MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Questions of which notice has been given
Requiring an Oral Answer
Sitting of Tuesday 22 March 2011

Questions addressed to Dr the Honourable Prime Minister,
Minister of Defence, Home Affairs
and External Communications

B/1 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Dr Boolell)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence,
Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the Independent Broadcasting
Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from
the Authority, information as to the name of the
Chairperson thereof, indicating the name of the person
who has been designated to act as Chairperson in the
absence of the incumbent, indicating, in each case, since
2005 to-date, the (a) allowances drawn (b) number of
meetings chaired and (c) number of overseas missions
undertaken, giving details of the expenditure incurred in
relation thereto?

B/2 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Dr Boolell)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence,
Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the Information and Communication
Technology Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House
obtain from the Authority, information as to the name of
the Chairperson thereof, indicating, since 2005 to-date,
the (a) allowances drawn (b) number of meetings held and
(c) number of overseas missions undertaken, giving
details of the expenditure incurred in relation thereto?

B/3 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre
Bones (Mr Ramano)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence,
Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to reported cases of criminal offences
committed against tourists, he will, for the benefit of the House,
obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) since 2005 to-date, the number
thereof, indicating the number of convictions secured and
(b) if the “Police du Tourisme” is still operational and
if so, the measures envisaged to increase its efficiency
and effectiveness?
B/4 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Mrs Labelle)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the alleged case of rape on the person of one Miss P.S., on or about 7 September 2006 reported at the Rivière des Anguilles Police Station, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if a fresh enquiry has been initiated to look into the whole case, indicating if the DNA test has now been carried out to establish the paternal filiation of the child of Miss P.S?

B/5 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to Mrs R. A., he will state if he has received representations from the Trade Union Federations for her reinstatement at the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation?

B/6 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (Mr Ganoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the Police Force, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand in relation to the promotion exercise in each of the grades of (a) Police Constable to Police Sergeant (b) Police Sergeant to Police Inspector of and (c) Police Inspector and above?

B/7 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Radegonde)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the project for the construction of a new Police Station at La Gaulette, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) if land has already been earmarked therefor, and, if so, indicate the (i) location and (ii) extent thereof and (b) when works are expected to (i) start and (ii) be completed?
B/8 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Ms Anquetil)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to death by drowning in our lagoons, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) the number thereof for each of the last five years and (b) whether Government proposes to delimit swimming zones in our seas for the safety of the swimmers?

B/9 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the vessel Alize which called at Port Mathurin on the 14th of January 2011, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Ports Authority, information as to (a) the purpose of its call (b) whether the vessel is in possession of valid certificates to operate and (c) whether any inspection for compliance to the conditions for operation has been carried out and, if so, table a copy of the report?

B/10 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (Mr Ganoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to Electoral Reforms, he will state if he has started consultations in relation thereto and, if so, where matters stand?

B/11 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Mr Ramano)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether he is aware that the Special Mobile Force Firing Range at Candos Hill is a source of disturbance for the residents in the surroundings and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to whether consideration will be given for its delocalization?
B/12 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Baloomoody)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether he has taken cognizance of the latest World Drug Report of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in which Mauritius has been ranked first in Africa for the second consecutive year for drug abuse and, if so, will he state the actions Government is proposing to take to strengthen the fight against drug abuse?

B/13 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the representation of women at decision-making level, he will state the additional measures Government proposes to take for the uplifting thereof?

B/14 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the proposed amendments to the Equal Opportunities Act, he will state where matters stand?

B/15 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the National Preparedness Plan under the Tsunami Emergency Scheme, he will (a) give details of the warning systems in force as at now (b) state whether an audit thereof has been carried out and, if so, when and (c) indicate the initiatives, if any, Mauritius has taken to foster Regional and International Cooperation in connection therewith?
B/16  The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to road traffic at Route des Pamplemousses, Port Louis from its junction with Cité Laval Street to the Abercrombie roundabout, he will state if he is aware of the acute traffic congestion thereat during peak hours in the morning and in the afternoon and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if consideration will be given for the posting of Police Officers thereat for the monitoring thereof?

B/17  The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Fakeemeeah)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the incident which occurred on or about 01 March 2011 at Belle Terre in the course of which two vehicles were destroyed by fire, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if any police inquiry has been carried out thereinto and, if so, the outcome thereof?

B/18  The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Fakeemeeah)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the Police Force, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of (a) Police Constables (b) Police Sergeants and (c) Police Inspectors who sat for the last promotional examinations, indicating the dates thereof in each case?
Questions addressed to Honourable Ministers, other than Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications

B/19 The Honourable Second Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (Mr Seetaram)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the football ground at Mont-Ida, he will for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Moka/Flacq District Council, information as to if it is proposed to make provision thereat for (a) parking facilities (b) a cloakroom (c) rest rooms and (d) a children’s playground?

B/20 The Honourable Second Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (Mr Seetaram)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether he will state if it is proposed to put up new drains along the school lane at Bramsthan, as there is recurrent water accumulation thereat after heavy rainfalls?

B/21 The Honourable Second Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (Mr Seetaram)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade:-

Whether, in regard to the visa for Mauritian nationals travelling to Réunion Island, he will state if he proposes to hold discussions with the authorities in Réunion Island with a view to facilitating the procedural requirements for the obtention thereof?

B/22 The Honourable Second Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (Mr Seetaram)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Information and Communication Technology:-

Whether, in regard to the project of connecting the Government House, Emmanuel Anquetil, Renganaden Seeneevassen and Air Mauritius buildings via fibre optics cables, he will state where matters stand?
B/23 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Mrs Labelle)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Education and Human Resources:-

Whether, in regard to the **kreol** language, he will state if it will be introduced as an optional language in 2012 and, if so, the measures Government proposes for the recruitment of teachers for the teaching thereof?

B/24 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Barbier)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development:-

Whether, in regard to the air monitoring at La Tour Koenig and Résidence Coquillage, following the air pollution caused by Compagnie Mauricienne de Textile Limitée, he will state if his Ministry has made any recommendations in relation thereto and, if so, will he table copy thereof?

B/25 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Barbier)

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

Whether he will state the measures Government proposes to take for breeders following its decision to stop the production of livestock feed?

B/26 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Obeegadoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Education and Human Resources:-

Whether, in regard to the Certificate of Primary Education, he will state if, in view of the failure rate over the years, Government proposes to review the appropriateness of the examination and related curriculum to ensure that all children acquire the essential basic knowledge and competencies?
B/27 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the fixing of posters, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Port Louis, information as to the number of (a) poster panels presently available therefor in the district of Port Louis (b) requests received from political parties since March 2010 to date, indicating in each case (i) a list thereof (ii) the number of posters affixed and (c) the amount of revenue perceived?

B/28 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Radegonde)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the project for the construction of a new Fire Station in Tamarin, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Government Fire Services, information as to (a) the regions that will be covered (b) if construction works have started and, if so, indicate (i) the expected date of completion thereof and (ii) when it will be operational?

B/29 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Dr Sorefan)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities:-

Whether, in regard to the project for the construction of the Bagatelle and the Rivière des Anguilles dams, he will, in each case, state (a) when the project was initiated (b) the estimated cost thereof and (c) where matters stand?

B/30 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Ms Anquetil)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life:-

Whether, in regard to child birth, she will state the number of children born by caesarian section for the period 2000 to 2010?
B/31 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Ms Anquetil)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Tourism and Leisure:-

Whether, in regard to staff in the hotels, he will state if Government proposes to invite the hotels to revise their employment guidelines and policies by requesting the submission of the Certificate of Morality from the applicants, prior to their recruitment?

B/32 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Ms Anquetil)

To ask the Honourable Attorney General:-

Whether, in regard to the setting up of a Court of Appeal as recommended by Lord Mackay, he will state where matters stand?

B/33 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mr Dayal)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the project for the construction of a bridge at Lower Dagotière near the cremation ground known as Mamet Feeder Canal, he will state the (a) date works are expected to start and (b) cost thereof?

B/34 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mr Dayal)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities:-

Whether, in regard to water, he will state where matters stand in regard to the construction of a bigger reservoir at Alma with a view to meeting the increasing demand thereof?

B/35 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mr Dayal)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the project for the putting up of (a) a basketball pitch and (b) a volleyball pitch in the compound of Quartier Militaire stadium, he will state where matters stand, indicating the estimated cost thereof?
B/36 The Honourable Third Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mr Dayal)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:--

Whether, in regard to drain works at the Jamal Road and the Madurai Road at Valetta, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Moka/Flacq District Council, information as to when they are expected to start?

B/37 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:--

Whether, in regard to the introduction of a new Local Government Bill, he will state where matters stand?

B/38 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:--

Whether, in regard to the Plaza Theatre at Rose Hill, he will (a) now table a copy of the (i) scope of works (ii) works carried out as at to-date (iii) total estimated cost thereof and (b) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Beau Bassin/Rose Hill, information as to if funds have been secured for the implementation of Phases II and III and, if so, where matters stand and, if not, why not?

B/39 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Lesjongard)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities:--

Whether, in regard to the acquisition of Indoor Switchgear panels for the Fort Victoria Power Station by the Central Electricity Board, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Board, information as to where matters stand?
B/40 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Industry and Commerce:—

Whether, in regard to petrol eum products, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Trading Corporation, information as to (a) the existing storage capacity thereof (b) the measures taken to ensure that there is no shortage thereof and (c) whether there is any contingency plan?

B/41 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:—

Whether, in regard to the acquisition of Infinity Tower, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Real Estate Ltd, information as to whether Infinity BPO Ltd and River Heights Ltd have complied with all of the provisions of the Term Sheet in relation to the said acquisition and, if not, the measures, if any, taken to ensure compliance therewith?

B/42 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Industry and Commerce:—

Whether, in regard to freight and other charges on the Mauritius/Rodrigues/Mauritius route, he will state (a) if he is in presence of any recent report in connection therewith and, if so, table a copy thereof (b) their implications on the cost of living in Rodrigues (c) if Government intends to subsidise basic commodities for Rodrigues to put the price at par with that in mainland Mauritius and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

B/43 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:—

Whether, in regard to pre-selected Rodriguan athletes for the Jeux des Îles de l’Ocean Indien 2011, he will (a) give a list thereof and their respective disciplines and (b) state the arrangements being made and facilities put at their disposal, indicating if these are available in Rodrigues?
B/44 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Li Kwong Wing)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to inflation, he will state the (a) rate of inflation for the period November 2010 to February 2011 (b) percentage of price increase of the main commodities comprised in the Consumer Price Index during that period (c) forecast inflation rate for calendar year 2011 and (d) the measures taken to control the increase in consumer price and mitigate the effects thereof on the economy and on lower income groups?

B/45 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the Trust to be set up for the raising of funds for Sports Federations for the forthcoming Indian Ocean Games, he will state where matters stand?

B/46 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to La Fondation pour la formation du football, he will give details of the present financial situation of the Fondation, indicating the (a) funds raised and (b) expenses incurred in projects, since the setting-up thereof?

B/47 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Baloomoody)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment:-

Whether, in regard to the proposed amendments to the Employment Rights Act and Employment Relations Act, he will state where matters stand?
B/48 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Li Kwong Wing)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to the retail price of mogas and diesel respectively, he will state (a) the absolute and percentage increase in the rupee amount per litre that has been caused by the Budget measures in respect of excise duty and VAT (b) the percentage contribution of Government taxes, levy and non-operational charges to the rupee price per litre and (c) whether it is proposed to reduce the excise duty and VAT or any other charges on petroleum products and, if not, the reasons therefor?

B/49 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Lesjongard)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities:-

Whether, in regard to the Central Water Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Authority, information as to (a) the names of the members of the Board thereof, indicating their professional status (b) the name of the Chairperson, indicating the terms and conditions of his appointment and (c) whether the Authority has recruited a General Manager and, if not, why not?

B/50 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Dr Sorefan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the National Transport Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to (a) the present financial situation of the Corporation (b) the amount due, if any to Government and (c) the number of buses (i) in running condition and (ii) lying idle?
B/51  The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Obeegadoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Education and Human Resources:-

Whether, in regard to the Sixth Form classes and the HSC course of study, he will state (a) the reasons behind the decision for lowering the entry requirement thereto, indicating when the decision was announced and (b) whether GCE “A” Level in two subjects is now being considered as an alternative?

B/52  The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Fakeemeeah)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life:-

Whether, in regard to the acquisition of the Med Point Clinic by the State, she will state (a) when the decision was taken (b) the initial and final valuation, indicating in each case, the name of the valuer (c) when payment was effected, indicating the amount thereof and (d) whether the medical equipments were assessed and, if so, when and by whom?

B/53  The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Fakeemeeah)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to the acquisition of Med Point Clinic, by the State, he will state if (a) his Ministry was involved in the transaction and (b) officers of his Ministry sat on or presided any committee in relation thereto?

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Clerk of the National Assembly

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MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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Questions addressed to Dr the Honourable Prime Minister,
Minister of Defence, Home Affairs
and External Communications

A/1 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether he is aware that the proposed relocation of the Trou Fanfaron Police Station to the Quay D roundabout will cause hardships to the members of the public due to its remoteness and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if consideration will be given for its relocation instead to the Place Camions, next to the Mariamen Temple, along the Abattoir Road, Port Louis?

A/2 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Radegonde)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, he is aware that some images cannot be properly captured by the CCTV Street Surveillance System installed in Flic en Flac due to the presence of trees and inadequate street lighting thereat and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the remedial measures that will be taken?
A/3 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Mr Ramano)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications:-

Whether, in regard to the Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) system installed in Quatre Bornes, he will, for the benefit of the House (a) obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of cameras installed, indicating the streets covered and (b) if consideration will be given to extending the system to the adjoining and lateral areas of Quatre Bornes?

Questions addressed to Honourable Ministers, other than Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications

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

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the construction of a social complex at Residence Vallijee on the volleyball pitch, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Port Louis, information as to if a new volleyball pitch will be put up on an alternative site and, if so, if land has already been identified?

A/5 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Barbier)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Gender Equality, Child Development and Family Welfare:-

Whether, in regard to the Sugar Industry Labour Welfare Fund, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Fund, information as to if the Chairperson of the Board is entitled to a chauffeur driven car and, if so, indicate overtime allowances paid to the driver since 2007 to-date, on a yearly basis?
A/6 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Dr Sorefan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the street lighting system found on the motorways, classified and main roads falling under the jurisdiction of the Municipal Council of Vacoas/Phoenix, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Council, information as to (a) if regular inspections are carried out at night to detect faulty street lanterns and (b) whether it is proposed to put up additional ones for better visibility and road safety?

A/7 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Dr Sorefan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the lay-by found near the Dr Maurice Curé State Secondary School, along the Saint Paul Road, Vacoas, in the direction of Phoenix, he will state if consideration will be given for the putting up of a bus stop thereat for the convenience of the school students?

A/8 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether he is aware of the bad state of the classified roads in Constituency No.19, Stanley and Rose Hill and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to the measures that will be taken, if any, for the upgrading of the roads, pavements and drains?
The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the street lighting system on the motorways, classified and main roads falling under the jurisdiction of the Municipal Council of Beau Bassin/Rose Hill, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Council, information as to (a) if regular inspections are carried out at night to detect faulty street lanterns and (b) whether it is proposed to put up additional street lanterns for better visibility and road safety?

The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Lesjongard)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether, in regard to the lease agreement between the Ministry and the families occupying land behind the National Housing Development Company at Cité La Cure/Vallée des Prêtres, he will state whether they have been finalized and, if not, the reasons therefor?

The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Lesjongard)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether he will state if a private office has been set up at his Ministry and, if so (a) when (b) the number of officers attached thereto, indicating their grades (c) the budgetary allocation and (d) the tasks assigned thereto?

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

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether he is aware that places in Vallée Pitot, namely Edwards and Alma Streets were flooded following the recent heavy rainfalls as a result of obstructions in various canals and blocked drains and, if so, will he state the remedial measures that will be taken?
A/13

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

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the sport complex in Harris Street, Port Louis, he will state (a) if the construction works thereof (i) have been stopped, and, if so, why (ii) the expected date of resumption and (b) if he is aware that the construction materials found at the site have been washed away during the heavy rainfall blocking drains and causing flooding in the vicinity and, if so, the remedial measures that will be taken?

A/14

The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Radegonde)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the public beach at Bel Ombre, he will for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Beach Authority, information as to whether there is any provision for parking facilities thereat and, if so, the details thereof and if not, why not?

A/15

The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Li Kwong Wing)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to the wage compensation for 2011, he will state (a) the number of (i) old age pensioners (ii) workers in the private and public sectors in each of the following categories earning up to Rs 5,000 per month, between Rs 5,001-12,000 per month, Rs 12,000 – 30,000 per month and above Rs 30,000 per month respectively benefitting therefrom and (b) if he is aware that the compensation has already been absorbed by the increase in the price of consumer goods and, if so, the action, if any, Government proposes to take to compensate for the loss of purchasing power in each category?
A/16 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the Land Drainage programme in Constituency No.20, he will (a) give a list of projects (i) identified (ii) under implementation, indicating in each case the region and project cost and (b) state whether drain works at Butterfly street, Belvedère lane and the adjoining region of Belvedère, Beau Bassin are included in the list and, if so, when works are expected to start?

A/17 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to Albion village, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Black River District Council, information as to the action that has been initiated to (a) effect repairs to lamp posts at Pellican Avenue on the landscaping area (b) upgrade the children’s playground and (c) putting up of a new public toilet at Albion Public Beach?

A/18 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Mrs Labelle)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Mayor’s Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Vacoas/Phoenix, for the period October 2005 to-date, information as to a breakdown of disbursements therefrom, indicating, in each case the (a) names of the beneficiaries (b) quantum thereof and (c) purpose therefor?

A/19 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Mr Ramano)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Education and Human Resources:-

Whether, in regard to the major rehabilitation and extension works to be carried out at the Dr Regis Chaperon State Secondary School, he will state where matters stand in each case, indicating when works are expected to start?
A/20 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to drains in Morcellement Montreal, Coromandel, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Beau Bassin/Rose Hill, information as to (a) the expenses incurred for the construction of the drains along Emmaus Church (b) the name of the contractor (c) whether it has received complaints from the inhabitants in relation thereto and, if so, the remedial measures it intends to take and (d) whether any other project for the construction thereof is envisaged in the region?

A/21 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to football grounds in Albion village, Canot village and Morcellement La Confiance Maingard in Constituency No.20, he will state where matters stand in regard to the upgrading of existing ones and the construction of new ones?

A/22 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Li Kwong Wing)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to the Director of Real Estate and Consultancy Services, he will (a) give a list of parastatal bodies, state-controlled enterprises and state-owned organisations which have retained his services for valuation exercises, indicating the nature, terms and conditions of the valuations carried out during 2010 and (b) state (i) if these exercises have been carried out by his officers during office hours and (ii) the fees he has received for the valuation services in 2009 and 2010?
A/23 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade:-

Whether, in regard to the co-gestion of Tromelin, he will state if any of the joint committees set up to look thereinto has met and, if so, indicate (a) when (b) the venue of the meetings (c) the names of the Officials from the Mauritian side and (d) the issue/s discussed?

A/24 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life:-

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of specialized hospitals for women and children, she will state where matters stand?

A/25 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Obeegadoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether he will state if consideration will be given for the construction of an overhead pedestrian bridge across the motorway at Wootun roundabout for the safety of pedestrians?

A/26 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Obeegadoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether he will state if he is aware of the problems encountered by the inhabitants of Curepipe due to inadequate lighting and an unoperational incinerator at Bigara cemetery and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Curepipe, the remedial measures, if any, that will be taken in relation thereto?
A/27 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Dr Boolell)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether he is aware of the bad state of the classified roads in Constituency No.20, Curepipe and Midlands and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to the measures that will be taken, if any, for the upgrading of the roads, pavements and drains?

A/28 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Dr Boolell)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the street lighting system on the motorways, classified and main roads falling under the jurisdiction of the Municipal Council of Curepipe, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Council, information as to (a) if regular inspections are carried out at night to detect faulty street lanterns and (b) whether it is proposed to put up additional street lanterns for better visibility and road safety?

A/29 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether he is aware of the bad state of the flyover situated on the motorway M2 at Roche Bois and, if so, he will state if consideration will be given for (a) its repairs and (b) replacing the steps with ramps for the benefit of the disabled persons and senior citizens?

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