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Training of Census Enumerators Begins

The Government of the Republic of Botswana, through Statistics Botswana will be conducting a Population and Housing Census (PHC) from 18th to 31st March, 2022. The PHC is conducted every 10 years, and the last one was carried out in 2011.

Training of census enumerators (data collectors) begins on 1st March 2022, and will end on 14th March 2022. The enumerators will be trained in the administration of the census instruments which they will use to collect information from households. This is meant to ensure that the prospective enumerators are well equipped with the necessary knowledge and skills to collect good quality census data.

The Population and Housing Census is enumeration of the total population of a country with the aim of providing data on the number of people, their spatial distribution, sex and age structure, living conditions and key socioeconomic characteristics. Data from the PHC is critical for national and sub-national development planning; market analysis; tracking progress towards national and international development frameworks such as the; National Development Plan (NDP) 11; Vision 2036; Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs); and Agenda 2063 among others.

Census workers will visit households from 0600 to 2000 hours, and they can be identified by census uniforms and protective clothing carrying the census logo, official letters of appointment on Government of Botswana letterhead, National Identification Cards (OMANG) which can be checked against the official letters of appointment, and census branded vehicles.

The population and housing census is an enormous national exercise involving everybody in Botswana. The general public is therefore duly requested to cooperate during data collection.

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