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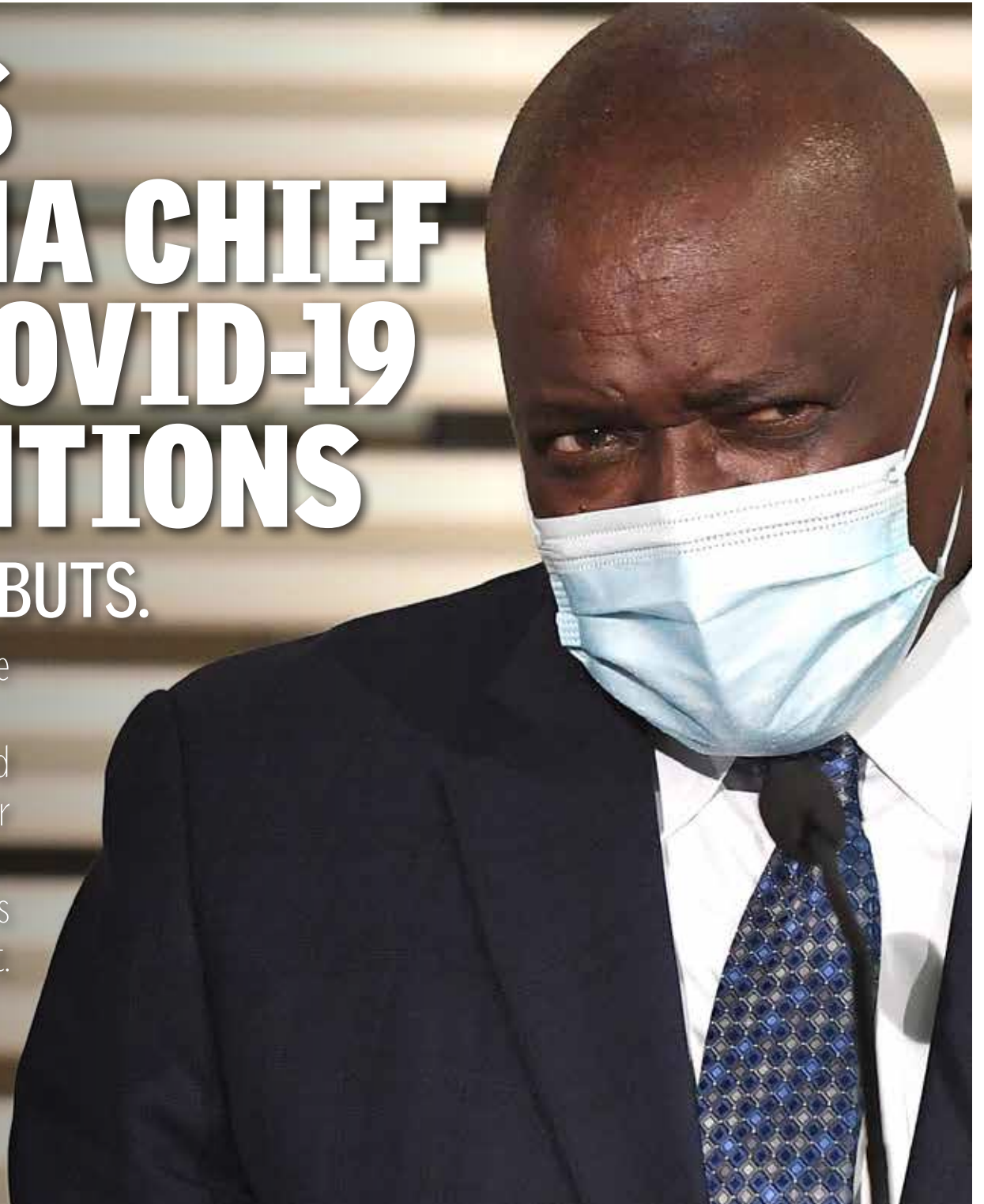
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BUSINESS BOTSWANA CHIEF BLASTS COVID-19 INTERVENTIONS

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BDP YOUTH LEAGUE CALLS FOR AXING OF CORRUPT MINISTERS

- Say BDP must live up to its undertaking to fight corruption
 - Want corrupt ministers prosecuted

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Gerry Nel develops interest in Morupisi trial

Seen in a lengthy conversation with the state prosecutor in court



TEFO PHEAGE

South Africa's AfriForum lead lawyer, Advocate Gerry Nel, has developed interest in the trial of former Permanent Secretary to the President Carter Morupisi and was seen in court yesterday as the case unfolded.

Nel, who rose to stardom during the murder trial of South African paralympics athlete Oscar Pistorius, is in Botswana to advise on the way forward in the controversy ridden P100 billion corruption case.

All eyes were on the man nicknamed "Bulldog" for his tenacity in the courtroom, prompting officials from the Directorate of Public Prosecutions (DPP) to say Nel had come to "observe and familiarise himself with the processes". However, he was later seen in a lengthy conversation with state prosecutor Priscilla Israel, who is a person of significance as the Deputy Director of the DPP.

It is not known what the two were discussing but DPP officials present in court at the time have suggested that Israel was briefing Nel about the case out of courtesy. Others believe the *tete-a-tete* must have been more than casual as the two also exchanged notes. Efforts to reach to the Director of Prosecutions, Stephen Tiroyakgosi, about the engagement were futile as his phone rang without answer.

Nel and the prosecution team were scheduled to meet today (Wednesday) to discuss the P100 billion case about whether to proceed with the matter that involves prominent personages or to withdraw the case.



Business Botswana Chief blasts COVID-19 interventions, BW Presidency rebuts.

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TEFO PHEAGE

Most COVID-19 interventions so far have been of no benefit to the country and its economy, the president of Business Botswana, Gobusamang Keebine, has said.

Briefing journalists in Gaborone yesterday, Keebine asserted that most decisions taken at a high level do not reflect what was agreed by the COVID-19 Task Force collective. "In some instances, the decisions differ completely from what was agreed," Keebine, who is the voice of the private sector, said.

Significantly, he spoke against the controversial State of Public Emergency, saying it is mainly imposed for "control".

Keebine confirmed that there are often serious disagreements between the team of mainly health experts and other professionals in the Dr Kereng Masupu-led Task Force and the Ministry of Health and Wellness, with President Mokgweetsi Masisi caught between the two.

The disagreements go back a long way in an internecine squabbling in which the ministry holds that the country can do without the COVID-19 Task Force while the latter dismisses this as an uninformed view of jealous bureaucrats.

At the press briefing, Keebine disclosed that while certain players in the private sector are willing to vaccinate their employees and their families as well as com-

munities in which they operate, President Masisi is strongly opposed to this because he believes it would disrupt the government's vaccine rollout strategy. Many governments around the world have also opposed this idea for fear that it could become a race between rich and poor in which the poor would come last.

But Keebine cautioned that with the government's current rollout pace, vaccination of Botswana could run well into 2022 and warned that administration of the second dose could become a problematic issue.

However, The Office of the President has denied the allegations that it is impeding private sector roll out of the vaccine. "The Office of the President wishes to inform that contrary to media statements attributed to the leadership of Business Botswana, His Excellency the President Dr Mokgweetsi Eric Keabetswe Masisi is NOT opposed to the procurement of the COVID-19 vaccine by the private sector. As a matter of fact, and as evidenced by minutes of the Presidential COVID-19 Task Force meetings chaired by His Excellency the President, and in which the President of Business Botswana, Mr Gobusamang Keebine is a member, the private sector has never raised the issue at such meetings," reads a statement issued by the presidency on Tuesday evening.



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Auction Date | **Time**
 Tuesday, 20th April 2021 | 10:30am

Bids Start at **P920,000.00**

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 OMV: **P1,150,000.00** | [71 472 478](tel:71472478)



Plot 7464, Jwaneng

Auction Date | **Time**
 Wednesday, 21st April 2021 | 10:30am

Bids Start at **P460,000.00**

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Auction Date | **Time**
 Friday, 23rd April 2021 | 2:30pm

Bids Start at **P1,360,000.00**

Plot Size: **1011m2** | **D/S IKAGENG SELOI**
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Plot 19474 Phase 2, Gaborone

Auction Date | **Time**
 Friday, 23rd April 2021 | 10:30am

Bids Start at **P944,000.00**

Plot Size: **450m2** | **D/S IKAGENG SELOI**
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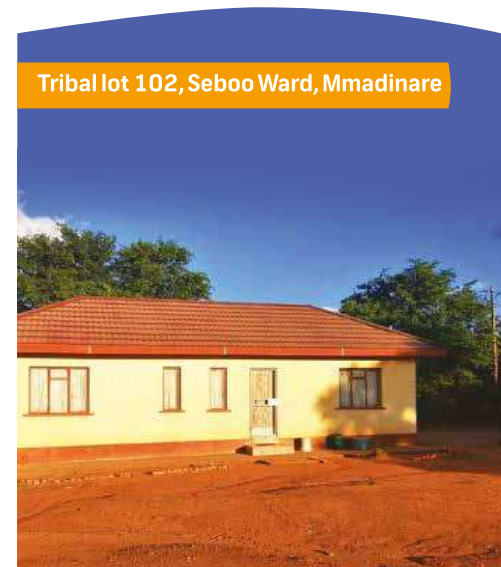


Plot 35487, Block 8, Gaborone

Auction Date | **Time**
 Tuesday, 27th April 2021 | 10:30am

Bids Start at **P840,000.00**

Plot Size: **412 m2** | **D/S IKAGENG SELOI**
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Tribal lot 102, Seboo Ward, Mmadinare

Auction Date | **Time**
 Friday, 30th April 2021 | 10:30am

Bids Start at **P320,000.00**

Plot Size: **2542m2** | **D/S IKAGENG SELOI**
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Opposition Demands Consultation on COVID-19 Matters

- LOO accuses Masisi of never consulting him on COVID-19 matters
- Calls on Masisi to disband Task Force
- Says Masisi and Tsogwane should lead by example and take the vaccine

LETLHOGILE MPUANG

The Leader of Opposition in Parliament (LOO), Dumelang Saleshando, says President Mokgweetsi Masisi has never engaged or consulted him about any COVID-19 related matters since the declaration of the first State of Public Emergency (SoPE) in April 2020.

Speaking in Parliament this week, Saleshando said upon the declaration of the first SoPE last year, Masisi called a consultative meeting of all political parties that had taken part in the 2019 general elections. According to a statement from the Office of the President (OP) released days prior to the event, the meeting was meant to inform and update all political parties on the country's COVID-19 situation and the government's proposed response to the pandemic.

Saleshando said at the meeting, despite objections to the SoPE by opposition parties, Masisi assured them that he would not suspend the rule of law or in any way violate the law during the SoPE and promised to continue to engage the opposition.

However, he told Parliament that Masisi has never seen it fit to consult him about any COVID-19 related matter. "President Masisi has never bothered to consult me on anything on COVID-19," he said, adding that he was more than ready to be of assistance to the President should he deem it fit to consult him.

Saleshando slammed the Masisi administration for being "economical with the truth" surrounding the country's COVID-19 situation, saying this is bound to work against the government's efforts to fight the pandemic. "In the midst of this health pandemic and economic crisis, it is important for government to weigh all its decisions taken in response to the pandemic against the heavy burden of anxiety that the nation is going through," he asserted.

"Decisions that add to the enormity of the crisis that we are going through should be clearly communicated and government should not be economical with the truth. Government needs to be upfront in following pertinent issues."

He expressed disappointment in what he called the government's "cagey and slow approach" in the roll-



out of COVID-19 vaccines. "Botswana has been uncharacteristically slow in embracing the COVID-19 vaccine rollout. Traditionally, Botswana takes the lead position when it comes to timely response to a health threat. This is not the case with COVID-19 vaccine rollout. The slow vaccine rollout is dogged with controversy," he asserted and cited revision of the categories of people to be vaccinated from 55 years and above to 75 and above.

Saleshando then challenged President Masisi and Vice President Slumber Tsogwane to "lead from the front" by taking the vaccine for enhanced public confidence.

Saleshando noted that the age category of 75 and above constitutes less than 10% of Botswana's total population and raised questions that he said remain unanswered, among them:

- When did Botswana placed its orders with vaccine manufacturers?
- Which brands have been ordered and in what quantities?
- When should delivery of the orders be expected?
- When does Botswana expect to achieve herd immunity?
- Is it true that some of the deliveries were discovered to have been in the wrong quantities?

The Leader of the Opposition also criticised the government's use private facilities as vaccination centres and called for disbanding the COVID-19 Task Force.

"Disband the Presidential Task Force on COVID-19," he said. "There clearly is a problem of two centres of power that is leading to costly confusion. Government officials at Health and Presidential Affairs have been unable to account for some of the decisions emanating from the Task Force like travel restrictions."

Saleshando then challenged President Masisi and Vice President Slumber Tsogwane to "lead from the front" by taking the vaccine for enhanced public confidence. "The President should further commit more time to monitoring the vaccine rollout and reduce his international travels in favour of virtual meetings as has been the case with many other heads of State."



BOTSWANA VACCINE INSTITUTE LTD

The Botswana Vaccine Institute Ltd is a Botswana Government wholly owned company with a high international reputation. It is committed to the production of high quality livestock vaccines which are exported worldwide. Botswana Vaccine Institute is now seeking to recruit a qualified and experienced person to fill the following vacant position:

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AFRICAN BANKING CORPORATION OF BOTSWANA LIMITED

**SUMMARISED CONSOLIDATED
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

**Economic Developments**

The year 2020 was defined by the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, with the resulting economic environment presenting significant uncertainty and instability for the greater part of the year. In order to contain the spread of the pandemic and safeguard lives, lockdowns were introduced at the beginning of the second quarter. These were followed by various other restriction measures which generally slowed down economic activities, especially in the second and third quarters of the year.

Economic growth stalled overall during the year, with broad based decline in gross domestic product across most categories, with the only sectors recording growth being Agriculture, Water and Electricity. Latest data released shows that the real GDP for the third quarter declined by 6% compared to an increase of 3.1% in the same quarter in 2019. This followed on from a year on year contraction of 24% in the second quarter of 2020 which was covered by an extended country wide lockdown. In nominal terms, third quarter GDP increased by 21% from the second quarter, representing an easing of restrictions with the major contribution coming from hotels and restaurants, trade, Government, finance and business and mining.

The revised forecast from Ministry of Finance and Economic Development is for the economy to have contracted by 7.7% before rebounding to grow by 8.8% during 2021. Growth is projected to be stimulated by the recovery of the global economy, promising vaccine development to curb the pandemic as well as the successful implementation of the Economic Recovery and Transformation Plan as outlined in the recent budget plan.

Our Operating Environment

Our people and operations were resilient in the face of the pandemic. During the year the Group experienced the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the operations of the business and had to make adjustments throughout the year. Throughout most of 2020 the Bank sought to follow COVID-19 protocols to prioritise the safety of our staff, customers and stakeholders from contracting the virus as a primary objective. This entailed restricting customer numbers in most physical areas of operations as well as facilitating working from home arrangements. The Group prioritised safety and also supporting customers to weather the tough economic environment through several support initiatives such as discounted transactional fees as well as extending loan repayment moratoriums to impacted customers. Notable market liquidity tightness was experienced at the end of the first half, however, supportive central bank policies – reduction in interest rates, reduction of capital requirements as well as easing primary reserve requirements ensured sufficient liquidity returned to the market to aid counter cyclical stance through improved lending to the market. All efforts were engaged to ensure the impact to both the client and the shareholder is as minimal as possible. This included the implementation of some cost management strategies where possible and assisting our clients as they manoeuvre through the difficult economic environment.

The Group continued on its strategic focus to ensure that customers received service excellence. This included the implementation of a retail banking digital platform (SARUMoney) in the first quarter of the year, the rolling out of ATMs in locations outside of Gaborone, that is Kanye, Gantsi, Molepolole and Letlhakane and emphasis to our clients on the use of the corporate banking BancOnline platform. The pandemic as well as the timeous launch of our retail digital platform has been a success – resulting in a 60% increase in digital adoption by customers.

Financial Performance

The Bank achieved a modest performance in 2020. Despite the economic and global challenges, income lines showed relative resilience and growth in the case of Net interest income (NII), although this was insufficient to offset the challenges of increases in expected credit losses. Overall the Bank had a 17% (P25.7 million) decline in profit before tax (PBT) from a restated position of P150.6

million to P124.9 million. Income lines in general have remained stable – net interest income grew by 2% despite declining yields exacerbated by a reduction in policy rates of 100 basis points during the year. Good progress has been achieved on the management of interest expense as well as careful management of interest margin. Non-interest income decreased by 1%, buoyed by a strong Global Markets business performance which offset a reduction in activity linked fee income. Expected credited losses increased by 124% from a P15.7 million release in the year prior to a P3.7 million increase in provision in the current year. The Bank has implemented additional elements to its credit modelling which resulting in an increase in expected credit losses relative to the prior year as the main driver of reduced performance. Costs remain relatively well controlled.

This performance validates some relative success in combating the challenging operating environment while remaining headstrong in building sustainable underlying revenue growth and operating income with the aim of maximizing medium term value for our shareholders. The first quarter of 2020 had picked up momentum from the last half of 2019 whilst performance declined with the onset of restrictions from the second quarter of the year onwards. The Bank has continued to invest in its transformation journey, as seen in a 22% increase in Depreciation and Amortisation Expenses as key transactional banking projects came online during the year. The increased effective tax resulting in a lower profit after tax is largely due to timing differences on capitalisation of these projects. The Bank's return on equity has reduced to about 8% whilst previous year it was at 12%, driven mostly by the reduced performance and increase in the amount of equity held.

Total Income

Net interest income closed the year at P422 million which was above prior year's performance. Introduction of an 84 months tenure for personal loans was successful in uplifting asset yields as well as assisting clients that required some relief on their disposable income. The Retail Banking segment managed to grow the loan book in the last quarter whilst in the middle of the year the book was constrained by muted asset growth that persisted throughout the year on the back of constrained economic activity. There also was noticeable improvement in liquidity in the second half of the year.

The Bank of Botswana reduced the Bank Rate by 50 basis points each in April and October 2020 for a total of 100 basis points reduction in the year. Interest income reduced by about 4% as a result of the policy rate changes and reduction in the loans book. Year on year interest expense has declined significantly and contributed positively to the increase in the NII. The reduction in interest expense is due to lower interest rates as well as improving the funding mix as part of continuous efforts to manage down the cost of funding.

Non-interest revenue (NIR) of P122.7 million was marginally lower than the previous year due to significant decline in the customer transactional activity linked income and discounts granted as well as reduction in lending. Trading revenue had a good year due to adequate capacity and focus of the team resulting in better client activity with higher volumes and better margins.

Expected Credit Losses

Expected credit losses in loans and advances resulted in an impairment charge of P3.7 million during the year compared to a P16 million release in 2019. Some loans were restructured, and customers given repayment holidays to assist them to cope with the general deterioration in the economy which restrained cash flows. This has had an impact on compliance with IFRS where additional impairments had to be taken. During the year, further enhancements were implemented on the impairment model, which included the introduction of a floor minimum limit for loss given default (LGD) and inclusion of forward-looking elements; As a result, the book reduction did not lead to reduced impairment due to these changes.

Operating Expenses

Total operating expenses of P416 million are 4% above prior year. Most cost items were managed in line with the environment. The significant increases on costs were from the amortisation of capitalised projects in line with investments made into technology infrastructure in the past as well as new costs to support working from home arrangements, while all other cost lines were well managed.

Balance Sheet

Deposits from customers for the year ended at P6.6 billion – a 5.8% decline on the prior year as core customer segments in the corporate sector experienced reduced operating cashflows. The Bank had a notable increase in retail deposits of 12%.

The Bank's loan book closed the year at P6 billion, a 6% reduction from the prior year. This reduction was predominantly from customer repayments and reduced activity on new lending mainly in the corporate segments where the Bank was more cautious on large ticket deals. The pandemic has had a material impact on lending as a result of the contraction of the economy. Most businesses resorted to holding back on any expansion plans and individuals also looked to preserve their disposable income as COVID-19 brought uncertainty about the future. During the year, the Bank significantly reduced related party exposures by 23%.

Prior period adjustments

During the current year, management identified instances where accounting principles were incorrectly applied: This related to accounting of reimbursement charges related to certain commercial card partnership transactions and fair value measurement of staff loans. Details of these have been explained under note 4 of this publication.

Capital Adequacy

The Bank remains in a strong solvency position. Unimpaired capital and risk weighted assets stood at P1.4 billion and P7 billion respectively resulting in a capital adequacy ratio of 21%. In a continued abundance of caution, the Board elected not to pay a dividend in the current year until the pandemic recovery trajectory is certain.

Outlook

The Bank continues to focus on its strategy to grow by enhancing its customer value proposition through augmenting its technological capabilities and product complement to improve shareholder returns. This has been evidenced by the launch of new customer channels and the Bank will continue to add functionality as well as introducing new products to ensure greater relevance and reach to customers. There will be continued effort on transactional capabilities to attract a wider segment of customers for growth and to improve the efficiency of the balance sheet and improve return on equity.

Acknowledgement

We extend our sincere gratitude to our customers, shareholders, the Board, management and the entire BancABC team for all the support during the year 2020.

Audit opinion

The summarised consolidated financial statements are extracted from the Audited annual financial statements by KPMG who expressed an unmodified opinion thereon. The directors take full responsibility for the preparation of the summarised consolidated financial statements and that the financial information has been correctly extracted from the audited annual financial statements.

The detailed audited annual financial statements and audit opinion are available for inspection at the Bank's registered office, ABC House, Plot 62433 Fairgrounds Office Park, Gaborone.

Our auditors' address is Plot 67977 Fairgrounds Office Park or P O Box 1519 Gaborone.

Events after reporting date

There are no material events to report after the financial year ended 31 December 2020.

Mrs. Lorato Nthando Mosethanyane
Chairperson

Mr Kgotso Bannalothle
Managing Director

**SUMMARISED CONSOLIDATED AUDITED STATEMENTS OF PROFIT OR
LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**

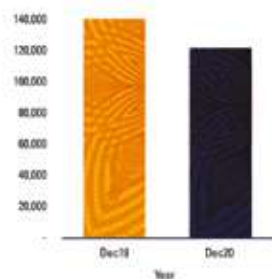
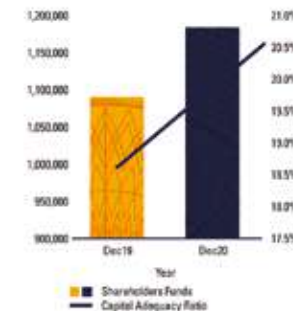
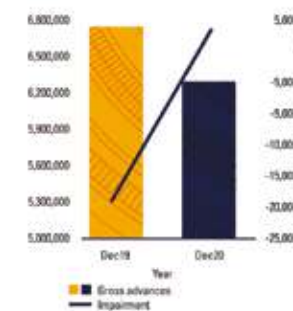
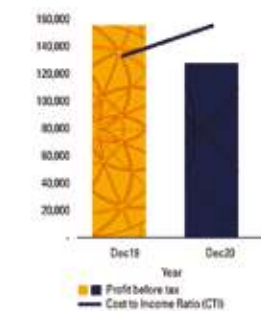
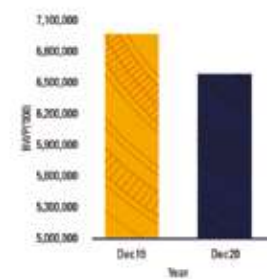
for the year ended 31 December 2020

	31-Dec 2020	31-Dec 2019	
	P'000	Restated P'000	% Change
Effective interest and similar income	712,173	744,306	(4%)
Effective interest expense and similar charges	(290,118)	(332,381)	13%
Net interest income	422,055	411,925	2%
Changes in expected credit losses and other credit impairments	(3,725)	15,658	(124%)
Net interest income after changes in expected credit losses and other credit impairments	418,330	427,583	(2%)
Net trading income	27,540	12,860	114%
Net fee and commission income	95,126	111,420	(15%)
Total net revenue	540,996	551,863	(2%)
Personnel expenses	(153,789)	(155,238)	1%
General and administrative expenses	(128,755)	(128,202)	(0%)
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	(46,378)	(38,117)	(22%)
Other operating expenses	(87,185)	(79,692)	(9%)
Total operating expenses	(416,107)	(401,249)	(4%)
Profit before tax	124,889	150,614	(17%)
Tax expense	(31,792)	(29,737)	(7%)
Profit for the year	93,097	120,877	(23%)
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	850	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	93,097	121,727	(24%)
Earnings per share			
Basic and diluted earnings per share (thebe)	13	17	
Headline earnings per share			
Basic and diluted headline earnings per share (thebe)	13	17	

AFRICAN BANKING CORPORATION OF BOTSWANA LIMITED

**SUMMARISED CONSOLIDATED
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

**PROFIT BEFORE TAX****SHAREHOLDERS FUNDS VS CAPITAL ADEQUACY RATIO (CAR)****GROSS ADVANCES VS IMPAIRMENT TO GROSS ADVANCES****PROFIT BEFORE TAX VS COST TO INCOME****DEPOSITS**

“Our people and operations were resilient in the face of the pandemic. We did our duty of supporting our customers and the economy through this difficult time.”

SUMMARISED CONSOLIDATED AUDITED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
as at 31 December 2020

	31-Dec 2020 P'000	31-Dec 2019 Restated P'000	01-Jan 2019 Restated P'000
ASSETS			
Cash and balances with the central bank	384,004	77,138	424,734
Balances with other banks	895,789	904,537	845,788
Balances due from related parties	488,185	633,118	528,780
Derivative financial assets	60,569	60,487	62,755
Financial assets held at amortised cost	680,142	642,818	1,162,700
Loans and advances to customers	6,000,970	6,436,064	5,802,300
Other assets	104,167	85,381	74,342
Current tax assets	-	20,476	14,282
Deferred tax asset	25,127	29,869	52,054
Intangible assets	102,442	104,347	110,833
Property and equipment	119,718	129,860	69,705
Total assets	8,861,113	9,124,095	9,148,273
LIABILITIES			
Deposits from banks	68,713	66,844	16,321
Deposits from customers	6,566,048	6,973,892	7,192,452
Derivative financial liabilities	59,667	59,618	59,173
Balances due to related parties	14,226	17,662	54,201
Other liabilities	211,695	157,706	100,686
Current tax liabilities	3,348	-	-
Borrowed funds	759,118	763,172	742,880
Total liabilities	7,682,815	8,038,894	8,165,713
EQUITY			
Stated capital	222,479	222,479	222,479
Retained earnings	940,433	847,336	745,545
Revaluation reserve	9,295	9,295	8,445
Other reserves	6,091	6,091	6,091
Total equity	1,178,298	1,085,201	982,560
Total equity and liabilities	8,861,113	9,124,095	9,148,273

SUMMARISED CONSOLIDATED AUDITED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
for the year ended 31 December 2020

	31-Dec 2020 P'000	31-Dec 2019 Restated P'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Profit before tax	124,889	150,614
Adjusted for:		
Depreciation	19,173	19,080
Amortisation of intangible assets	27,205	19,037
Impairment losses/(credit) on financial assets	3,725	(15,658)
Net exchange losses on borrowings	4,441	-
Current revaluations	(11)	-
Net interest income	(422,055)	(411,925)
Fair value adjustment on derivatives	(32)	2,712
Cash flows from operating activities before changes in operating assets and liabilities	(242,665)	(236,140)
Movements in operating assets/liabilities:	172,422	(532,462)
Loans and advances to customers	410,664	(618,106)
Balances due from related parties	142,146	(104,338)
Other assets	(18,786)	399,870
Deposits from customers and banks	(415,976)	(168,037)
Other liabilities	5,710	(5,312)
Balances due to related parties	(3,436)	(36,539)
Interest received	744,803	744,306
Interest paid	(276,479)	(332,381)
Taxation received/(paid)	(3,226)	(13,985)
Net cash from operating activities	394,855	(370,662)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of property and equipment	(6,962)	(11,242)
Purchase of intangibles assets	(25,300)	(11,167)
Additions to debt instruments	(37,919)	-
Work in progress	-	(1,384)
Net cash used in investing activities	(70,181)	(23,793)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Dividend paid	-	(20,526)
Proceeds from borrowed funds	121,360	99,922
Repayments on borrowed funds	(128,948)	(79,630)
Payment of interest on lease liabilities	(4,544)	-
Payment of principal on lease liabilities	(5,683)	(3,783)
Net cash from financing activities	(17,815)	(4,017)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	306,859	(398,472)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year	1,380,345	1,778,817
Effect of exchange rate fluctuations on cash and cash equivalents held	22,210	-
Cash and cash equivalents for the year	1,709,414	1,380,345
Cash and cash equivalents comprised of:		
Balances with other banks	895,789	904,537
Debt instruments	429,621	398,813
Cash and balances with the central bank	384,004	76,995
	1,709,414	1,380,345

SUMMARISED CONSOLIDATED AUDITED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
for the year ended 31 December 2020

	Stated capital P'000	Other reserves P'000	Revaluation reserve P'000	Retained earnings P'000	Total P'000
At 1 January 2019 - Restated	222,479	6,091	8,445	735,786	972,801
Impact of correction of errors	-	-	-	9,759	9,759
Adjusted balance 1 January 2019	222,479	6,091	8,445	745,545	982,560
Profit for the year	-	-	-	120,877	120,877
Dividend declared and paid	-	-	-	(20,526)	(20,526)
Adjustment on initial application of IFRS 16, net of tax	-	-	-	1,440	1,440
Revaluation of land and buildings	-	-	1,090	-	1,090
Deferred tax on revaluation of land and buildings	-	-	(240)	-	(240)
Comprehensive income	-	-	850	101,791	102,641
At 31 December 2019	222,479	6,091	9,295	847,336	1,085,201
At 1 January 2020	222,479	6,091	9,295	847,336	1,085,201
Profit for the year	-	-	-	93,097	93,097
Total Comprehensive income	-	-	-	93,097	93,097
At 31 December 2020	222,479	6,091	9,295	940,433	1,178,298

SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES
for the year ended 31 December 2020**General Information**

African Banking Corporation of Botswana Limited trading as BancABC Botswana provides corporate banking, retail and investment banking services. The Bank is a limited liability company and is incorporated and domiciled in Botswana (registration number C086/384).

The summarised consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 have been approved for issue by the members of the Board. Neither the members of the Board nor others have the power to amend financial statements after issue.

1 Basis of presentation**1.1 Statement of Compliance****Accounting Policies**

The Group's consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). The consolidated financial statements have been

prepared on the historical cost basis, except for revaluation of land and buildings and certain financial instruments which are disclosed at fair value.

The Bank has consistently applied the accounting policies and where necessary, the Bank adjusts comparative figures to conform to changes in presentation in the current year. The principal accounting policies applied are disclosed in the annual consolidated financial statements.

The financial statements comprise the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income showing as one statement, the statement of financial position, the statement of changes in equity, the statement of cash flows and the notes.

New and Amended Standards Adopted by the Group

A number of amendments to standards became applicable for the current reporting period. The amendments to standards did not have a material impact on the Group's reported results.

Use of Estimates and Judgements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgment in the process of applying the Bank's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgment or complexity or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in the annual consolidated financial statements.

The critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement relate to the following elements of the financial results:

- Impairment of financial assets
- Fair value of financial instruments

2 Stated Capital

The issued share capital of the Bank comprises of 725 000 000 ordinary shares which are 78% owned by ABC Holdings Limited. There has been no change in the Bank's stated capital during the period.

3 COVID-19

On 11 March 2020, the World Health Organisation ("WHO") declared the Coronavirus COVID-19 outbreak to be a pandemic due to its rapid spread across the globe. The Government of Botswana has continued to take stringent measures to help contain the virus, including: mandatory lockdowns, requiring self-isolation/quarantine by those potentially affected, implementing social distancing measures, and controlling or closing borders.

The Bank has implemented recommended protocols to safeguard the health and safety of employees, customers and external partners. For our people, the Bank assisted with working from home stations and overall facilitation of remote working. This has ensured business continuity and safety of our valued staff members.

The central bank introduced a number of relief measures for banks including:

- reduction of the Prudential Reserve Requirement and Capital Adequacy Requirements, amongst other measures.

AFRICAN BANKING CORPORATION OF BOTSWANA LIMITED

**SUMMARISED CONSOLIDATED
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

**SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

for the year ended 31 December 2020

- reduction of the bank rate by 100 bps in 2020 (50 bps in April and another 50 bps in October) to 3.75% from 4.75%.

In the credit space, monetary policy easing by the central bank together with the Bank's own initiatives to support obligors through payment holidays and loan restructures has mitigated the cliff effect of a large migration of loans to Stage 2 and Stage 3.

4 Correction of Prior Period Errors**4.1 VISA Sponsored Partnerships**

During the year management review showed that there was incorrect accounting for reimbursements of charges and settlement entries relating to a certain VISA sponsored partnership. The cumulative impact of the mistatement as at 31 December 2019,

was a reduction of retained earnings by P8 million, net of related taxes.

4.2 Staff Loans Fair Value Adjustment

During the year management adjusted the rate used for calculation of the fair value adjustment on staff loans to the market prime rate as this better reflects current fair values. The change

impacted prior periods and constitutes a prior year error. The cumulative impact of the mistatement as at 31 December 2019, was a reduction of retained earnings of P17 million, net of related taxes.

SUMMARISED SEGMENTAL REPORTING

for the year ended 31 December 2020

Basis of Segmenting

The Managing Director, supported by the rest of the Management Committee (MANCO), is considered the Chief Operating Decision Maker ('CODM') for

the purposes of identifying the Group's reportable segments. The Group's business results are assessed by the CODM on the basis of adjusted performance that removes the effects of significant

items from reported results. The Group has three reportable segments being Retail, Commercial Banking and Global Markets. All operating segments used by the Group meet the definition of reportable

segments and the results presented are in line with internal reports used internally to assess each reportable segment.

Segmental Reporting December 2020

	Retail Banking P'000	Global Markets P'000	Commercial Banking P'000	Total P'000
Statement of comprehensive income				
Net interest income	299,570	53,323	69,162	422,055
Non-interest income	86,734	27,154	8,778	122,666
Total income	386,304	80,477	77,940	544,721
Impairment of financial assets	(3,086)	-	(639)	(3,725)
Net income	383,218	80,477	77,301	540,996
Operating expenditure	(318,895)	(44,886)	(52,326)	(416,107)
Profit before taxation	64,323	35,591	24,975	124,889
Taxation	(16,373)	(9,060)	(6,359)	(31,792)
Profit after tax	47,950	26,531	18,616	93,097
Statement of financial position				
Debt instruments	-	680,142	-	680,142
Loans and advances to customers	5,714,174	-	286,796	6,000,970
Other assets for reportable segments	272,310	1,833,435	74,256	2,180,001
Total assets for reportable segments	5,986,484	2,513,577	361,052	8,861,113
Deposits from customers	1,200,313	-	5,365,735	6,566,048
Deposits from banks	-	68,713	-	68,713
Other liabilities for reportable segments	462,983	542,932	42,139	1,048,054
Total liabilities for reportable segments	1,663,296	611,645	5,407,874	7,682,815

Segmental Reporting December 2019

	Retail Banking P'000	Global Markets P'000	Commercial Banking P'000	Total P'000
Statement of comprehensive income				
Net interest income	265,824	49,971	96,130	411,925
Non-interest income	103,064	12,615	8,601	124,280
Total income	368,888	62,586	104,731	536,205
Movement in impairment	12,248	-	3,410	15,658
Net income	381,136	62,586	108,141	551,863
Operating expenditure	(313,866)	(38,323)	(49,060)	(401,249)
Profit before taxation	67,270	24,263	59,081	150,614
Taxation	(13,046)	(4,859)	(11,832)	(29,737)
Profit after tax	54,224	19,404	47,249	120,877
Statement of financial position				
Debt instruments	-	642,818	-	642,818
Loans and advances to customers	5,915,248	-	520,816	6,436,064
Other assets for reportable segments	897,295	1,075,764	72,154	2,045,213
Total assets for reportable segments	6,812,543	1,718,582	592,970	9,124,095
Deposits from customers	1,076,175	-	5,897,717	6,973,892
Deposits from banks	-	66,844	-	66,844
Other liabilities for reportable segments	575,369	451,421	(28,632)	998,158
Total liabilities for reportable segments	1,651,544	518,265	5,869,085	8,038,894

Battle for supremacy at UB as opposition fields two lobbies ahead of Friday elections

- UB-Progressives ousted in favour of UB-Progressives
- Moehwaso refuses to comment
- UB-Progressives pulls out of Friday elections

MPHO MATSHEDISO

Trouble is brewing in opposition politics as the University of Botswana Umbrella for Democratic Change (UB-UDC) popularly known as Moono-wa-Baithuti opted to align itself with the UB-Progressives, snubbing the University of Botswana Congress for Democracy- Botswana Congress Party (UBCD-BCP) in the run up to Friday's Student Representative Council elections.

Speaking at a press conference organized by the UB-Progressives at the BCP office in Gaborone today, UB-Progressives representative Erick Karabelo said, "There have been heavy wars from the MASS-BNF (University of Botswana- Botswana National Front) side to the extent that even the police got involved. It came to our attention that the president of the BNF Duma Boko wants the BCP excluded going to the 2024

general elections and by doing that they must start from the very bottom and hence the MASS-BNF wanted to oust UB-Progressives in favor of University of Botswana Progressives. This is a war," he said.

The instruction to snub the UB-Progressives is said to have caused havoc again at MASS-BNF as there were some factions who did not agree with this decision, "The instruction that we received was that the UB-Progressives would no longer be contesting and that they were bringing in UB-Progressives. We decided to write to the UDC national executive committee and there were a series of meetings to try and restore peace between UB-Progressives and Mass-BNF headed by Moeti Mohwasa and Phillip Monowe," Karabelo said.

Karabelo said a reconciliation document was drawn, since there were three parties with interests in running for the elections being the BNF, BCP as well as AP. "Let us



come up with an arrangement that divides SRC positions and unfortunately at the agreed time of signing the documents only the BCP secretary general Phillip Monowe was present and Moeti Mohwasa was a no show," said Karabelo.

The Botswana Patriotic Front was also brought in try and broker peace since they are aligned to the UDC because of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed in November of 2020. The MOU solidifies a commitment that between the years 2020 and the next general elections in 2024, where a by-election (local or parliamentary) is to be held in Botswana, the contracting parties, being AP, BPF and UDC shall not contest against each other.

Mass-BNF have already released their proposed cabinet under the Moono-wa-Baithuti banner ahead of Friday's elections. The cabinet consists mainly of BNF members.

"We wanted to contest for the elections under the Moono-Wa-Baithuti stable. Unfortunately, they denied us a chance and apparently Boko is on his way to ousting Saleshando from the UDC," claimed Karabelo.

Meanwhile the Secretary General for the BNF, Moeti Mohwasa has refused to comment on the matter saying he is not aware of the latest developments at UB, decision and the latest developments at UB.

BDP YOUTH LEAGUE CALLS FOR AXING OF CORRUPT MINISTERS

- Say BDP must live up to its undertaking to fight corruption
- Want corrupt ministers prosecuted

LAONE MOLELO

The youth wing of the Botswana Democratic Party (BDP) has called for the removal and prosecution of corrupt cabinet ministers in this time of the country's worsening economic climate.

This follows recent revelations by the Minister of Presidential Affairs, Governance and Public Administration, Kabo Morwaeng, that 58 cases of corruption have been reported to DCEC.

Speaking in an interview with *The Botswana Gazette*, the Chairman of the BDP Youth Wing, Karabo Gamotsegang, noted that in the lead up to the 2019 general elections, the ruling party made an undertaking to Botswana that the party would deal with corruption and that corrupt ministers now present an opportunity to put that promise into practice.

Gomotsegang said social media was recently rife with an outcry that certain high profile leaders within government had allegedly given multi-million tenders to party activists. "You will agree with me that whenever that happens, everyone points to the BDP-led government," he added. "It is disturbing that some people are looting the economy when the economy is bleeding and most people have lost their incomes."

"It is disheartening that some people choose to loot state coffers when we could be renovating our roads and buying vaccines. We should not at any given time allow these things to happen because they taint our image. We should hold our leadership to account without fear or favour."

He said his committee would meet with Minister Morwaeng to ensure that reported cases are dealt with by relevant authorities. "We intend to meet Minister Kabo Morwaeng about these issues because we assured Botswana that corruption would become a thing of the past," he disclosed. "We cannot tolerate such things. Whomsoever within Cabinet is linked with corrupt activities should be removed to go through the judicial process."

Fighting corruption was at the top of his agenda when President Mokgweetsi Masisi first assumed office under automatic succession in 2018 and again when he was sworn in after the 2019 general elections.

In January last year, the President Mokgweetsi Masisi told a media briefing that he was not satisfied with the level at which his government was fighting corruption. This was in the midst of growing criticism that corruption was in the DNA of the ruling party.

As the condemnation grew louder, the Leader of the Opposition, Dumelang Saleshando, was suspended from Parliament when he would not withdraw his accusations that the State of Public Emergency was instituted in order to facilitate awarding government tenders corruptly and that some ministers were involved in looting state coffers.



BOTSWANA
EXAMINATIONS
COUNCIL



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Job Purpose

Reporting to the Board, the position will be responsible for the overall stewardship and guidance on all operations of BEC, to ensure they produce the desired results that are consistent with the overall strategy and mission of BEC, as well as, for modelling and setting the Council's culture, values, and behaviour.

The Job

The incumbent will be responsible for, among others, the following:

- Developing a vision and setting the goals for BEC, as well as, providing effective leadership towards the realisation of the vision and goals.
- Managing the strategic and sustainable transformative change at BEC.
- Overseeing the conduct of research on educational assessment.
- Advising the Government on any policy decision that is relevant to, or has implications for the administration of assessments in Botswana.
- Leading BEC in planning, development, implementation, as well as, certification of examinations and assessments in general education, technical and vocational education and training, and any other related examinations and assessments.
- Prioritising, controlling and deciding on the allocation of resources between competing demands.
- Ensuring there are appropriate and robust processes, systems, controls and operating mechanisms in place for effective and efficient delivery of services.

The Person

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- A minimum of a relevant PhD in Education, or related area from a recognised University.
- At least twenty (20) years relevant experience, including ten (10) years at executive management level in a public/private organisation, regional, or international institution.
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- Knowledge of structural legislative and regulatory framework for administering education and assessments in Botswana.
- Proficient in the use of computers and computer software relevant to the position.

Competencies

- Diplomacy, negotiation, persuasion, advocacy, networking and relationship building skills.
- Research, analytical and problem-solving skills.
- Strategic planning and execution skills.
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- Ability to portray and uphold positive national image and work in a multicultural environment with sensitivity to and respect for diversity.

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US Donates Isolations Centres To Botswana

14 isolation clinics to be built around the country



LETLHOGILE MPUANG

The Government of the United State of America will assist the Government of Botswana with P18 million for construction of 17 COVID-19 isolation clinics across the country.

According to a statement from the US Embassy in Gaborone, the donation is aimed at improving Botswana's COVID-19 response. As at 9 April 2021, Botswana's COVID-19 death toll stood at 663 while the total confirmed cases had reached 40 998 by the beginning of April 3.

"The United States Government, through the Department of Defence's Office of Security Cooperation (OSC), provided P18.7 million to build COVID-19 isolation clinics across Botswana,"

"The United States Government, through the Department of Defence's Office of Security Cooperation (OSC), provided P18.7 million to build COVID-19 isolation clinics across Botswana," the statement said. "This Overseas Humanitarian, Disaster

and Civic Aid (OHDACA) funded project is aimed at strengthening Botswana's COVID-19 response."

The statement adds that the project is aimed at supporting the pandemic mitigation efforts of the Botswana government in remote and under-resourced communities across the country. "This donation comes in addition to the OSC's 2020 donation of P330 000 worth of Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) to the Ministry of Health and Wellness (MoHW)," it says. "On March 12, the U.S. Embassy's OSC Chief, Lieutenant Colonel Robert Hammack, and Country Director of the U.S. Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, Dr. Pauline Harvey, along with MoHW Chief Project Engineer, Mr. Gaebopae Motshabi, and other MoHW staff members toured the proposed locations in Maun and Kasane for the clinic project."

The project includes 14 modular structures that can be used to provide services for 112 patients. The embassy says the clinics will benefit community health workers, policymakers, managers, ministries responsible for managing and implementing community-based health services, civil society organizations and local businesses directly engaged in the provision of community health services.

In March 2020, the Global Health Security Index ranked Botswana among the countries least prepared to deal with COVID-19 pandemic. The report said the country's public healthcare system was one of the worst in Africa due shortage of healthcare workers and poor and insufficient healthcare infrastructure.



BNF CONFIRMS NKAIGWA'S RESIGNATION

The Botswana National Front (BNF) confirms the resignation of Mr. Haskins Nkaigwa, the 2019 parliamentary candidate for Gaborone North Constituency under the Umbrella for Democratic Change (UDC). The loss of a member is always a setback as politics is a game of numbers.

The BNF, however dismisses Nkaigwa's unprovoked utterances that he made in some private radio stations, where he spewed bile against the BNF and the UDC. It is unfortunate that Mr. Nkaigwa found it necessary to satisfy his latest yet former political home by speaking ill of the BNF and UDC. This is amateurish for a pastor.

The BNF is renowned for its puo phaa, which is promoted through the tested criticism and self-criticism doctrine. This is why the BNF is still proudly standing, united and growing, amid robust internal engagements.

Nkaigwa's destination on the other hand, the BDP, is a haunted and deserted house, characterised with the worst corruption and mismanagement which has impoverished innocent Botswana for over half a century. Since 2010, the BDP has experienced two unprecedented deadly splits, leading to the formation of BMD and BPF but thanks to the collusion of the IEC and DISS, the BDP is purported to win elections. No principled cadre can join such a fraudulent party whose popularity vote has been declining for years and the party is only hanging on corruption, archaic electoral system and election rigging. Botswana are poor, landless, sick and thousands of youths are unemployed due to this BDP corruption and mismanagement. And yet Nkaigwa sees life in such hopelessness. The standard of living for Botswana is at the lowest and life is just a misery, hence the unhappy nation tagline.

We therefore urge Mr. Nkaigwa to depart in peace and stop making up excuses for his lack of endurance to face economic challenges besieging the opposition. It is an open secret that the opposition activists spend a lot of family resources to keep this democracy peaceful, relevant and vibrant. Some of these challenges are tactfully created by the BDP itself so that opposition members can turn to the ruling party for personal salvation.

We once more confirm that while UDC was systematically cheated at the 2019 elections, the BDP will not be allowed to repeat the electoral fraud in 2024. The vigilance by the opposition parties and Botswana in general will be out of this world and no chicanery will be tolerated.

Justin Hunyepa
BNF Information & Publicity Secretary

Accountability in Botswana: What Does It Look Like?

More than any other crisis we have undergone, the COVID-19 pandemic has brought a lot of irregularities within our systems and institutions to the surface. This makes it an ideal opportunity to build transparent governance, writes **THATOCHUMA**

Known for its diplomatic stature and rare diamonds, Botswana is certainly more than just a country. It is also its people. But this largely conservative population finds itself at a crossroads due to the COVID-19 pandemic that is hurting the country's economy and the pockets of the average Motswana. The peaceful stance has been disturbed by a turbulent state of affairs and many do not know where to begin in their pursuit of accountability in their governing and institutional structures. This makes one wonder, what does accountability in Botswana look like?

In the last two decades, a lack of political will to accommodate voices and structures that call for accountability has been evident. From the renowned Professor Kenneth Good's deportation in 2005, which was rooted in his scrutiny of the inequality that plagued the country, condemnation of excessive concentration of power in the President, numerous accounts of media arrests over the years and ill treatment of BaSarwa which was linked to the discovery of diamonds, Botswana's pragmatic democracy has been overshadowed by these and a deafening silence regarding accountability for them.

"How well any government functions hinges on how good citizens are at making their politicians accountable for their actions. Political control of public officials depends on two factors. First, free and regular elections allow citizens to discipline politicians – the credible threat of losing office in the next period compels policymakers to respond to the voters' interests. Second, and equally important, the degree of citizen information curbs the opportunities politicians may have to engage in political corruption and management," highlights Adsera and Payne in "Are You Being Served."

In Botswana, however, the threat of losing office has not compelled leadership to prioritise the needs of the public, particularly considering our reactive opposition parties and the absence of policies that enforce consequences in the absence of transparent leadership. Botswana now finds itself entangled in a web of corruption scandals and missing monies that are not accounted for. According to the founder of the Botswana Centre for Public Integrity, Pusetso Morapedi, says accountability needs to start in small structures of society, mainly the family. "The simplest definition of accountability is the willingness to accept responsibility for one's actions," he asserts. "In Botswana, it would be families continuously introspecting the foundation of their structures and responsibilities, whether it is nuclear, blended or extended.

"This is how shared ethical norms come about and are formed. They would also need ways of ensuring those ethical values are implemented and we would need to rebuild the society from that perspective, such as asking if our values reflect the society we want. When people are responsible, they contribute positively to their communities. When you are answerable at that level, then practicing accountability at a national level becomes easier. Accountability in Botswana needs a multi-level approach. Institutions must be allowed and enabled to do their job so that they can make people account. People no longer account because they are always hiding be-

hind a CEO, or a minister and other people in power or influential positions. We must create the systems and institutions that can cultivate a culture of competency where those selected are qualified to ensure that when problems arise, those liable can look at accountability as a responsibility, not punishment. It boils down to how we use our systems and how we teach accountability through them."

In a society where issues such as rape are concealed in families and service delivery is a daily struggle, it is evident that we are indeed in a crisis that needs urgent action at both the family and the national levels. The current outcry should be channelled at establishing ways through which the public can have ethical representation and accountability. As it stands, accountability is but a myth in Botswana and the state of affairs echoes this.

In his paper, "Rethinking Non-Accountability and Corruption in Botswana," Professor Good states: "The root of the

problem lies in the system preceding democracy through which a small number of chiefs accumulated wealth and power. Its autocratic and hierarchical characteristics were perpetuated by the leaders of Botswana's modern democracy. The result was a weak civil society and an ineffective political opposition that has crumbled further over the years. Corruption has thrived in an environment with few checks on power. However, the government's impunity is finally being questioned by the media and the people."

More than any other crisis we have undergone, the COVID-19 pandemic has brought a lot of irregularities within our systems and institutions to the surface. This makes it an ideal time to reflect and build a better Botswana that considers accountability as a principle that must be upheld at all levels of our interactions. It is time to build transparent governance.



Competition Winner's Draw Dates.

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Date: 16 April 2021

Time: 1400hrs till 1600hrs

2nd Draw: BAMB Gaborone Branch

Date: 23 April 2021

Time: 1400hrs till 1600hrs

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BPFYL against SoE extension

As the current State of Emergency (SoE) comes to an end in a few days, on 31 March 2021, to be exact. The Botswana Patriotic Front Youth League (BPFYL) would like to make it clearly known that we stand strongly against the rumoured SoE extension by the BDP.

Botswana has been under SOE for a full year now. As a nation, we were assured the SoE was sought to genuinely intensify and accelerate government's fight against the dreadful pandemic, and to some extent safeguard multitudes of Batswana from losing their employment due to the inevitable economic tribulation resulting from COVID-19 management restrictions. Sadly, but not surprisingly, we have actually witnessed the direct opposite.

Undisputable evidence shows that the SoE has not been effective in containing and controlling the virus in any way. The figures are in the public domain for anyone and everyone to see. Likewise, some companies have and continue to fire employees under SOE. The President is yet to utter a word against such.

Subsequently, unemployment rates have continued to skyrocket. Poverty has risen during SoE while many of our citizens have been relegated to deserted destitutes and beggars in their own mineral blessed country that they call home. We have heard news of overnight millionaires who raked in millions of public funds through the evil direct-appointment systems propelled by the SoE technicalities. This has obviously widened our already huge and disastrous Gini Co-efficient.

The BPFYL was not surprised when the latest World Happiness Report 2021 considered Botswana one of the world's unhappiest countries along war-torn countries such as Afghanistan. The only thing our country has registered and witnessed under SOE was President Masisi's star skyrocket as a flourishing and ruthless entrepreneur. Among other things, the President is now an aggressive master farmer who competes with Batswana for land and supply of farm produce to retail outlets. We have all seen and heard rumours of him amassing wealth from lucrative locations such as Banyana Farms to exquisite resorts in the delta.

Still under the SoE, the president has become a globe trotter of note, arguably spending more time out of the country than within. At one point, he startlingly visited one country twice in a space of less than two weeks.

Simultaneously Batswana continue to helplessly watch as the vaccine rollout struggles to kick off primarily because the administration of the day is dangerously allergic to goal setting and implementation. At the highest level, this is evidenced by the President's inability to develop and broadcast a roadmap for the nation during his term and purpose in office. We can imagine how painful it might be for the clueless Minister Edwin Dikoloti. We are reliably he was reluctantly thrown in the deep end after Minister Kwape refused to be used to mislead the nation on issues of health for fear of losing his licence.

We have also seen and heard about the alleged P30 million splashed on the "Arm Ready" campaign. But when cases rise, the government is quick to adjust curfew times instead of accelerating efforts towards vaccination rollout.

Like many other fair minded and pragmatic citizens, we are of the strong the view that after a year into the pandemic. "COVID-19 is no longer an emergency; it is a reality. It does not require any further State of Emergency".

Botswana Patriotic Front YL President

Onneile Foxx Segwai

Dear Mr President



I would ask how you were doing but since we are out here catching feelings and you are over there catching flights, it is clear you are on top of the world.

Mr President let me start off by noting that I have a compulsive need for things around me to make sense. When they do not, I get really frustrated, hence my decision to pen this note.

We all know the dynamics leading up to the 2019 elections. Prior to that, I was sure that I was voting for the opposition. Let me state for the record that I do not affiliate with any party but am drawn to a candidate who offers solutions to the people, not just in our constituency but Batswana in general. I forewent this principle because of you.

Mr President, a man is only as good as his word. Admittedly, applying this to politicians is an overreach. But I gave you the benefit of the doubt. You came across as genuine in approach. I chose to overlook the signs. A case in point is the "lelope" fiasco which was on record but you denied it. I told myself that we didn't understand the context initially. You were saying all the right things, given the regime we were coming from. It was music to my ears.

At one point, Duma Boko said something along the lines of "changing the man will not change the fundamentals of the institution". I looked the other way. Your government continues to trample on the trust we gave them. Granted, many of them did not qualify for the job, but you Sir asked us to trust you and in turn them. But you are doing so little to convince us that our trust was not misplaced. You have without a doubt decided to suspend your obligation to the nation under the guise that we are fighting a pandemic. Look around, Sir, how are you fairing in that regard? Do you go to bed at night and pat yourself on the back and say, "I am killing this presidency thing?" I can only imagine what the First Lady has to say.

When the SOE was first implemented, I was utterly dumbfounded as I listened to your MPs failing to articulate why we needed it in the first place. Not even listening to advice on how to approach it. I have come to realise that it is your way or the highway with your government. You trumpet how you are a consultative government, but what have you done to show that you are indeed open to counsel? The mockery!

We are in our second extension, but looking in hindsight, what have you archived with 12 months of SOE? I beg you, Sir, please do not tell me that you compelled people to wear masks. For a man of your stature and intellect, it is embarrassing. The promises you made leading to the elections are now forgotten; the jobs, the investors, development projects, fighting corruption, technological advancement, a knowledge-based economy and so on.

Multi-tasking is a skill often required in employment. It is very clear, Sir, that it is a skill that we should not have assumed you had. As it stands, 12 months on, COVID-19 is your sole purpose which you really aren't doing great at managing either. A great leader can be seen in his ability to delegate so that he frees up his time to take on other duties, hence the need to have taken heed of advice to empower the health director. Why you believe you are the only person to lead this fight really baffles me.

Why do you still have a task force in place 12 months on when we should now as a country be acclimatising to the pandemic through what we have learned and continue to learn? Shouldn't the health fraternity be leading us, seeing as they are qualified for this area? We have somehow managed to politicise this pandemic, which is such a shame.

Mr President, talk of corruption is rampant in this country. You continue to be implicated. But for whatever reason, you have decided that you will not address these. I guess your integrity is not important to you. Instead, your number two tells us that as a citizen, you have the right to compete like everyone else. There is a reason you are referred to as the number one citizen, but I doubt that it means you should be the first in line for all opportunities. You are no ordinary citizen. These days we cannot keep up. Every day we learn of something new. Corruption will reduce this once great country to nothing and our blood will be on your hands.

Please do not get me started on the cases before the courts which the DPP keeps losing left right and centre and it is business as usual. Your Excellency, I am not one to throw complaints around without offering solutions. But in this case, I am only going to ask you to introspect, to remember why you told us you wanted the highest office, to look around and tell me if the knowledge-based economy you envisioned for us will even be a possibility at the rate things are going. What kind of country will our children and their children find?

Mr President, you do not inspire confidence that as a nation we will rebuild as there is no indication whatsoever in that respect. You have a cabinet that fails you daily but you seem clueless about how to control the ship. We are in a turbulent storm with no captain in sight. To borrow a term that I am sure will resonate well with you, we are on autopilot as a country.

Lastly Sir, whilst the economy takes knocks every day and our livelihoods are impacted, people are losing jobs. I can only say to you, Sir, as you would to us, please keep well, wash your hands, wear your mask, and adhere to health protocols.

Dear Mr President
BaatileKobedi

Public transport operators to ask for fare increase

- Attribute proposal to fuel price increase
- Say last increment was too negligible
- Minister says fuel price increase does not guarantee fare adjustment



SESUPO RANTSIMAKO

FRANCISTOWN: Following a rise in fuel prices on 1st April, public transport operators want taxi and bus fares adjusted but may meet with resistance from the government, *The Botswana Gazette* has established.

This comes six months after the last increment in fares in September last year that was also in response to a rise in fuel prices.

According to the Chairman of the Botswana Bus Operators Association (BBOA), Tirafalo Mponang, the last public transport fare adjustment did not have much impact on their operations because the government ignored their proposal before the 15 percent increase was effected.

“Our intention is to make a proposal and submit it to the government for review,” Mponang said. “We want to outline all factors that need to be considered before a decision is taken.”

The Chairman of the Taxi Association Edison Tlhomelang, has also said the last public transport fare increment did not make much difference to operators because fuel prices went up again a few months later. He said together with bus operators, they have agreed to monitor factors that affect their businesses negatively before tabling a proposal to the Minister of Transport and Communications. Thulaganyo Segokgo.

“The latest fuel increase has made our already ailing businesses miserable,” Tlhomelang said in an interview. “We are closely monitoring which other levies will be endorsed by Parliament and other factors to justify our proposal before we approach the minister.”

But transport minister Segokgo says a fuel price increase does not always guarantee an adjustment in public transport fares because fuel prices fluctuate all the time. “In addition to a lot of other factors, fuel prices fluctuate and therefore fares cannot be adjusted whenever there is fuel price increase,” he said in an interview.



BOTSWANA HOUSING CORPORATION

Disposal of Used Motor Vehicles Through Sealed Bids

1. Botswana Housing Corporation intends to dispose used motor vehicles by way of sealed bids. Bid documents containing details of the requirements are available for collection from **Thursday 15th April, 2021** during business hours at Reception Area, **Plot 10236/7 Lejara Road, Broadhurst, Gaborone.**

Business hours are 0730hrs to 1630hrs (Mondays to Fridays)

2. Only citizens and 100% citizen-owned companies may participate in the bid.
3. Interested parties shall be allowed to bid **only once.**
4. All bids must be deposited in the tender box at Plot 10236/7 Lejara Road, Broadhurst, Gaborone not later than **0900hrs on Thursday 6th May 2021** and shall be clearly marked; “**BHC Disposal of Used Motor Vehicles**”
5. The motor vehicles are parked at BHC Property Sales Office (Plot 1211, Molosiwa Rd, Gaborone) opposite Motor Holdings Gaborone Office. **The viewing dates are 19th April 2021 to 23rd April 2021 during business hours.**
6. All clarifications to be forwarded to procurement_tenders@bhc.bw not later than **Thursday 29th April 2021.**

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THINGS TO KNOW WHEN INVESTING IN REAL ESTATE IN BOTSWANA

INVESTING

To invest means owning an asset or an item with the goal of generating income from the investment, which is an increase in the value of the assets over a period of time. Things one should know when one invests in real estate in Botswana are here explained.

Agent fees: Property is the highest valued asset one can have under one's name. In order to avoid fly-by-nighters, one should engage an agent registered with the Real Estate Institute of Botswana and the Real Estate Advisory Council. Tempest offers estate agency services. We sell properties on behalf of clients with charge fee of 5% of the sale price. We also rent properties on behalf of clients with a charge fee of first month rental.

Even though charges are generally based on time spent, the firm often agrees on fixed fees for specific projects. Conveyancing and notarial fees are tariff-based and are set by the Law Society of Botswana.

A property bond is an investment in which an investor loans money to an entity that borrows the funds for a defined period of time at a fixed interest. Bond registration is determined by the amount that the buyer or

the financing institute is willing to register the bond at.

Valuation fees: A valuer is a trained professional who has knowledge and understanding of the factors that create, maintain or diminish the value of real estate. Our property valuation charges are determined by the value of the property in question. For properties that are outside Gaborone, we charge P4. 50/km. Before we can proceed to do a valuation, a deposit of P1500 is required with a property document certificate, a lease or a title deed. Upon completion, the balance fees are payable before or at collection of the report.

Transfer duty: This is levied at a 5% of the value of immovable freehold and leasehold property. The first P1 million of such value is exempt from transfer duty in case of transfer to a Botswana citizen of agricultural property while transfer duty is levied at the rate of 30% for a non-citizen.

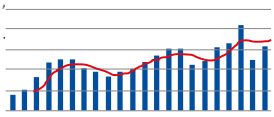
Conveyancing fees: This is the amount paid to lawyers. It is determined by the purchase price and the bond amount. Please note that fees are standard for all law firms and that they are regulated by the Botswana Law Society of Botswana. Professional fees are typically time-based and are charged at hourly rates that are discussed and agreed with clients prior to commencement of the work to be undertaken.

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Feasibility study: This is a process of determining whether a business will be viable or not. Tempest Gold offers this service by conducting market research for any business idea relating to real estate.

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SOLID DEMAND FOR DE BEERS ROUGH

Second sales cycle of 2021 amounted to \$440 million.



A general view of the Orapa mine on 16 October 2017 Local media visits the Orapa and Letlhakane diamond mine in a invitation from Debswana. (Pic: MONIRUL BHUIYAN/PRESS PHOTO)

GAZETTE REPORTER

There is solid demand for rough diamonds at leading diamond mining company De Beers as a traditional quieter period of the year for the diamond industry begins, the company's Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Bruce Cleaver, said in the De Beers' third sales cycle of 2021 statement released recently.

The De Beers Cycle 3 2021 provisional sales value represents rough diamond sales as at 6 April. According to Cleaver, the value of rough diamond sales (global sightholder sales and auctions) for De Beers' second sales cycle of 2021 amounted to \$440 million.

"Sales were in line with expectations, both market and overall industry conditions remain positive," he noted. "However, with the pandemic developments in Europe and Mumbai's recent lockdown resulting in the Bharat Diamond Bourse being closed, it is clear that we will continue to see challenges relating to COVID-19."

The De Beers Group CEO said owing to restrictions on the movement of people and products in various jurisdictions around the globe, the company continued to implement a more flexible approach to rough diamond sales during the third sales cycle of 2021.

"The Sight event extended beyond its normal week-long duration," Cleaver said. "As a result, the provisional rough diamond sales figure quoted for Cycle 3 represents the expected sales value for the period 22 March to 06 April and remains subject to adjustment based on final completed sales."

De Beers Group is a multinational company that specialises in diamond exploration, diamond mining, diamond retail, diamond trading and industrial manufacturing. The company is active in open-pit and large-scale alluvial, coastal and deep mining. It operates in 35 countries, including Botswana from where it generates approximately 75 percent of its earnings.

De Beers' major shareholder is Anglo American, which owns 85 percent of the company. The remaining 15 percent is owned by the Government of Botswana. De Beers Group and its partners produce around one third of the world's rough diamonds by value. De Beers sells rough diamonds to global diamantaires through its diamond trading and auction businesses. It sells polished diamonds and diamond jewellery via its Forevermark and De Beers Jewellers businesses.

EXECUTIVE MASTERCLASS – PROTECTING SHAREHOLDERS VALUE IN A CRISIS

- Mergers, listings and acquisitions Expert to set foot in Gaborone
- Creating, strengthening and defending shareholder value critical
- Economy expected to contract by 13.1%.
- The Practice Academy's inaugural masterclass

Gaborone - In their efforts to assist BLUE CHIPS in defending shareholder value, national capacity-building and development, the Practice Academy, a subsidiary of the PR Practice, has launched its first ever Executive Masterclass; the first of many. This comes against the backdrop of the economy's projected 13.1% decline.

The Masterclass will have a selection of experts who will offer curated, thought-provoking yet practical training materials and modules comprising of case studies and practical experiences. These classes will be aimed at synthesizing experiential knowledge and facilitating mutual learning. The Practice Academy's Masterclass will be led by Investor Relations expert Morné Reinders on Protecting Shareholder value in the COVID era. Reinders has 19 years' experience in investor relations, listings, IPOs, crisis communications and corporate affairs. The Masterclass is slated for the **22nd April 2021 at Travelodge Conference Centre from 0900.**

"Maintaining and strengthening shareholder value has become paramount in trying times. It is quite essential to comprehend that shareholder value is produced

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when the company's value, as reflected in the share price, surpasses the capital invested by its shareholders. A survey conducted by KPMG found that 95% of senior executives cited 'satisfying shareholders' as their top corporate objective. Many of these executives fail to implement these objectives," stated Ndaba Nkomo, MD at the Practice Academy.

"We are living under extraordinary circumstances and defending value is a huge challenge. This module provides perceptive insights at a time we need them the most," concludes Morné.

A brief on the Impact analysis of COVID-19 in Botswana from the United Nations predicts that the economy is expected to contract by 13.1%. "It is paramount that businesses invest in fortifying their shareholder value because, firstly, it is businesses that outperform their counterparts in terms of share price that become investors' first choice. Secondly, a company's share price echoes the market's expectation that it will have a greater chance of maintaining a valuable dividend stream in the long run. Thirdly, commitment to generating shareholder value is a vital element in investors' prediction of future performance and long-term valuation," stated a former executive consultant at KPMG, Paul Hayman.

Investing in generating shareholder value should receive significant attention and commitment from executive management and should be given the highest priority within all organizations.

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BTC launches prepaid Fast Connect Internet Service

Botswana Telecommunications Corporation Limited (BTC), has launched a Fast Connect prepaid internet service offering increased download and upload speeds for the convenience of customers.

"The service gives customers access to 4G LTE broadband in areas that do not have a fixed network where fiber can be deployed on a prepaid basis. Customers will not only enjoy increased download and upload speeds, the internet service will make customers' lives easier enabling them to connect with their families, friends and colleagues via video calls, play online games, stream high definition movies and download other content seamlessly," says BTC General Manager Marketing, Malebogo Mosinyi.

BTC has previously offered Fast Connect as a postpaid service and now customers will enjoy it as a prepaid service to cater for its expansive customer base. "Customers will now enjoy hassle free service as they get to pay in their own terms and will not be bound by a contract", she said.

With prepaid Fast Connect, customers have an option to purchase either a MiFi or Router connectivity device at any BTC shop to access this offer. "We offer customers the flexibility to move around from the city to home villages to the farm (moraka). With our more than 400, 4.5G sites reaching almost 90% of the population, we want our customers to enjoy this unlimited internet offer on the go or in the comfort of their homes" continued Ms. Mosinyi.

BTC celebrating more than 40 years of progress is **Botswana's leading and pioneering technology and telecommunications company enabling the socio-economic development of Botswana.** Today BTC's infrastructure is the backbone of a possible national digitisation strategy, its network envelopes Botswana beyond the eastern corridor to the hostile terrains where no other network would explore.



RMB REINFORCES ITS CAPABILITY IN THE CAPITAL MARKETS

In Africa's largest Eurobond issuance since the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic, Rand Merchant Bank (RMB), the corporate and investment banking arm of FirstRand Bank Limited, acted as Joint Lead Manager and Joint Bookrunner (JLM), alongside other transaction parties, in the Republic of Ghana's four-tranche Eurobond. RMB also acted as Dealer Manager on Ghana's Tender Offer on its 2023 maturity. Eurobonds. RMB is proud to have assisted Ghana to issue a new money Zero Coupon Senior Unsecured Eurobond, the first of its kind by an Emerging Market (EM) sovereign.

Ken Ofori-Atta, Ghana's Minister for Finance, who was sworn in on 30 March, 2021, has in the past made a case for the creation of an "inclusive global forum to rebuild the international financial and economic architecture and a new ability to respond equitably and rapidly to such a catastrophe." The effective execution of the zero-coupon Eurobond tranche is another step towards achieving this vision and helps to create additional fiscal space to assist Ghana Build Back Better post the Covid-19 impact on the economy. RMB is pleased to have been able to assist the Government to achieve its goal on this transaction. The issuance further demonstrates the RMB Debt Capital Markets Team's expertise, innovation and ability to execute amidst a volatile market backdrop.

This issuance enables the Ministry of Finance to raise funds to refinance more expensive shorter-dated debt with affordable term debt. This transaction was preceded by a 3-day virtual deal roadshow, where Ghana presented its impressive credit story to global fixed income investor base, whilst emphasising the government's focus on fiscal consolidation, completion and continuity as the economy recovers from the impact of the pandemic.

Commenting on the transaction, James Formby, Global RMB CEO, says: "Ghana has always been a trailblazer as an issuer in the capital markets and was the first Sub-Saharan African Sovereign to issue a 40-year Eurobond. RMB is delighted to have been appointed by Ghana to jointly lead the execution of this Eurobond, especially the novel Zero Coupon tranche. The appointment of RMB as Joint Lead Manager and the successful outcome of the transaction can be attributed to RMB's commitment to Ghana through our on the ground presence, and the continuous investments we have made in our global credit distribution platforms."

"Our agility in turning around the transaction within a short period enabled Ghana to navigate the choppy waters in the markets and achieve the government's objectives in terms of their debt management strategy. The services of RMB's leading Debt Capital Markets Team, based in London, a key financial hub, and remains available to African issuers to help them direct capital into the continent for investment, growth and development." adds Dominic Adu, CEO of First National Bank Ghana.

Sharing their views on the deal, Olebile Makhube, Director of RMB Botswana says, "RMB is proud to have assisted Ghana to arrange this landmark transaction and, of the support this issuance will give the Government to address increased budgetary pressures resulting from Covid-19. Botswana - the only investment-grade rated sovereign left on the continent - continues to be a prime investment destination with strong scarcity value, given its lack of commercial debt."

RMB and First National Bank, members of the FirstRand Group family, remain committed to Ghana and are proud to have been able to assist the Ministry of Finance with this transaction.

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TENDER NOTICE

REFERENCE NO: BSB/MTC/HC/002 2021-2022

A ONE-YEAR SERVICE CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF CLEANING SERVICES TO THE BOTSWANA SAVINGS BANK AT VARIOUS SITES

Sealed Tender offers from 100% citizen owned companies for a A ONE-YEAR SERVICE CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF CLEANING SERVICES TO THE BOTSWANA SAVINGS BANK AT VARIOUS SITES.

Tender Collection & Submission Address

BOTSWANA SAVINGS BANK TSHOMARELO HOUSE, PLOT 53796, KAGISO MALL TSHOMARELO HOUSE
PROCUREMENT OFFICE 4TH FLOOR
TEL: 3670000/01 | FAX: 3952608

Collection & Requirements

Documents may be collected during working hours between 0830hrs and 1530hrs with effect from 14th April 2021. A non-refundable deposit of P350 payable by cash or bank guaranteed cheque made out in favour of the Botswana Savings Bank is required on collection of the tender documents. Payment should be made to the revenue collector at Botswana Savings Bank branch. Proof of payment will be required on collection of the tender document(s). Youth companies shall purchase at half price.

Compulsory Site Visit

There will be a compulsory site visit at Gaborone BSB Headquarters (29 April 2021 - 0900hrs), Gaborone warehouse (29 April 2021 - 1130hrs), BSB Railpark Branch (29 April 2021 - 1400hrs), Molepolole Branch (30 April 2021 - 1000hrs), Kanye Branch (30 April 2021 - 1400hrs), Hukuntsi branch (03 May 2021 - 1000hrs), Gumare Branch (04 May 2021 - 1100hrs), Maun Branch (05 May 2021 - 0930hrs), Francistown Branch (06 May 2021 - 0900hrs), Serowe branch (06 May 2021 - 1430hrs), Palapye branch (07 May 2021 - 0900hrs) & Mahalapye branch (07 May 2021 - 1400hrs).

Closing Date

The closing time for receipt of tender documents is 1000hrs on 14th May 2021 and tenders shall be delivered to Plot 53796, Tshomarelo House, Botswana Savings Bank, 4th Floor Reception.

Tender offers received after closing date, telegraphic, faxed or emailed submissions will not be accepted. Late tenders will be rejected and returned unopened to bidders. Names and addresses of bidders should be reflected on the envelopes.

Bid Submission Method

Submissions which arrive after closing date and time shall be rejected. A two-envelope procedure will be followed.

This is where the technical proposal is prepared separately from the Financial Proposal. No financial information should be contained in the technical proposal or the technical proposal envelope. The Technical proposal should be marked with the word, "TECHNICAL" and the financial proposal marked with the word, "FINANCIAL" Original documents should be marked with the word "ORIGINAL" and all copies marked with the word "COPY". The original technical proposal and all its copies should be placed in one envelope. The original financial proposal and all its copies is also placed in another separate envelope. The two envelopes are then sealed and placed in a bigger outer envelope also sealed. The tender Number, tender title and Name of bidder should appear on the proposals and the envelopes. Parts of each tender offer communicated on paper shall be submitted as one (1) original marked original, plus three (3) copies.

PPADB Codes

Code 132: Cleaning Services, Sub-Code 01: Building Cleaning Services.

Enquiries

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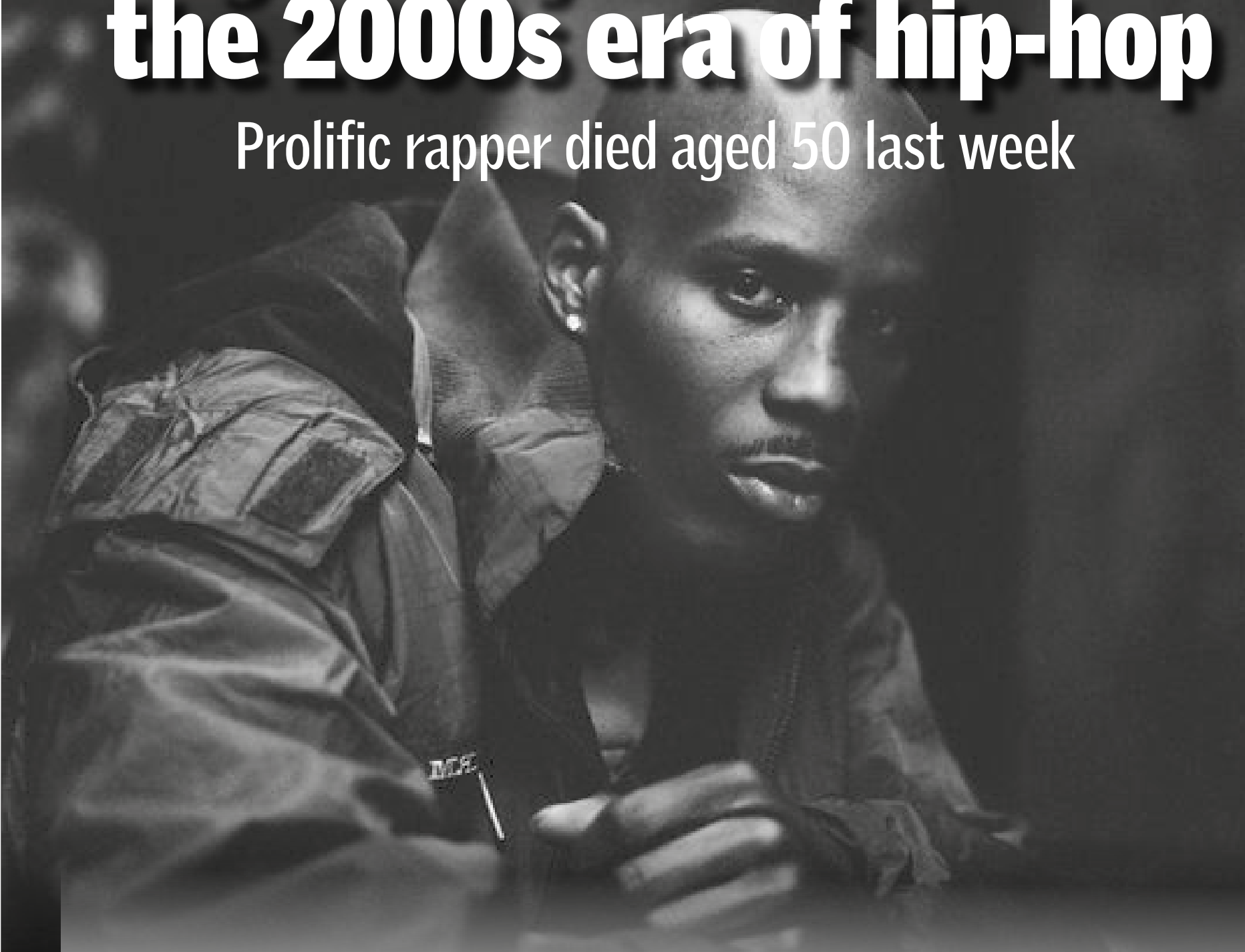
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Legendary DMX defined the 2000s era of hip-hop

Prolific rapper died aged 50 last week



NEW YORK: Rapper and actor Earl Simmons, famously known as DMX, leaves behind a strong legacy of defining rap music at the turn of the millenium, cementing his status as a rap legend in the game. He died last week aged 50 after being hospitalised with a heart attack days earlier.

The rapper burst onto the music scene and rose to fame in the late 1990s and early 2000s with his distinctive voice and larger-than-life personality. The rapper dished out electrifying hits and aggressive rhymes which defined the 2000s era of hip-hop. In the process, DMX became the first artist to debut an album at number 1 five times in a row on the Billboard charts.

From his earliest guest appearances to the five straight multi-platinum albums that he released starting in 1998, the rapper effortlessly made a major impact on the sound and direction of an era in hip-hop. As rap music exploded to greater heights in commercial popularity, DMX became one of the key forces behind hip-hop, scoring big successes.

His first five albums, *It's Dark and Hell Is Hot* (1998), *Flesh*

of *My Flesh Blood of My Blood* (1999), *Then There Was X* (2000), *The Great Depression* (2001) and *Grand Champ* (2003), all debuted at No. 1 on the Billboard 200 albums chart, making him the first artist to see his first five efforts all begin directly in the top slot. Five more albums followed, including the most recent, a greatest-hits compilation, *The Best of DMX*, in 2016.

DMX also became a welcome face on the screen, becoming an actor with roles in the cult classic *"Belly"* in 1998, *"Romeo Must Die"* in 2000 and *"Exit Wounds"* in 2001.

The rapper was born on December 18, 1970 in Mount Vernon, New York, and eventually moved to the city of Yonkers. In a statement, his family stated: "Earl was a warrior who fought till the very end. He loved his family with all of his heart and we cherish the times we spent with him."

"Earl's music inspired countless fans across the world and his iconic legacy will live on forever. We appreciate all of the love and support during this incredibly difficult time."

New book uses poetry to tackle the elephant in the room

Author of "From their Lips to Mine" dared to address issues that are often swept under the carpet. Each piece stands out because all the themes are important conversation starters in addressing the problem.



GOSEGO MOTSUMI

Book enthusiasts are in for a treat in a recently released book titled "From their Lips to Mine" that addresses the societal ills and elephants in the room. Authored by Gaone Skelemani, the book is a collection of stories collected from the many men and women with whom the author has crossed paths. With the current surge in mental health issues in the country and around the world, the writer believes that there is a melee of issues that lead the current generation to grapple with issues.

"As I have attended workshop after workshop on the issue, I came to the conclusion that perhaps we are dealing with the results of something more sinister that we need to address," she said in an interview. "These issues cause a lot of childhood trauma which eventually affects us into adulthood, leading to a host of other societal ills such as gender-based violence, child molestation, rape and apathy towards each other."

Officially released at the end of last month, the poetry book relays the underlying pain that most women experience at any point in their lives. In some instances, it touches on men who may find themselves in the same hurtful places with violence being perpetuated against them. The book explores various themes of molestation, divorce, depression and friendship breakdowns that are taboo and are therefore never openly discussed.

The author decided to add a few pieces on love to break the monotony of the

darkness mostly covered because these themes usually make people cringe. She said it was important to explore the themes because they are raising a generation of children with much discord, indifference and disregard for others. "I do not believe children are just born that way," Skelemani said. "They assimilate into the culture that they are raised in and usually grow up with the same convictions they are raised with."

"I decide to address these issues through poetry because the old ways just aren't achieving much. If there is a different avenue of raising awareness, then we must by all means explore that. Poetry was that avenue for me. I am of the view that we can no longer stand on the sidelines and hope that a solution will miraculously appear. The louder our silence becomes, the more power we give to perpetrators and the more we fail the victims."

In this collection, the author has dared to address issues that are as the elephant in the room. Each piece stands out because all the themes are important conversation starters in addressing the problem. "Of course, we can only get a solution by acknowledging there is a problem," she added.

The book being relatively new, Skelemani is in discussions with bookshops to add it to their stock. In the meantime, they distribute from Gaborone, Jwaneng and by courier nationwide and abroad. It retails for P180. "The book has been well received and we are working on launching it locally and in Namibia," the author said.



Miss Botswana will be a virtual affair in May

Organisers say the pageant will not be derailed by COVID-19 this time around

GOSEGO MOTSUMI

After a year-long hiatus because the coronavirus brought life to a standstill last year, the organisers of the national pageant say they will not be derailed this time around and Miss Botswana will move forward uninterrupted amid the pandemic.

According to the organising team, this year's pageant will move into the new normal of social distancing as a virtual affair. "Yes, the pageant is happening this year and the virtual launch is expected around May," said

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Radical Investments Pty Ltd t/a Flotek Pipes and Irrigation, manufacturers of PVC, C-PVC, UPVC and MPVC Pipes and Rotomoulded Tanks, based in Lobatse have the following vacancies.

MAINTENANCE MANAGER

The applicant should have a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering/ Industrial Electrical Engineering Electronics & Telecommunication/ or related qualification. The ideal candidate should have a minimum of 8 years work experience in Electronics and Mechanical Maintenance in PVC Pipe Manufacturing Industry. Knowledge of Rollepaal, Theysohn and Kabra Extruders and downstream equipment is a must. The candidate should be able to handle independently trouble shooting on AC/DC Drives, PLC, and Display Screens. Knowledge of PLC Programming is a must. The candidate must have experience in synchronizing the downstream equipment with Extruders and other ancillary machines. The applicant should be willing to work in shifts and should be available on call.

EXTRA HEAVY-DUTY DRIVER

The ideal candidate should have an Extra Heavy-Duty Driving license plus a Special Type Drivers License (PrDP); with 16 years of Extra Heavy-duty driving experience, with clean driving license. Must be fully conversant with customs regulations and must have basic vehicle mechanical knowledge. The candidate must have a valid passport for cross boarder travels and must be ready to travel to Tanzania, Malawi, Democratic Republic of Congo and other countries in the SADC region where Flotek has customers at any given time. The candidate must be ready to work long hours.

Interested Candidates: Please apply to,

The Manager,
Radical Investments Pty Ltd t/a Flotek
P.O Box 10723, Lobatse.
Plot 2132, Woodhall Industrial, Lobatse.
Phone: +267 5332180, Fax: + 267 5333146
Closing Date :30-04-2021



PUBLIC NOTICE

INVITATION TO TENDER FOR THE FOLLOWING:

1. EXPRESSION OF INTEREST AND PREQUALIFICATION FOR LANDSCAPING CONTRACTORS FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF THE BANK OF BOTSWANA HEADQUARTERS – CONTRACT NUMBER BOB/2021/04/16 – CLOSING DATE: MAY 7, 2021

1.1 Interested bidders may view the detailed requirements for Expressions of Interest on the Bank's website (www.bankofbotswana.bw) under "Current Tenders" from April 14, 2021.

2. SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF A GOVERNANCE RISK AND COMPLIANCE SYSTEM - CONTRACT NO. BOB/2021/04/15 – CLOSING DATE MAY 7, 2021

2.1 Bidders must show proof of payment and shall be given the complete tender documents by email.

2.2 Interested companies may purchase the tender documents for a non-refundable fee of P350.00 (Three Hundred and Fifty Pula VAT inclusive). The payment can be done by EFT or cash at the Bank's Banking Hall, (Botswana Rd - Main Mall) from April 14, 2021 to May 7, 2021; Monday to Friday at 0900 hours to 1400 hours. The 50% price preference for purchase of the tender document will be applied to youth, woman and disabled groups who should provide proof of the same to qualify.

Bank Details for EFT payments

Bank	:	Bank of Botswana
Account Name	:	Accpac Sundry Receipts
Account Number	:	0000110900001
Branch Code	:	910167
Branch Name	:	Gaborone
SWIFT Code	:	BBOTBWGX

Please include reference (Company Name)

For notification of payment and general enquiries of the tender documents, please contact:

Ms G C Onalepelo
onalepelog@bob.bw
 Tel: +267 360 6117

Ms Chabo Mbikiwa
mbikiwac@bob.bw
 Tel: +267 360 6059

Mr Moakofi Kamanga
kamangam@bob.bw
 Tel: +267 360 6335

3. The tender submissions will be closed on May 7, 2021 at **1000 hours** or at a later date and time as Bank of Botswana may advise.

VACANCY

Lead Telemetry Engineer

Job Description:

The Lead Telemetry Engineer role is to study the existing network infrastructure of the electrical grid. Design technical solutions according to the requirements and key constraints such as security, high availability and performance and lead the deployment, installation and commissioning.

Responsibilities:

- Perform site surveys of substations and control Centers
- Solution Design preparation
- Study Control and relay Panel Wiring from 6.6 KV to 400KV Levels
- Creation of adaptation drawings, data lists & wiring files, as per the requirement & specification in Control Relay Panel
- Preparation of RTU Databases
- Supervise the installation in cooperation with customer and/or contractor
- Complete Local Testing from Control Relay Panel to GE RTU
- Verification of Control and protection wiring compatible with SCADA and Automation Work.
- Installation of CMR of different voltage level in Control & Relay Panel
- Plan and coordinate solution commissioning, end to end tests with Customer and/or contractors to respect the contractual performance acceptance criteria
- Investigate and fix technical issues found during tuning and end to end activities
- Ensure that any deviance from the scope of end to end test or potential risk be officially discussed with the project manager without any delay and make sure minutes are published
- Assist in project and system documentation efforts and internal testing. Responsible for documentation on all fixes and developing work assigned
- Must be able to explain, reassure and listen the different actors involved in the process of decision or in the implementation (other experts, managers, administrators, technicians, end users).
- Provide relevant training and customer support
- Ensure production of maintenance guidelines / procedures.
- Provide weekly status reports to the project manager. That report should encompass both short term actions and mid / long term actions + summary of work done.
- Other duties may be assigned to meet business needs.

Skills / Experience – domains of competency:

- Minimum of ten (10) years' experience as an Electrical Control Designer for a utility or engineering firm.
- Strong experience in Telemetry. SCADA/EMS/DMS with RTU, SAS, DCS, BCU and telemetry adaptation technologies (including ALSTOM and GE e-terra / C264 products).
- Energy network management protocols (IEC101, 104, Modbus, IEC61850, DLMS)
- Control Centers equipment (UPS, Video wall, Genset)
- Strong background in architecture and design related to above mentioned technologies over multi-vendor platform.
- Experience of working in EHV, HV and MV substation
- Knowledge of Networking and Telecom domain
- Capacity to produce technical documentations (design and implementation documents, maintenance procedures)
- Industry knowledge in the field of operation and multi sites project organizations.
- Experience with field installation and commissioning
- Experience in working in multi domain projects and able to efficiently coordinate with all project stake holders including Technical Manager and Project Manager
- Must be process and methodology oriented to ensure quality process deliveries
- Should have good knowledge of EHS and must be able to work individually at site.
- Possess good understanding of project Budget and must be able to forecast in advance budget deviation.

Other Requirements:

- Fluent oral / written communication skills in English (French is a plus)
- Good verbal, written and interpersonal communication skills. Ability to draft professional and technical reports and procedures
- Ability to work independently and be self-motivated
- Ability to work efficiently in a team environment
- Innovative thinker and should be adaptive to new technologies
- Demonstrates a high degree of personal and professional integrity.

Education:

- Bachelor's Degree in Electrical Engineering from an accredited university or college

Job Location:

- Based in Gaborone with very frequent missions (50% of time) in substations around the country.

To apply : Please send your application to -

Samir.kumar@ge.com / philippe.lescroart@ge.com / Vic.Okezie@ge.com.

Applications close: 20 April 2021

Miss Botswana will be a virtual affair in May

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the current license holder of Miss Botswana, Benjamin Raletsatsi of Advanced Development Institute, in an interview. "We are finalising and the exact dates of the pageant will be communicated once everything is sorted."

Although he did not elaborate on how the virtual affair will happen, Raletsatsi hinted that patrons should expect a huge facelift. Miss Botswana 2019/2020 Oweditse Phirinyane will remain the reigning queen until she crowns this year's winner who will represent the country at the 70th edition of Miss World that will be held on 16 December at the Coca-Cola Music Hall in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Asked about lessons learnt from being disrupted by the pandemic last year, Raletsatsi said re-evaluation of priorities swept across the government, parastatals and the private sector as the country went into prevention and survival mode that affected the pageant. He described the situation as an eye opener that has compelled people to swim against the tide.

"Miss Botswana as an organisation depends on the support and sponsorship of both the government through the Ministry of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Culture Development and the private sector for execution of its projects and upkeep," Raletsatsi noted.

He added that Development Advance Institute (DAI) is engaged in restructuring Miss Botswana after hosting the pageant for the first time not Gaborone when the pageant was held in Selibe Phikwe in 2019.

"ALL I NEED IS ONE MIC"

... said Nas, the "first rapper to bring a platinum plaque, back to the projects" for whom it important to "read more, learn more, change the globe"

“All I need is one mic...” What a declaration! To me it easily stands as one of hip-hop’s most powerful affirmations of self. It is a more subtle call to action than say “Fight the power” from public enemy or the socio-economic fact check that is Wu Tang’s “C.R.E.A.M”.

It is a pure and honest reflection from a man who has always been able to count his blessings alongside his scars. Possibly herein lies its self-introspective power. Not enough is said about the fifth element of the culture, knowledge of self. The healing, growth fostering Zen space in a culture plagued with its fair share of problematic themes. Those who know me, will know that since my early teen years, Nas has been my favourite MC for about 24 years now. My long-term relationship with his music crosses well over a quarter decade, if I include obviously vibing to “The World is Yours,” courtesy of Bop TV’s music video playlists around 1996 as a 10-year-old.

The hip-hop legend recently crossed a milestone that would surprise many fans who are not familiar with his biography. The Queens native won his first-ever Grammy Award a few weeks ago after an illustrious career not only supported by decent billboard numbers (many others who are nowhere near his level of artistry could outsell him throughout his career, so this statistic is not that important in my analysis) and critical acclaim as well as academic praise that are often reserved for artists who are not associated with the “controversial” and American minority representing music the genre that is hip-hop.

From inductions to the Library of Congress and lectures at Harvard to orchestral performances at the Royal Albert Hall, Nasir Jones has broken cultural and intellectual barriers for the culture while poetically colouring the whitest of spaces where tragically too many kids across black America (if not the black world from diaspora and back to the continent) could never imagine themselves going. The importance of these achievements can never be stated enough when you want to give the man his merit during the inevitable “Top 5 Dead or Alive” conversations that hip-hop heads regularly engage in. To me they are more important than any Billboard records broken. Mind you, he was the self-proclaimed “first rapper to bring a platinum plaque, back to the projects”, another testament to his pioneering and glass shattering mantle.

But for all the praise he has enjoyed, your favourite rapper’s favourite rapper has also dealt with his fair share of criticism, especially during low points in his discography and life that somehow always ends up being amplified as greater than his staggering accomplishments. There is a recurring crucifixion and resurrection theme in Nas’ discography that is way beyond the obvious symbolism in the “Hate me Now” music video, the “God’s Son” or

“Streets Disciple” album and artwork. His career has incredibly “died” and resurrected several times from “Stillmatic” to his now Grammy Award winning latest release, “King’s Disease.”

Maybe this is why I am reflecting on all this during Easter weekend after a Good Friday (there is a ‘Nasir’ reference lurking here that was so beautifully unintended, *shrugs*). Well, actually, I went on my usual Saturday morning 10km runs and after slacking this week was a bit winded after the hour and three odd minutes. So I took a rest by a small little body of water that collects in a half dug quarry that someone seemingly gave up on operationalizing. After bumping on a long playlist that includes some of my world hip-hop favourites like “Fly Away” by Loop Troop from Sweden, the epic DJ Honda and Mighty Mos’s “Travelling Man,” my Ghanian brother M.anifest’s “Palm Wine and Whiskey” and bringing it home with William Last feat ATI, Veezo View “36 Bars,” I turned to my go-to guy’s Essentials playlist and “One Mic” became my cool off soundtrack.

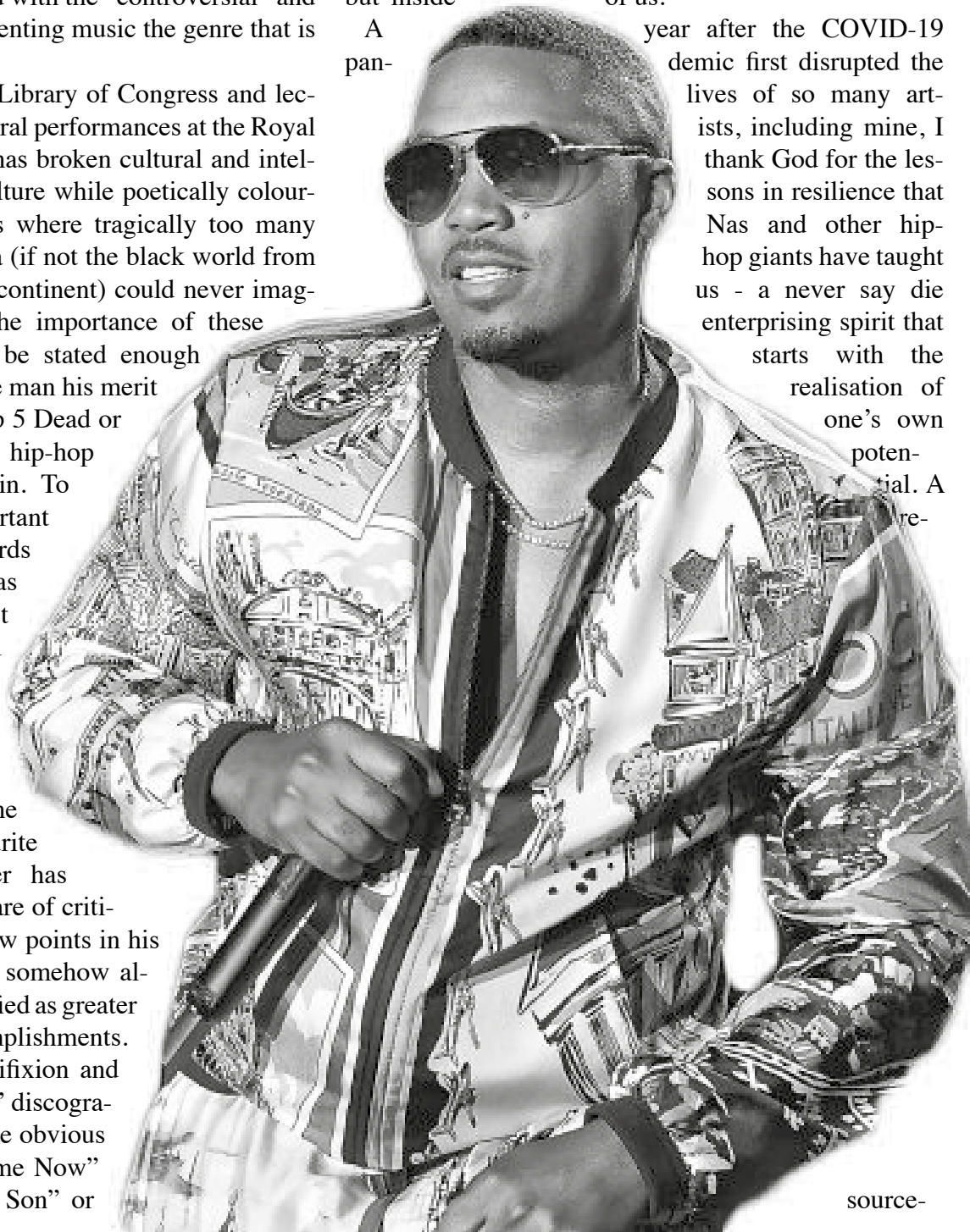
Sitting there and listening to a song that I have listened to a million times but can still literally sit in awe of gave me goosebumps and a sense of remembrance that the best of artworks gives. In a culture that started out representing marginalised people before the corporate and culture vulture take over, Nas’ message to himself and every other MC (if not artist) on the planet is that our true power is not in what is around us or on us, but inside of us.

A year after the COVID-19 pandemic first disrupted the lives of so many artists, including mine, I thank God for the lessons in resilience that Nas and other hip-hop giants have taught us - a never say die enterprising spirit that starts with the realisation of one’s own potential. A re-

ful spirit that cannot be stopped by the limitations placed upon it that seek to cage and kill. The man is now a diversified entrepreneur with a venture fund that is investing in start-ups from his old neighbourhood. His diverse portfolio also includes film and television credits that speak to me having made the leap into the film and TV production too among other things that have saved me and my company when the music market was in a slump as it is right now.

Having recently parted ways with my former recording label, Sony Africa Music, via a mutual understanding after a frustrating three-year term that saw the project I brought to the table as part of a buyback going into the deal remain unreleased, I know what it’s like to make moves as an artist and things don’t always pan out the way you envisioned. Having label-hopped several times too, I am certain Mr Jones can relate! I sought the deal after a decade plus of reasonable success as an independent artist from a struggling market who in a way grew beyond it but hit my fair share of glass ceilings. Ironically, I saw bigger success working through my own label than with a major. “Back on my Indie ish” and making progress reminds me that I do not need as much as I thought I did for my next era of growth. Yes, I still have a network of professional freelancers that I am growing value with but the onus is on me and my one mic as, well as all the other resources amassed that can be greater than our fears allow us to see. Crazy that my upcoming mixtape is called ‘Draking’ (the emotional release was very necessary) and uses my favourite beats from the six God albums that I absolutely love. I had so much fun with that concept that it might turn into a series. Who know? If it does, then Queensbridge’s Finest will definitely have his catalogue assaulted by yours truly!

If you cannot already tell, hip-hop means a lot to me and my outlook on life, as well as all its themes. That is the rich essence of this gift from our black ancestors in all of their glorious lineages, and it will keep on giving forever more if its custodians do not forget the foundations it was built on. May each one of us be those custodians who recognise that with great cultural power comes great cultural responsibilities. “Read more, learn more, change the globe.” That’s what Nas said.



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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA
HELD AT LOBATSE (Before GAREKWE J)**
CASE NO: CVHGB-003412-18
In the matter between:
ORATILE OTTY MABJENG Plaintiff
and
ERIC KELEMOGILE MOKGWA Defendant


NOTICE OF SALE IN EXECUTION

BE PLEASED TO TAKE NOTICE THAT pursuant to the Judgment granted by the Honourable Court the following immovable property hereunder of the Defendant will be sold by public auction by Deputy Sheriff to the highest bidder as follows:-

DATE OF SALE : 4th May, 2021
TIME OF SALE : 10:30 hours
PLACE OF SALE : Tribal Lot 1111 Modipane
PROPERTY TO BE SOLD : Defendants' right, title and interest on a certain piece of land being Tribal Lot 1111, Modipane situated in the **Bakgatla Tribal Territory** made in favour of **Eric Kelemogile Mokgwa**, together with developments thereon being a 3 bed roomed house, 1 x 2 bath and toilet, 1 x toilet (visitors), sitting room, and kitchen, wire mesh fenced.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS : Cash or Bank guaranteed cheque otherwise detailed and conditions of sale may be inspected at the Plaintiff's Attorneys Office.

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 26th DAY OF MARCH, 2021.



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DITIRO GABOBAKWE
c/o **RAMALEPA ATTORNEYS**
Plaintiff's Attorneys
Plot 3171, Morupule Drive
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P.O. Box 70567
GABORONE(UB)

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA
HELD AT GABORONE (BEFORE MOTHABI J)**
CASE NO: CVHGB-000213-13
In the matter between:
DIANA KAARTZE Plaintiff
and
SK TRANSPORT (PTY) LTD 1st Defendant
MPHO ROWLAND 2nd Defendant


NOTICE OF SALE IN EXECUTION

BE PLEASED TO TAKE NOTICE THAT pursuant to the Judgment granted by the Honourable Court the following immovable property hereunder of the Defendants will be sold by public auction by Deputy Sheriff to the highest bidder as follows:-

DATE OF SALE : 7th May 2021
TIME OF SALE : 10:30am
PLACE OF SALE : Tribal Lot 12978, Kanye
PROPERTY TO BE SOLD : Defendants' right, title and interest on a certain piece of land being Tribal Lot 12978, Kanye, measuring 768m², being unfinished double story house.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS : Cash or Bank guaranteed cheque otherwise detailed and conditions of sale may be inspected at the Plaintiff's Attorneys Office.

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 7th DAY OF APRIL, 2021.



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RADIJENG J
**IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA
HELD AT GABORONE**
CASE NO. CVHGB-000389-19
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BOTSWANA LIMITED Plaintiff
And
PETER HAMILTON GALEBUTSWE KGOMOTSO 1st Defendant
PELO OABILE KGOMOTSO 2nd Defendant


NOTICE OF SALE IN EXECUTION

BE PLEASED TO TAKE NOTICE THAT pursuant to the Judgment granted by the Honourable Court the following immovable property hereunder of the 02nd Defendant will be sold by public auction by Deputy Sheriff **Nonofo Mabina** to the highest bidder as follows:-

DATE OF SALE : 04th May 2021
TIME OF SALE : 10:30 am
PLACE OF SALE : Lot No. 34850, Gaborone
SITUATED AT : Gaborone West Extension 35
PROPERTY TO BE SOLD : 2nd Defendant's right, title and interest on a certain piece of land being Lot No. 34850, Gaborone, measuring 595M² which property is held under Deed of Donation No. 239/2012 dated 07th day of February 2012 made in favour of **PELO OABILE KGOMOTSO** together with development thereof being, a 3 bed roomed house, one en-suit, lounge, open kitchen, dining room, guest toilet, bath room, servants quarters, boundary wall with electric fence, double garage and the yard is paved.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS: Cash or Bank guaranteed cheque otherwise detailed and conditions of sale may be inspected at the Plaintiff's Attorneys Office.

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 18th DAY OF MARCH 2021.



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NONOFO MABINA c/o **RAMALEPA ATTORNEYS**
Plaintiff's Attorneys
Plot 3171, Morupule Road
Extension 11, Along Nelson Mandela drive
P.O. Box 70567 **GABORONE (UB)**

**IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA
HELD AT EXTENSION TWO**
CASE NO : CCMEX-001204-20
In the matter between:
HAKGAMALANG JUSTIN CHEPETE PLAINTIFF
And
STEWART ROSE 1ST DEFENDANT
GOABAONE ROSE 2ND DEFENDANT

NOTICE OF SALE IN EXECUTION

BE PLEASED TO TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the judgement granted by the Honourable Court, the following movable property shall be sold by public auction by **DEPUTY SHERIFF LETAMO VAE** to the highest bidder as follows:

DATE OF SALE : 24TH APRIL 2021
TIME : 10:30a.m
VENUE : BROADHURST MAGISTRATE COURT
PROPERTY TO BE SOLD : (NISSAN MARCH,REGISTRATION NUMBER: B 629 BJX BROWN IN COLOUR).
TERMS OF SALE : **Strictly cash or Bank guaranteed cheques**

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 08TH DAY OF APRIL 2021

DEPUTY SHERIFF- LETAMO VAE
Broadhurst Industrial
Unit 7,Office 10,Gaborone
Contact:72404659/77742064

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA
HELD AT GABORONE (Before MOTUMISE J)**
CASE NO. CVHGB-001099-20
BBS LIMITED Plaintiff
and
NALEDI MOSINYI Defendant


NOTICE OF SALE IN EXECUTION

BE PLEASED TO TAKE NOTICE THAT pursuant to the Judgment granted by the Honourable Court the following immovable property hereunder of the Defendant will be sold by public auction by Deputy Sheriff to the highest bidder as follows:-

DATE OF SALE : 7th May, 2021
TIME OF SALE : 10:30 hours
PLACE OF SALE : Plot 34091, Gaborone
PROPERTY TO BE SOLD : Defendants' right, title and interest on a certain piece of land being Lot 34091, Gaborone, measuring 406m², held under deed of transfer no. 2521/2004 dated 25th November 2004, together with developments comprising of a 3 bed roomed house, lounge, kitchen, bathroom, servants quarter, boundary wall with electric fence, made in favour of **NALEDI MOSINYI**.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS : Cash or Bank guaranteed cheque otherwise detailed and conditions of sale may be inspected at the Plaintiff's Attorneys Office.

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 26th DAY OF MARCH, 2021.



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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOTSWANA
HELD AT FRANCISTOWN**
CASE NO: CVHFT 000 412-18
In the matter between:
STANBIC BANK BOTSWANA LIMITED Plaintiff
And
MASEGO JOHN Defendant

SUBSTITUTED SERVICE FOR CIVIL IMPRISONMENT


TO: MASEGO JOHN
Phage Ward
P O Box 582
ORAPA

Whose whereabouts are unknown:
BE PLEASED TO TAKE NOTICE that Summons for Civil Imprisonment of debt has been issued against you in this Honourable Court by **STANBIC BANK OF BOTSWANA LIMITED**

You are hereby **MASEGO JOHN** summoned to appear before **JUSTICE NYAMADZABO** at **FRANCISTOWN HIGH COURT** on the 10th day of June 2021 at 09:00 a.m. to show cause why a decree for civil imprisonment should not be made against you at the suit of **STANBIC BANK BOTSWANA LIMITED** in respect of the non-payment of the sum of **P182 738.58 (One Hundred and Eighty Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty Eight Pula Fifty Eight Thebe)** together with interest thereon at the rate of prime plus 18% (prime currently at 6.50%) making 24.50% per annum from 14th day of March 2018 to date of final payment, penalty interest at the rate of 10% on any installment of principal, arrears outstanding and/or interest not paid when due per annum from the time such fell due to the date on which it is actually paid, 10% Collection Commission on any installments, which may be collected after the grant of judgment and costs of suit at attorney and own client scale recovered against you by the said **STANBIC BANK BOTSWANA LIMITED** by a judgment of this Court bearing the date of the 15th May 2019.

DATED AT FRANCISTOWN THIS 9TH DAY OF APRIL 2021.

REGISTRAR OF THE HIGH COURT
LOWA ATTORNEYS
Plaintiff's Attorney
Unit 16, Haskins Building
Plot No. 498/70, Blue Jacket Street
P.O. Box 3537
FRANCISTOWN



LOWA ATTORNEYS

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BOTSWANA
HELD AT LOBATSE (Before LEBOTSE J)**
CASE NO: CVHGB-001757-16
In the matter between:
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BOTSWANA LIMITED Plaintiff
and
NEO KOLANYANE Defendant


NOTICE OF SALE IN EXECUTION

BE PLEASED TO TAKE NOTICE THAT pursuant to the Judgment granted by the Honourable Court the following immovable property hereunder of the Defendant will be sold by public auction by Deputy Sheriff to the highest bidder as follows:-

DATE OF SALE : 11th May, 2021
TIME OF SALE : 1030 am
PLACE OF SALE : Tribal Lot 6394, Ramotswa
PROPERTY TO BE SOLD : Defendant's right, title and interest on a certain piece of land being Tribal Lot 6394, Ramotswa situated in the **Bamalete Tribal Territory** measuring 995m² held under Deed of Cession **No MA 198/2010** with developments thereon being a 3 bedrooms with bathrooms and toilets, sitting room, kitchen, dining room and screen wall.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS : Cash or Bank guaranteed cheque otherwise detailed and conditions of sale may be inspected at the Plaintiff's Attorneys Office.

DATED AT GABORONE THIS 26th DAY OF MARCH, 2021



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GABORONE(UB)

WANTED;

Senior extra heavy duty driver. Cross border experience.

Reply to;P.O.Box 80823, Gaborone.

Orebonye Lifts OCK Next To the Summit

OCK now one point off the top spot

BONGANI MALUNGA

Tusmisang Orebonye helped Moroccan outfit OCK Khouribga secure a much needed 2-1 victory over promotion rivals and previously second placed Wydad Feis in the Botola 2 (First Division) this past Saturday. The two sides locked horns with ambitions of keeping up and possibly eclipsing league leaders Olympique Dcheira.

The top two teams at the end of the season will get automatic promotion to the Moroccan premier league while the third placed team will have to compete in the promotional playoffs. OCK entered the match in third place following last week's 1-0 defeat against Dcheira, they knew that only a win could send them closer to the top and they duly obliged by collecting maximum points.

The icing on the cake for OCK was Dcheira's failure to collect maximum points this weekend as they drew 0-0 against KAC Kenitra, as a result OCK are now only one point off the top spot. Orebonye opened the scoring as he rose highest during a well drilled set piece, his powerful header proved too strong for the Wydad Feis goalkeeper who was helpless as the ball went past him despite his best efforts to make contact with the ball. OCK then conceded a penalty in the second half and Wydad scored from the resultant spot kick to make the score level.

Not to be discouraged by the equaliser, OCK pushed on for a winner and their efforts were rewarded when Saad Rharbaoui scored from close range after a well delivered free kick evaded the Wydad defenders for the OCK player to slot the ball home. OCK's next game will take place this Sunday against bottom placed Casablanca FC.





Ditlhokwe's Supersport United On A Downward Spiral

BONGANI MALUNGA

Thatayaone Ditlhokwe's Supersport United have continued their downturn in form with a 3-0 defeat at the hands of Cape Town City. The defeat has seen the club drop from third place to the sixth spot on the DSTV Premiership, their downward spiral appears to have now confirmed their removal from the title race conversation as they have dropped further down the pecking order.

Matsatsantsa, as Supersport United are popularly known, are now 11 points behind league leaders Mamelodi Sundowns having played two games more. The Zebras captain had a rare bad day at the office as him and his fellow defenders made costly errors that contributed to the club's defeat.

Ditlhokwe committed a foul in the 30th minute, which yielded a yellow card as he stopped a potential counter attack. In the following sequence of play Ditlhokwe then conceded a penalty with an ill timed tackle on Cape Town City striker Tashreeq Morris in the penalty area.

The penalty was then easily dispatched by Fagrie Lakay to make the score 1-0 as he sent Ronwen Williams in the opposite direction. The Supersport United defence was in tatters again in the 63rd minute as they failed to make a clearance with Mpho Makola tapping in from close range to double the lead.

Morris then put the game way beyond Supersport's reach with an easy tap in after more defensive panic from the United defenders, he was unmarked on the goal line as he slotted the ball home. United's zonal marking during corner kicks made the Cape Town City players take up more space as there was no "man to man" marking.

With the club now looking out of the title race they will be expected to fight for the second and third positions which respectively yield CAF Champions League and CAF Confederation Cup qualification. Supersport United's next league game will be against Golden Arrows next week Wednesday.

SPORTS BRIEFS

With Bongani Malunga



BFA CEO ATTENDS UEFA GS ACADEMY PROGRAMME IN MOZAMBIQUE

Newly appointed Botswana Football Association Chief Executive Officer Goabaone Taylor is currently attending a UEFA GS Academy Programme in Maputo, Mozambique. Taylor's first order of business as the BFA CEO sees her attending an event specifically designed for General Secretaries of Football Associations to help them manage the associations successfully and strategically. The programme started on April 12 and it will end this Friday (April 16).



NGELE MISSING AS TTM CLIMB OUT OF DANGER ZONE

Mogakolodi Ngele was absent this past weekend as his club Tshakhuma Tsha Madzivhandila (TTM) climbed out of the relegation zone with a 2-0 win over TS Galaxy this past Saturday. The Zebras star was not in the matchday squad for the weekend victory. Ngele's club had been in and around the relegation zone in recent weeks, their form in recent weeks has been encouraging and they look set to fight to avoid relegation this season. The club had previously been embroiled in a payment dispute with players under previous management, this resulted in key players (including Ngele) missing training and matches altogether for up to a month as the club struggled for form. They have since seen a change of fortune under new ownership with players now willing to fight for the club.

ZEBRAS COACH EYES BAFANA BAFANA TOP JOB

GAZETTE REPORTER

Botswana senior national team coach Adel Amrouche is said to have thrown his name to be considered for the South African senior national team coach post following the axing of Molefi Ntseke.

According to reports from South Africa, over 50 coaches have since applied for the most coveted post, including former Bafana Bafana players.

A close source to the gaffer has revealed that Amrouche made contact with South African football Association (SAFA) on Thursday.

“As you know, Amrouche is an internationally recognized gaffer, so he wants to take over at Bafana Bafana, he is capable of doing that, we saw glimpses of his qualities with our senior national team, it is unfortunate that he failed to qualify due to a series of factors beyond his control” said source.

The source further said one of the reasons which influenced the no-nonsense coach to go for the job is the current atmosphere he currently finds himself under since failing to qualify for Africa’s biggest football stage (AFCON).

“His job is not secure at the moment, the Football Association just roped in a new Chief Executive Officer who still has to consult the national executive committee on his future”

“I do not blame him for going for the job, who in Africa would not want to coach the South African national team plus the Botswana Football Association has not committed to keeping the man” added Amrouche.

The source also indicated that NEC is currently divided over the future of the coach, with some believing that given more time and support, he can qualify the team to the next showpiece.

“You will understand that his mandate was to qualify the team to Afcon of which he has failed, now his future

is under a spotlight, some want him gone while some still believe in his abilities” said source.

According to this source, one of the critical things which continue to endear him to the Association leadership is his disciplinary methods against stubborn players.

“He stands out in terms of man-management, as you know that some local football players are ill-disciplined, the man came in and made it clear that no hot head will be included in his team and he did that.”

“We understand that those who do not want him are of the view that a local coach should be brought in, the likes of Pio Paul and Mogomotsi Mpote” added source.

Gazette Sport has established that NEC will soon meet with the newly appointed CEO of the Association Goabone Taylor to review the performance of the gaffer.

It is understood that in his recent post match report against Algeria, Amrouche highlighted how lack of football locally contributed to a poor showing.

“Football has been on halt for a long time locally as a result of COVID-19, so you cannot expect him to perform miracles, all the teams we played against had active football players from across big leagues while in our case we have about three or four players plying their trade overseas,” indicated the source.

Another source in the Association said although he is unaware of Amrouche’s interest in the Bafana Bafana job, he cannot rule it out because the gaffer has previously shown interest in coaching South African teams.

“There was a time when he was linked with a move to one South African football team but that vanished into thin air but in any case, it is standard across the world for a senior national team coach to be linked with other teams because football clubs have scouts, they do not just look at the performance, sometimes they look into your man-management style and rope you in” concluded the source.

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