



PROGRAMME

SADC PARLIAMENTARY FORUM

56TH PLENARY ASSEMBLY SESSION

HOSTED BY

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA

LIVINGSTONE

6TH TO 15TH DECEMBER 2024

THEME: *“LEVERAGING TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION FOR SMART, INCLUSIVE AND RESPONSIVE PARLIAMENTS IN THE SADC REGION”*

DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME
Fri, 06 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arrival of the SADC PF Secretary General, Clerks and Secretaries General of Parliaments and First Group of the SADC PF Secretariat 	All Day
Sat, 07 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arrival of FANRCA and RPMLOC Members 	TBA
Sun, 08 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arrival of all Delegates FAO and SADC PF FANRCA and RPMLOC: Meeting to Develop Charter for SADC PF Parliamentary Alliance on Agri-food Systems, Food Security and Nutrition 	All Day 09:00 – 16:00
Mon, 09 December	OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY	09:00 – 12:00
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arrival of all Delegates 	09:00
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All Invited Guests to be seated 	09:30
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arrival of Guest of Honour, Mrs. W. K. Mutale Nalumango, MP, Vice President of the Republic of Zambia 	09:40
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Singing of Anthems of the Republic of Zambia, SADC and AU 	09:40 – 09:50
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prayer 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction of the Programme by the Director of Ceremonies 	09:50 – 09:55
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remarks by Mr Credo Nanjuwa, MP, Provincial Minister, Southern Province 	09:55 – 10:00
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Credentials of Delegates by the SADC PF Secretary General, H.E. <i>Boemo Sekgoma</i> 	10:00 – 10:05
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statements of Solidarity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forum of Parliaments of the International Conference on the Great Lakes Region - Mr. Ronald Mwelwa Tembo, Acting Secretary General Youth Representative from the SADC Region – Hon. Nsama Patrick Mpundu, Speaker of the Southern Africa Youth Forum 	10:05 – 10:15 10:15 – 10:25
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cultural Performance/Interlude 	10:25 – 10:35
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statement by the Regional Women’s Parliamentary Caucus Chairperson, Hon. Shally Josepha Raymond 	10:35 – 10:45
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Address by the SADC PF President & Speaker of the National Assembly of Seychelles, Hon. Roger Mancienne 	10:45 – 10:55
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cultural Performance/Interlude 	10:55 – 11:00
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome Remarks and Introduction of Guest of Honour by the Host Speaker, Rt. Hon. Nelly Butete Kashumba Mutti, SC, MP, FAPRA – Speaker of the National Assembly of Zambia 	11:00 – 11:10
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Official Opening Address by the Guest of Honour, Mrs. W. K. Mutale Nalumango, MP, Vice President of the Republic of Zambia 	11:10 – 11:35
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vote of thanks by Hon. Adv. Jacob Francis Nzwidamilimo Mudenda, Speaker of the Parliament of 	11:35 – 11:45

	the Republic of Zimbabwe and Host for the 57 th Plenary Assembly Session	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prayer 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Singing of Anthems of AU, SADC and the Republic of Zambia 	11:45 – 11:55
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Announcements 	11:55 – 12:00
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> END OF OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY 	12:00
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Group Photo 	12:00 – 12:30
	LUNCH FOR ALL DELEGATES	12:30 – 14:00
	<i>Launch of the SADC PF Parliamentary Alliance on Agri-food Systems, Food Security and Nutrition in partnership with the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO)</i>	14:00 – 16:00
	Valedictory Ceremony for Hon. Prof. Peter H. Katjavivi, Speaker of the National Assembly of Namibia and Host Speaker for the SADC PF Headquarters (Cocktail Dinner (By invitation))	17:30 – 20:00
Tuesday, 10 December	SYMPOSIUM ON THE THEME FOR THE 56TH PLENARY ASSEMBLY SESSION	09:00 – 15:30
	<p>Theme: <i>“Leveraging Technology and Innovation for Smart, Inclusive and Responsive Parliaments in the SADC Region”</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opening Address by the SADC PF President & Speaker of the National Assembly of Seychelles, Hon. Roger Mancienne 	09:00 – 09:10
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentations & Deliberations on the Theme <p>Session Chair: Honourable Felix C Mutati, MP – Minister of Technology and Science</p> <p>(i) Presentations by Resource Persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr Percy Chinyama, National Coordinator, SMART Zambia Institute; Dr Clement Sinyangwe, Information and Communications Technology Association of Zambia President; Mr David Mulenga, Deputy Director – National Assembly of Zambia; and REPSSI <p>(ii) Deliberations & Recommendations</p>	09:10 – 11:00
	HEALTH BREAK	11:00 – 11:30
	(iii) Continuation of Deliberations on the Presentations	11:30 – 13.00
	LUNCH BREAK	13:00 – 14:00

Wednesday, 11 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Country Presentations (5 minutes each Delegation) 	14:00 – 15:20
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closing Remarks by the SADC PF President and Speaker of the National Assembly of Seychelles, Hon. Roger Mancienne 	15:20 – 15:30
	Official Welcome Dinner for Delegates courtesy of the SRHR National Working Group (By Invitation)	18:30 – 20:30
	PLENARY ASSEMBLY SESSION	
	(i) Administration of Oath or Affirmation of Adherence for New Members	09:00 – 09:30
	(ii) Consideration of the Executive Committee Report on Financial Matters (Treasurer's Report).	09:30 – 11:00
	HEALTH BREAK	11:00 – 11:30
	(iii) Consideration of the Executive Committee Report on the General SADC PF Policy and Administrative Matters	11:30 – 13:00
	LUNCH BREAK	13:00 – 14:00
	(iv) Presentation of Country Reports on Progress on Implementation of the Resolutions of the 55 th Plenary Assembly (Each Parliament to be accorded 15 minutes to present the Country Report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Angola • Botswana • DRC • Eswatini • Lesotho • Madagascar • Malawi • Namibia • Seychelles • South Africa • Tanzania • Zambia • Zimbabwe 	14:00 – 15:00
HEALTH BREAK	15:00 – 15:30	
Continuation of Presentation of Country Reports on Progress on Implementation of the Resolutions of the 55 th Plenary Assembly	15:30 – 16:30	
Side Event Dinner (By Invitation)	18:00 – 20:30	

	(v) Spotlighting the SADC Model Law on Eradicating Child Marriage and Protecting Children Already in Marriage by SADC PF, PLAN International and Partners	
Thursday, 12 December	<p>(i) Consideration of the Report of the Standing Committee on Human and Social Development and Special Programmes following its statutory public hearing session held under the theme: <i>“The Role of Parliaments in Raising, Allocating and Spending Resources necessary for Public Health and SRHR Financing”</i>.</p> <p>(ii) Consideration of the Report of the Standing Committee on Democratisation, Governance and Human Rights following its statutory public hearing session held under the theme: <i>“Leveraging the Role of SADC Parliamentary Forum in Facilitating Citizen Participation in SADC Regional Integration for Enhanced Accountability and Inclusive Socio-Economic Development and Cohesion.”</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">HEALTH BREAK</p> <p>(iii) Consideration of the Report of the Standing Committee on Trade, Industry, Finance and Investment following its statutory public hearing session held under the theme: <i>“Leveraging the Role of SADC Parliamentary Forum in Facilitating Citizen Participation in SADC Regional Integration for Enhanced Accountability and Inclusive Socio-Economic Development and Cohesion.”</i></p> <p>(iv) Consideration of the Report of the Standing Committee on the Food, Agriculture, Natural Resources and Climate Action following its statutory public hearing session held under the theme: <i>“Leveraging the Role of SADC Parliamentary Forum in Facilitating Citizen Participation in SADC Regional Integration for Enhanced Accountability and Inclusive Socio-Economic Development and Cohesion.”</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">LUNCH BREAK</p> <p>(v) Consideration of the Report of the Regional Parliamentary Model Laws Oversight Committee (RPMLOC) following its statutory meeting held under the theme: <i>“Enhancing the Role of the RPMLOC in Monitoring the Domestication of SADC Model Laws and Implementation of Related Policies and Laws Through Structured Reporting Frameworks and Mechanisms: A Look at the Domestication of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction.”</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">HEALTH BREAK</p>	<p>09:00 – 10:00</p> <p>10:00 – 11:00</p> <p>11:00 – 11:30</p> <p>11:30 – 12:30</p> <p>12:30 – 13:30</p> <p>13:30 – 14:30</p> <p>14:30 – 15:30</p> <p>15:30 – 16:00</p>

	<p>(vi) Statement by Rt. Hon. Nelly B. K. Kashumba Mutti, SC, Speaker of the Parliament of Zambia, on the 149th IPU Assembly and other related meetings held from 13th to 17th October, 2024 in Geneva, Switzerland, pursuant to Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure</p> <p>(vii) Consideration of Members' Motions/ Statements by the Speakers or Heads of Delegations</p> <p>(viii) Side Event Dinner (By Invitation): <i>The Right Honourable Ms Nelly B K Mutti, SC, MP, FAPRA, Speaker of the National Assembly of Zambia will host a networking dinner indaba for all SADC PF female Speakers and parliamentarians to discuss challenges that female parliamentarians, and women and girls face in their social, cultural, economic and political spaces.</i></p>	<p>16.00 – 16.10</p> <p>6.10 – 17.00</p> <p>18:00 – 20:30</p>
Friday, 13 December	<p>(i) Consideration of the Report of the Regional Women Parliamentary Caucus (RWPC) following its statutory public hearing session held under the theme: <i>“Leveraging the Role of SADC Parliamentary Forum in Facilitating Citizen Participation in SADC Regional Integration for Enhanced Accountability and Inclusive Socio-Economic Development and Cohesion.”</i></p> <p>(ii) Consideration of the Report of the Standing Committee on Gender Equality, Women Advancement and Youth Development following its statutory public hearing session held under the theme: <i>“Leveraging the Role of SADC Parliamentary Forum in Facilitating Citizen Participation in SADC Regional Integration for Enhanced Accountability and Inclusive Socio-Economic Development and Cohesion</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">HEALTH BREAK</p> <p>(iii) Consideration of Members' Motions/Partners Statements</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LUNCH BREAK</p> <p>(iv) Election of the President and Vice President pursuant of Article 11(2) of the Constitution and Rule 10 of the Rules of Procedure</p> <p>(v) Reading of a Communique</p> <p>(vi) Closing Statement by the Out-going SADC PF President & Speaker of the National Assembly of Seychelles, <i>Hon. Roger Mancienne</i></p>	<p>09:00 – 10:00</p> <p>10:00 – 11:00</p> <p>11:00 – 11:30</p> <p>11:30 – 13:00</p> <p>13:00 – 14:00</p> <p>14:00 - 15:15</p>

	(vii) Hand-Over Ceremony between the Out-going SADC PF President and the In-coming SADC PF President End of the 56th SADC PF Plenary Assembly EXCO meeting to designate a Treasurer in terms of Article 12(5) of the Constitution <i>Sunset Cruise for all Delegates</i>	 15.30 16:00
Saturday, 14 December	Excursion (TBC)	All Day
Sunday, 15 December	Departure of Delegates	All Day

