023.

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

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 16th DAY OF December 2024

TUMELANO MOTHUSI	AND TO:
EXECUTOR DATIVE	Master of the High Court
P O BOX 250	Private Bag F13
FRANCISTOWN	FRANCISTOWN

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
GWALA NEMBE	ESHFT-00000294-24	18-03-2025	0900HRS	RAMPHA

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 13th DAY OF JANUARY 2025

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MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS


Masters Reference: ESHGB-000662/23

IN THE ESTATE of the Late **MILOVAN PEJOVIC** who died at Sidilega Private Hospital, Gaborone, Gaborone District on the 19th day of August 2023.


NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **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 GABORONE ON THIS 20th DAY OF DECEMBER 2024

C/O Akheel Jinabhai & Associates



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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
ITANI & OTILIA MUTATUKI	ESHFT-000697-24	09-04-2025	0900HRS	BASUPI

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 16TH DAY OF JANUARY 2025

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BUSINESS PLOT FOR SALE in Sikwane 1282sqm P170, 000 , 76365975

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NOTICE OF CONSTRUCTION

OF ACCESS ROAD FROM THE A12 HIGHWAY INTO PLOT NO.6022, BLOCK 4, METSIMOTLHABE

METSIMOTLHABE DEVELOPMENT (PTY) LTD owner of Plot no.6022 block 4 Metsimotlhabe would like to inform my neighbours and the public of my intentions to construct access road onto A12 highway road.

For **any objections** to the proposed access road onto A12 highway road **contact Metsimotlhabe Development** tell: 72 100 106 **within fourteen (14) days** of this publication.

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
TAFANANA & AGGRIPA NDLOVU	ESHFT-000514-24	02-04-2025	0900HRS	

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 16th DAY OF JANUARY 2025

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

Sino Power (Pty) Ltd

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degree is required

Truck Mechanic x3: Minimum 8 years truck mechanic working experience

NOTE: All applications should include recent resume, certified copies of credentials. Preference will be given to citizens.

Closing Date: 31/01/2025

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

ESHFT 000032/24

NOTICE TO DEBTOR AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the late Pelonomi Kinetic Miti ESHFT: 000032/24 who died at Francistown Academic Hospital, Francistown District on the 1st day of November 2024.

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

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 16th DAY OF December 2024

Beauty Lucy Malunga

EXECUTOR DATIVE

P O BOX 10753

FRANCISTOWN

74152619/72447166

AND TO: Master of the High Court

Private Bag F13

FRANCISTOWN

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
BALESITSE POLASI	ESHFT-000752/24	08-04-2025	0900HRS	BASUPI

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 16th DAY OF JANUARY 2025

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
UYAUO . MMOLAI	GFHFT-000555/23-24	08-04-2025	0900HRS	BASUPI

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
SPENCER MAHATSHWA	ESHFT-000040-25	26-03-2025	0900HRS	BASUPI

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 16th DAY OF JANUARY 2025

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NEIGHBOUR CONSULTATION ADVERT

OWNER OF PLOT 50720, located at Ext 11 Gaborone, wishes to inform neighbours of the intention to develop 11 townhouses dwelling units (double storey) in a multi-residential setting. Any objection to this proposal should be directed to Gaborone City Council Physical Planning Offices – (218/226/227/ 229) Civic Centre or Unik Construction Engineering Offices (72 740 221 / 77 158 720) within 14 days of the publication of the notice.

LOST TITLE DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends applying for a certified copy of Notarial Deed of Cession No.MA 30/89 dated 31st August 1989 made in favour of R & O INVESTMENTS (PROPRIETARY) LIMITED in respect of;

CERTAIN: Piece of land being Tribal Lot 141, Molepolole

SITUATE: at Molepolole in the Bakwena Tribal Territory

MEASURING: 975 m² (Nine Hundred and Seventy – Five Square Meters)

HELD UNDER: Notarial Deed Cession No. MA 173/ 2004 dated 31st August 1989 made in favour of R & O INVESTMENTS (PROPRIETARY) LIMITED

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

DATED AT MOLEPOLOLE THIS 13TH DAY OF JANUARY 2025

LEGOLO RELAENG ATTORNEYS

P O BOX 1235 MOLEPOLOLE

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

ESHFT 0001190-23

NOTICE OF DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

IN THE ESTATE of the late SAMUEL MATLHARE, ESHFT- 0001190-23 who died at SELIBE PHIKWE HOSPITAL CENTRAL DISTRICT on the 17 day of July 2020.

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

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 14 DAY OF JAN 2025

MOSES OBAKENG MATLHARE

Executor Dative

P .O Box

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AND TO : Master of the High Court

Private Bag F13

FRANCISTOWN

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Name of Deceased Person	Estate Number	Date of Meeting	Time	Master
NEO PHIRI	ESHFT-000800-24	19-03-2025	0900HRS	BASUPI

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 16TH DAY OF JANUARY 2025

MASTER OF THE HIGH COURT

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ENTER INTO A TRANSACTION IN TERMS OF SECTION 34 (1) OF THE TRIBAL LAND ACT, 2018

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to members of the public of the following proposed transaction between MAIKAELELO FINKIE TSHIAMO (Herein representing BANYANA KGOTSO TSHIAMO duly authorised a General Power of Attorney dated 21st December 2024) and TAFADZWA GUTSA for the sale of the following property, that is to say:

CERTAIN : Piece of Land being Tribal Lot 26816 Mogoditshane-Block10;

SITUATE : in the Bakwena Tribal Area;

MEASURING: 22.24m x 36m;

HELD UNDER: Certificate of Customary Land Grant dated 06th July 2017 made in favour of Banyana Kgotso Tsiamo;

CONSIDERATIONS: For the some of P280,000.00 (Two Hundred and Eighty Thousand Pula)

Any citizen of Botswana who objects to or is interested in entering into a similar transaction in respect of the aforementioned property is entitled to register such objection or interest in writing to Mogoditshane Sub Land board and copies to the below contacts within thirty (30) days of publication of this notice.

DATED AT GABORONE ON THE 16th DAY OF JANUARY 2025

MOYO LEGAL PRACTICE, Plot 19111, Aresutelane Way, Phase 2, P O Box AE 451 AEH, GABORONE

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REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's Degree (Minimum) and Diploma
- Minimum of Five years' relevant experience
- Experience in teaching at IGCSE / A Level will be a strong recommendation.

PRIMARY:

- All subjects

REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's Degree / Diploma
- Minimum of Five years' relevant experience
- Experience in teaching Cambridge Primary
- Checkpoint will be a strong recommendation.

Please submit Curriculum Vitae to:

- Secretary
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- Private Bag 00192
- Gaborone

N.B. Only applicants who qualify for an interview will be contacted.

CLOSING DATE: 6 FEBRUARY 2025

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MONTE CARLO - Acrobats from Colombia performing at the 47th International Circus Festival of Monte Carlo on Saturday. The festival, which will last until January 26, was created in 1974 by Prince Rainier III of Monaco to recognise and promote circus performers at the pinnacle of their profession. Photo: Xinhua

Artistes spice up Chinese new year celebrations

KATHMANDU - Artistes from China and Nepal on Saturday performed traditional lion and dragon dances in the Kathmandu Valley to kick off a series of celebrations to mark the Chinese New Year, or the Spring Festival.

A lion dance on tables and high poles performed by Chinese artistes drew applause and cheers in particular, as lovely gestures and moves by the two 'lions' resonated with the audience.

A flower drum dance by Chinese artistes and a monkey-step dance and dragon dance conducted by Nepali artistes turned out

popular as well at the launch ceremony held at Bhaktapur Durbar Square, a United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) World Heritage Site.

Nepal Visit Year in China was also formally launched on the occasion, as 2025 marks the 70th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two neighbors.

Speaking at the launch ceremony, Chinese Ambassador to Nepal Chen Song hoped that both sides could seize the opportunity to tap the potential for cooperation in tourism and other fields, use the rapid development of tourism to drive exchanges and cooperation between China and Nepal in economy and trade, connectivity, infrastructure, culture and education and help Nepal realise the upgrading of tourism software and hardware.

Chen expected the two countries to implement the Global Civilization Initiative so as to promote the implementation of the Global Development Initiative proposed by China, thus accelerating the realisation of the development vision of 'Prosperous Nepal and Happy Nepali'.

"Celebrating Chinese New Year in Nepal is a reflection of the deep relationship between the two countries," said Dipak Khadka, Nepal's minister for energy, water resources and irrigation.

Addressing the launch ceremony, the minister noted that Nepal Visit Year is one of the events scheduled to mark the 70th anniversary of diplomatic ties between the two countries.

"Being our very close neighbour, I would like to recall the support China has provided in Nepal's tourism, energy, agriculture and other sectors," he added. An exhibit of lanterns, art performances and a football match, among others, will be held in Nepal to mark the Spring Festival, which falls on January 29. The festival was listed by UNESCO as an intangible cultural heritage of humanity in December. *Xinhua*

Exhibition attracts 50 000 enthusiasts

HONG KONG - The 'Launch from Greater Bay Area: Nanhai I Shipwreck & the Maritime Silk Road' exhibition, which opened at the Hong Kong Heritage Discovery Center in Tsim Sha Tsui on August 16, 2024, had attracted over 50 000 visitors as of end of December.

The exhibition is co-organised by the Development Bureau of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) government, the National Cultural Heritage Administration, and the Office of the Secretary for Social Affairs and Culture of the Government of the Macao Special Administrative Region.

Nanhai I is the most complete ancient merchant ship discovered so far. After being salvaged in 2007, over 180 000 cultural relics have come to light.

Among the 255 exhibits, the 'Kwangtung jars' mainly used for holding fine wine have become the highlight of this exhibition, as they revealed Hong Kong's indispensable role in the historical development of the Maritime Silk Road since the Song Dynasty.

"Isn't the mystery the most fascinating part?" said Lee Hiu Wai, the assistant curator at the Hong Kong Heritage Discovery Center, adding that various

speculations about this 'star ship' kept people exploring.

After extensive research, Lee found that the wine-related inscriptions on the shards unearthed at the Sacred Hill site in Sung Wong Toi, Hong Kong's Kowloon City, were very similar to the jars on the Nanhai I.

"It's really exciting to see these similarities. They are related," Lee said, adding that it indicated Hong Kong was once a transit point on the Maritime Silk Road and participated in this great trade.

Mainly produced in south China, 'Kwangtung jars' have been used in maritime trade since the Tang (618-907) and Song dynasties, entering overseas markets such as Southeast Asia, East Asia, and Africa.

According to the exhibition guide, since the Qin Dynasty (221 BC-207 BC) and Han Dynasty (202 BC-AD 220), a multi-level trade port system centred on Guangzhou (now the capital city of southern China's Guangdong Province) Port with Hong Kong and Macao as transfer stations gradually took shape.

The exhibition provided new perspectives for studying and showcasing the history of maritime trade, allowing visitors to learn about the shared heritage and cultural connections of

Guangdong, Hong Kong, and Macao, said Bernadette Linn, secretary for Development of the HKSAR government, at the opening ceremony of the exhibition.

The exhibition and its docent services are offered to the public free of charge. Local and foreign visitors examined the relics with great enthusiasm and listened carefully to the docent's narration.

They showed particular interest in the intricate process and challenges resolved over a decade ago to salvage the hull of Nanhai I. A large number of historical relics were unearthed from Nanhai I, mainly including porcelain, copper and iron wares, gold and silver wares, and lacquerware.

Experts had to observe the patterns carefully and consider which side to display.

The Nanyue King Museum in Guangzhou, which had previously held an exhibition featuring Nanhai I, provided valuable suggestions to the Hong Kong curatorial team.

"Big jars are too heavy, but I can hold the small pottery shards in my hand," Lee smiled and spread her palm when talking about the transportation process, "It's like holding a part of history in my hand."

Lee has been engaged in cultural relics protection since graduating from archaeology.

She believed on-site visits could help to cultivate people's interest in archaeology and history, especially young people.

Bringing history to life was also the aim of the exhibitions.

In addition to detailed textual descriptions, the curators have also designed several 'logbooks' simulating the sailors' tone when they were tallying the supplies on board, thus telling their lives at that time.

An electronic timeline in the multimedia device displayed in the exhibition interactively revealed the time of the shipwreck.

According to the archaeologists, Nanhai I probably sank in the waterway from Guangdong to the South China Sea in the 10th year of the Chunxi period (1183) of the Southern Song Dynasty (1127-1279) or soon after.

Lee believed that by exploring the past, one can understand the present. Through the exhibition, which will run until February 12, she hoped to recreate the flourishing history of the Greater Bay Area and showcase the courage of people who have explored the ocean over thousands of years. *Xinhua*

Gunners, Chiefs in goalless draw

By Calviniah Kgautlhe

LOBATSE - Fiery rivalry between the crown jewels of football, Mochudi Centre Chiefs and Extension Gunners delivered a thrilling mouthwatering encounter much to the delight of their supporters who descended in numbers at Lobatse Sports Complex on Saturday.

The two powerhouses who boast impressive records of large fan bases displayed before the crowd rich football, which ended up delivering an all-nil draw as the teams battled it out for the top honours in the FNB Premiership.

The game carried heightened emotions and intensified leg confrontations between these ambitious teams as their showdowns never fail to capture the attention of football fanatics.

Its intensity added a layer of excitement fueling the team's relentless pursuit to emerge victorious. "It was a tough game especially that we are on the relegation zone so what we wanted was a win. Centre Chiefs plays good football and we are equals. The players that they have are technically gifted compared to us and so we resorted to playing low block and counter attacks here and there," said Extension Gunners head coach, Proper Monnaanoka.

Monnaanoka had the game in control in the first half.

"First half was a balanced game, it was only that in the second half when they made changes by replacing two players Cebo Meyiwa and Dirang Moloi, we dropped back deep because the two players are gifted and we could not match them with our game play and so we changed to play low block to deny them the space to function. The plan was to win the game because we want to avoid relegation. Going forward we will fight harder," he said.

For Mochudi Centre Chiefs newbie head coach, Pontsho Moloi, the stakes were high and victory meant everything in his debut game against Gunners since being signed a few days back.

He oozed technical prowess in a high intensity match introducing fresh legs of middle fielders who transformed the complexion of the game in the second half of the game.

"We tried to implement something, we looked at the caliber of players that we have in the bench and we tried to commit more numbers forward with a tactical formation, I believe in scoring goals hence the formation that we deployed here," he said.

Commenting on his return to Chiefs as a head coach, he said, "There is so much growth because when I started coaching, I started with Chiefs and then I left and now I am back after seven years with so much experience and more silverware as well and so I think it is good for me, it is good for the football club as well," he said.

For Gorata Ramphaleng, a football analyst whose passion for the game runs deep said; "This is a fixture we have all been looking forward to because we missed the two teams while they were in the first division so, the match lived up to our expectations even though there were no goals, I feel that they gave us good football," she said.

As per Ramphaleng's observations the host, Gunners created more chances in the first half but failed to convert.

One would have thought they would do better in the first half, they created clear scoring opportunities especially the man of the match, Kgopolo Gaseleme. He had a good game," she noted.

"In the second half, we saw coach Moloi coming up with so many changes, which changed the shape of the game. They substituted the right back player, Happy Pilane. We saw Kgosietsile Ernest moving up and down the flank now, he brought in Dirang Moloi in the Middlefield, and the team improved the attack on their opponents, he also introduced Pako Gaofose who was more mobile but unfortunately they failed to rattle the net," she said.

She noted that it was going to be very interesting how coach Moloi went on about making improvements with his new side.

"It was his first game at the club, we already see what he tried to do, we saw his play of three centre backs. The transfer window is about to close and maybe he might bring one or two players to improve the team. Centre Chiefs lost Popo Ramatlapeng to Township Rollers. That was a gifted player for

them, they had to somehow find a replacement for him. Yes, Dirang Moloi is there but he does not have the legs anymore, it might need someone with speed, more energy to assist in the attacks," she said.

The heated game was particularly memorable for Tsabong bred youngster, Gaseleme who left an indelible mark on the game by being named FNB Premiership man of the match.

"I feel so happy after being named man of the match, it is my first time playing in the premiere league and I hope to improve from here and deliver more," he said.

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Extension Gunners' Onkarabile Bogatsu (left) and Monty Enosa of Mochudi Centre Chiefs in an aerial battle for the ball during the FNB Premiership game in Lobatse on Saturday. The game ended in a goalless draw. Photo: Pheny Ramatu

WASBO sexual harassment policies commendable

By Gontle Merafhe

GABORONE - Botswana's national policy on gender and development provides a framework to include a gender perspective in all activities of government and civil society in order to promote equal participation of men and women in development.

Speaking at the Women and Sports Botswana (WASBO) symposium in Gaborone on Saturday, Minister of Sports and Arts, Jacob Kelebeng said government would thus be deliberate in ensuring equitable access to sport for women and girls regardless of their background and orientation stating that government would develop policies and interventions that continued to allow for Botswana women and girls to participate in sports in numbers as their male counterparts.

He said accessibility remained priority as it was the foundation that allowed participation in sports.

Minister Kelebeng said gender mainstreaming in sport was a priority area for his ministry, hence efforts were ongoing to achieve it.

The minister also said WASBO rolling out the Sexual Harassment Policy in 2020 was commendable as gender equality and women empowerment were universally recognised as fundamental human rights.

He further said commitment to equality in sport was a journey they had to undertake together as it required dedication, collaboration and unwavering belief in the potential and power of women.

"Let us therefore proceed with a steadfast resolve to dismantle stereotypes, unlock opportunities and inspire future generations to re-imagine what leadership in sports can be," he said. He said the symposium offered a unique platform to learn from experts and hear inspiring success stories, as well as to forge new innovative and

inclusive paradigms of leadership that would allow for all to serve better. He also said Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) Number 5 specifically had a target to end all forms of discrimination and eliminate violence against girls and women including trafficking and other sorts of exploitation by 2030.

He said to achieve the targets, the sport sector had to be aware of the current status on the basis of gender-based violence (GBV).

Therefore, he challenged them to review their strategies, programmes and initiatives to have components that raised awareness and educated Batswana on issues of GBV. He also called on sport leaders at all levels to condemn all forms of GBV, which he said had become widespread. Kelebeng urged all stakeholders to therefore act immediately to arrest the undesirable and painful situation. For her part, WASBO president, Keenese Katisenge-Tizhani said the

Sport Pitso dubbed 'Women Sport Symposium' was a platform hosted every two years that allowed them to make commitment through resolutions and also devise how they would enhance action.

Katisenge-Tizhani said the theme of the Pitso; Innovative and Inclusive Leadership Models for the Participation of Women and Girls in Sport in Botswana spoke volumes about their dedication to shaping a future where women and girls occupied prominent spaces in sports across Botswana.

She said the theme was a deliberate call to action as the focus on innovative and inclusive leadership demanded that they re-think traditional models and included diverse voices in their deliberations. In articulating their achievements, Katisenge-Tizhani said they had offered scholarship opportunities for women with disabilities in sports through their partnership with Integrated Dreams, a Portugal-based non-profit association advocating for the inclusion of disabled people in sports.

She said they had also established sponsorships with Association of International Sports for All (TAFISA) a non-profit making organisation, and forged strategic partnerships with other organisations including the Okavango Diamond Company, Sprint Couriers and International Working Group, among others. She said they had rolled out the sexual harassment policy and hosted safeguarding workshops, and had further managed to introduce, in 2020, the WASBO special award through, which they recognised women competitors of the 2024 Olympics.

She also said they had managed to revive the dormant eight WASBO regions and hosted regional Annual General Meetings. Katisenge-Tizhani said they had also organised capacity building workshops for sport organisations and facilitated gender reporting workshops for media practitioners.

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Minister of Sport and Arts, Jacob Kelebeng (right), Botswana National Olympic Commission president Colonel Botsang Tshenyego (left) and Women in Sports Botswana (WASBO) national chairperson, Keenese Katisenge-Tizhani at WASBO symposium in Gaborone on Saturday. Minister Kelebeng said WASBO rolling out the Sexual Harassment Policy in 2020 was commendable as gender equality and women empowerment were universally recognised as fundamental human rights. Photo: Godfrey Mpuse

TAFIC FC unstoppable

By Kelebogile Taolo

FRANCISTOWN - TAFIC FC continued their winning streak by walloping Matebele FC 3- 1 during the FNB Premiership encounter at the Francistown City Council Stadium on Saturday. The game, which was played under good weather conditions, saw TAFIC aka Matjimenga and Matebele, also known as Kuka Ntsu, neck-to-neck in the first half, with either team working hard to make its presence felt on the pitch.

It was on the 23rd minute that TAFIC showed their determination to win as they opened the score sheet through a beautiful kick from Thatayaone Nkwapa. As the game progressed, Matebele kept on visiting TAFIC's posts without being demoralised by their opponent's lead. However, the game continued to go both ways as the two teams showed hunger for goals. Both goal keepers were kept busy as players repeatedly tried to find the back of the net.

Matebele FC kept their fighting spirit alive and on the brink of first half, their prayers were heard through Boyo Lechaena's well taken shot, sending the game to recess with a 1-1 score. In the second half, TAFIC displayed good football skills, mounting pressure on their opponent. Though Matebele keeper did well, he was beaten again on the 69th minute by Kazadi Gaukhier as he shot from a range. TAFIC ramped up the tempo

of the game as it kept on attacking Matebele, which proved quite resilient to the pressure. On the 73rd minute, TAFIC found the back of the net again through Jen Lwamba. In a post-match interview, TAFIC's assistant coach, Thatayaone Sonny said despite the head coach Elias Chinyemba being on a red card, there was no pressure on their side as their mission was to collect maximum points from every game they played.

He said their technical team had good coordination hence the team played well even without its head coach on the bench. For his part, Matebele FC coach Sean Connor said his charges fought well, though they were playing a better side on the day. He said while the first half was even, TAFIC's second goal changed things. Connor said though after the goal, his players tried their all to hold on things went haywire for the team. **BOPA**



TAFIC assistant coach, Thatayaone Sonny (centre) fielding questions from journalists after defeating Matebele 3-1 during the FNB Premiership game in Francistown on Saturday. He said they were not under pressure as their mission was to collect maximum points in every game. Photo: Thamani Shabani



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