

Remarks by the Chief Executive Officer of the Road Fund Administration, Mr Penda Kiiyala, at the Hand-over Ceremony of a Photocopy Machine to lipanda Yaamiti Combined School in Oshana Region on Monday, 24th August 2009

Director of Ceremonies

Mr. Nashilundo, the Principal of lipanda Yaamiti Combined School,

Members of the School Board present here today,

Dear Teachers and Parents of the learners at this school,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

All protocol observed

I am very happy to be among you today and I must say this is my first time to be in your community. Although I have heard about your school and community many times, I did not have the privilege to visit you in person. Often when I talk to my friend, Mr Wendley lipumbu Shiimi, who hails from this community, and ask him where he grew up and which school he has attended, he mentions the name lipanda Yaamiti. However,

although I had an idea where lipanda Yaamiti might be located, I now feel honoured to have visited you in person. I am mentioning Wendley lipumbu Shiimi's name because he approached me with a request for the Road Fund to assist your school with a photocopy machine. Although he cannot be here today to witness this special occasion, you should feel honour as a school and a community that you have such an impassionate and dedicated son of your community who has your interest at heart by soliciting assistance in the areas where you have a need to uplift the standard of your school and your community. You should really thank him even in his absence. Through his efforts, he convinced our Management team to donate a brand new photocopy machine with a value of N\$10,000 to your school (N\$10,633-00 to be precise).

Director of Ceremonies,

Although a photocopy machine might not be able to solve all your problems in providing quality education to your learners, I strongly believe that it would tremendously contribute to your efforts to disseminate valuable information to your learners and your community at large.

In conclusion, I feel immensely honoured to hand over this photocopier machine to your school as a humble contribution to your efforts to provide quality education to your learners at Lipanda Yaamiti Combined School. In the same vein, I would urge you to jealously guard this valuable and indispensable asset, which belongs to you now, and look after it properly so that it can serve your school and community in the foreseeable future. I would also like to challenge other State-owned Enterprises to follow the example of the Road Fund in assisting needy schools by giving them equipment that would enable learners to have access to modern equipment and to excel in school.

With these few remarks and on behalf of the Road Fund Administration, I have the pleasure and privilege to hand over this photocopier machine to your school.

Thank you!