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SUPPORT ULM e.V. DONATES MEDICAL EQUIPMENT WORTH N\$ 1.5 MILLION TO THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Support Ulm e.V., a non-profit organization based in Ulm, Germany, under the management and guidance of Prof. Dr. Heinz Maier together with the Haussler Group in Ulm, Germany, donated medical equipment worth N\$ 1.5 million to the Ministry of Health and Social Services.

Support Ulm e.V. was established by a group of medical doctors who made it their aim to support medical projects throughout the world. They support various projects by means of financial, humanitarian as well as through donations.

The donation was handed over by Mr. Sion Amalovu, the Logistics Manager of Ohorongo Cement, to the Minister of Health and Social Services, Hon. Dr. Kalumbi Shangula, on 11 May 2023.

Amalovu highlighted that the donation was specifically aimed to improve medical services within the Ministry of Health, when fulfilling its obligation of providing basic health needs towards the Namibian people as enshrined in the Namibian Constitution.

“I am happy to confirm that, since the establishment of the partnership between Support e.V, the Ministry of Health and Social Services and Ohorongo Cement in 2009, we have spent over N\$ 77 million supporting a whole number of social projects and out of the N\$ 77 million, N\$ 64.8 million has been tallied to medical supplies and equipment, including today’s donation,” said Amalovu.

Amalovu also expressed gratitude towards Blaauw's Transport, a valuable CSI partner of Ohorongo Cement, for donating transportation and logistical services of the medical equipment from the Walvis Bay port to Windhoek.

In his acceptance remark, Hon. Dr. Kalumbi Shangula mentioned that the donation will go a long way in improving service delivery to patients and clients who seek medical care in health facilities across the country.

The donation is considered an extension to the existing measures used for the safeguarding of lives and enhancing the ability to treat and care for all patients promptly, additionally the donation also lays the groundwork for future collaboration in promoting health and prosperity for all.

As part of the Harambee Prosperity Plan II, the health sector is expected to provide inclusive services, harnessing public-private partnerships, and pursuing the ethos of leaving no one behind, this Hon Dr. Shangula highlighted as he indicated that 80% of the Namibian population depends on public health care services and hence the high commends extended to Support e.V Ulm and Ohorongo Cement (Pty) Ltd for its commitment and valuable support to the Ministry of Health and Social Services and to the people of Namibia at large.

The consistent support emanating from the relationship of Support e.V Ulm and Ohorongo Cement (Pty) Ltd who have become regular supporters to our health sector has over the past three years made several valuable donations to the Ministry of Health and Social Services, said Hon Dr. Shangula.

The event ended on the note of Shiksha ka Daan that, "True value of one's life can be measured if the person is able to make a significant difference in someone's life".



Hon. Dr. Kalumbi Shangula received the donation of medical equipment to the worth of N\$ 1.5 million from Mr. Sion Amalovu who represented Support e.V. and Ohorongo Cement, flanked by Dr. Utjiua Muinjangu Deputy Minister of Health and Social Services, Mr. Deon Blaauw of Blaauws Transport and Senior Officials from the Ministry of Health and Social Services.

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