

**MAIDEN SPEECH 2025/2026 BY HON. TUULIKI ABRAHAM
,MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, APRIL
2026**

Honourable Speaker

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My name is Tuulikki Abrahams, Member of this 8th National Assembly. Firstly, I would like to thank God, who made it possible for me to be in this August house.

I am deeply humbled and feel honoured to address this August House for the first time. To me, this is a privilege and responsibility that the Namibian people have placed their trust and confidence in me by electing me to this August House.

I wish to express my gratitude to The Almighty God for His guidance, protection and generosity for the gift of making me one of the leaders of Namibia.

In furtherance, I extend my gratefulness towards the Swapo Party and to the rank and file of the Swapo Party members, in particular the Swapo Party Elders Council, that nominated me from //Kharas Region to the National level

To my family, I am grateful for their unwavering support and strength, especially, my mother Teopolina Shinana, who is 90 years old now. I hope she is watching this live parliamentary proceedings right from Angela.

And my late father, Reverend Nathanael Hafeni Shinana, may his soul continue to rest in peace.

Equally, to my loving and ever-supportive husband, the Lüderitz Town Council Honourable Councillor Johannes Abraham, who inspired and encouraged me to follow in his political footsteps and be a proud woman in the National Assembly, I truly appreciate you.

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The Budget Speech delivered by my fellow MP, the Minister of Finance, Honourable Erica Shafudah, has my full support. Well done, Honourable. I remain confident that the budget will be well received by both Namibians and investors alike.

The presented budget is well balanced, setting the tone for reigning in government expenditure, while placing focus on reducing inequality and poverty, promoting economic growth with a strong emphasis on youth and women empowerment.

The budget aligns with the SWAPO Party's mission of ensuring a decent living for our people, as we aim to enhance living standards through the provision of land and basic services such as water, sanitation, and electricity.

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Land and housing remain central to Namibia's development agenda. We must continue to push forward with reforms that promote fairness, equity, and sustainability, ensuring that every Namibian has the opportunity to live in a home that is secure, affordable, and conducive to their well-being.

With these few points, I believe that under the leadership of our new government, headed by our female President, Her Excellency Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah, and her cabinet, Namibia will be a country of milk and honey, and we will work hard to make sure that status is realised.

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