

# What people say

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◆ **Posted by Cde.**

**Steven Axasman**

NUDO Youth League are just political opportunist and desperately seeking attention just before the General Assembly.

◆ **Posted by Cde**  
**Kanamutenya,Whk**

The celebrations of the 20 Anniversary in all constituencies went well, and the government must be thanked for avail funds for the communities to enjoy the fruit of their independence, I comment GRN job well done and keep up for the future generations and generations to come to enjoy their freedom and achievements, however I only have some observations, specially to what I have observed happen in Samora Machel Constituency (Wanaheda), I think people who are entrusted to serve the people must do it with diligent and without hesitations and not to look to faces but rather serve the community as these celebrations and the availed food and drinks were merely meant for all the people and not for individual, I hope next time the councilor should look to it that his people were served properly! Their Blood Waters our Freedom!!!!!!!

◆ **Posted by Alpheus**  
**Haufiku**

Congratulations to all Cdes.

◆ **Posted by KK**

Comrades, I was recently embarrassed to see the condition of graves of some of our fallen heroes in Kongwa on NBC TV. Does the Ministry of Veterans Affairs not have a fund to immediately look into this very important matter, if not, we should raise funds and do something. Comrade Ngurare, please take this up, I am prepared to give my share and I challenge the other youth to come forth with other ideas.

◆ **Posted by**  
**Cde.Katusha kaNamibia**

Dear Comrades, the enemy of our peace is still at work, day and night. Therefore the youth of this country need be continuous vigilant not to be misled by this dissatisfied politicians, they will try everything to cause lawless and anarchy. A Dissatisfied Nambinga is accusing SWAPO of making false promises. When Nambinga went to campaign at Oranjemund and Rosh Pinah. He drove on the tarr road being tarred by the SWAPO Government. Only RDP can make false promises as they will never get the platform to fulfil their promises. RDP made false promises at Eenhana and Omuthiya Gwiipundi Constituencies as well as in the Presidential and National Assembly Elections. That, s why were dissatisfied by the people hands down. By the way Nambinga I remember him, made a selfish contribution in parliament, when he called for the speed limit of 120 km/h on public road to be in-

creased to 160 km/h.

Today Nambinga is accusing SWAPO of making false promises, SWAPO deliver to its promises made in various manifestos. SWAPO will continue to address challenges facing our people. The majority of Namibia people can give testimonies of the development that was brought by the SWAPO Government since independence of this country.

Shame to those who cannot see this development brought by SWAPO Government due to their own political agenda. Aluta Continua!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

◆ **Posted by CDE**  
**FLAVIO**

Cdes, you have spoken and I would just want to add on your comments. democracy should not taken for a ride by those who think that they are above the law. What the really for dissatisfied people is doing is basically too much and we are calling the law enforcement to investigate this and bring them to order. What is so special with them that they do what they feel in the name of undermining democracy. Good politicians stand on their principles and the betterment of their people. It is so dissatisfied to note how some leaders with so many years experience in politics lead these parties with shame. What were they learning in all those years? Surely with this type of politics you never become a president of this country but become a forgotten element in history! What are their political ideologies, is it to cause anarchy in the country then comrades we must start doubting those who follow this ideology. It is true when they say some people will never learn!

◆ **Posted by Cde**  
**KANAMUTENYA,Whk**

Cde.Katusha kaNamibia, I concur with you, if that is true what was written then I think something need to be done serious, remember the same Group of REALLY DISAPPOINTED PEOPLE were misleading people at Okahandja, by telling people not to pay their TV license, which is dangerous because, who will be affected will be the community and they will end up having debt which may cause them to be prosecuted, politician I think should and must follow code of conduct and not misleading people to bring chaos and anarchy, they shouldn't play with the mind of our poor communities for their own political gain, of course as Cde Hage put other time that peace sometime is seen as boring thus I can realized how people really try to misused the freedom guaranteed for them by committing illegal actions, which I think cannot be tolerated.

◆ **Posted by Cde.**  
**Steven Axasman**

Dear Comrades, i always had

a feeling that RDP was behind the Land grab in Katutura, this trouble makers must be stopped before they cause major damage to the gains of our Independence.

◆ **Posted by Cde**  
**Mayor Masa**

I fully support Cde Kanamutenya in his appeal for the NBC to show all tangible developments achieved by the SWAPO Party led Government since independence; and that our Parliament should pass a law introducing a compulsory national service. In addition, I am also appealing to our National Broadcaster to continue showing the life of Namibian Freedom fighters in exile (Cuba, Angola, GDR, etc) in order to educate our people, especially the born-frees, to appreciate the sacrifices made by the liberators of this beloved Country.

◆ **Posted by**  
**Cde.Katusha kaNamibia**

Dear Comrades, according to Namibian Sun dated, 25 March to 31 March 2010. RDP is behind the land grab in Katutura. RDP insigation of the people in Katutura to grab land is unacceptable and its an implementation of Nyamu notes to cause public outcry and for the people to hate SWAPO and its Government. Nambinga is accusing SWAPO of making false promises, however SWAPO always deliver to its promises. Roads are being tarred and constructed through out the country.

Bridges are being build across the rivers. Omuthiya Gwiipundi Hospital is under construction.

Medical School is under construction in Windhoek.

**MORE IS BEING DONE TO IMPROVE THE LIVING CONDITIONS OF OUR PEOPLE THROUGH VARIOUS INTERVENTIONS BY THE SWAPO LED GOVERNMENT.**

**What RDP has done for this country? Zero!**

**The people of Katutura dissatisfied them at the ballot box, now they are insigating the few to grab land. Shame on them. We shall dissatisfied them for ever come November 2010 Regional Council & Local Authority Elections. SWAPO United, SWAPO Victorious, Now hardwork to the New Cabinet members. Aluta Continua!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

◆ **Posted by Cde**  
**KANAMUTENYA,**  
**polytec\_Namibia**

Congratulations to all appointed Ministers and Deputy Minister! The Nation is waiting for you to deliver, do your utmost and solve the more unemployment with the youth and focus more on the education, so that we may achieve vision 2030!

## View Point

By Paul T. Shipale

Hengari wrote that if President Pohamba does not want to be remembered as 'an anecdote or the accidental president' without any association with any transformative projects, he must offer 'a compelling vision for the next five years' by appointing cabinet ministers with mandates and objectives, set targets and timelines based on the challenges of unemployment, the problems in the education sector and housing, the country's is faced with, accompanied by a clear laundry list of expectations by the President to his appointed ministers. Because, according to Hengari, the next five years are defining in the course our country will take, after the last term of President Pohamba which may also signal the retirement of most of our ministers. I am writing to dissect this latest trigger happy writings of my confrere the columnist Alfredo T. Hengari's article that appeared in the Friday 26 march's edition of the Namibian Newspaper, under the heading 'President Pohamba must worry about history and his legacy'.

To analyze the political texts and Presidential inaugural addresses, network-oriented indicators with sentimental text analysis and visualizations are used to provide an analytical tool to help understand rhetorical substance and style as well as the president's political and social viewpoint. Hengari himself, quoting Vivien Schmidt argues that discourses are important in the formulation and modification of policies.

I would have, however, preferred the academic to pin point what his paper attempts to explore within an *ex post facto* analysis (after the fact design) and the typology of the approach in the problem formulation, which he failed to do as he is so keen to talk about epistemologies and tell us if his writing is *exploratory* to gain insight in the area of interest; *descriptive* to examine the meaning through a case study; *explanatory* to explain why things are the way they are; *correlational* to see the relationship between variables and to predict future events or prove a theory; *evaluative* to assess the design, implementation and applicability of a social intervention; *interventionist* to shed light and provide possible solution; *participatory* to empower and raise awareness or other typology, if any (Rubin & Babbie, 2001, 123-126; Neuman, 2000, 477; Bless & Higson-Smith 1995, 41-62; Arkava & Lane, 1983, 11-13; Cook & Campbell, 1979, 95).

On the allegation that cabinet does not function without 'any meaningful mandate and objectives, as well as targets with clear timelines including a laundry list of expectations on the part of the president', this is pure hogwash since I personally enquired and asked to be shown the appointment letters which also contained clear terms of references as it is customary for any civil servant to be issued with such documents. It is also a fact that the President when addressing the first cabinet meeting for 2010 stressed that "it is the duty of the executive branch to ensure that all adopted policies are implemented and that the resources allocated are utilized timely and for the purposes intended...so that progress continues to be made and momentum can be maintained towards the achievement of our national development plans and vision 2030". The head of State also reminded his Cabinet about the importance of hard work, dedication and proper planning.

President Pohamba is not going to start over with 'a new compelling vision' as alleged by Hengari but build on the existing successes as he was elected on the basis of the ruling party's manifesto which sets out the policy guidelines the President and his Cabinet will implement based on the set target goals of NDP3 and the objectives of vision 2030.

I wrote last time that the President used the inaugural address to articulate not only his administrative goals and policies but also his hope for the nation when he vowed to continue combating corruption and to tackle the high rate of unemployment including through agriculture 'with the green scheme, aquaculture, rice production, grape cultivation and other projects for food security and employment creation'. Another critical sector that the president pledged to address was education where he deployed Drs. Abraham Iyambo and David Namwandi. The Cabinet was infused with new blood with a total of five new ministers and 14 new deputies to ensure 'continuity with a purpose' by blending experience and youth. The appointment of a new DG of the NPC in the person of the former Governor of the Bank of Namibia Tom Alweendo should also be viewed in that context and to coordinate planning and drive developmental goals towards vision 2030.

'We had an expansionary budget last year which was made possible by the successive years of prudent fiscal policy management. Alongside an expansionary budget, the government also extended general tax concessions which maintained investments and welfare condition of citizens, mitigating the impact of the economical crisis on the economy and standard of living and thanks to a counter-cyclical fiscal strategy of our government, our economy has managed to ride out the economic storm and the prospects over the MTEF are now favourable' said the Minister of Finance Saara Kuugongelwa-Amadhila who just tabled the appropriation bill for 2010/11 and the MTEF for the financial years 2010/11 to 2012/13 before Parliament for a total of N\$28.8 billion.

For this year, the budget interventions are focused on sustaining the economic rebound for greater economic growth, while the expenditure focus for this MTEF will be on addressing welfare needs, maintaining fiscal sustainability, consolidating the basis for long-term sustainable and equitable growth with jobs and sustain the economic recovery. The expenditure focus on infrastructure and productive sectors which will see investment in infrastructure development raised by N\$1 billion, bringing the total MTEF allocation to N\$14.569 billion to expand the infrastructure network, promote economic growth and create the much needed jobs. A total of N\$339 million has been committed over the MTEF for SMEs' development and broad-based economic empowerment, including land reform through the DBN, AgriBank, and a new SME banking facility.

The social sector continues to receive the largest share of the total allocations amounting to N\$31.454 billion over the MTEF period with education receiving two-thirds of this allocation with an additional N\$1.25 million, bringing the total MTEF allocation for education close to N\$20 billion. Youth development will receive an additional N\$113 million, while health will receive N\$ 366 million, thus increasing the total allocation of health to N\$ 8.171 billion over the MTEF. In addition, N\$257 million is proposed to accelerate the provision of proper sanitation infrastructures in rural areas, small towns, villages and informal settlements bringing the total allocation of this sector to N\$2.869 billion with Old age grants increased to N\$500 per month.

"This expansionary budget is the correct approach to utilise the available fiscal space without eroding economic fundamentals to secure the recovery and build on the achieve-

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