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THE BANK OF NAMIBIA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL COMPETITION 2015 IN FULL SWING

The Bank of Namibia National High School Competition is in full swing and the regional phase of the competition has been concluded. In total, 205 schools have participated compared to 201 in 2013. The High School Competition is the Bank's key project targeted at improving and educating high school learners about the role of the central bank and the economy. Schools are provided with competition rules and learning materials to enable learners to prepare adequately for the competition. Through this exercise, the Bank of Namibia also supports the Ministry of Education in its educational goals and objectives.

Learners from grades 8 to 12, from all over the country were invited to partake in the regional phase of this year's competition which was conducted from 1 July to 15 July 2015. Learners formed teams of four that represented their particular schools under the guidance of a teacher. During the regional round of the competition, learners had to compete in answering a set of ten questions within 30 seconds each. The following regional winners will travel to Windhoek to participate in the semi-final round of the competition.

REGION	WINNING SCHOOLS
KHOMAS	Jan Mohr
KARAS	Karasburg Combined School
ERONGO	Swakopmund Secondary School
HARDAP	Mariental High School
ZAMBEZI	Caprivi Senior Secondary School
KAVANGO EAST	Dr Romanus Kampungu Senior Secondary School
KAVANGO WEST	Matumbo Ribebe Secondary School
KUNENE	Cornelius Goreseb High School
OMAHEKE	Epako Secondary School
OHANGWENA	Ponhoffi Secondary School
OTJOZONDJUPA	Otjiwarongo SS
OSHIKOTO	Etosha Secondary School
OMUSATI	ONESI Secondary School
OSHANA	Andimba Toivo ya Toivo Secondary School

Over the years, the competition has exposed many learners to the workings of the economy and has significantly improved their knowledge on the role of the Bank in the economy. The top four teams that will emerge as winners from the semi-final round of the competition on 12 August 2015 will go through to compete for the first prize in front of a panel of judges during a prestigious gala event to be held on 13 August 2015. Secondary Schools learners as well as family and friends, are invited to tune in to NBC National Radio and support participants from their respective regions during a live radio broadcast.

The winning school in the final leg of the competition stands a chance of winning a total of N\$50 000.00 while the runner-up will walk away with N\$30 000.00. The third place winner will be awarded with N\$10 000.00 and the fourth place winner will receive a printer for their school. The Bank of Namibia congratulates all the teams that emerged as regional winners of the High School Competition and wish them all the best for the semi-finals and final.

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