

# SWAPO's landslide win inevitable

## Pohamba to head Election A-Team

By Asser Ntinda and Levi Upula

SWAPO Party has vowed to use all the means at its disposal in the upcoming Presidential and National Assembly Elections slated for November this year not only to retain its two-thirds majority but to also aim for a 100 per cent landslide victory.



President Hifikepunye Pohamba



Vice President Dr. Hage Geingob

This is the central theme running through the Party's preparatory work as it puts its election cam-

paign strategies in place, strategies that are likely to leave opposition parties trebling and scattered by the

wayside as the Mighty SWAPO Party roars to victory.

This week, SWAPO Party set up its powerful National Preparatory Committee that will oversee the Party's election activities. The National Preparatory Committee, NPC, was launched by President Hifikepunye Pohamba on Wednesday.

To leave nothing to chances and to give it the weight it deserves, the NPC is headed by President Pohamba himself, with six subcommittees put in place to oversee specialized activities related to the campaign.

The subcommittees are Administration and Finance, headed by Vice President Dr. Hage Geingob; Logistics and Transport, headed by



That is how popular SWAPO Party is. This is one of the star rallies SWAPO Party has show-cased. Photo by Anna Nakambale.

Helmuth Angula; Protocol and Security, headed by Errki Nghimtina; Information, Publicity and Voters Education, headed

by Jerry Ekandjo; Strategy and Planning, headed by Nahas Angula; and Culture, Entertainment and Material, headed by

Marko Hausiku.

Each subcommittee can co-opt

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Teckla Lameck



Yang Fan



Kongo Mokaxwa

# Lameck put on suspension

## Trio face tough bail conditions

Embattled Public Service Commissioner, Teckla Lameck, has been temporarily suspended from duties as Commissioner to allow for a thorough investigation into what President Hifikepunye Pohamba calls 'serious allegations of irregularities' which she is alleged to have committed while serving as a Public Service Commissioner.

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# War vets top Strategic Plan

### N\$1 billion needed to integrate them in main stream economy

By Asser Ntinda

The Ministry of Veterans Affairs has launched a five-year strategic plan whose overriding objective is not only to ensure that veterans of Namibia's liberation struggle are taken care of but also to ensure that they are, where possible, integrated into the mainstream of the country's economy.

The aim is to provide a social and economic support for veterans, which will enable war veterans to engage in various sustainable development projects which will improve their livelihood and keep the history of the liberation struggle alive.

War Veterans' Affairs Minister, Dr. Ngarikutuke Tjiriange, who launched the plan that will see his Ministry spending one billion dollars over the next five years, said his Ministry was more than ready to accelerate the delivery of services to all veterans in all the country's 13 regions.



Dr. Ngarikutuke Tjiriange

"The plan will lead the way in all our efforts related to the socio-economic integration of our veterans, including the provision for the documentation of the history of the liberation struggle," said Dr. Tjiriange.

"The plan will help the Ministry to focus its energies and ensure that all staff members are working towards the same strategic goals and objectives." He added that since its inception, the Ministry had set up an organizational structure that

would see it through over the next five years and beyond.

Since independence, the government has been battling to find a lasting solution to the plight of the war veterans, many of whom had found themselves without jobs in the country they had fought to liberate, some due to lack of skills and others due to old age.

The past 19 years have been marred by demonstrations staged by former freedom fighters over the years, demanding jobs and other social and financial benefits which they thought they were entitled to. Several institutions were set up to address the plight of the war veterans, such as the Development Brigade Corporation, DBC, and the Socio-Economic Integration Programme for Ex-Combatants, but these only seemed to be short-term solutions which could not synchronize into the larger picture of the country's social and economic set up.

The Ministry of Veterans' Affairs

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