



**ERONGO REGION**  
Office of the Governor

**STATEMENT**

**BY**

**THE GOVERNOR OF THE ERONGO REGION,  
HONORABLE NEVILLE ANDRE**

**ACCEPTING OF MATERIALS**

**DONATED**

**BY THE**

**KARIBIB TOWN COUNCIL, NAVACHAB GOLD MINE,  
THE KARBIB VOLUNTEERS AND ECO SANITARY**

**ON**

**TUESDAY, 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2020**

**KARIBIB**

**Director of Ceremony-Mr. Lesley Goroseb**

**Your Worship, the Mayor of Karibib-Honorable Titus Nabot**

**Your Worship, the Mayor of Usakos – Honorable Shuudeni Mwafangyo**

**Mr. Ivan Lombardt-CEO of the Usakos Town Council**

**Mr. George Botshiwe-Managing Director of Navachab Gold Mine and Team**

**Mr. Eckhardt Uirab – Circuit Inspector of the Omaruru Circuit**

**Dr. Kapanga – from the Usakos District Hospital**

**Principals of the Beneficial Schools present**

**The Group of Nine Ladies who volunteered to produce the Masks**

**Members of the Media**

**Ladies and Gentlemen**

It is indeed my distinct honor and pleasure to have been invited to officiate at this important occasion.

From the onset I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to the Karibib Town Council, Navachab Gold Mine, the Eco Saniters Company and the nine women Volunteers who produced masks, for their immense support to the schools in Karibib and the community at large.

What we are witnessing today is indeed commendable, where various stakeholders collaborate to bring about the much-needed relief to our schools and our community.

Many parents cannot afford to provide for the everyday needs of their children; therefore, it is very encouraging to see that the Town Council and other stakeholders, mindful of the socio-economic realities we are facing, joined resources in support of the needy learners and the schools.

The support, the seven schools will receive today, however little will be very helpful, to ensure that our children concentrate one hundred percent on their education, then to stress on how they will be able to go about without sanitizers, sanitary pads and other important material and equipment.

We need as stakeholders to create an environment where we are operating and doing our business, to continue supporting the Namibian child, who due to their

circumstances, should not stop dreaming to become a Lawyer, a Doctor, a Nurse, an Engineer, a Pilot, a Teacher, a Principle, Scientist and any other field which will be beneficial for Karibib and Namibia's development in particular.

Therefore, I encouraged all stakeholders to dig deep into their pockets, to make sure that such dreams, of the child of the domestic worker or gardener is fully realized.

We all need each other.

We in our Region are facing difficult times, a time when COVID-19 cases are on the increase.

We need to use all our resources to ensure that we contain the virus from further spreading.

We need to invest in sophisticated equipment to save lives of our people who have contracted the virus.

We need to place people in quarantine and isolation facilities, befitting their human dignity and rights.

We need additional medical personnel to ensure that our people get the best treatment.

We need vehicles to transport patients.

We need beds and linen, we need medicine.

All these requires massive investments and Government alone cannot do all these.

I therefore thank the Private Sector for being a partner during this difficult time. I know you have equally been hit hard, but wherever you can please continue to support and compliment Governments efforts.

We can only defeat COVID – 19, by limiting our movements, washing our hands, sanitizing, adhere to social distancing and the limitations on gatherings.

Having said these few remarks, it is now my singular honor and pleasure to accept these donations by the stakeholders and give them through the Circuit Inspectors to the respective school Principals who are here.

**I thank you**