

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

NOTICE OF QUESTION

Honorable Mike Kavekatora (**Signature**):.....

I give notice that on **Thursday, 21st September 2017** I shall ask the **Right Honourable Prime Minister, Saara Kuugongelwa-Amadhila**, the following questions regarding the Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs):

Since my questions are related to elections, allow me first to congratulate the people of Kenya for standing for justice and believing in the independence of the Judiciary of their country. Kenyan Supreme Court has proven beyond doubt its independence, and its respect for Kenya's Constitution. The nullification of the August Presidential Elections in Kenya is the first on the African Continent. This needs to be replicated all over the Continent wherever the credibility of democratic elections is compromised.

Regarding the EVMs in Namibia, the RDP has been consistent in its demand that the Electoral Commission of Namibia (ECN) complies fully with the provisions of the Electoral Act, Act No 5 of 2014, Section 97 (3) and (4). In this spirit the RDP engaged the Office of the Prime Minister, on October 11, 2015, to discuss concerns regarding the use of EVMs without the voter verifiable paper audit trail (VVPAT). At this meeting a commitment was made that the November 27, 2015 Regional and Local Authority elections were to be the last in which EVMs are used without VVPAT. Hence the following questions:

- 1) Have you kept the commitment to comply fully with the provisions of the Electoral Act, Act No 5 of 2014, Section 97 (3) and (4)?
- 2) Will ECN still use EVMs without VVPAT for the November 18, 2017 by-election in Eengodi Constituency in Oshikoto region, if so, Why?
- 3) Are you aware that the Electoral Law has made a distinction between EVM reading and the VVPAT result by attaching more weight to the latter in terms of reliability?
- 4) Apparently some members of the ruling Party refuse the use of EVMs at the upcoming Congress. If this is true, on what basis do you expect the public to have confidence in EVMs if the owners don't trust the system?

I so move.

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I give notice that on **Thursday, 21st September 2017** I shall ask the **Honorable Minister of Public Enterprises, Leon Jooste**, the following questions regarding the Small and Medium Enterprises (SME) Bank.

It is learned from newspapers that the SME Bank has given loans to people and institutions that cannot be classified as SMEs. Now that this Bank has been liquidated, and the chance of recovering the N\$200,000,000 that was invested outside Namibia is slim. I ask the following questions:

- 1) What led to the liquidation of SME Bank?
- 2) Who took the decision to invest N\$200,000,000 outside Namibia; was it the Board or management?
- 3) At what stage did the Minister and the Board become aware of loans being dished out to people and institutions that do not qualify as SMEs, and that N\$200,000,000 was in fact invested outside Namibia?
- 4) Why is the Ministry not taking anyone to task?
- 5) Could the Minister categorise the SME Bank ownership structure?
- 6) What is the probability of the investors, creditors and customers getting funds back?

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I give notice that on **Thursday, 21st September 2017** I shall ask the **Honorable Minister of Works and Transport, Honourable Alpheus !Naruseb**, the following questions regarding the Roads Construction Company (RCC)

The Roads Construction Company is not performing and we have learned that it is likely to be put under Judicial Management in support of the continuation of normal operations of RCC. This is yet another State Owned Enterprise that is technically insolvent. Thus I ask:

- 1) What led to RCC becoming technically insolvent?
- 2) The government is known for appointing people in managerial positions not on the basis of competency but based on political connections. To what degree has the notion of jobs for comrades played a role in the appointment of both the Board and top management?
- 3) How much money was spent on roads construction over the past five years and what percentage was awarded to the RCC as a state owned enterprise?
- 4) Who is to blame between you as custodian Minister, the Board and management for the collapse of RCC?

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I give notice that on **Thursday, 21st September 2017** I shall ask the **Honorable Minister of Works and Transport, Honourable Alpheus !Naruseb**, the following questions about Air Namibia.

Air Namibia over the years has been draining the state coffers in the name of so called turnaround strategies and yet the state had to cough up over ten billion Namibian Dollars. Recently, it was reported in the media that Air Namibia has been failing to pass on money collected from passengers' on behalf of NAC. Those amounts run into millions of Namibian Dollars.

- 1) When and by whom was the decision taken to conduct such a fraudulent act?
- 2) At what level of management was a decision taken not to pass on the money?
- 3) At what stage did the Minister and the Board become aware of this practice, and what did they do to rectify the situation?
- 4) Why are those responsible for this not being brought to book?
- 5) Your silence on this matter, Honourable Minister, does it mean that you condone corruption?

I so move.

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I give notice that on **Thursday, 21st September 2017** I shall ask the **Honorable Minister of Information and Communication Technology, Honourable Tjekero Tweya**, the following questions regarding the National Broadcasting Corporation (NBC).

It was extensively reported in the media that NBC withheld money deducted from employees' salaries meant for medical aid. I am sure other deductions such as taxes and SSC might as well been withheld in a similar fashion. Based on the above;

- 1) When and by whom was the decision taken to conduct such a fraudulent act?
- 2) At what level of management was a decision taken?
- 3) At what stage did the Minister and the Board become aware of this practice, and what did they do to rectify the situation?
- 4) Why are those responsible for this not being brought to book?
- 5) How must the public out there interpret your silence on this matter?

I so move.