#### **MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

# Questions of which notice has been given Requiring an Oral Answer Sitting of Tuesday 04 July 2023

Questions addressed to the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity

B/904 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Dr Aumeer**)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the seizure of drugs, money and articles by the Special Striking Team since its coming into operation to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the (a) amount thereof seized during specific field operations and (b) sum of money and articles returned to their respective owners for non-prosecution?

B/905 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mrs Luchmun Roy)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the Judgment delivered by the Special Chamber of the International Tribunal of the Law of the Sea on 28 April 2023, establishing a binding international maritime boundary between Mauritius and Maldives, he will state the actions Government proposes to initiate as a result thereof?

The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Assirvaden)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to road accidents for the periods July 2021 to June 2022 and July 2022 to June 2023, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the (a) number of reported cases thereof, indicating the number thereof involving motorbikes (b) number of fatal ones and (c) preventive measures being envisaged to address same?

B/907

The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the proposed acquisition of three additional Airbus aircrafts by Air Mauritius Ltd., he will state if Government has received any request from Air Mauritius for financial assistance therefor and, if so, indicate the type and amount thereof?

B/908

The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Ramful)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to the amount of fees owed by the advertising companies as at to date, giving a breakdown thereof and indicating the names thereof?

B/909

The Honourable First Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Dr Boolell**)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the resettlement of the Mauritians of Chagossian origins in the Chagos Archipelago, he will state if Government has commissioned a report thereon and, if so, indicate if a task force has been set up therefor?

The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the New Biometric Identity Card project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the name of the company to which the contract has been awarded and (b) when same will be implemented?

B/911

The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the inquiry initiated into the statement made by Mrs S. K. against Mr Y.S., for the alleged fictitious employment of the former as Constituency Clerk of the latter, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand, indicating when Mr Y.S. was last interviewed by the Police?

B/912

The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr David)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to spare parts purchased by the Cargo Handling Corporation Ltd., since July 2018 to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as the number thereof, indicating in each case the (a) type (b) amount and (c) date of replacement thereof?

B/913

The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Mayotte)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the Brigade Pour la Protection de la Famille, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information since 2020 to date as to the number of interventions carried out, indicating in each case (a) the number of arrests effected and (b) actions taken in relation thereto?

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The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Doolub)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the recent cases of alleged fake driving licences, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) where matters stand as to the inquiries initiated thereinto and (b) if the introduction of an e-driving licence is being envisaged?

B/915

The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the inquiry initiated into the presence of Honourable M. E. J. in a restricted zone in the port area on or about 05 January 2021, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand?

B/916

The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to Air Mauritius Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the amount of money received from the recent sale of its old aircrafts, indicating the cost incurred for the refurbishment prior to the sale thereof and (b) the source of funds for the acquisition of new aircrafts?

B/917

The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (Dr Gungapersad)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the Police complaints made by M. B. and his wife following alleged threats received after a Radio programme on Top FM held on 14 June 2023, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if an inquiry has been initiated thereinto and, if so, where matters stand?

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To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the implementation of a programme for resettlement in the Chagos Archipelago as announced in the 2022-2023 Budget Speech, he will state where matters stand?

B/919 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the Airport Terminal Operations Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of (a) personnel employed by the company, indicating their designation and (b) vacancies advertised in each category?

B/920 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Assirvaden)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, following the striking out of the provisional charge of public official using his office for gratification against Mr B. N. in the case of the purchase of Molnupiravir for the COVID-19 pandemic, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police and the Independent Commission against Corruption, information as to if the inquiry initiated thereinto is still ongoing and, if so, where matters stand?

B/921 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Ramful)

> To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

> Whether, in regard to the Police Force, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) when the list of the last promotion exercise which took effect on 01 June 2022 will be published in the routine orders and, if not, why not (b) the number of the promoted officers attached to the VIPSU and (c) the number of Police Officers awaiting promotion this year, if any?

Questions addressed to Honourable Ministers, other than to the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity

B/922 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

> To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Housing and Land Use Planning, Minister of Tourism –

> Whether, in regard to the construction of 8000 social housing units by the New Social Living Development Co. Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the company information as to if consideration will be given for the geotechnical investigation report for the sites earmarked therefor to be tabled in the Assembly?

B/923 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Richard Duval)

> To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management -

> Whether, in regard to the project for the renovation of the Mahebourg Market, he will state where matters stand?

B/924 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Dr Aumeer**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to Health Care Assistants in public Hospitals, he will state the (a) eligibility criteria for the recruitment thereof indicating the modalities thereof and (b) number thereof recruited since 2019 to date in each Regional Hospital?

B/925 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Blue Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping –

Whether, in regard to the grant for the acquisition of semi-industrial vessel for period 2022-2023, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the number of applications received and processed (b) the amount of fund disbursed and (c) if the said grant will be extended for the period 2023-2024?

B/926 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Joanna Bérenger)

To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security –

Whether, in regard to pesticides, he will state the (a) types thereof imported since 2018 to date, indicating (i) the corresponding quantities thereof and (ii) number of samples with residues thereof detected within samples collected and (b) number of officers currently working at the Pesticides Regulatory Office?

B/927 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to public healthcare services, he will state the established complaint protocols available to in-patients and out-patients?

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B/928 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

> To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

> Whether, in regard to the construction of the new Rose-Hill Market, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Beau Bassin and Rose Hill, information as to if a feasibility study has been conducted therefor and, if so, indicate the (a) cost, giving a breakdown thereof and (b) expected starting date thereof?

The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River B/929 (Mrs Mayotte)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Cultural Heritage –

Whether, in regard to the National Heritage, he will state the eligibility criteria for historical buildings, monuments, sites and old buildings to be designated in the list thereof?

B/930 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr Léopold)

> To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation -

> Whether, in regard to the forthcoming Indian Ocean Island Games, he will state if his Ministry proposes to organize activities with a view to promoting the interest of the youth of the Republic of Mauritius, other than sportsmen, therein and, if so, give details thereof?

The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and B/931 Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

> To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development -

> Whether, in regard to the proposed reconstruction/repairs of the Canal Anglais, in Port Louis, he will state where matters stand, indicating the (a) the cost thereof (b) name of the selected contractor therefor and (c) expected completion date thereof?

B/932 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Lobine)

To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security –

Whether, in regard to the exportation of Macaques to the United States of America in the state of Michigan, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the number thereof, indicating the names of companies exporting same and (b) if he has taken congnizance of a report of cases of Macaques infected with tuberculosis?

B/933 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Juman)

To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Housing and Land Use Planning, Minister of Tourism –

Whether, in regard to the construction of social housing units by the New Social Living Development Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom information as to if a contract therefor has also been awarded to N. G. & Co Ltd., and, if so, when, giving details thereof?

B/934 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation –

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Weightlifting Federation, he will (a) state if the services of a foreign national technical director/coach have been retained therefor and, if so, indicate the (i) name and nationality thereof (ii) salaries drawn and (iii) duration of contract and terms and conditions of contract thereof and (b) table copy of the qualifications thereof?

B/935 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (Dr Gungapersad)

To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

Whether, in regard to the judgment given by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in the case of Alphamix Ltd., against the District Council of Rivière du Rempart, he will state the amount payable as legal fees to the legal representatives of Alphamix Ltd., giving a breakdown thereof?

B/936 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Doolub)

> To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

> Whether, in regard to the construction of a new market fair in Mahebourg, he will state where matters stand?

B/937 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

> To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development -

> Whether, in regard to the Cote d'Or Integrated Smart City Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Landscope (Mauritius) Ltd., information as to the (a) total estimated costs thereof, indicating the mode of financing therefor and (b) scheduled completion date thereof?

B/938 The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil (Mr Nuckcheddy)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the projects for the laying of pipes in the regions of Bon Accueil, Belvédère and Laventure, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to where matters stand as to the implementation thereof?

The Honourable First Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Dr B/939 Boolell)

> To ask the Honourable Minister of Financial Services and Good Governance -

> Whether, in regard to Mr J. H. C., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Financial Intelligence Unit, information as to if an inquiry has been initiated into the alleged suspicious business thereof and, if not, why not?

The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Ms Anquetil)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Gender Equality and Family Welfare

Whether, in regard to the Community Center at Sadally in Vacoas, she will state if consideration will be given for the reopening thereof and, if so, give details thereof and, if not, why not?

B/941

The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Gender Equality and Family Welfare –

Whether, in regard to the street children, she will state if she proposes to bring amendments to existing legislation for the protection therefor and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

B/942

The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mrs Luchmun Roy)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Financial Services and Good Governance –

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Turf Club Sports and Leisure Company Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Financial Services Commission, information as to if the employees thereof were contributing to a private pension fund duly approved by the Commission, indicating the account in which same was credited by their employer and, if not, if the Commission proposes to carry out an investigation into any breach thereof?

B/943

The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Ramful)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation –

Whether, in regard to the non-Olympic federations, he will state the number thereof registered with his Ministry, indicating in each case the (a) number of athletes licensed thereto and (b) the budgetary entitlement therefor, further indicating if consideration will be given for the increase thereof?

B/944 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr David)

> To ask the Honourable Minister of Information Technology, Communication and Innovation –

> Whether, in regard to suspicious postal letters/packages, he will, the benefit of the House, obtain from Post Ltd., information as to the (a) number thereof received from abroad since January 2023 to date (b) established protocol in cases thereof and (c) number of cases thereof reported to the Police?

The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière B/945 (Mr Bhagwan)

> To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security –

Whether, in regard to the Northern Plain Irrigation System, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Irrigation Authority, information as to the (a) types of irrigation system available, indicating the extent and frequency thereof and (b) number of pivots installed, indicating the number (i) thereof in working condition and (ii) of complaints received in respect thereof regarding defective pipes, pivots and other equipment and actions taken, if any?

The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and B/946 Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

> To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration, Social Security and National Solidarity -

> Whether, in regard to the Basic Retirement Pension, she will state the (a) number of beneficiaries thereof, giving a breakdown by age (b) amount disbursed for the payment thereof in financial year 2022-2023 and (c) additional funds to be disbursed for financial year 2023-2024 following the increase in the rate thereof?

The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix B/947 (Mr Assirvaden)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the Central Water Authority, he will state the names and composition of the current Board thereof, indicating the allowances and other fringe benefits drawn?

B/948 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Ms Anguetil)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Gender Equality and Family Welfare

Whether, in regard to the Cap Malheureux Relay Shelter, also known as L'Oiseau du Paradis, she will state if she has been made aware of an allegation of abuse on a six-year-old boy on Saturday 06 May 2023 and, if so, indicate the date the (a) child was taken to the hospital and (b) matter was reported to the Police?

The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis B/949 Central (**Dr Aumeer**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to pain relief in labour, he will state the medical options available for patients in the public Hospitals?

The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

> To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration, Social Security and National Solidarity -

> Whether, in regard to the Social Register of Mauritius, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Empowerment Foundation, information as to the (a) number of households currently benefitting from the various assistance schemes provided by the Foundation and (b) additional number of families expected to be found eligible thereunder following the revision of the income threshold in the Budget 2023-2024?

The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Richard Duval)

> To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration, Social Security and National Solidarity -

> Whether, in regard to the Social Register of Mauritius, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Empowerment Foundation, information as to (a) the number of households registered thereunder for the year 2022 and since January 2023 to date, indicating the number of beneficiaries thereof and (b) when the new category of households' income threshold will be included in the database thereof?

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B/952 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Information Technology, Communication and Innovation –

Whether, in regard to online harassment, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain, information as the number of reported cases thereof since 2021 to date, indicating the number of (a) arrests effected and (b) convictions secured?

B/953 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Joanna Bérenger)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Environment, Solid Waste Management and Climate Change –

Whether, in regard to the cleaning and embellishment of 120 public sites, under the National Environment and Climate Change Fund since July 2022 to date, he will state where matters stand, indicating in each case the (a) location thereof (b) quantum of funds allocated therefor and (c) name of the contractors selected therefor?

B/954 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Lobine)

To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

Whether, in regard to the rehabilitation and construction of drains at the Baza and Pirthee lanes and Al Madina Road at Camp Fouquereaux, respectively, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Vacoas Phoenix, information as to the list of the contractors selected therefor, indicating in each case the total costs disbursed for the works undertaken thereat as at date?

B/955 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the ongoing construction of the new road linking La Vigie to La Marie and Beau Songes, he will state if consideration will also be given for the upgrading of the road from La Marie to Petrin towards Ganga Talao?

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> To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade -

> Whether, in regard to the bus stop situated at Saint François Xavier Street, Port Louis, he will state if he has been made aware of traffic congestions thereat and, if so, indicate if consideration will be given for the placing of double yellow lines on the road opposite the bus stop and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien B/957 (Mr Ramful)

> To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security –

> Whether, in regard to the grants for the construction of sheltered farms, he will state, since July 2022 to date, the number of applications (a) received and (b) approved?

B/958 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

> To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation -

> Whether, in regard to out-of-competition anti-doping tests, he will state the (a) number thereof to be carried out by his Ministry prior to the participation of Mauritian athletes in the Indian Ocean Island Games (IOIG) 2023, indicating the disciplines concerned, gender wise (b) number thereof already effected to date, if any, giving the results thereof and (c) budget allocated therefor?

B/959 The Honourable First Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Dr Boolell)

> To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security –

> Whether, in regard to Morcellement VRS Geoffrey in Bambous, he will state as to if a construction permit therefor has been issued to the beneficiaries thereof and, if not, why not?

The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the implementation of the use of medicinal cannabis, he will state where matters stand, indicating the (a) company licensed for the production of industrial cannabis locally and (b) process devised for the preparation thereof, if any and, if not, why not?

B/961

The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Mayotte)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the proposed slope stabilisation work along B103 road Chamarel, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to where matters stand?

B/962

The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Doolub)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

Whether, in regard to free transport for students, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Metro Express Ltd., information as to the (a) number thereof having travelled onboard the metro during the last 6 months and (b) changes being brought thereto with the introduction of MECards system?

B/963

The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Assirvaden)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the Advisers attached to his Ministry, he will state the number thereof, indicating in each case (a) their names and (b) salaries and other fringe benefits drawn?

B/964 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr Léopold)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the clinical point-of-care, he will state if the approval of the Ministry has been sought and obtained for the introduction thereof in Rodrigues and, if so, give details thereof?

The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and B/965 Port Louis East (Mr Juman)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the death of a Health Care Assistant on 21 June 2023, posted at the Subramania Bharati Eye Hospital in Moka, he will state if an inquiry has been initiated to ascertain the circumstances thereof and, if so, give details thereof?

B/966 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

> To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management -

> Whether, in regard to rent payable to the landlord of the Victoria Urban Square Terminal, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal City Council of Port Louis, information as to the aggregate monthly amount (a) payable thereto and (b) collected from occupiers of stalls thereof, indicating the aggregate amount currently owed by the occupiers of stalls thereof?

The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or B/967 (Dr Gungapersad)

> To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology –

> Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of a new Secondary School at Rivière du Rempart as announced in the 2021-2022 Budget Speech, she will state where matters stand?

The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Gender Equality and Family Welfare –

Whether, in regard to women entrepreneurs at the grassroot level, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number thereof provided with the 3 months mentoring and the payment of a monthly stipend of Rs11,500 as announced in the 2022-2023 Budget Speech?

B/969

The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour, Human Resource Development and Training, Minister of Commerce and Consumer Protection –

Whether, in regard to the State Trading Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom a list of the present Legal Advisors whose services have been retained thereof, indicating in each case the (a) date of appointment and (b) terms and conditions, giving details as to the fees paid thereto since appointment to date?

B/970

The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr David)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Cultural Heritage –

Whether, in regard to "Fet Lamizik" concert held on 25 June 2023 at Petite Rivière Noire, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Society of Authors, information as to if copyright license was sought and obtained therefor?

B/971

The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Juman)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Cultural Heritage –

Whether, in regard to the Hajj Missions, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Islamic Cultural Centre, information as to the number of accompanying mission officers for the year 2023, indicating the number of times they formed part thereof?

B/972 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Joanna Bérenger)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Environment, Solid Waste Management and Climate Change –

Whether, in regard to the Environmentally Sensitive Areas, he will state if the draft Environmentally Sensitive Areas Mapping produced under the Management of Coastal Zones in Mauritius Project has now been validated by the relevant authorities?

B/973 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness -

Whether, in regard to the medical and nursing officers in the public health sector, he will state the number thereof (a) presently in post and (b) to be recruited for financial year 2023-2024?

B/974 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Richard Duval)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the introduction of the E-Heath in regional public hospitals and other public health care centers, he will state where matters stand, indicating the (a) total cost of the project and the sum disbursed as at date (b) company implementing same and (c) expected date of introduction thereof?

B/975 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation –

Whether, in regard to high level assistance to athletes, he will table a list of the names benefitting therefrom and the quantum thereof?

The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Lobine)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology –

Whether she will state if she has been made aware of an incident whereby an individual armed with an offensive object accessed the premises of the Highlands Government School and threatened the staff thereof on or about Tuesday 13 June 2023 and, if so, give details thereof, indicating the measures taken to avert such recurrence?

B/977

The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Mayotte)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Information Technology, Communication and Innovation –

Whether, in regard to parcel post, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Post Ltd., information as the measures taken for a better control of illicit products conveyed by post in Mauritius?

B/978

The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Housing and Land Use Planning, Minister of Tourism –

Whether, in regard to the Town Planners Council, he will state where matters stand as to the setting up thereof?

B/979

The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr Léopold)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to patients from Rodrigues referred by specialists for treatment in Mauritius, he will state (a) the number thereof, since February 2022 to date, indicating if they are referred to the specialist on call in Mauritius followed by immediate admission to respective ward and, if not, why not and (b) if there is an increase in the number thereof and, if so, the reasons therefor?

B/980 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Dr Aumeer)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the one-year training in Neonatology at the Royal College of Pediatrics and Child Health in the United Kingdom, he will state the number of registered Medical Officers who showed interest to pursue same, indicating the criteria used for the selection of the eligible Medical Officers therefor?

B/981 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

> To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation -

> Whether, in regard to Indian Ocean Island Games (IOIG) 2023, he will state if Government proposes to support the representation made by the Republic of Seychelles to COJI Madagascar for the reinstatement of sailing on the Programme des Jeux and, if not, why not?

B/982 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Lobine)

> To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology –

> Whether, in regard to the Vacoas State Secondary School, she will state as to if there is a shortage of teaching and non-teaching staff thereat and, if so, indicate the reasons therefor?

B/983 Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Joanna Bérenger)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Gender Equality and Family Welfare

Whether, in regard to allegation of mistreatment and sexual assault on a six-year-old boy at the Shelter L'oiseau du Paradis on or about 05 May 2023, she will state (a) if an inquiry has been initiated thereinto and, if so, the outcome thereof and (b) the actions taken to ensure that the carers are adequately trained to take care of the children living there at?

B/984 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development –

Whether, in regard to Air Mauritius Ltd., he will state the (a) quantum of funds injected therein, in terms of loan and/or share capital, since June 2021 to date, giving a breakdown thereof and (b) percentage of direct/indirect shareholding held therein by Government?

B/985 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Richard Duval)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development –

Whether, in regard to the Horse Racing and Equestrian Industry, he will state if tax holiday incentives have been granted to investors and/or companies thereinto, if any and, if so, indicating in each case the (a) names thereof (b) date of applications and approval therefor and (c) duration thereof?

B/986 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mrs Foo Kune Bacha)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Environment, Solid Waste Management and Climate Change –

Whether, in regard to the tourism sector, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (i) level of Green House Gas emissions generated (ii) quantity of waste produced and (iii) quantity of water and electricity consumed, respectively, over the past two years and (b) state if his Ministry proposes to issue guidelines to tourist enterprises/accommodation with a view to promoting the sustainability thereof?

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B/987 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

Whether, in regard to the renovation works to be carried out at the Albion footbridge, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the District Council of Black River, information as to where matters stand?

**Urmeelah Devi Ramchurn (Ms)**Acting Clerk of the National Assembly

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### **MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

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A/3 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the construction of drains at Residence Sir Gaëtan Duval at Grand River North West, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Land Drainage Authority, information as to where matters stand?

A/4 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the construction of drains at Residence Bortal at Grand River North West, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Land Drainage Authority, information as to where matters stand?

**Urmeelah Devi Ramchurn (Ms)**Acting Clerk of the National Assembly

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