Mauritius National Assembly

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Requiring an Oral Answer

Sitting of Tuesday 05 April 2016

Questions addressed to the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit

B/80

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

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to the recent detected cases of skimmed/cloned cards, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases thereof, indicating the (a) number of (i) banks and clients concerned therewith and (ii) arrests effected in connection therewith, if any (b) total amount of money defrauded and (c) preventive measures taken in relation thereto?

B/81

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

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if he is aware of the poor recordings during night-time of the Closed Circuit Television Street Surveillance System installed thereat, which result from the inadequate street lighting thereat and from the fact that the said CCTV Street Surveillance System is not equipped with infra-red cameras and, if so, indicate if remedial measures will be taken in relation thereto?
B/82 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to Constituency No. 3, Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East, he will state if the National Development Unit has carried out a survey to identify the flood-prone areas thereat at times of heavy rainfalls and, if so, indicate the areas concerned therewith and the preventive measures taken or that will be taken to avert the recurrence of floods thereat, if any?

B/83 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to each of the overseas missions undertaken by Madam Speaker since her election to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain a list thereof, indicating in each case the (a) countries visited and composition of the delegation (b) purpose and duration thereof and (c) total amount of money spent in terms of air tickets, per diem and other allowances?

B/84 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to the toxic loans of the former Mauritius Post Co-operative Bank, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Maubank, information as to where matters stand as to the recovery thereof, especially, those granted to Mr R. G., indicating the total amount thereof recovered as at to date?
B/85 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to the post of Director General of the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the date on which the vacancy therefor occurred, indicating, since then (a) the name of the person who has been acting as Officer-in-Charge of the Corporation and the additional remuneration paid thereto therefor, if any and (b) if procedures for the filling of the vacancy therefor have been initiated and, if so, indicate when and where matters stand?

B/86 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the actions taken following the submission of the Report of Mr R. J. in relation thereto, especially, regarding the issue of mismanagement in the Finance Department thereof, including if any action has been initiated against the Head of the said department and, if so, give details thereof and, if not, why not?

B/87 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to the Information Communications Technology Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to (a) the names of the legal advisors whose services are presently retained thereat, indicating in each case the (i) date of appointment thereof (ii) fees payable thereto and (iii) amount claimed and paid thereto as at to date and (b) if the services of Mr K. T. as legal adviser has been retained thereat and, if so, indicate the (i) period concerned therewith and (ii) total amount of fees paid therefor?
B/88 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Dr Sorefan)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to the banks in which Government is a shareholder, he will state if he will consider introducing amendments to the existing legislation with a view to prevent the recurrence of the state of affairs that prevailed thereat regarding the toxic loans and the writing off of debts and, if so, indicate if provision will also be made for the (a) possibility of recouping the loans and (b) said amendments to have retroactive effect over the past seven years?

B/89 The Honourable First Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (Mr Sesungkur)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to the Media Trust, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the date of appointment of the Board of Trustees thereof, indicating (a) the composition thereof (b) the number of meetings held to date (c) if it has presented a report on the evaluation of the profession of journalists and (d) if new regulations will be proposed therefor?

B/90 The Honourable First Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (Mr Sesungkur)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to the Land Research and Mediation Unit, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the (a) date of the setting up thereof (b) composition thereof and (c) number of inquiries carried out on land transactions as at to date, indicating in each case, the outcome thereof?
B/91 The Honourable First Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (Mr Sesungkur)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to the Bank of Mauritius, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the amount of (i) net profit made and (ii) dividend paid to Government since 2012, indicating the estimates thereof for the year 2015-2016 and (b) state (i) how the change, if any, in the net profit made and the dividend paid to Government since 2012 would impact the current budget?

B/92 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to the helicopters, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of times Honourable Ministers have made use thereof since December 2014 to date, indicating in each case the (a) name of the Honourable Minister (b) purpose thereof and (b) cost thereof?

B/93 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to the offences under the Information Communication and Technology Act, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases thereof since December 2014 to date, indicating the number of (a) arrests effected in connection therewith and (b) convictions secured in relation thereto?
B/94

The Honourable Fourth Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to the proposition for the introduction of the Mauritian Creole language in the course of the proceedings and debates of the National Assembly, he will state where matters stand?

B/95

The Honourable Third Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Mr Ramano)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to counter-terrorism, he will state if measures have been taken at national level to avert against terrorist threats and attacks from the Daesch organization, indicating (a) if there exists any agreement for information sharing and mutual help with friendly countries in relation thereto (b) if the existing legislation in relation thereto requires to be toughened in the wake of the rise of the Daesch organization and (c) the number of Mauritian nationals presumed to have joined the said organization as at to date?

B/96

The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Selvon)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to the implementation of the thirteen employment rich megaprojects, including eight smart cities on 7,000 acres of land with expected private investment of MUR 120 billion, as announced in the 2015-2016 Budget Speech, he will, in each case, state where matters stand?
B/97 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Selvon)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to methadone distribution, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if the local residents of Douglas Street, Cassis, in Port Louis and the parents of schoolchildren thereat and in the vicinity thereof have reported cases of alleged misbehavior of the groups of people who assemble thereat to receive methadone and have requested for the regular presence of police officers thereat to ensure the safety and security of the said residents and schoolchildren and, if so, indicate the measures taken in relation thereto if any, and if not, why not?

B/98 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Selvon)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to the legal advisers whose services have been retained by Government since December 2014 to date, he will give a list thereof, indicating in each case, the (a) date of appointment thereof and (b) terms and conditions of contract thereof?

B/99 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Ramful)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to the Ministers, he will state if he proposes to introduce a code of conduct therefor, as is the case in most OECD countries, following the recent cases of corruption related inquiries initiated by the Independent Commission against Corruption in respect of two of them?
B/100  The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Ramful)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to Mr R. R., member of the Local Government Service Commission, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters regarding the police inquiries initiated against him, indicating if the latter is presently on bail in respect of any one of them and, if so, give details thereof?

B/101  The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Ramful)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, following the remarks made by the learned Judges in their judgment in the Supreme Court case of the Director of Public Prosecutions v Jugdawoo & Ors 2016, in particular, for the need to have in place an effective law enforcement agency for the prevention, investigation and punishment of violation of human rights, he will state the measures, if any, he proposes to take in relation thereto?

B/102  The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (Mr Ganoo)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to the budgetary provisions for the fiscal year 2015-2016, he will state (a) the amount thereof spent (i) for capital expenditure in absolute terms and both as a ratio of Gross Domestic Products and of total expenditure and (ii) to date by each Ministry and (b) if the total amount thereof is expected to be spent by the end of the said fiscal year?
B/103 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Baloomoody)

To ask the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit –

Whether, in regard to the proposed introduction of a Freedom of Information Bill to promote transparency and accountability in public administration, he will state where matters stand?

Questions addressed to Honourable Ministers, other than to the Right Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs, Minister of Finance and Economic Development, Minister for Rodrigues and National Development Unit

B/104 The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Jhugroo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms, Minister of Environment, Sustainable Development, and Disaster and Beach Management –

Whether, in regard to Constituency No. 12, Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien, he will state if any survey has been carried out of the drains which have been covered by the sugar estates during the mechanisation process and which have become the causes of floods during heavy rainfalls and, if so, indicate the findings and recommendations thereof?

B/105 The Honourable Second Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Jhugroo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms, Minister of Environment, Sustainable Development, and Disaster and Beach Management –

Whether, in regard to the public beaches, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Beach Authority, a list of the contract for the cleaning and maintenance of toilets thereat, indicating in each case the (a) name of the contractor therefor (b) period of contract thereof (c) cost thereof and (d) procedures followed for the allocation thereof?
B/106 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Local Government –

Whether, in regard to the relocation of the hawkers operating in Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Port Louis, information as to where matters stand?

B/107 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Dr Sorefan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life –

Whether, in regard to the posts of Medical and Health Officer/Senior Medical and Health Officer, he will (a) give a list of the new recruits, indicating in each case, the (i) date of registration thereof with the Medical Council of Mauritius and (ii) posting thereof and (b) state the number (i) of vacant posts as at to date, indicating the number thereof that will be filled and (ii) thereof forecasted to be recruited in the years 2017, 2018 and 2019?

B/108 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Dr Sorefan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life –

Whether, in regard to the regional hospitals, he will state if he is aware of the (a) absence of adequate lighting systems in the yards and parking areas thereof or, in cases where they exist, that many of them are defective and (b) presence of stray dogs thereat representing hazards and inconveniences to one and all, especially at night and, if so, indicate if urgent remedial measures will be taken in relation thereto?

B/109 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Dr Sorefan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to the high floor buses, he will state if he will consider rendering it mandatory for the steps thereof to be replaced by hydraulic steps so as to ease access thereto, especially, for the elderly and the handicapped persons when travelling and, if not, why not, and if so, indicate if consideration will further be given for the subsidization and exemption of duties and of the Value Added Tax on the importation of hydraulic steps?
B/110  The Honourable First Member for Montagne Blanche and Grand River South East (Mr Sesungkur)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to the Road Decongestion Programme, he will state if a study has recently been carried out in relation thereto and, if so, indicate (a) the name of the consultants therefor and the cost thereof (b) the total estimated cost thereof and (c) if the south link road through the Ferney Valley will be reconsidered in view of the limited road capacity existing between the east and the south of the country?

B/111  The Honourable Third Member for Savanne and Black River (Mr Jhuboo)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Housing and Lands –

Whether, in regard to the squatters of Camp La Paille, in Bambous, and the proposed relocation thereof in the region of Beaux Songes, he will state where matters stand?

B/112  The Honourable Third Member for Savanne and Black River (Mr Jhuboo)

To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Tourism and External Communications –

Whether, in regard to dolphin watch in the region of Black River, he will state if his Ministry proposes to review the regulations in relation thereto?

B/113  The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to the Road Decongestion Programme, he will state the (a) number of projects falling thereunder (b) the costs thereof and (c) how it will be financed?
B/114 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour, Industrial Relations, Employment and Training –

Whether, in regard to the foreign workers, he will state, since December 2014 to date, the number of (a) work permits issued thereto and (b) applications received for the renewal of the work permits thereto?

B/115 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to water, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to the measures being taken, if any, to address the issue of the perturbed distribution thereof at times of heavy rainfall or lack thereof, in the light of the implementation of the smart cities projects, the promised economic miracle and the consequential high income economy that is expected to follow?

B/116 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the Utility Regulatory Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to when the (a) Board thereof will be appointed and (b) Authority will become operational?

B/117 The Honourable Fourth Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports –

Whether, in regard to the nomination of the French Coach, Alain Happe as Directeur Technique Nationale de Football, he will (a) state the terms and conditions of the contract of employment thereof, indicating the cahier des charges therefor and (b) table copy of his (i) project for local football and (ii) curriculum vitae?
B/118 The Honourable Fourth Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports –

Whether, in regard to the Sports Act, he will state when the proposed amendments thereto will be introduced, following the Cabinet decision of 19 February 2016 in relation thereto, indicating if a draft copy of the proposed amendments will be circulated in the meantime?

B/119 The Honourable Fourth Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to the proposed rehabilitation works to be carried out at Morcellement Hermitage, in Coromandel, he will state where matters stand?

B/120 The Honourable First Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (Mr Gobin)

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

Whether, in regard to pensions/social benefits, she will state the procedure that her Ministry has to follow before disallowing the claim of a person who is already benefitting therefrom, indicating if the beneficiary thereof is (a) medically examined prior to her Ministry deciding to disallow the claim and, if not, why not and (b) afforded an opportunity to make representations prior to her Ministry deciding to disallow the claim and, if not, why not?

B/121 The Honourable First Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (Mr Gobin)

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

Whether, in regard to the domiciliary visits, she will state the eligibility criteria prescribed therefor, indicating if persons (a) who are bedridden but below 75 years of age are eligible thereto and, if not, why not and (b) with severe disabilities, irrespective of age, are eligible thereto and, if not, why not?
B/122  The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (Mr Ganoo)

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

Whether, in regard to the transportation of petroleum products, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Trading Corporation, information as to the date of termination of the contract therefor between the Corporation and Betamax Ltd., indicating if (a) the prior advice of the State Law Office was sought and obtained therefor (b) Government has been apprised of any indemnities that would be payable to Betamax Ltd. as a result thereof (c) there is a possibility to renegotiate the price therefor to reflect the market conditions and (d) an arbitrator/mediator has been appointed therefor and, if so, indicate the (i) profile thereof and (ii) current status of the arbitration/mediation?

B/123  The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Selvon)

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

Whether, in regard to the qualified handicapped persons, she will state the policy of her Ministry for the employment thereof in her Ministry, indicating the (a) number thereof (i) presently employed thereat (ii) having been laid off since December 2014 to date and (b) percentage thereof represented on the establishment of her Ministry?

B/124  The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Ramful)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Local Government –

Whether, in regard to the Chief Executive Officers, Chairpersons and Council Members and members of the staff of the local authorities, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the overseas missions that they have undertaken in the course of the current financial year, indicating in each case, the (a) costs thereof and (b) particulars thereof?
B/125 The Honourable Second Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (Dr Joomaye)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life –

Whether, in regard to the implementation of the new policy for the registration of drugs with his Ministry, he will state where matters stand, indicating the fees applicable therefor?

B/126 The Honourable Second Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (Dr Joomaye)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life –

Whether, in regard to the quality control of pharmaceutical products dispensed and/or used in public hospitals, he will state (a) how same is carried out (b) the frequency thereof, indicating the date of the last exercise therefor (c) the laboratory where the qualitative and quantitative tests thereof are performed and (d) the actions taken in case of non-conformity?

B/127 The Honourable Second Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (Dr Joomaye)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life –

Whether, following the banning of cough syrups containing salbutamol and other drugs in India and since many of these medications are available on the local market, he will state the measures being taken by his Ministry in relation thereto?

B/128 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Baloomoody)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour, Industrial Relations, Employment and Training –

Whether, in regard to job losses, he will state the number thereof since January 2015 to date, indicating if consideration will be given for the labour laws to be amended to better protect the employees from being laid off without appropriate notice and compensation and, if so, when?
B/129 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Baloomoody)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the implementation of the sewerage network project in the region of Pailles, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Waste Water Management Authority, information as to where matters stand, indicating the expected completion date thereof?

B/130 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Oree)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the severe and prolonged water problems faced by the inhabitants of Congomah and Les Mariannes in Constituency No. 4, Port Louis North and Montagne Longue, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to if remedial measures have been taken in relation thereto and, if so, indicate where matters stand and, if not, why not?

B/131 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Oree)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Health and Quality of Life –

Whether, in regard to the Long Mountain Hospital, he will state (a) the date of coming into operation thereof (b) date on which the application for the issue of an Environment Impact Assessment Licence in relation thereto was received at his Ministry, indicating the date of issue thereof (c) distance of the (i) building housing same to the nearest residence and (ii) standby generator, indicating if it is compliant with the recommendations and regulations applicable therefor in each case?
B/133 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Barbier)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture –

Whether, in regard to the Nelson Mandela Centre for African Culture, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the number of vacancies existing thereat, indicating if same have been advertised and, if so, indicate (a) when and (b) the closing dates for submission of applications therefor?

B/134 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Barbier)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Ocean Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries, Shipping and Outer Islands –

Whether, in regard to the fishers, he will state the number thereof who are (a) in possession of a valid fishing card and (b) not professionally active?

B/135 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Barbier)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport –

Whether, in regard to the Brunikel bridge, lying between Roche Bois and Tombeau Bay, he will state if consideration will be given for the widening thereof to ease out traffic thereat?

B/136 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Baloomoody)

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

Whether, in regard to Ms Y. C., Director of the Independent Broadcasting Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Authority, information as to the (a) post she occupied immediately prior to her appointment thereat, indicating the date on which she resigned therefrom and (b) date on which she submitted her application therefor and (c) number of applicants who applied for the said post, indicating their respective qualifications?