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**REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**THURSDAY, 10 APRIL 2025**

The Assembly met pursuant to the adjournment.

1. The Speaker took the Chair and read the Prayer and Affirmation.
2. **NOTICES OF QUESTIONS:**
  - (i) Hon. Prof. Amupanda (AR) to ask the Minister of Defence and Veterans Affairs (No. 15).
  - (ii) Hon. Mbinge-Tjeundo (PDM) Minister of Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture (No. 16).
3. **Ministerial Statement in terms of Rule 136 of the Standing Rules and Orders:**

The Minister of Information and Communication Technology addressed the House on the escalating incidents of scams and cyberattacks, many of which are being conducted through telecommunication and digital platforms.

With the increasing integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) technologies into everyday communication systems, the Minister said that Namibians have witnessed a sharp uptick in scams, synthetic media, deep fakes and other forms of digital deception targeting unsuspecting Namibians. These cyber incidents pose a serious threat not only to individuals' privacy and financial security, but also to Namibia's national trust and social cohesion.

In response to this, the Minister said the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology, in collaboration with law enforcement agencies, is actively investigating recent incidents of scams perpetrated through

telecommunications. And that the Ministry is working closely with service providers in telecommunications and the banking sectors to trace malicious actors and to strengthen cybersecurity protocols across Namibia's digital infrastructure.

4. **ORDER READ:**

Resumption of Debate on Second Reading – *Appropriation Bill* [B. 6 – 2025].

Question before the Assembly on Wednesday, 9 April 2025, as moved by the Minister of Finance (page 6): That the Bill be read a Second Time.

5. In terms of Rule 155(1) of the Standing Rules and Orders, the Speaker adjourned the Assembly at 17:55 until Tuesday, 15 April 2025.

**MR. O. MUYATWA**

*Acting Secretary: National Assembly*

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