the years developed institutional capacity and ability to govern and deliver on its promises,” said President Pohamba, to a cheering crowd.

“In order to bring about the required economic growth, the SWAPO Party will promote policies and a conducive environment for the development of the private sector, investment promotion, trade and international cooperation.

“Greater emphasis will continue to be placed on the development, maintenance and rehabilitation of infrastructure such as housing, power generation and transmission, water supply, telecommunication, transport and office accommodation in order to serve the current and future generations.”

He said that it was the commitment of the SWAPO Party government to ensure equitable distribution of infrastructure and development development throughout the country.

“Therefore,” he said, “our policies will strike a balance in resource allocation between social and productive sectors.

There is no doubt that such policies will further contribute to the reduction and eventual elimination of the inherited social and economic inequalities,” said Cde Iivula-Ithana. “We will put all these articles together and take him to task. They are in for a rude shock. It is time someone stood up to them. We are tired of being defamed and libeled.”

The Executive Director of the National Society for Human Rights, NSHR, Phil Ya Nangoloh, faces a similar defamatory suit. Ya Nangoloh has persistently written articles which also appeared in the Windhoek Observer, then under its old owners also, alleging that Dr. Nangoloh was a “CIA agent,” while National Assembly Speaker, Dr. Theo-Ben Gurirab was a “CIA briefcase officer.” CIA stands for Central Intelligence Agency, the spy wing of the government of the United States of America, USA.

Ya Nangoloh had written more than 23 articles headed “Expose: Nangoloh’s CIA connection.” They had been widely published in the Windhoek Observer, before and after the 2004 Extra-Ordinary Congress. Grobler aka Cobo’s and Ya Nangoloh’s articles favored Hidipo Hamutenya in his bid to become SWAPO Party Presidential Candidate.

Hamutenya flopped badly and has since defected from SWAPO Party and formed his Rally for Democracy and Progress, RDP. At the RDP launch, Grobler was seen virtually chatting with Hamutenya, with an RDP flag in his pocket.

In June this year, Ya Nangoloh came up with another lie, in which he alleged that Cde Iivula-Ithana, and SWAPO Party Secretary for Youth League, SIVYL, Cde Elijah Ngarue, were, through “clandestine machinations,” negotiating with the government of Angola to sign an extradition treaty under which Ya Nangoloh would be “extra-ordinarily rendered to Angola to face prosecution on unspecified alleged crimes.”

But Ya Nangoloh was quick to add that the “alleged crimes allegedly relate to the discovery and subsequent publication on September 9, 2008, of a dossier about no name graves as well as other grave human rights abuses along Namib’s northern and northeastern border between 1994 and 2003. All these allegations were proven wrong.”

“I can assure you that SWAPO Party will not rest until those defamatory and libellous allegations are proven in a court of law. These are our leaders, and for them to be called CIA agents is not on,” said Cde Iivula-Ithana, who is also the Minister of Justice.

Prof. Nangoloh later added that Nangoloh’s self-perpetuating myth of steadfastness, whereas the truth is that he himself thought and expressed the misgivings that SWAPO would never be able to return to Namibia. And this, his friends, is not conjecture – he vered as well...” Those are Cobo’s words.

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President Nujoma “just sat” in the chair that was “reserved for would-be president and never left it again”

Wrote Cobo: “...that kind of political obstinacy is what has come to characterize his rule: dogmatic obstinacy has since gotten confused with political will – hence the title of his self-aggrandizing biography, ‘Where Others Wavered.’

And what a bunch of toss that is of many of the facts in the book have simply been twisted to suit Nujoma’s self-perpetuating myth of steadfastness, whereas the truth is that he himself thought and expressed the misgivings that SWAPO would never be able to return to Namibia. And this, his friends, is not conjecture – he vered as well...” Those are Cobo’s words.

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