

## Oshakati health

I AM a worker at Oshakati State Hospital and I am not pleased by the way in which the Director of Health handles things there. We feel that there is nepotism when members of the workforce are selected.

I find it very strange because if there is any vacant place in any department it seems that this person chooses friends to fill the vacancies.

We request the people concerned to send a commission of inquiry to investigate things here. There are people who want to maintain the status quo and not make any changes.

We have to ensure we serve the nation without fear or favour. Those in authority should act now and look into this matter.

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## On married women

I WOULD like to raise some questions concerning the treatment of married women.

We married women have problems with the way in which we are treated by the state services. I am married with four children, my husband does not work at all. My salary is meagre. I went to apply for medical aid but was told that if I would like to apply, I could apply in my own right, but

could not register my children. I was told that the children should be registered in their father's name. I do not know how he can do so, since he is not working.

I beg those in authority to consider some of these problems and act accordingly. I also find some state regulations are very rigid and inflexible.

We as democrats in a socialled democratic society should allow some exemptions. It is not good enough to say that you are married and have to be taxed heavily even though your husband is not employed. They must bear in mind that women are sometimes the breadwinners.

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## On Slovenia

SLOVENIA is far away from Namibia and few Namibians will have heard the name of this Yugoslavian province before the current crisis. But the situation there is very similar to what Namibia suffered in the past. After World War I, Slovenia, a former Austrian colony, voluntarily joined Yugoslavia, not too different from what happened in the then German colony of South West Africa. But just like Namibia, Slovenia was only exploited by the central government and