(No. B/745) Mr P. Jugnauth (First Member for Quartier Militaire & Moka) asked the
Minister of Housing and Lands whether, in regard to the Jin Fei Project in Riche Terre, he will
state if the Lease Agreement signed between the State of Mauritius and the Mauritius Jin Fei
Economic Trade and Cooperation Zone Co. Ltd., on 14 September 2009, is still in force and, if
so, indicate the measures that will be taken, if any, to ensure that the land is being developed in
conformity with the purpose and conditions laid down in the lease document.

Reply: I would like to refer the hon. Member to the reply I made to PQ No. B/83 of the
sitting of Tuesday 22 June 2010 wherein I indicated the main conditions of the lease agreement
with the Mauritius Jin Fei Economic Trade and Cooperation Zone Co. Ltd.

The agreement is still in force and I refer the hon. Member to the reply made by the hon.
Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development to PQ No. B/732 earlier
today.

The Lease Agreement and Framework Agreement already provide for the conditions
relating to the implementation of the project. A Joint Steering Committee has been set up at the
level of the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development to facilitate the implementation of
the project and to ensure that the project is being implemented in strict accordance with the
provisions of the Lease and Framework Agreements.

I wish to inform the House that a delegation from the Chinese Overseas Special
Economic Zone Association which falls under the aegis of the China National Development and
Reform Commission is as from today up to 20 December 2012 in Mauritius. The team
comprises, inter alia, experts in strategic, functional, industrial and development zone financing
and implementation. The team will be meeting officials of my Ministry today to discuss on the
Jin Fei and future projects as well as planned developments in Mauritius.
SCHOOLS – TEACHERS - ASSAULT

(No. B/746) Mrs L. Ribot (Third Member for Stanley & Rose Hill) asked the Minister of Education and Human Resources whether, in regard to the primary and secondary school teachers, he will state the number of reported cases in which they have been victims of assault at their workplace, over the past five years, giving a breakdown thereof and indicating the measures his Ministry proposes to take to reinforce the security thereof.

(Withdrawn)

PETIT CAMP, PHOENIX - FOOTBALL GROUND

(No. B/748) Mr S. Soodhun (Second Member for La Caverne & Phoenix) asked the Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping whether, in regard to the construction of a football ground at Petit Camp, Phoenix, he will state where matters stand.

Reply: The construction of a football ground at Petit Camp, Phoenix, awarded to A. Jaufeerally Enterprise Ltd was completed in March 2010.

The works comprised -

- the construction of a boundary wall in stone masonery;
- the construction of a football ground including the turfing;
- the construction of French drains, and
- the fixing of goal posts and line marking.

The Municipal Council did not take over the site due to pressure from local inhabitants to have additional fencing works done.

In March 2011, following suggestions from the Municipal Council of Vacoas/Phoenix the fencing works were awarded to the same contractor, as an extension to the initial contract. Fencing works were completed within agreed time frame.

However, the Municipal Council of Vacoas/Phoenix could not make the football ground operational because of new request from neighbours for raised fencing on one side. The Council also took the opportunity to request for some additional ground levelling works to be done.

After due consideration of the representations, from local inhabitants and the Municipal Council of Vacoas/Phoenix, a contract was awarded to NDU’s zonal contractor, Gamma Civic
in July 2012 for the additional works. However, the zonal contractor failed to mobilise within a reasonable delay and the NDU had to cancel the contract.

In the meantime, the Municipal Council of Vacoas/Phoenix agreed to undertake the additional works, on the condition that same be financed by the NDU. This has already been agreed upon by the NDU. The Municipal Council has confirmed that works would start very soon.

The project has accumulated delays due to the non taking over by the Municipal Council in view of additional works requested by local inhabitants.

The matter is being closely followed by NDU.

Standard height fencing for football ground was applied, but the neighbours forcefully insisted for the raising of the fencing on one side.

**ROADS - TARRING**

(No. B/750) Mr A. Ameer Meea (First Member for Port Louis Maritime & Port Louis East) asked the Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping whether, in regard to the roads within the Municipal Council areas which were tarred by the National Development Unit over the period September to 09 December 2012, he will give the list thereof, indicating in each case, the

(a) cost thereof, and

(b) name of the contractor therefor.

Reply: The tarring of unclassified roads over the Island is undertaken by the National Development Unit on a regular basis throughout the year.

The list of roads which have been tarred during the period September to 09 December 2012 is being compiled and will be placed in the Library of the National Assembly.

Let me remind the hon. Member the works orders for tarring of roads in the Municipal Council areas were issued much long before the writ of election for the Municipal Councils was published.
(No. A/305) Mr A. Ameer Meea (First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East) asked the Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities whether, in regard to the sewerage network, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Wastewater Management Authority, information as to if it has received representations from ten families residing in house numbers 20 to 26, at the Alfred Gellé Street, Cité Martial, Port Louis, to the effect that their houses are being overflowed with waste water and faecal matters and, if so, indicate if urgent remedial measures will be taken.

Reply: I am informed by the Wastewater Management Authority that, since July 2007 eight complaints on blockages and overflows have been received from inhabitants of Alfred Gellé Street, Cité Martial, out of which two were made in 2012. The Wastewater Management Authority has attended to all the complaints except in one case where site access was not granted by the neighbours to clear the blockage.

I am further informed by the Wastewater Management Authority that there are illegal constructions on the sewer line serving the houses along Alfred Gellé Street and even two trees have grown on the alignment of the sewer line. The illegal constructions and the trees may be the cause of the blockages. The Wastewater Management Authority had initiated action for the replacement of the sewer line in 2009. However, the inhabitants refused to grant the contractor access to the site and the works could not be carried out.

The sewerage infrastructure in Cité Paul et Virginie, which includes the houses along Alfred Gellé Street, will be rehabilitated under the forthcoming project for the Rehabilitation/Provision of Sewerage Infrastructure on CHA and Low Cost Housing Estates – Phase IV. A consultancy contract, of a duration of three years, was awarded in November 2012 by the Wastewater Management Authority for the detailed design and supervision of works. Pending the award of the works contract, the WMA will promptly attend to any complaint received about blockages and overflows.