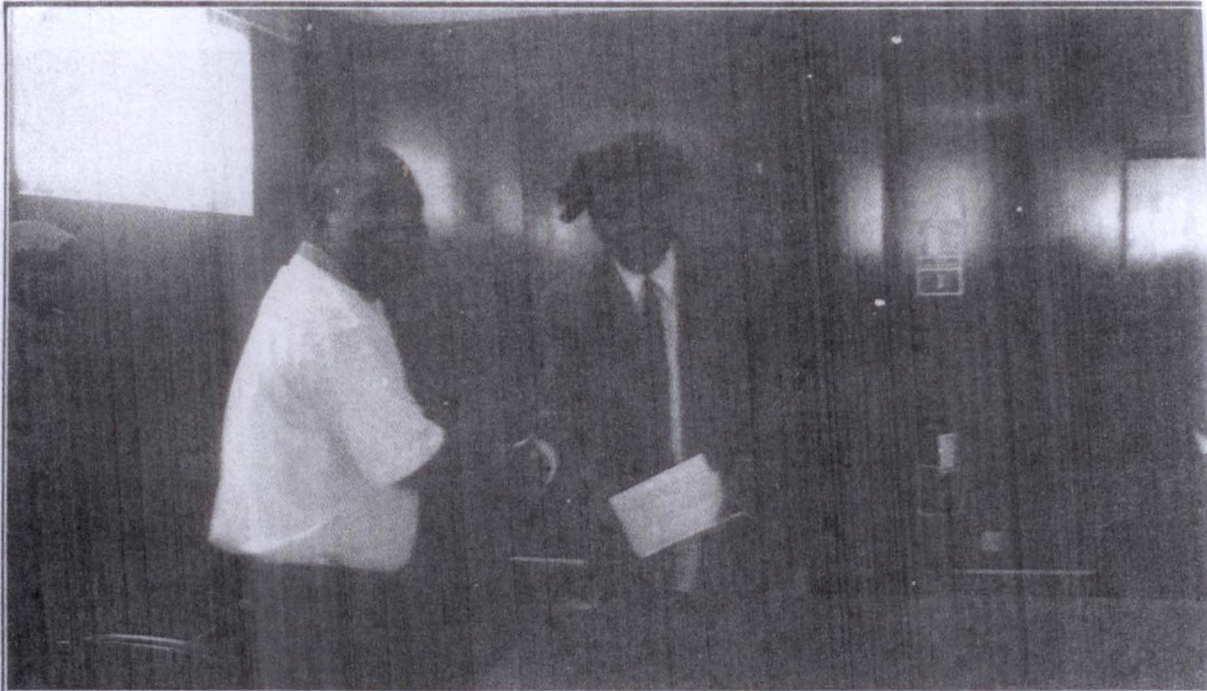


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RAILWAY Systems of Zambia business executive officer Sydney Tembo (left) handing over a K20 million cheque to Induna Sibeti to go towards the purchase of the Ngambela's royal barge ahead of this year's Kuomboka ceremony. - Picture by CHAMBO NG'UNI.

RSZ donates K20m towards Kuomboka

By CHAMBO NG'UNI
THE Railway Systems of Zambia (RSZ) has donated K20 million towards the purchase of a royal barge for the Ngambela of Western Province.

RSZ chief executive officer Benjamin Even said his company values traditional ceremonies such as the Kuomboka of the Lozi, and feels obliged to contribute towards the successful hosting of the event.

Mr Even said this on Thursday in a speech

read for him by RSZ business executive officer Sydney Tembo in Kabwe.

He said the donation is part of the company's corporate social responsibility programme.

"We are grateful that we have continued partnering with the Barotse Royal Establishment, and we value what you are doing to promote culture," Mr Even said.

He said the donation

comes barely a month after RSZ donated K10 million to the Kabwe Kuomboka Kufuluhela committee towards the organisation of this year's Kuomboka traditional ceremony.

"It is our sincere hope that this partnership and interaction will continue even when there is no Kuomboka ceremony," Mr Even said.

Receiving the donation, Induna Sibeti commended RSZ for partnering with the

Barotse Royal Establishment and his committee towards the successful hosting of the Kuomboka traditional ceremony.

"On behalf of the Barotse Royal Establishment, the Kuta and the Kabwe Kuomboka Kufuluhela committee, I would like to thank RSZ for the donation," Induna Sibeti said. He said the new royal barge will add value to the ceremony.

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