land with the exception of urban land and national parks. Land, as a factor of production, plays a central role in poverty alleviation and its administration demands partnership and commitment from all stakeholders. Namibia will hold a national stakeholders’ conference early next month, said the Deputy Minister. “The Ministry is aware of the Namibian people’s concerns with regard to the pace at which land is acquired,” said Ya Kasita. “I should assure you that the Ministry of Lands and Re-settlement is doing its level best to speed up the process of acquiring land,” he said.