MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Questions of which notice has been given

Requiring an Oral Answer

Sitting of Tuesday 12 November 2013

Questions addressed to Dr the Honourable Prime Minister,

Minister of Defence, Home Affairs

and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues

B/834

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, Minister for Rodrigues:

Whether, in regard to fatal road accidents, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number thereof, since January 2013 to date, indicating the additional measures, if any, taken to prevent the recurrence thereof?

B/835

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, Minister for Rodrigues:

Whether, in regard to the live broadcasting of the proceedings of the National Assembly, he will state if he proposes to set up anew a Select Committee to look thereinto and, if so when, and, if not, why not?
B/836 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, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the trafficking in and the unauthorized consumption of subutex, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of arrest effected in connection therewith, since 2005 to date, indicating the (a) nationality of the arrested persons and (b) number of convicts therefor presently serving imprisonment sentences, indicating if consideration will be given for the transfer of the prisoners who are foreign nationals to their country to serve the imprisonment sentence?

B/837 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, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the prison where the Somalian pirates are presently imprisoned, he will state the measures, if any, taken to reinforce the internal security thereof?

B/838 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

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

Whether, in regard to Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if (a) an increase in the number of vehicles attached to the Police Stations thereat is being envisaged and if not, why not and (b) he has been informed that unhygienic conditions prevail at the La Ferme Police Station and, if so, indicate if any assessment of the health and safety conditions thereof has been carried out and, if not, why not?
B/839  The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Soodhun)

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

Whether, in regard to the new terminal at the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Airport Terminal Operations Ltd., information as to the procedure followed for the allocation of shopping and catering commercial spaces thereat and table a list of the operators?

B/840  The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Mr Bodha)

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

Whether, in regard to the new terminal at the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Civil Aviation Department, information as to if a new control tower is required with the coming into operation thereof and, if so, where matters stand?

B/841  The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Jhugroo)

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

Whether, in regard to the inauguration ceremony of the new terminal of the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Airport Terminal Operations Ltd. (a) a breakdown of the expenses incurred in connection therewith and (b) information as to if all the Honourable Members for Constituency No. 12, Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien, were invited therefor and, if not, why not?
B/842 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, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to one Mr J. M. H., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if he was in Mauritius, in April 2013, allegedly accompanied by his tueurs à gage, and if so, indicate if international cooperation was sought and obtained in relation thereto and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?

B/843 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (Mr Seeruttun)

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

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Police Force, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of Police Sergeants recently promoted to the rank of Sub-Inspector, indicating the (a) number of Police Officers who were eligible for promotion to the rank of Sub-Inspector and (b) criteria used for the promotion exercise?

B/844 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, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Oceanography Institute, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to (a) the date on which the former Director thereof vacated office and (b) if a new Director thereof has been appointed and, if so, when and, if not, why not?
B/845 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, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the Judiciary, he will state if consideration will be given to proposals for amendments to the existing legislation to be introduced to ensure that the members thereof be not eligible to undertake private work?

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

B/846 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Dr Sorefan)

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

Whether, in regard to the post of Director of Audit, he will state if the incumbent thereof is presently on contract and, if so, indicate the duration thereof?

B/847 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to Saudi Arabia, he will state where matters stand as to the proposed (a) setting up of an Embassy thereat and (b) operation of direct flights between Mauritius and Saudi Arabia?
B/848 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 Pay Research Bureau Report 2013 and the Pay Research Bureau Errors, Omissions and Anomalies Committee Report 2013, he will state the total cost of implementation of the recommendations thereof, indicating the (a) average percentage increase thereof (b) increases between the lower and the higher grades and (c) impact thereof on the budget and on the economy?

B/849 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 total public sector external debt, classified into Government and public enterprises debt, he will state, as at to date, the (a) total outstanding amount and its respective percentage of Gross Domestic Product (b) total servicing cost and its respective percentage of exports income (c) proportion payable at fixed and floating interest rates respectively and (d) risks of the current portfolio to foreign debt management?

B/850 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to live cattle, he will state the (a) places where scales are being used for the weighing thereof, indicating if the scales have been issued with authentication certificates and if so, indicate (i) in each case, the duration thereof and (ii) number of checks carried out in relation thereto and the number of contraventions, if any, booked, since November 2012 to date and (b) measures taken and mechanisms, if any, put in place to control the selling price thereof?
B/851 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Hanoomanjee)

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

Whether, in regard to the Control and Arbitration Division, he will state if all the Officers thereof have been redeployed to serve at the Mauritius Cane Industry Authority and, if so, obtain from the Authority, information as to if the services thereof have been retained for the crop season 2013 and, if not, why not?

B/852 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Hanoomanjee)

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

Whether, in regard to Cascavelle, he will state if consideration will be given for the installation of speed breakers on the Royal Road thereat?

B/853 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 9th Indian Ocean Island Games to be held in Reunion Island, in 2015, he will state the (a) sports disciplines selected for participation therein, indicating in each case, the training programme scheduled to be held at national and international levels respectively and (b) budget allocated therefor by his Ministry and by Club Maurice, respectively?

B/854 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 Serge Alfred Swimming Pool, he will state the (a) repair works undertaken thereat, since July 2013 to date, giving details as to the cost and to the names of the contractors therefor and (b) conditions of access thereto by members of the public?
B/855  
The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Tertiary Education, Science, Research and Technology:-

Whether, in regard to the complaints made by foreign students against registered private institutions providing tertiary education in 2013, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Tertiary Education Commission, information as to if inquiries have been carried out thereinto and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof, in each case?

B/856  
The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Ms Ribot)

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

Whether, in regard to child trafficking, she will state the measures her Ministry is taking to address the issue?

B/857  
The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Ms Ribot)

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

Whether, in regard to the Child Development Unit, she will state the recommendations contained in the Ombudsperson for Children Office Report 2012-2013 concerning the restructuring thereof which have been implemented, if any, as at to date?

B/858  
The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Mr Ramano)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Tourism and Leisure:-

Whether, in regard to the Appavou Group of Hotels, he will state if his Ministry has received complaints against the management thereof, over the past three years and, if so, indicate the actions, if any, taken by his Ministry and the Tourism Authority in relation thereto?
B/859  The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment:-

Whether, in regard to the job fairs, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Empowerment Foundation, information as to the number thereof organized by the Foundation, since May 2010 to date, indicating the (a) number of visitors thereto by age group, and the number thereof who (i) have been offered employment, indicating the age group and sector of employment and (ii) are still awaiting employment offers and (b) average waiting period between training and securing an employment?

B/860  The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Fisheries:-

Whether, in regard to the payment of compensation to the heirs of the fishermen in case of death at sea, he will, for the benefit of the House, state the number of cases of death at sea reported for consideration, over the past five years, indicating in each case, (a) the date of the accident which was the cause of the death and (b) if payment has been effected and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

B/861  The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Barbier)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Fisheries:-

Whether, in regard to the fishers, he will state the number thereof registered in mainland Mauritius and in Rodrigues respectively, over the past five years, on a yearly basis?

B/862  The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Barbier)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Fisheries:-

Whether, in regard to fish farming at sea, he will state the number of projects therefor presently under consideration, indicating the number thereof submitted in mainland Mauritius and in Rodrigues respectively and the names of the promoters thereof?
B/863 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Mr Bodha)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Tertiary Education, Science, Research and Technology:

Whether, in regard to the EILM Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Tertiary Education Commission, information as to if it has any agreement with EILM Sikkim and, if so, indicate the nature and conditions thereof?

B/864 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Tertiary Education, Science, Research and Technology:

Whether, in regard to tertiary education, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Tertiary Education Commission, information as to the number of private institutions thereof which award degrees, indicating (a) the conditions which an institution has to satisfy to be issued with an authorisation to award degrees and (b) in each case, indicate the (i) number of students attending thereto and (ii) degrees being awarded?

B/865 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Tertiary Education, Science, Research and Technology:

Whether, in regard to the Mauras School of Dentistry, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Tertiary Education Commission, information as to where matters stand as to the interests of the students following courses thereat, indicating the measures, if any, taken by the Commission in relation thereto?

B/866 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Soodhun)

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

Whether, in regard to the public beaches, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Beach Authority, information for the past five years as to the number of permits issued for food catering thereat?
B/867 The Honourable First Member for Grand’ Baie and Poudre D’or (Mr Gungah)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms:-

Whether, in regard to the civil service, he will state the number of officers recruited, since 2005 to date on a yearly basis (a) by the Public Service Commission and (b) under the Service to Mauritius Programme?

B/868 The Honourable First Member for Grand’ Baie and Poudre D’or (Mr Gungah)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether, in regard to the Anse La Raie Village, he will state if his Ministry has received any application for hotel development thereat and, if so, indicate when and the outcome thereof?

B/869 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Radegonde-Haines)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the Anjalay Coopen Stadium, he will state if the project for the installation of protective equipment on the turf thereof to enable the organization of major concerts thereat has been implemented and if so, when and if not, why not?

B/870 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Radegonde-Haines)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether, in regard to the houses containing asbestos, he will state the number thereof located in Constituency No.14, Savanne and Black River, indicating the measures taken, if any, for the removal thereof?
B/871 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 Bagatelle Dam Project, he will state (a) the name of the consultant therefor (b) the cost of consultancy services (c) the names of the (i) members of the evaluation committee and (ii) negotiating team, indicating their respective field of expertise and experience (d) the total cost thereof (e) if the advice of the State Law Office was sought and obtained prior to the award of the contract and (f) if works onsite were stopped and if so, indicate (i) when (ii) the reasons therefor and (iii) the amount of money, if any, requested by the contractor as penalties for stoppage of works?

B/872 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 Project for the Design, Build and Operate the upgraded Pailles Treatment Plant, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the (i) Central Procurement Board, information as to if the latter recommended the cancellation of the tender floated in relation thereto and if so, indicate the reasons therefor and (ii) Central Water Authority, information as to if the latter awarded the contract therefor to Joint Venture Sotravic Ltee and Berlinwasser International through the emergency procurement procedure and if so, indicate the reasons therefor and (c) state if the advice of the State Law Office was sought and obtained prior to the award of the contract?

B/873 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 Diabetes Type 1 and Type 2, he will state, in each case, the (a) number of Mauritian adults and children (i) presently living therewith and (ii) expected to live therewith by the year 2020 and (b) treatment cost per patient?
B/874  The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Fakeemeeah)

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

Whether, in regard to the new Mauritius National Identity Card Project, he will state if he will consider the freezing thereof, pending the holding of consultations with all the stakeholders concerned therewith and the reaching of a consensus in relation thereto?

B/875  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 Gini coefficient, he will state the figures thereof over the past three years, indicating if there has been any deterioration of the poverty gap?

B/876  The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Fakeemeeah)

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

Whether, in regard to the street vendors, he will state if any solution has been found in relation thereto and, if so, indicate the timeframe set therefor and, if not, why not?

B/877  The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil (Mr Roopun)

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

Whether, in regard to the Law Practitioners Vocational Courses for 2013, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Council of Legal Education, information as to (a) the number of students enrolled therefor (b) the subjects taught, indicating in each case, the number of hours of the course and (c) if the Council is in presence of any complaint in connection therewith?
B/878 The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil (Mr Roopun)

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

Whether, in regard to Mrs Y. M., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Institute of Technology and Development, information as to if the Committee, set up to inquire into the circumstances which led to her recruitment on the basis of a faked certificate while disregarding her previous conviction, has completed the inquiry carried out thereinto and, if so, indicate the findings thereof?

B/879 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Obeegadoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Tertiary Education, Science, Research and Technology:-

Whether, in regard to the EILM University, he will state if his Ministry has ascertained (a) the identity of the owners and managers thereof (b) if it is operating with the green light of the University Grants Commission of India and (c) if it is complying with the conditions set down by the Tertiary Education Commission with a view to safeguarding the interests of the students enrolled thereat?

B/880 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Obeegadoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment:-

Whether he is aware of the latest figures of Statistics Mauritius pertaining to income disparities and social inequality generally and, if so, state if he has recommended to Government the urgent revision of the prescribed minimum wage in the relevant sectors of employment and/or measures of direct income support?
B/881  
The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Dr Boolell)

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

Whether, in regard to the Doctors’ Registration Examination carried out by the Medical Council, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Council, information as to (a) the composition of the Board of Examiners therefor, indicating the (i) criteria used for the selection of the examiners and (ii) examination syllabus circulated therefor (b) if same ought not to have been held prior to the internship training and (c) if the candidates who graduated from the University of Mauritius ought not to have been exempted therefrom?

B/882  
The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (Mr Seeruttun)

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

Whether, in regard to the fire outbreak at the Mare Chicose Landfill, on or about 21 October 2013, he will state (a) if the causes thereof have been established (b) the time taken to contain the fire and (c) if a rescue plan was put in place to advise the inhabitants of the surrounding villages on the elementary precautions that had to be taken in the circumstances?

B/883  
The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Dr Sorefan)

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

Whether, in regard to the construction of the bridge at the Pont Colville Deverell by Sinohydro, he will state where matters stand, indicating (a) if works will be completed by the contractual date therefor (b) the reasons why the new additional bridge is not leveled with the old one and (c) if the speed limit will be 110kms/hr after completion thereof?
B/884 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Mrs Labelle)

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

Whether, in regard to the subletting of agricultural land, he will table copy of the report submitted by Agricultural Research and Extension Unit (AREU), in or about December 2012, and state the actions, if any, initiated following the submission thereof?

B/885 The Honourable First Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mr Jugnauth)

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

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius National Identity Card (particulars in register) Regulations 2013, with retrospective effect as from 16 September 2013, he will state the reasons for the publication thereof on 3 October 2013?

B/886 The Honourable First Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mr Jugnauth)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Tertiary Education, Science, Research and Technology:-

Whether, in regard to the post of Director at the Tertiary Education Commission, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commission, information as to the (a) date of the advertisement inviting applications therefor (b) eligibility criteria therefor (b) names of the (i) applicants therefor and (ii) selected candidate, indicating the date of appointment and salary and other benefits drawn?

B/887 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the Rodrigues Wrestling Regional Committee, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Wrestling Federation, information as to the reasons for the suspension thereof by the federation, in September 2013 and (b) state if the federation was entitled to suspend the committee, indicating the measures, if any, taken by his Ministry in relation thereto and outcome thereof?
B/888

The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

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

Whether, in regard to the examinations recently held by the Mauritius Examination Syndicate, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Syndicate, information as to if the services of Police Officers were retained as invigilators during the holding thereof and if so, indicate if they were paid special fees and if not, why not?

B/889

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

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

Whether, in regard to the Solar Water Heater Scheme Phase III, he will state out of the 40,000 applications received in October 2012, the number thereof which have been approved and granted, indicating the amount of money disbursed as at to date in relation thereto?

B/890

The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Guimbeau)

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

Whether, in regard to the private clinics operating in Curepipe/Floreal, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Curepipe, a list thereof, indicating the yearly income received by the Council in terms of taxes, fees and licence rates?

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Clerk of the National Assembly

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A/278

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

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

Whether, in regard to the Central Criminal Investigation Division, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of vehicles attached thereto, indicating the number thereof attached thereto on loan from the Police Transport Branch, indicating, in each case, since when and the reasons therefor?

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Minister of Defence, Home Affairs
and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues

A/279

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

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

Whether, in regard to the landslide at Vallée Pitot, he will state if the Japanese International Cooperation Agency has completed its survey and submitted its recommendations in relation thereto and, if so, indicate the actions, if any, taken as at to date?
A/280  The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Industry, Commerce and Consumer Protection:-

Whether, in regard to the Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Trading Corporation, information as to (a) the amount of demurrage fee claimed therefrom over the past five years, indicating the amount thereof recovered as at to date and (b) where matters stand as to the arbitration proceedings brought against the company in relation to the consignments of the poor quality fuel oil delivered in 2009?

A/281  The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Ms Ribot)

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

Whether, in regard to child prostitution, she will state the number of reported cases thereof, since 2010 to date, indicating in each case, the age of the child?

A/282  The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

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

Whether, in regard to the provision of hot meals in each of the Zone d’Education Prioritaire schools in Constituency No.1, Grand River North West and Port Louis West, he will state the (a) name/s of the caterer/s therefor, indicating in each case, the amount of money paid out thereto and (b) number of pupils who are/have been in receipt thereof?
A/283

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 Consulates/Embassies/High Commissions, he will state the number thereof set up in 2013, if any, indicating in each case, the location thereof?

A/284

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

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to the proposed study for the setting up of a virtual museum on the history of Mauritius, he will state where matters stand?

A/285

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

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to the proposed preparation of a master plan for museums, he will state where matters stand?

A/286

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

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

Whether, in regard to the Royal Road at Beau Bassin, from the roundabout near the Police Station to the Dumas Street, he will state the number of road accidents having occurred thereat, since January 2013 to date, indicating the (a) number of fatal ones and (b) traffic control measures, if any, taken to ensure road safety thereat?
A/287 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Li Kwong Wing)

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

Whether, in regard to the Bois Marchand Cemetery, in Terre Rouge, he will state the measures, if any, taken to prevent (a) families from being attacked when paying respect at the tombs and (b) profanation of the tombs?

A/288 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Obeegadoo)

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

Whether, in regard to education, he will state, for the years 2000 to 2012, the (a) total expenditure on education as a percentage of Gross Domestic Product (b) total public expenditure on education as a percentage of Gross Domestic Product (c) total public expenditure on education as a percentage of total government expenditure (d) public current expenditure on primary education as a percentage of public current expenditure on education and (e) public current expenditure on secondary education as a percentage of public current expenditure on education?

A/289 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 Roche Bois Transfer Station, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Solid Waste Management Division, information as to the number of reported cases of arson thereat, since October 2013 to date, indicating (a) if any environmental assessment has been carried out on the consequences thereof on the local residents and, if so, the outcome thereof and (b) the additional measures, if any, that will be taken to prevent the recurrence thereof?
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The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether he is aware of the inconveniences being caused to the residents of some eight houses by the emanation of foul smells due to water accumulation at the blocked drains/canals situated at Military Road, Camp Yoloff, opposite the ABC Motors and the CEB Stores and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to if urgent remedial measures will be taken in relation thereto?

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

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

Whether, in regard to the building which formerly housed the Mahebourg Social Welfare Centre, situated in the vicinity of the Mahebourg Waterfront, he will state if he has been informed of the abandoned state thereof and that it represents an eyesore and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Property Development Limited, information as to the (a) remedial measures that will be taken, if any, in relation thereto, and (b) project, if any, earmarked for implementation thereat?

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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 fire outbreaks at the Mare Chicose, La Chaumière and Roche Bois Transfer Stations, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Fire and Rescue Services, information as to if decontamination exercises and medical treatment to prevent occupational diseases, due to exposure to toxic smokes for days, have been carried out and administered, and, if not, why not?
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 flash floods of 13 February and 30 March 2013, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Fire and Rescue Services, information as to if the firefighters of the Bank of Firefighters have been paid their overtime allowances in connection therewith and, if not, why not, indicating when same will be paid?

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