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**NAMIBIA STATISTICS AGENCY APPOINTS MR. ISRAEL TJIZAKE AS DEPUTY  
STATISTICIAN-GENERAL**

The Namibia Statistics Agency (NSA) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Israel Tjizake as the new Deputy Statistician-General (DSG), effective 01 May 2026.

Mr. Tjizake who replaced Ms. Otilie Mwazi who went on retirement on 31 March 2026, brings with him a wealth of experience in official statistics, data management, and institutional leadership.

Mr. Tjizake brings over 25 years of postgraduate professional experience in development practice, spanning from government, the United Nations, and academia. He has provided extensive technical support to government institutions and non-governmental organizations, with a strong focus on demography, statistics, and results-based policy development at national, sectoral, and organizational levels. His expertise further includes management policy analysis, programme design in population and social development, organizational change and development, as well as leadership, management, and team building.

He has successfully led and coordinated mid-term reviews, evaluation studies, strategic planning processes, and country programme development, including planning, monitoring, and evaluation functions. In addition, he has significant experience in the planning, implementation, and management of large-scale surveys and Housing and Population Censuses.

Mr. Tjizake is a trained demographer and statistician, holding a Master's degree in Population Studies and Human Resources, complemented by training in Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Economics. He also holds a Bachelor of Science degree with majors in Mathematics, Statistics, and Economics, has completed coursework toward a Master's degree in Public Health, and has undertaken several specialized short courses. Furthermore, he holds multiple professional certifications in Results-Based Management (RBM), Project Management, and GIS.

His appointment marks a significant step in strengthening the NSA's strategic direction and enhancing the production of high-quality, timely, and reliable statistics to support national development.

In his new role, Mr. Tjizake will support the Statistician-General in overseeing the Agency's core statistical operations (which is data collection, processing, analyse and dissemination), advancing innovation in data production, as well as ensuring alignment with national, regional and international statistical standards. He will also play a key role in driving the implementation of key initiatives, including the modernisation of statistical systems and the promotion of evidence-based decision-making across sectors.

The NSA is delighted to welcome Mr. Tjizake to this important leadership position. His expertise, professionalism, and commitment to statistical excellence will greatly contribute to the continued growth and transformation of the Namibia Statistics Agency.

The NSA remains committed to its mandate of providing relevant, accurate, and timely statistics that inform policy, planning, and development. The appointment of Mr. Tjizake reinforces the NSA's leadership capacity to meet the growing demand for data in a rapidly evolving information landscape.

I thank you



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