



Republic of Namibia

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## MINISTRY OF WORKS AND TRANSPORT

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### MOTIVATION STATEMENT;

### VOTE 24:

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT:  
A SUMMARY

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# 1. INTRODUCTION

(a) In the foreword to the document, entitled:

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES: MEDIUM - TERM EXPENDITURE FRAMEWORK, 2024/25 – 2026/27;

the Director General of the National Planning Commission, the Honourable Obeth Kandjoze, amongst others articulates the following: “One of the most important functions of the Government is to construct and maintain public infrastructure, across sectors countrywide. Most of the Government investment in Namibia is presented in the Development Budget Book, which is a critical tool in the National Development Process, as it indicates both public and development partners funding in policies, programmes and projects. The Development Budget provides Citizens with information on the exact amount of public funds, for investment, aimed at boosting their livelihoods, welfare and prosperity. A thorough reading of this document enables the Public to monitor the utilization of funds and to hold those responsible for the implementation



accountable, I, therefore, implore all entrusted implementing institutions to strictly ensure that: what is allocated to the various programmes and projects is executed in a cost effective and efficient manner to realize our national set goals and objectives.” (page iv).

- (b) The specific transport projects, with their proposed and/or estimated funding, are lucidly articulated from page 340 to page 396 of the Development Programmes Medium-Term Expenditure Framework, 2024/25 – 2026/27. I implore and kindly request my Colleagues, all the Honourable Members of the National Assembly, to pay attention to the Projects, as listed on those mentioned pages, particularly during the Committee Stage consideration and discussion.
- (c) From pages 562 – 590 of the DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES MEDIUM TERM EXPENDITURE FRAMEWORK 2024/25 – 2026/27; specific factual information with regard to the classification of the different Capital Projects, Development and Investment Estimates by individual administrative Regions; including the Transport Capital Projects, is provided.



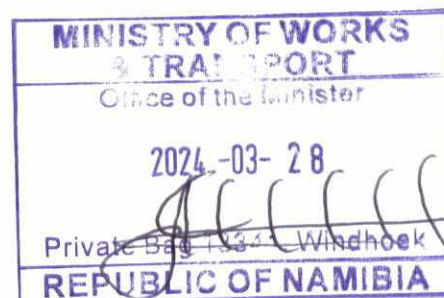
2. Vote 24: Department of Transport, has the following Programmes; (pp 342-343):

- (a) Infrastructure Development;
- (b) Roads Infrastructure;
- (c) Maritime Infrastructure Development;
- (d) Airports Infrastructure;
- (e) Railway Network Development;
- (f) Public Works and Public Property/Asset Management.  
Construction, Rehabilitation and upgrading of Government Garages Nationwide.

3. A total amount of THREE BILLION, TWO FOUR NINE MILLION AND EIGHT FIVE FOUR HUNDRED Namibian Dollars (N\$3 249 854,00); has been allocated to VOTE 24: TRANSPORT, during or for the Financial Year 2024/25.

#### 4. CONCLUDING REMARKS

- (a) Namibia is a very big Country, geographically speaking; with a relatively small population of THREE MILLION; according to the recently released National Census data.



- (b) Constructing roads in this: “contrasting beautiful Namibia” was never cheap, is NOT cheap now and shall never be cheap tomorrow and in the foreseeable future.
- (c) It is the Government of the Republic of Namibia’s (GRN) firm and principled belief that: Roads must facilitate socio-economic-cultural-agricultural-trade development. Roads must unite and connect our Country to other Neighbouring Countries – in SADC, Africa and Beyond. Equally, roads must connect our Country’s Regions, Constituencies, Villages, Towns, Farms. Roads must obviously facilitate the free movement of: GOODS, SERVICES and PEOPLE!
- (d) Any development must follow the road; and NOT road to follow development!
- (e) We have a number of ongoing and Planned road Projects, in the different Regions that must not be disrupted or stopped, due to funding issues; for example:
- (a) Aminuis – Leonardville-Stampriet Road;
  - (b) Umugulugwombashe-Tsandi Road;
  - (c) Nakabolelwa-Kasika Road;



- (d) Divundi-Muhembo Road;
- (e) Henties Bay-Uis-Khorixas-Kamanjab Road;
- (f) Ncaute-Karukuvisa-Kanovlei Road;
- (g) Epukiro\_Eiseb Block Road;
- (h) Ndiyona-Djaradjara-Kadjara-Cwiba-Khaudum-Shikerete-Tsumkwe Road;
- (i) Tsandi-Onesi-Epalela Road;
- (j) Charlie Cutline: Alex Muranda-Helavi Road;
- (k) Grootfontein-Tsumkwe Road;
- (l) Gobabis-Talismanus Road;
- (m) Muyako Road;
- (n) Shamaturu-Andara Road;
- (o) Onyati-Onyuulaye-Onkumbula Road;
- (p) Omuthiya-Elambo Road;
- (q) Okahandja-Otjizondju-Okondjatu Road;
- (r) Omundaungilo-Omboloka Road.

5. May I now, respectfully request you all, Honourable Members, to favourably consider VOTE 24 and unambiguously passed the said Vote, at the end of the Committee Stage.

6. I profoundly thank you all in advance!

