MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Questions of which notice has been given
Requiring an Oral Answer
Sitting of Tuesday 16 July 2019

Questions addressed to the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Home Affairs, External Communications and National Development Unit, Minister of Finance and Economic Development

B/623 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Home Affairs, External Communications and National Development Unit, Minister of Finance and Economic Development –

Whether, in regard to the Head of the Strategic Planning and Economic Directorate, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Economic Development Board, information as to the (a) qualifications held and package drawn and (b) number of reports and strategic and policy advice prepared and submitted to Government as at to date?

B/624 The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Adrien Duval)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Home Affairs, External Communications and National Development Unit, Minister of Finance and Economic Development –

Whether, in regard to one Mr G. A. he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Economic Development Board, information as to if he has been issued with an occupation permit and, if so, indicate the (a) criteria for the issuing thereof (b) conditions attached thereto and (c) date of issue and validity thereof?
B/625  The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Adrien Duval)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Home Affairs, External Communications and National Development Unit, Minister of Finance and Economic Development –

Whether, in regard to fake marriages of non-citizens to citizens of Mauritius, he will state, since January 2015 to date, the (a) measures taken to combat same and (b) number of detected cases thereof and actions taken in relation thereto?

B/626  The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Home Affairs, External Communications and National Development Unit, Minister of Finance and Economic Development –

Whether, in regard to air traffic rights, he will state the number of applications received therefor since 2015 to date, indicating in each case the (a) name of airline and country of origin and (b) outcome thereof?

B/627  The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Home Affairs, External Communications and National Development Unit, Minister of Finance and Economic Development –

Whether, in regard to the occupational permit, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Economic Development Board and give the list of foreign medical practitioners presently holding same, indicating in each case the (a) nationality thereof (b) terms and conditions of permit (c) medical field in which he/she is operating and (d) public health institution in which he/she is practising?

B/628  The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Henry)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Home Affairs, External Communications and National Development Unit, Minister of Finance and Economic Development –

Whether, in regard to Residence Balance, in Plaine Magnien, he will state if consideration will be given for the construction by the National Development Unit of a children playground thereat?
B/629 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Baloomoody)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Home Affairs, External Communications and National Development Unit, Minister of Finance and Economic Development –

Whether, in regard to the First and Second Deputy Governor of the Bank of Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Bank of Mauritius, in each case, information as to the (a) qualifications and experience held (b) total pay packet and fringe benefits drawn and (c) overseas missions attended since appointment to date, indicating the (i) countries visited (ii) air fare costs and (iii) amount of per diem received?

B/630 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Ms Sewocksingh)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Home Affairs, External Communications and National Development Unit, Minister of Finance and Economic Development –

Whether, in regard to Constituency No. 17, Curepipe and Midlands, he will state the locations where drains have been constructed by the National development Unit since June 2018 to date, giving the list of locations where same will be constructed?

Questions addressed to Honourable Ministers, other than to the
Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Home Affairs, External Communications and National Development Unit, Minister of Finance and Economic Development

B/631 The Honourable Second Member for Grand’ Baie and Poudre d’Or (Mr Rughoobur)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

Whether, in regard to the Free Travel Scheme, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Transport Authority, information as to where matters stand as to the proposed implementation of the Cashless Bus Ticketing System?
B/632 The Honourable Second Member for Grand’ Baie and Poudre d’Or (Mr Rughoobur)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Business, Enterprise and Co-operatives –

Whether, in regard to the Small and Medium Enterprise Employment Scheme for the Unemployed Graduates, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from SME Mauritius Ltd., information as to the number of unemployed graduates recruited thereunder over the past ten months?

B/633 The Honourable Second Member for Grand’ Baie and Poudre d’Or (Mr Rughoobur)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Business, Enterprise and Co-operatives –

Whether, in regard to the 10-Year Master Plan For the Small and Medium Enterprise sector in Mauritius, he will state the initiatives undertaken for the implementation thereof?

B/634 The Honourable Second Member for Grand’ Baie and Poudre d’Or (Mr Rughoobur)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Business, Enterprise and Co-operatives –

Whether, in regard to the international Small and Medium Enterprises Fairs, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from SME Mauritius Ltd., information as to the number of local SMEs having participated therein over the past two years, indicating the quantum of funds disbursed thereto in terms of refund and the beneficiaries thereof?

B/635 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

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

Whether, in regard to the private sector, he will state the number of jobs created since August 2015 to date?
B/636
The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

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

Whether, in regard to water supply, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to the total amount of funds invested since January 2015 to date to secure a 24/7 service thereof, indicating the number of households and the corresponding regions obtaining the said level of service?

B/637
The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed Wind Farm Project at Plaine Sophie, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to (a) if the allegedly forged Development Security documents provided have subsequently been found to be valid (b) the work progress thereof and (c) the quantum of delay damages received as at to date, indicating the date on which same was last received?

B/638
The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Business, Enterprise and Co-operatives –

Whether, in regard to the Small Medium Enterprise Employment Scheme, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from SME Mauritius Ltd., information as to the number of graduates and employers respectively registered thereunder, indicating the aggregate amount of funds disbursed in relation thereto?

B/639
The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Adrien Duval)

To ask the Right Honourable Minister Mentor, Minister of Defence, Minister for Rodrigues –

Whether, in regard to drug trafficking, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of non-citizens, being spouses of citizens of Mauritius, arrested under suspicion thereof since January 2015 to date, indicating the number of (a) cases prosecuted and (b) convictions secured?
B/640 The Honourable First Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Adrien Duval)

To ask the Right Honourable Minister Mentor, Minister of Defence, Minister for Rodrigues –

Whether, in regard to terrorist organisations, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of non-citizens, being spouses of citizens of Mauritius, flagged as belonging to or having links therewith since January 2015 to date, indicating the number of (a) cases prosecuted and (b) convictions secured?

B/641 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr Leopold)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Security, National Solidarity, and Environment and Sustainable Development –

Whether, in regard to air pollution caused by motor vehicles, he will state if his Ministry has the necessary means for the detection thereof, indicating the steps taken by his Ministry to address the issue?

B/642 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr Leopold)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Education and Human Resources, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research –

Whether, in regard to vocational training, she will state the steps taken by her Ministry for the optimization thereof in order to improve social mobility in mainland Mauritius and Rodrigues?

B/643 The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (Mr Jahangeer)

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

Whether, in regard to the Supply, Installation and Commissioning of 6 numbers of Containerised Pressure Filtration Plants (ONB/CWA/C2018/125) Tender Documents Item ITB 12.1(i)(e), he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to the name of the successful bidder therefor?
B/644  The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (Mr Jahangeer)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

Whether, in regard to Government projects awarded to Messrs Transinvest Construction Ltd. since 2015 to date, he will state same and the corresponding values thereof, giving the list of the subcontractors for Civil/ Electrical/ Mechanical/ Transportation works in each case?

B/645  The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (Mr Jahangeer)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

Whether, in regard to the A1-M1 Link Road Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to the work progress thereof?

B/646  The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (Mr Jahangeer)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands, Minister of Gender Equality, Child Development and Family Welfare –

Whether, in regard to the construction of new incinerators at Grand Bois and Souillac, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the District Council of Savanne, information as to where matters stand?

B/647  The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

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

Whether, in regard to the Fintech and Innovation-driven Financial Services Regulatory Committee, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the (a) composition thereof, indicating the (i) terms and conditions of appointment thereof and (ii) aggregate fees paid and expenses incurred in relation thereto and (b) number of reports published as at to date?
B/648 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Justice, Human Rights and Institutional Reforms –

Whether, in regard to the sentencing of offenders and the award of civil damages, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Master and Registrar, information as to if Guidelines have been issued in relation thereto?

B/649 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

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

Whether, in regard to the post of Director, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Maritime Training Academy, information as to the name of the incumbent, indicating the date and terms and conditions of appointment thereof?

B/650 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands, Minister of Gender Equality, Child Development and Family Welfare –

Whether, in regard to the overseas missions effected by the Lord Mayor and Mayors since August 2018 to date, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Councils, the list thereof, indicating the (a) countries visited (b) purposes thereof (c) duration thereof (d) costs of air fare (e) amount of per diem and allowances received?

B/651 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

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

Whether, in regard to the Chairperson of the Central Electricity Board, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the CEB, information as to the (a) name of the incumbent (b) qualifications held (c) terms and conditions of appointment and (d) overseas missions effected since his appointment to date, indicating the countries visited and allowances received?
B/652        The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Henry)

To ask the Right Honourable Minister Mentor, Minister of Defence, Minister for Rodrigues –

Whether, in regard to synthetic drugs, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the measures implemented by the Anti Drug and Smuggling Unit to stop the proliferation thereof in Constituency No. 12, Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien?

B/653        The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Henry)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

Whether he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Transport Authority, information as to if consideration will be given for the provision of bus services going through or in the vicinity of the Turquoise Smart Residence National Housing Development Estate, in Mare d’Albert?

B/654        The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Henry)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture –

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Society of Authors, he will state where matters stand as to the recruitment of a director thereat?

B/655        The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to live cattle, beef, goats and sheep, he will state the number thereof (a) imported and sold for the 2018 Eid-Ul-Adha Festival and (b) imported or to be imported for the forthcoming Eid-Ul-Adha Festival, indicating (i) the country of origin and (ii) if the price has been fixed and, if not, why not?
B/656 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to the procurement of petroleum products with effect from August 2019, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Trading Corporation, information as to if tenders have been launched and if so, indicate where matters stand?

B/657 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Security and National Solidarity, Environment and Sustainable Development –

Whether, in regard to the proposed development of a Waste Recycling Plant at Riche Terre by VEOLIA Recycling & Environment Services (Mauritius) Ltd., he will state if he has received representations from the Mouvement Anti-Pollution in relation thereto and, if so, indicate the measures that will be taken in relation thereto?

B/658 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Education and Human Resources, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research –

Whether, in regard to the School Certificate/Higher School Certificate Examinations, she will state if she is in presence of a request for the payment of a daily allowance to the Educators (Secondary)(Physical Education) and, if so, indicate where matters stand in relation thereto?

B/659 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

To ask the Right Honourable Minister Mentor, Minister of Defence, Minister for Rodrigues –

Whether, in regard to the inquiries initiated into the cases of death of employees having occurred on the construction site of the Cote D’Or Stadium, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand?
B/660 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

To ask the Right Honourable Minister Mentor, Minister of Defence, Minister for Rodrigues –

Whether, in regard to the Prisons, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Prisons, details of the Shift System put in place for the Prison Officers?

B/661 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands, Minister of Gender Equality, Child Development and Family Welfare –

Whether, in regard to the cemeteries located in Constituency No. 1, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal City Council of Port Louis, information as to if consideration will be given for the maintenance and upgrading thereof?

B/662 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Baloomoody)

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

Whether, in regard to the Fashion and Design Institute, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the composition of the Board thereof, indicating the remuneration drawn in each case?

B/663 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Baloomoody)

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

Whether, in regard to the post of Director, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Trading Corporation, information as to the name, qualifications and experience of the incumbent thereof, indicating the present pay packet thereof, including the fringe benefits drawn?
B/664 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 the new Submarine Fibre Optic Cables Project, he will state the (a) cost and the names of the stakeholders (b) expected date of coming into operation and (c) expected cost of operation thereof?

B/665 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Ms Sewocksingh)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands, Minister of Gender Equality, Child Development and Family Welfare –

Whether, in regard to the football grounds located in Constituency No. 17, Curepipe and Midlands, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Curepipe, information as to where matters stand as to the renovation and maintenance thereof?

B/666 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Ms Sewocksingh)

To ask the Right Honourable Minister Mentor, Minister of Defence, Minister for Rodrigues –

Whether, in regard to Constituency No. 17, Curepipe and Midlands, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the measures presently in place to ensure the maintenance of law and order thereat, especially, measures against the risks of larceny, indicating if consideration will be given for additional Police patrols to be effected in the risk-prone regions?

B/667 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Ms Sewocksingh)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

Whether, in regard to Constituency No. 17, Curepipe and Midlands, he will state the number of bus shelters earmarked for construction thereat?
B/668 The Honourable Fourth Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports –

Whether, in regard to the proposed setting up of an International Football Academy at Côte D’Or, he will (a) state the reasons why the Mauritius Multi Sports Infrastructure Ltd. (MMSI) has been entrusted with the implementation thereof and (b) for the benefit of the House, obtain from MMSI Ltd., information as to (i) if the agreement with the Liverpool Football Club and Athletics Grounds Ltd., UK, has been signed and, if so, table copy thereof (ii) the coming into force thereof (iii) the terms and conditions thereof and (iv) the annual amount of funds to be invested therein?

B/669 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 forthcoming Indian Ocean Island Games 2019, he will state the company which has obtained the contract for the issuing of tickets therefor, indicating the (a) terms and conditions thereof (b) number of tickets put on sale discipline-wise and (c) measures taken to avoid the resale of tickets in the black market?

B/670 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 forthcoming Indian Ocean Island Games 2019, he will state if an awareness campaign has been carried out amongst Mauritian athletes regarding the risks of doping and the products concerned therewith, indicating if the local competent authorities have carried out tests on the said athletes and, if so, give the list of those having been tested, and, if not, why not?

B/671 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Mr Baboo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports –

Whether, in regard to the sale of tickets for the forthcoming Indian Ocean Island Games 2019, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commission des Jeux des Iles, information as to the mechanism used therefor?
B/672 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Mr Baboo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture –

Whether, in regard to the printed documents classified as national heritage, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Library Archives, the measures taken for the preservation thereof?

B/673 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Mr Baboo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Security, National Solidarity, and Environment and Sustainable Development –

Whether, in regard to the Basic Retirement Pension and other pensions and allowances, he will state if consideration will be given for the payment thereof to be made on the same day on which civil servants obtain their pay?

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