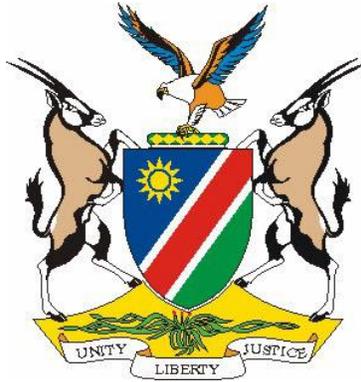


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HER EXCELLENCY LUCIA WITBOOI

VICE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA

ON THE OCCASION OF RECEIVING DONATED MATERIALS

BY

PUPKEWITZ MEGABUILD

THURSDAY, 26 MARCH 2026

WINDHOEK, KHOMAS REGION

**Honourable Dr. Sanet Steenkamp, Minister of Education,
Innovation, Youth, Sports, Arts, and Culture;**

**Honourable Pijoo Nganate, Governor of the Omaheke
Region;**

**Mr. Arthur Scholtz, Branch Manager – Windhoek Central
Branch, Pupkewitz Megabuild;**

Reverend Charles Mutambo;

**Mr. Danie Du Toit, Financial Director of Pupkewitz
Megabuild;**

**Mr. Pierre Wagner, Sales Executive of Pupkewitz
Megabuild;**

Members of the Media;

Ladies and Gentlemen;

Good Morning.

**It is an honour to welcome you to my Office on this
important occasion marking the handover of a valuable
much-needed materials to Mokganedi Tlhabanello High
School, in the Omaheke Region, in support of education
and community development.**

At the beginning, I wish to extend my sincere appreciation to Mr. Martin Schoeman and the entire Pupkewitz Megabuild team for this commendable contribution. Your gesture reflects a deep sense of responsibility and partnership in advancing our National Development Plan (NDP6).

Director of Ceremonies;

This handover is not just about the transfer of materials; it is about strengthening the foundations upon which education is delivered. It is about creating safe, dignified, and functional spaces that enable effective teaching and meaningful learning for a Namibian child.

Today, we are reminded that education remains central to our national priorities. It is the most powerful instrument through which we can empower our people, reduce inequalities, and unlock sustainable economic growth. However, for education to fulfil this role, it must be supported by adequate infrastructure and a conducive learning environment.

The provision of essential materials such as doors, locks, and security lighting directly contributes to improving safety, protecting resources, and enhancing the overall learning environment. These are practical interventions, but their impact is far-reaching.

This initiative also underscores the importance of collaboration. The development of our country cannot rest on the government alone. It requires active participation from the private sector, communities, and all stakeholders. When we work together, we are able to respond more effectively to challenges and deliver tangible results.

Director of Ceremonies;

As the Government, we remain committed to strengthening the education sector as a cornerstone of national development. We will continue to prioritise investments that improve access, quality, and equity within our education system.

To the leadership and learners of this school, I encourage you to take full ownership of these resources. Protect

them, maintain them, and ensure that they serve both present and future generations.

To our partners in the private sector, today's contribution stands as a strong example of what can be achieved through shared vision and commitment. We encourage others to follow this example and continue supporting initiatives that uplift our communities.

Let this occasion reaffirm our collective resolve to build an education system that is inclusive, resilient, and responsive to the needs of our people.

Together, we can create a future in which every child has the opportunity to learn in a safe environment, realise their potential, and contribute meaningfully to the development of our country.

I thank you.