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DECISIONS ISSUED AT THE 22nd (2025) CABINET MEETING

Please find attached, the Cabinet Decisions of the 22nd Cabinet Meeting held on Tuesday, 23 September 2025.

Yours Sincerely,

EMMA THEOFELUS, MP
MINISTER



1. APPROVAL OF THE ONLINE ACCESS TO INFORMATION (ATI) DATA COLLECTION TOOL

Cabinet approved the standardised Online Access to Information Data Collection Tool, in terms of the Access to Information Act, 2022 (Act No. 8 of 2022) which mandates Public Bodies to facilitate public access to records and information, to enhance transparency, accountability and public participation.

Furthermore, Cabinet directed that Public Relations Officers across all Public Institutions, Offices/Ministries/Agencies to use the Data Collection Tool on a daily basis. The Online Access to Information Tool will contribute to improved service delivery, more inclusive governance and ultimately socio-economic development through increased trust, reduced corruption and a more enabling environment for investment and innovation.

2. NUCLEAR INDUSTRY STRATEGY FOR NAMIBIA

Cabinet approved the Nuclear Industry Strategy with the following key interventions:

- a. Amendment of the Atomic Energy and Radiation Act, 2005 (Act No. 5 of 2005), to strengthen nuclear regulatory infrastructure, including the regulatory authority's effective independence, providing governance oversight from the Board, regulation of nuclear installations and promotion of nuclear projects;
- b. Establishment of the Nuclear Institute of Namibia as the main driver for the development and implementation of nuclear related projects;
- c. Re-assigning the administration of Atomic Energy and Radiation Protection Act, 2005 (Act No. 5 of 2005) to the National Planning Commission, in recognition that nuclear industry transcends across many sectors and disciplines that requires overarching coordination and the necessary momentum and leadership to birth the nuclear industry;
- d. Conducting pre-feasibility and feasibility studies for a flagship project(s) that could catalyse the nuclear industry, including value addition of the uranium value chain, small modular reactor(s), radio-scope production, industrial irradiation facilities and research reactor or similar projects; and
- e. Accelerate the drafting of the White Paper on Nuclear Power by the Ministry of Industries, Mines and Energy.

3. INSTITUTIONALISATION OF MENTAL HEALTH SAFE SPACES IN ALL OFFICES/MINISTRIES/AGENCIES OF GOVERNMENT, INCLUDING PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

Cabinet approved the institutionalisation of Mental Health Safe Spaces referred to as "Champions" in all Offices/Ministries/Agencies (O/M/As) and Public Enterprises (PEs).

In addition, Cabinet directed all O/M/As to strengthen their internal Wellness Committees by providing training to enable them to execute their mandate appropriately and to conduct regular monitoring and evaluation of the initiative's

impact on employee wellness, in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Social Services.

4. NOMINATION OF THE DAURES/BRANDBERG NATIONAL MONUMENT AREA FOR INSCRIPTION ON THE WORLD HERITAGE LIST

Cabinet approved the nomination of the Daures/Brandberg National Monument Area for inscription on the World Heritage List, with the submission to United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO), scheduled for 1 February 2026. Through this nomination for inscription, the Daures/Brandberg/Omukuruvaro National Monument Area will become Namibia's third World Heritage Site, joining the Namib Sand Sea and Twyfelfontein.

5. HOSTING OF THE REGIONAL TECHNICAL MEETING OF INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY (IAEA) NATIONAL LIAISON OFFICERS, SWAKOPMUND, 8-12 DECEMBER 2025

Cabinet endorsed the hosting of an International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Regional Technical Meeting of National Liaison Officers (NLO) from 8-12 December 2025 in Swakopmund, Namibia. An International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Regional Technical Meeting of National Liaison Officers (NLO) is a gathering of the primary points of contact between the IAEA and its Member States for technical cooperation matters, to discuss, plan and design projects for the safe and peaceful application of nuclear technologies for national development.

6. MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF AGRICULTURE, MARINE AFFAIRS AND FISHERIES BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA

Cabinet took note and approved the Memoranda of Understanding on Cooperation in the Field of Agriculture, Marine Affairs and Fisheries between the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform of the Republic of Namibia and the Ministry of Agriculture, and the Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries of the Republic of Indonesia.

Furthermore, Cabinet authorised the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform to sign the Memoranda of Understanding, on behalf of the Republic of Namibia and ensure the effective implementation of the areas of cooperation in the fields of Agriculture, Marine Affairs and Fisheries, and to provide regular updates to Cabinet.

7. PROGRAMME FOR THE REHABILITATION, CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR OF HOUSES OF VETERANS AND THE ELDERLY USING UNEMPLOYED TVET GRADUATES THROUGH CASH-FOR-WORK (CFW) AND FOOD-FOR-WORK (FFW) MODALITIES

Cabinet approved the proposed programme for the rehabilitation, construction and repair of houses for veterans and the elderly through TVET graduates on a Cash-for-Work (CFW) and Food-for Work (FFW) basis.

Cabinet directed the Office of the Prime Minister (Convener); and the Ministries of Defence and Veterans Affairs; Education, Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts and Culture; and Urban and Rural Development, to pilot the programme, taking into account the following factors:

- a) Categorisation of the programme in three (3) components, namely: cleaning of Government Premises; Veterans, and the elderly;
- b) Determination of cost estimates, including costs of building materials over the Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF);
- c) Identification of Unemployed TVET graduates for listing on a database through the Association of Unemployed Artisans; and
- d) Development of implementation modalities.
- e) Cabinet further authorised the Ministry of Finance to make financial provisions for the initial phase of implementation.

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