MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Questions of which notice has been given

Requiring an Oral Answer

Sitting of Tuesday 16 April 2024

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

B/158 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 suspension of Mrs A.B-R., Acting Director General of the Mauritius Ports Authority since December 2022, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to if any decision has been taken for the reintegration of the incumbent and, if not, why not, indicating if any legal advice has been sought and obtained in connection therewith and, if so, give details thereof?

B/159 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 coffers seized at the residence, Dr N. R., GCSK, FRCP, former Prime Minister, in 2015, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the outcome of the inquiry carried out to determine the source of the amount of money found therein, in particular the unused brand new USD 100 notes?

B/160 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Joanna Bérenger)

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 Report of the Court of Investigation set up to look into the grounding of the MV Wakashio, he will state the findings of the Inter-Ministerial Committee set up to examine the recommendations contained therein, indicating (a) where matters stand as to implementation thereof and (b) if he will now table copy thereof and, if not, why not?

B/161 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 infrastructural development in Agaléga and the recent inauguration of the new airstrip and jetty, he will state if consideration will be given for the Agreement between the Government of Mauritius and the Government of India to be made public?

B/162 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 the mandatory re-registration of SIM cards in line with the regulatory framework of the Information and Communication Technologies Authority (ICTA) Regulations 2023, he will state (a) the number of SIM cards re-registered as at date and (b) if consideration will be given for an extension of the deadline therefor?

B/163 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 alleged corrupt and fraudulent practices regarding the tender for the Saint-Louis Power Plant Redevelopment Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Financial Crimes Commission, information as to where matters stand as to the inquiry initiated thereinto, indicating the number of persons (a) interrogated and (b) arrested as at date in connection therewith?

B/164 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 Financial Crimes Commission, he will state if he has tendered his approval for the appointment of (a) Mr N. B. as Director General and (b) the other Commissioners of the Commission and, if so, when, indicating if proper consultations, as per the provisions of the Financial Crimes Commission Act, have been made prior to the appointment thereof and, if so, table the terms and conditions of their respective appointments?

B/165 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Abbas Mamode**)

> 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 Agaléga island, he will state if any project for the construction of some 15 chalets to develop tourism activities was previously envisaged thereat and, if so, indicate where matters stand?

B/166 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Juman**)

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 drugs or drugs related offences, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of minors (a) involved and (b) arrested in connection therewith since January 2022 to date, giving details thereof?

B/167 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Ittoo)

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 Police Officers, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number thereof on a yearly basis since 2015 to 2023 and from January 2024 to date (a) recruited and (b) promoted gradewise?

B/168 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 our Exclusive Economic Zone, he will state when surveillance operation therefor will start from the facilities recently put in place in Agaléga, indicating the (a) logistics involved and (b) authority responsible for the command and control thereof?

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

B/169 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to child M. B., she will state the measures her Ministry proposes to take for the transfer of the child currently residing at Cœur Immaculée de Marie nursery and aged 6 to a suitable shelter, in view of the fact that the age limit for staying at the nursery is 5 years old?

B/170 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Armance**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Building and Land Use Permit, he will for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Local Authorities, information as to the number of applications thereof rejected for land found in flood prone areas under the Land Drainage Masterplan since the implementation thereof to date?

B/171 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities -

Whether, in regard to asbestos cement water pipes, he will state the (a) locations and length thereof replaced island-wide since 2019 to date (b) locations and length thereof still in use to date, indicating when same will be replaced and (c) health hazards asbestos contaminated water represent, if any, to the population? B/172 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

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

Whether, in regard to the Lapeyrouse Government School in Curepipe, she will state the nature of repairs being carried out thereat, indicating the time frame for the completion thereof?

B/173 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (Dr Gungapersad)

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

Whether, in regard to shortage of educators in the State and private secondary schools since 10 January 2024 to date, she will give a detailed list thereof, indicating in each case the subject and the school concerned therewith?

B/174 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Woochit)

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

Whether, in regard to the three recreational centers, namely Lady Sushil Ramgoolam in Pointe aux Piments, James Burty David in Pointe aux Sables, and Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam in Belle Mare, she will state the reasons for the closure thereof, indicating the steps taken for the reopening thereof?

B/175 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the Pailles-Guibies Sewerage Project – Phase 2, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Wastewater Management Authority, information as to if any (a) damages and interest have been claimed against Sinohydro Corporation Ltd., for breach of contract and, if not, why not and (b) contract has been awarded for the completion thereof and, if so, indicate the estimated cost and timeframe for the completion thereof?

B/176 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Juman)

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

Whether, in regard to the upgrading of the Plaine Verte Garden, as announced in the Budget Speech 2023-2024, he will state where matters stand?

B/177 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 the 13th edition of the African Games, which was held in Accra, Ghana from 08 to 23 March 2024, he will state the composition of the Mauritian delegation having participated therein?

B/178 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 Power Purchase Agreement, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to when the latest Agreement was signed between the Board and Corexsolar International (Mauritius) Ltd., indicating the total amount of legal fees paid therefor to date, giving details thereof?

B/179 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 non-submission of Financial Statements for Audit by the Mauritius Sports Council for financial years 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23 as reported by the Director of Audit in his 2022-23 Report, he will state the actions his Ministry proposes to take in relation thereto?

B/180 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

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

Whether, in regard to violence perpetrated against old-aged persons, she will state if consideration will be given for amendments to be brought to existing legislations to provide for tougher penalties therefor and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

B/181 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

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

Whether in regard to the Construction of Multipurpose Hall for Residence Les Jasmins and La Colombe at Atlee by the National Housing Development Company Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Company, information as to if the Building and Land Use permits therefor have been obtained and, if so, indicate the dates thereof?

B/182 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Ittoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness -

Whether, in regard to the Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) equipment, he will state the number thereof available in Regional Hospitals, indicating the (a) number thereof which are functional and (b) maintenance protocol put in place therefor?

B/183 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 medical services extended to public hospitals by private clinics, he will state the amount paid thereto for each of the financial year 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23 and July 2023 to date, indicating the nature thereof, and further indicating in each case, the (a) reasons therefor and (b) amount paid therefor?

B/184 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Fish, Meat and Poultry sections of the Central Market, Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal City Council of Port Louis, information as to (a) the measures taken to address the unhygienic conditions, if any, prevailing thereat and (b) if tenders for the renovation thereof have now been launched, indicating where matters stand?

B/185 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Doolub**)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of a motorway in the South (M5), he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority information as to where matters stand?

B/186 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 Mauritius MultiSports Infrastructure Ltd., he will state the amount of funds disbursed by his Ministry thereto for financial years 2022-23 and 2023-24, giving a breakdown of the expenditures incurred?

B/187 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail -

Whether, in regard to the ex-football ground of Morcellement La Confiance, Maingard which has been put at the disposal of Metro Express Ltd., for the Metro Express Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Company, information as to (a) when the site will be released and (b) if the proposed integrated sports infrastructure to be constructed thereat has been finalized and, if so, give details thereof?

B/188 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Joanna Bérenger)

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

Whether, in regard to the Silver Bank, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Bank of Mauritius, information as to (a) the reason for the placing thereof under conservatorship (b) if Deloitte has been appointed to audit the accounts thereof and, if so, the reasons therefor and (c) the reason as to why the Bank of Mauritius has not deemed it fit to appoint itself as conservator?

B/189 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 Healthcare staff and patients in Public hospitals and public healthcare institutions, he will state the (a) number of incidents whereby the staff and/or patients have been assaulted over the last 4 years, indicating the (i) number thereof referred to the Police and (ii) outcome thereof and (b) measures taken by his Ministry to ensure the protection and safe environment thereof?

B/190 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr Léopold)

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

Whether, in regard to plastic/fibre glass water reservoir, he will state if consideration will be given for subsidising the freight thereof with a view to encouraging a larger number of persons to resort to rainwater harvesting in Rodrigues?

B/191 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr David**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness -

Whether, in regard to the death of one Mrs. C.M.S.D. residing at Residence Vallijee on 06 April 2024, he will state if his Ministry has caused an inquiry to be carried out to determine the causes thereof and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof and, if not, why not?

B/192 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

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

Whether. in regard to the Chief Executive Officer of the Financial Services Commission, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commission, information as to (a) the reason for the nonrenewal of the contract of Mr D. T. and (b) where matters stand as to the appointment thereof?

B/193 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Ittoo)

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

Whether, in regard to the construction of drains at Malakoff, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Land Drainage Authority, information as to where matters stand?

B/194 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha)

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

Whether, in regard to hotels projects, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) number of applications for the construction of new ones received and approved, indicating in each case (i) the locations earmarked for the construction thereof (ii) if EIA licences or PER approval have been issued thereto and conditions imposed, if any and (b) name of the promoters therefor?

B/195 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (Dr Gungapersad)

> *To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Public Service, Administrative and Institutional Reforms –*

> Whether, in regard to the Grant of Leave to Public Officers holding a substantive appointment in connection with part time examination courses, he will state the eligibility criteria to benefit therefrom?

B/196 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

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

Whether, in regard to works for the upgrading of the bridge along the main road in Vallée des Prêtres with a view to mitigating flooding in Morcellement Ramlugun, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to where matters stand?

B/197 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 pension funds of public sector bodies which are in deficit, he will give a list thereof, indicating in each case the (a) quantum thereof and (b) measures that will be taken to address same?

B/198 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Joanna Bérenger)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail -

Whether, in regard to electric buses to be acquired by the National Transport Corporation as announced in Budget Speech 2022-2023, he will state if combustion buses are being acquired as opposed to electric buses and, if so, the reasons therefor, indicating the (a) name/s of the company selected therefor and (b) amount paid thereto?

B/199 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Woochit)

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

Whether, in regard to the Findings of the Director of Audit in his 2022-23 Report on the non-submission of Performance Reports by 83 per cent of Ministries and departments in breach of the Finance and Audit Act, he will state the measures Government intends to take to address same with a view to improving accountability, transparency, and adherence to financial regulations across all government entities?

B/200 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 handball, he will state if his Ministry has taken cognizance of allegations of mismanagement/indiscipline made by a national player against the national team's management/managers that took place during the Indian Ocean Island Games, held in August 2023 in Madagascar and, if so, indicate if an inquiry has been set-up to look into the matter and, if not, why not?

B/201 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Dr Aumeer**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Cultural Heritage -

Whether, in regard to the Hajj pilgrimage 2024, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Islamic Cultural Centre (ICC) information as to the (a) number of pilgrims who will proceed to Saudi Arabia this year, indicating the criteria for the selection thereof (b) responsibilities and duties assigned to the selected Hajj operators by the ICC and (c) accommodation facilities booked for the Mauritian pilgrims?

B/202 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Armance**)

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

Whether, in regard to the New George V Stadium and the Anjalay Coopen Stadium, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Football Association, information as to where matters stand as to the homologation thereof from the FIFA and CAF?

B/203 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the upgrading works being carried out at the Vacoas Bus Terminal, he will state where matters stand?

B/204 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

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

Whether, in regard to the Institute of Technical Education and Technology (ITET), she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom information as to the name of the Director thereof, indicating the (a) qualifications thereof (b) salaries and benefits drawn and (c) date of recruitment of the incumbent?

B/205 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Doolub**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Public Service, Administrative and Institutional Reforms –

Whether, in regard to the electronic Document Management System (eDMS) project, he will state the (a) status of the project, including the number and percentage of files digitised as at date (b) cost incurred therefor (c) transformative impact thereof in the Greening of the Public Sector and (d) plan to roll out the system, if any, across the Public Service?

B/206 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

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

Whether, in regard to the Centre Équestre de Petit Gamin, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Gambling Regulatory Authority, information as to if a licence to operate same has been issued to Global Equestrian Ltd., and, if so, since when?

B/207 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

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

Whether, in regard to cigarettes, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the quantity thereof imported since January 2023 to date, indicating the (a) amount paid therefor (b) country of origin and (c) amount of taxes collected therefrom?

B/208 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Assirvaden)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail -

Whether he will state if he is in presence of a request from the representatives of the Mon Desir Kalimata Mandir situated at Mon Desir Vacoas for the putting up of a pedestrian crossing and/or speed breaker near the said Mandir for the safety of the pedestrians and, if so, indicate when same will be implemented and, if not, why not?

B/209 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Richard Duval**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail –

Whether, in regard to road accidents involving motorcycles/ autocycles, he will state the number thereof since 2020 to 2023 and January 2024 to date, indicating the number of (a) fatal ones, further indicating, in each case, the reasons therefor and (b) excessive speed limit captured by speeds cameras?

B/210 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr Léopold)

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

Whether he will state if consideration will be given for a comparative study to be conducted by his Ministry regarding the actual cost of living in Rodrigues and that of mainland Mauritius with a view to determining the disparity, if any, and to come up with corrective measures to address same?

B/211 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr David**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness -

Whether, in regard to the Supply, Design, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of the E-Health System, he will state the (a) starting and closing dates of the bids therefor and (b) date of the award of the contract, indicating the value thereof? B/212 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (Dr Gungapersad)

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

Whether, in regard to the introduction of the Technology Education Stream at secondary level for students at Grade 10, she will state the number of intake on 10 January 2024 in each of the 10 pilot schools selected to run the project, indicating the number of students still enrolled therefor to date?

B/213 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Woochit)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail –

Whether, in regard to Safe City Surveillance Camera System, he will state if the system is used for (a) the monitoring of road traffic offences, including speed detection and (b) automatic licence plate and face recognition?

B/214 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Armance**)

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

Whether, in regard to the National Empowerment Foundation, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom information as to the number of Learning Corners still in operation since 2019 to date and the total sum disbursed to operate same?

B/215 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

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

Whether, in regard to the 2022-23 Report of the Director of Audit, he will state the actions he proposes to initiate to prevent mismanagement and wastage of public fund by Ministries/ Parastatal bodies and other institutions using public funds in view of the adverse comments made therein, indicating if sanctions against those guilty of same will be envisaged?

B/216 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

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

Whether, in regard to the daily traffic congestion along M1 at Labourdonnais, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to the remedial measures envisaged to address same?

B/217 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Ittoo)

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

Whether, in regard to the construction of a new bridge along Royal Road, in Holyrood No. 1, Vacoas, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to when same will be operational?

B/218 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

> To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

> Whether, in regard to the arbitral proceedings brought by Patel Engineering Ltd., against the Republic of Mauritius, he will state the outcome thereof, indicating the amount of damages and costs awarded, if any?

B/219 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 football, he will state the actions his Ministry proposes take following the elimination to of Club M in the preliminary round of the Coupe d'Afrique des nations 2025 and, if not, why not, indicating if the national coach thereof, Mr F.R., is under contract with his Ministry and, if so, the conditions indicate (a)terms and thereof and (b) if same will be renewed?

B/220 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha)

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

Whether, in regard to gender stereotypes, she will state the measures envisaged by her Ministry to address same, indicating the action plan, if any, devised therefor?

B/221 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

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

Whether, in regard to Specialist Rooms in Academies and Regional Secondary Schools for technology studies under the Education Reforms initiated in 2018, she will state where matters stand?

B/222 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether in regard to the HeForShe Clubs in Community Centers, she will give a list thereof, giving details of the (a) modus operandi thereof and (b) members thereof, indicating their age groups?

B/223 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 expiry of pharmaceutical and medical items amounting to Rs 213 million at the Central Supplies Division as reported in the 2022-2023 Report of the Director of Audit, he will state the (a) reasons therefor and (b) remedial and preventive measures, if any, taken in relation thereto?

B/224 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Internet Connectivity Project in secondary schools, she will give a list of schools that have been connected therewith as at date?

B/225 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the decision of his Ministry to allow young drug users to have access to methadone treatment as from the age of 15 years, he will state the reasons therefor, indicating (a) the number of drug users concerned therewith, gender wise (b) how same will be distributed and the conditions attached thereto and (c) if Non-Governmental Organizations engaged in the treatment and rehabilitation of drugs users have been consulted prior to the implementation thereof?

B/226 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the alleged case of child pornography involving a 4-year-old girl, she will state if an officer from her Ministry was present at the victim's bedside during her hospitalization and, if not, why not?

B/227 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 Dengue fever, he will state the number of reported cases thereof on a yearly basis since 2019 to 2023 and from January 2024 to date, indicating the number of persons having (a) been hospitalised and (b) passed away as a result thereof?

B/228 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 renovation works undertaken at the Belin football ground at Goodlands, he will state where matters stand?

B/229 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Woochit)

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

Whether, in regard to the delays in the delivery of seven lorries mounted with crane for the street lighting service and seventeen tipper lorries for the scavenging service, as reported in the 2022-23 Report of the Director of Audit, he will state the reasons therefor and the remedial measures envisaged therefor?

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

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Questions of which notice has been given

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<u>Question addressed to the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of</u> <u>Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues,</u> <u>Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity</u>

A/12 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

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 examinations held in August 2023 in the Police Force leading to the promotion to the rank of Sergeant, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number (a) thereof having taken part thereinto, indicating the number thereof (i) having passed the examinations and (ii) promoted and (b) from the VIPSU Team having been promoted to the rank of Sergeant?

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

A/13 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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

Whether, in regard to the vehicles which have been damaged during the passage of Cyclone Belal, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Financial Services Commission, information as to the number of reported cases thereof, indicating the (a) total quantum disbursed in relation to excess payment and (b) number thereof which are still pending?

A/14 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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

Whether, in regard to stray dogs, he will state if he has been informed of the increasing number thereof on public roads and in several regions of the Constituency No. 3, Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East, and if so, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Society for Animal Welfare, information as to the remedial measures that will be taken in relation thereto?

A/15 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities -

Whether, in regard to the improvement of water supply in the regions of Vallée Pitot and Tranquebar, consisting of the laying of a dedicated pipeline from Plaine Lauzun Pumping Station to Upper Monneron reservoir, he will state where matters stand?

A/16 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail –

Whether in regard to the petition dated 01 October 2023 from the inhabitants of Tranquebar addressed to the Traffic Management and Road Safety Unit for the installation of traffic control measures along Bathfield street, he will state where matters stand?

A/17 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Joanna Bérenger)

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

Whether, in regard to the development works project undertaken in view of widening the Takamaka River, he will (a) state the costs incurred therefor (b) state the name of contractor selected therefor (c) table copy of the (i) contract and (ii) report of the National Development Unit certifying the successful completion thereof and (d) state if there has been a follow-up thereof after the passage of cyclone Belal?

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

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