Mauritius National Assembly

Questions of which notice has been given

Requiring an Oral Answer

Sitting of Tuesday 21 July 2020

Questions addressed to the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity

B/285  The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to Trèfles and Plaisance, in Rose Hill, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if an increase of drug proliferation thereat has been observed and, if so, indicate the measures taken in relation thereto?

B/286  The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the policing operations, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the impact of the compulsory wearing of masks in public amid the Coronavirus Pandemic on the efficiency of the cameras of the Safe City Project in relation thereto?

B/287  The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Dr Aumeer)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the proposed scheme to offer the opportunity to foreigners to obtain a Mauritian passport provided they make a non-refundable contribution of USD 1 million to the Mauritius Sovereign Fund, as announced in the Budget Speech 2018-2019, he will state where matters stand?
B/288 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Joanna Bérenger)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to sign language, he will state if he will consider using his good offices to request the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation to introduce the use thereof during television news bulletins, local emergency broadcasts and parliamentary debates as a means of inclusion of the deaf community?

B/289 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to Mr K. A., Senior Adviser at his Office, he will state the parastatal bodies and State-owned companies of which he is either the Chairperson or member, indicating in each case the (a) date of appointment and (b) remuneration, allowances and other benefits drawn?

B/290 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to Mr D. B., Senior Adviser at his Office, he will state the parastatal bodies and State-owned companies of which he is either the Chairperson or member, indicating in each case the (a) date of appointment and (b) remuneration, allowances and other benefits drawn?
B/291 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Juman)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the Commission of Inquiry set up on the sale of BAI shareholdings in Britam, Kenya, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) if the inquiry has been completed and a report submitted and, if so, indicate the conclusions and recommendations thereof (b) the quantum of fees claimed by the president and assessors thereof and (c) the total estimated cost thereof?

B/292 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr Léopold)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands andTerritorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, information as to the reasons for non-reception of the television channels thereof in many villages thereat since November 2019, indicating (a) when same will be remedied and (b) where matters stand as to the transmission of the eleven digital television channels thereof island-wide thereat?

B/293 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr Léopold)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, information as to when local production of programmes will resume thereat?

B/294 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr Léopold)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, information as to why the transmission of Amplitude Modulation (AM) has stopped, indicating when same will resume?
B/295  The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Dhunoo)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the Report of the Pay Research Bureau, he will state if consideration will be given for the advisability of the publication thereof every three years?

B/296  The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mrs Luchmun Roy)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the Safe City Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) the number of cameras and other components thereof installed as at to date, indicating the number of crimes elucidated with the help thereof and (b) if consideration is being given for an extension of the project to additional regions and, if so, give an indication thereof?

B/297  The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the opening of our borders amid the COVID-19 Pandemic, he will state the actions that will be taken to ensure the safety of the population against a second wave of COVID-19?
B/298 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Lobine)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to human trafficking in Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the measures taken for the elimination thereof since 2018 to date, indicating if the existence of a cartel consisting of bringing young women from Madagascar for sexual exploitation in Mauritius has been unveiled and, if so, indicate if the raid conducted at Ste Croix on 30 June 2020 is connected therewith?

B/299 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Richard Duval)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the expansion project of the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Airports of Mauritius Limited, information as to where matters stand as to the compulsory acquisition of land and properties in the vicinity thereof and for the resettlement of the owners, indicating the (a) cost thereof and (b) names of the owners concerned therewith?

B/300 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Abbas Mamode)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to domestic violence, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases thereof since January 2020 to date, indicating the outcome thereof?
B/301 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Assirvaden)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the National Security Service, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to if the mode of surveillance activities thereof has been reviewed and, if so, indicate the (a) nature thereof and (b) reasons therefor?

B/302 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Anquetil)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the High-Level Committee against Domestic Violence, he will state (a) the composition thereof (b) when the said committee assumed its duties and responsibilities and (c) the recommendations, if any, made by the committee as at to date?

B/303 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity –

Whether, in regard to the Muslim Family Council, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) composition thereof, indicating the terms and conditions of appointment of each member and (b) where matters stand as to the introduction of rules governing the celebration and dissolution of Muslim Marriages?
Questions addressed to Honourable Ministers, other than to the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity

B/304
The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the drains, footpaths and resurfacing works of roads in Stanley, in Rose Hill, in connection with pipe laying works, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) names of the contractors and (b) expected completion date thereof?

B/305
The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail –

Whether, in regard to the implementation of the Urban Terminal at Place Cardinal Margéot, in Rose Hill, he will state where matters stand?

B/306
The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail –

Whether, in regard to the taxis operating in Rose Hill, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Land Transport Authority, information as to the arrangements made therefor following the coming into operation of the Metro Express, indicating the number thereof which can operate thereat and the number of taxi stands provided therefor?

B/307
The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Environment, Solid Waste Management and Climate Change –

Whether, in regard to the current disposal of coal ash in sugar cane fields to the tune of 100 ton per hectar, he will state if any process for the inertness of the coal ash is being ensured prior thereto and, if so, indicate the institutions and laboratories responsible for the testing thereof?
The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

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

Whether, in regard to persons having no fixed place of abode, she will state if any survey thereof has been carried out post COVID-19 lockdown and, if so, indicate the (a) outcome thereof and (b) measures taken in relation thereto, if any?

The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

Whether, in regard to the funds donated by Saudi Arabia purportedly for the refurbishment of mosques and for the fisher community, he will state where matters stand?

The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Dr Aumeer)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the hotels used as Quarantine Centres since the COVID-19 Pandemic outbreak, he will state the procurement method used for the selection thereof?

The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Dr Aumeer)

To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Housing and Land Use Planning, Minister of Tourism –

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of 12000 residential houses over three years, as announced in the Budget Speech 2020-2021, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number thereof projected for construction during this financial year, indicating the (a) regions identified therefor and number thereof per region and (b) number of houses that would be made available to those who live in the most precarious conditions under the National Empowerment Fund list?
The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Dr Aumeer)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –

Whether, in regard to the Mauritian nationals stranded abroad amid the COVID-19 Pandemic, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number thereof awaiting repatriation, indicating (a) the prices of single air fares on the repatriation flights being operated by the national carrier (b) aggregate extra cost incurred by the carrier in respect of passengers holding return tickets and (c) if consideration will be given for needy stranded Mauritian nationals to benefit under the COVID-19 Solidarity Fund for the payment of the surcharge cost?

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

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the treatment and rehabilitation of drug addicts, he will state the policy of his Ministry in relation thereto?

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

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Cultural Heritage –

Whether, in regard to the artists performing in hotels, he will state the measures taken by his Ministry to extend financial assistance thereto amid the COVID-19 Pandemic?

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

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed provision of 2570 tablets to children of grade 10 to 13 of families on the Social Register of Mauritius, as announced in the Budget Speech 2020-2021, she will state where matters stand?
B/316 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation –

Whether, in regard to the provision of Rs 5 million for the preparation of athletes for participation in the Tokyo Olympic Games 2021, as announced in the Budget Speech 2020-2021, he will give a breakdown of how same will be disbursed?

B/317 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Ms Foo Kune)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the used COVID-19 tests kits, he will state the protocol established by his Ministry, if any, for the disposal thereof?

B/318 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Ms Foo Kune)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the e-Health Project, he will state the (a) health institutions where same is being implemented (b) percentage of work completed and (c) amount of funds disbursed therefor as at to date, giving a breakdown thereof?

B/319 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Ms Foo Kune)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development –

Whether, in regard to the Wage Assistance Scheme, he will state the amount of funds disbursed to employers in the tourism sector in June 2020?

B/320 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mrs Tour)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation –

Whether, in regard to the Liverpool Football Club International Academy Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the date on which training thereat resumed post curfew period, indicating the number of trainers?
B/321 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mrs Tour)

To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Housing and Land Use Planning, Minister of Tourism –

Whether, in regard to the construction of social housing units in Montagne Longue, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Housing Development Company Ltd., information as to the expected completion and delivery dates thereof?

B/322 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Joanna Bérenger)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail –

Whether, in regard to Phase II of the Metro Express Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Monitoring Committee set up in relation thereto, information as to the number of meetings held, if any, with the inhabitants of Sivananda Avenue and, if so, indicate (a) the number thereof who attended same and (b) if minutes of meetings were taken?

B/323 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Joanna Bérenger)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Environment, Solid Waste Management and Climate Change –

Whether, in regard to the Table Bay Ltd. Project at Bel Ombre, he will state if his Ministry is in presence of an application for an Environment Impact Assessment and, if so, indicate when same was submitted and where matters stand?

B/324 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Joanna Bérenger)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the allegations made by Mrs N. A. to the effect that she gave birth to twins at the Queen Victoria Hospital on 23 June 2020, he will state if his Ministry has initiated an inquiry thereinto and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?
B/325 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development –

Whether, in regard to the Solidarity Levy on high income earners, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the quantum thereof collected for the years ending 30 June 2018 and 30 June 2019, respectively?

B/326 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed installation of a fishing port at Bain des Dames, he will state where matters stand?

B/327 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

Whether, in regard to the Port Louis Central Market Renovation Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal City Council of Port Louis, information as to (a) the scope of works and (b) where matters stand as to the implementation thereof, indicating the expected start and completion dates thereof?

B/328 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to Phases II and III of the Ring Road Project, in Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to where matters stand as to the implementation thereof?
B/329 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development –

Whether, in regard to the Development Bank of Mauritius Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the composition of the Board thereof, indicating the (a) date of appointment of the Chairperson and members thereof, including the allowances payable thereto and (b) number of subcommittees of the board thereof, indicating the (i) composition thereof and (ii) allowances payable to the members thereof?

B/330 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Bhagwan)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development –

Whether, in regard to the Gambling Regulatory Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the composition thereof, indicating the (a) date of appointment of the Chairperson and members thereof, including the allowances payable thereto and (b) number of subcommittees of the board thereof, indicating the (i) composition thereof and (ii) allowances payable to the members thereof?

B/331 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Juman)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the medicines and medical equipment procured by the State Trading Corporation on behalf of his Ministry through the Emergency Procurement, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the date on which the orders were placed and supplied, respectively?

B/332 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Juman)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development –

Whether, in regard to the State land at Jin Fei, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Landscope (Mauritius) Ltd, information as to the number of proposals obtained for development thereat, indicating the number thereof acceded to and the number thereof wherein developments have started?
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B/333 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Por Louis East (Mr Juman)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the setting up or renovation of flu clinics amid the COVID-19 Pandemic, he will state the number of contracts awarded to Modern Jurassic Building & Construction Ltd. since January 2020 to date, indicating the contractual values thereof?

B/334 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (Mr Léopold)

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

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius-Rodrigues Submarine Cable, he will state where matters stand as to the progress of work of ICT services being put in place for optimum bandwidth connection in Rodrigues following the laying thereof, indicating if the laying of a second optical fibre submarine communications linking Mauritius to Rodrigues is being envisaged?

B/335 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Dhunoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail –

Whether, in regard to the Ebene Recreational Park Project, he will state where matters stand as to the implementation thereof?

B/336 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Dhunoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the rehabilitation of the sewerage infrastructure at the Abbé De La Caille Malherbes-Serre Street, in Curepipe, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Waste Water Management Authority, information as to where matters stand, indicating the estimated impact of the COVID-19 lockdown on the implementation thereof?
B/337 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Dhunoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the projects as part of the Road Decongestion Programme, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to where matters stand as to the implementation thereof?

B/338 The Honourable Second Member for Grand’ Baie and Poudre d’Or (Dr Gungapersad)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology –

Whether, in regard to online education, she will state the number of private and public primary and secondary schools which are (a) fully equipped with Wi Fi facilities and (b) in positions of readiness to provide unhindered teaching and learning support to staff members and pupils?

B/339 The Honourable Second Member for Grand’ Baie and Poudre d’Or (Dr Gungapersad)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology –

Whether, in regard to online education, she will state the number of educators working in both private and state secondary schools who have received formal training in relation thereto, indicating (a) who were the trainers and (b) the modules and duration thereof?

B/340 The Honourable Second Member for Grand’ Baie and Poudre d’Or (Dr Gungapersad)

To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Housing and Land Use Planning, Minister of Tourism –

Whether, in regard to State land, he will state the number of plots thereof located in Cap Malheureux which have been leased since January 2015 to date, giving the list of the lessees and the corresponding rent payable?
B/341 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mrs Luchmun Roy)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail –

Whether, in regard to road accidents, he will state the number of reported cases thereof post curfew period, indicating (a) the types of vehicles involved therein and (b) if any Action Plan has been set up for the sensitization of the road users in relation thereto?

B/342 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mrs Luchmun Roy)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to Vallée des Prêtres, he will state if any survey has been carried out to assess the flood-proneness thereof, and, if so, indicate the (a) outcome thereof and (b) urgent measures taken by his Ministry in view of the upcoming rainy season?

B/343 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mrs Luchmun Roy)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the drain project at Morcellement Goolamally, Le Hochet, in Terre Rouge, undertaken by the National Development Unit, he will state where matters stand as to the implementation thereof?

B/344 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr David)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed development and embellishment of the fish landing stations island-wide, he will state where matters stand, indicating the nature and schedule of works planned for the landing stations of Bain des Dames and of Pointe aux Sables, respectively?
The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr David)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to Constituency No. 1, Grand River North West and Port Louis West, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to the (a) regions thereat benefitting from water supply on a 24/7 basis and since when and (b) number of complaints registered since November 2019 to date from the inhabitants thereof for poor water supply?

The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr David)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail –

Whether, in regard to the Richelieu Branch Road, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to when same was closed, indicating the (a) reasons therefor and (b) alternative solution proposed?

The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Commerce and Consumer Protection –

Whether, in regard to all the contracts awarded through emergency procurement during the COVID-19 lockdown by the State Trading Corporation (STC), he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the STC, the list thereof, indicating the (a) names of the suppliers and (b) contractual values thereof?

The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the Waste Water Management Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the number of staff members and workers suspended since 2015 to date, indicating the (a) reasons therefor and (b) actions taken in relation thereto?
B/349  The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

Whether, in regard to the Pointe aux Sables Market Fair, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to if consideration will be given for the opening thereof twice a week?

B/350  The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Lobine)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail –

Whether, in regard to the contract for the Servicing, Maintenance and Repairs of Yutong Buses, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Land Transport Authority (NLTA) information as to when bids were launched therefor, indicating (a) if same was approved by the Board of the NLTA (b) when the Board of the NLTA approved the award of the contract (c) date of award of contract (d) name of contractor and (e) contractual value thereof?

B/351  The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Lobine)

To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

Whether, in regard to the former cremation ground located at Cinq Arpents, in Constituency No. 15, La Caverne and Phoenix, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Vacoas-Phoenix, information as to (a) when the installations for cremation thereat were destroyed, indicating the reasons therefor and (b) if an alternative site has been identified/acquired in Cinq Arpents for the setting up of a cremation ground in replacement thereof and, if so, indicate the expected start and completion dates thereof?
B/352 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Lobine)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Industrial Development, SMEs and Cooperatives –

Whether, in regard to the SME Graduate Scheme, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from SME Mauritius Ltd., information as to the number of contracts signed as at to date, indicating (a) the number of graduates allocated to SMEs within the turnover range of (i) less than Rs 2 million (ii) between Rs 2 million and Rs 25 million (iii) between Rs 25 million and Rs 50 million and (iv) above Rs 50 million and (b) if same is coming to an end by 31 October 2020?

B/353 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Richard Duval)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Environment, Solid Waste Management and Climate Change –

Whether, in regard to the kiosk found at the public beach of Blue Bay, he will state (a) when same was last renovated and (b) if any renovation works will be forthcoming and, if so, indicate when?

B/354 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Richard Duval)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the Upgrading of Road Surfacing Project in Constituency No. 12, Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to the (a) contract value thereof and (b) contractual start and completion dates thereof, indicating the roads to be resurfaced?

B/355 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Richard Duval)

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

Whether, in regard to the homeless people, he will state if consideration will be given for arrangements to be made for doctors to visit same?
B/356  The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Abbas Mamode)

To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

Whether, in regard to the workers of the local authorities, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the local authorities, information as to if they have been paid their overtime dues and, if not, why not, indicating the amount thereof due in each local authority?

B/357  The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Abbas Mamode)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to Pre-Registration Training of Doctors, he will state (a) the number of qualified doctors awaiting enlistment therefor and (b) when same will be conducted, indicating the (i) number of seats available and (ii) proposed date of enlistment therefor?

B/358  The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Abbas Mamode)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the procurement of medicines and medical equipment during the COVID-19 lockdown, he will state (a) the method used therefor and (b) how the list of the needs of the Ministry were established, indicating (i) if all the suppliers in the database of his Ministry were aware of the needs and (ii) how they were informed accordingly?

B/359  The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Assirvaden)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Commerce and Consumer Protection –

Whether, in regard to the Open International Bidding for the Supply of Clean Petroleum Products with a closing date of 11 August 2020, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Trading Corporation, information as to the evaluation methodology that will be used for the launching of bids prior to the closing date thereof?
B/360  The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Assirvaden)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Commerce and Consumer Protection –

Whether, in regard to the State Trading Corporation, he will state if consideration will be given for the advisability of revoking the Board and the Director General thereof amid the allegations of malpractices in the emergency procurement of medicines during the COVID-19 lockdown?

B/361  The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Anquetil)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Gender Equality and Family Welfare –

Whether, in regard to the suspected case of infanticide of F. J., in March 2020 at Quatre Cocos, she will state (a) when the case was reported to her Ministry and (b) when and what action, if any, was initiated by her Ministry in relation thereto?

B/362  The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Anquetil)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Gender Equality and Family Welfare –

Whether, in regard to sexual child abuse, she will state the number of cases thereof reported to the Child Development Unit since January 2020 to date, indicating if consideration will be given for the setting up of a revised protocol to better protect children therefrom?

B/363  The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Anquetil)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation –

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Weightlifting Federation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to why athlete A. M. was not selected for the Junior African Championship, held in Uganda in 2019?
The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

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

Whether, in regard to cases of domestic violence and child abuse, he will state if consideration will be given for the advisability of setting up a full-fledge Family Court for the fast tracking thereof?

The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology –

Whether, in regard to sexual child abuse, she will state if consideration will be given for the advisability of introducing sex education as a full-fledge course in the national curriculum?

The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology –

Whether, in regard to each primary and secondary school, she will state if consideration will be given for the posting of a clinical psychologist thereat and, if so, indicate when and, if not, why not?

The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil (Mr Nuckcheddy)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of a new Teaching Hospital at Flacq, he will state where matters stand as to the tendering process in relation thereto?
B/368  The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil (Mr Nuckcheddy)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation –

Whether, in regard to the tennis court of the Flacq Youth Centre, he will state if actions have been taken to remedy the bad state thereof and, if so, when?

B/369  The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Commerce and Consumer Protection –

Whether, in regard to the contracts for the supply of goods by the State Trading Corporation (STC) in connection with the COVID-19 Pandemic on behalf of the Ministry of Health and Wellness, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the STC, information as to the (a) criteria used for the award thereof (b) terms and conditions thereof, indicating the date of delivery of the goods and (c) source of finance used to pay the suppliers?

B/370  The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the Design, Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of a Combined Cycle Gas Turbine Power Plant at Fort Georges Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to where matters stand as to the implementation thereof?

B/371  The Honourable Second 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 National Insurance Co. Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to (a) the number of insurance policy holders thereof (b) the financial situation thereof and (c) if the accounts thereof have been audited and, if not, why not?
B/372 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Yeung Sik Yuen)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning and Development –

Whether, in regard to the Mauritian rupee, he will state the measures that will be taken to contain the depreciation thereof?

B/373 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Yeung Sik Yuen)

To ask the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister Housing and Land Use Planning, Minister of Tourism –

Whether, in regard to the COVID-19 Pandemic, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Tourism Promotion Authority, information as to the promotion strategies being envisaged when travel restrictions will be lifted?

B/374 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Ittoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to medication, he will state the procedures followed in his Ministry for the (a) monitoring of the stock and expiry dates thereof and (b) disposal of expired ones?

B/375 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Ittoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation –

Whether, in regard to the Youth Center of Floréal, he will state the activities organized thereat during the year 2019 and since January to June 2020?

B/376 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Doolub)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of a new bridge at Ville Noire, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to the work progress thereof, indicating what will be the fate of the existing bridge?
B/377 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Doolub)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of the M4 Motorway, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to the (a) alignment (b) total project cost and (c) expected start and completion dates thereof?

B/378 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Doolub)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the Jawaharlall Nehru Hospital, he will state if consideration will be given for the (a) setting up of an enhanced management system of the parking area thereof and (b) provision of additional public parking spaces thereat?

B/379 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Doolub)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation –

Whether, in regard to the training of elite athletes, he will state the measures taken by his Ministry to ensure the provision of adequate training thereto in view of the forthcoming competitions?

B/380 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Woochit)

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

Whether, in regard to the National Pension Fund, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) amount of funds available therein as at to date and (b) names of the institutions, companies, banks and other institutions in which the NPF has invested funds, indicating (i) the respective amount invested and (b) when same will come to maturity?
B/381 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Woochit)

To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of a Sports Complex on a site located near the Medi Clinic in Triolet, he will state where matters stand, indicating the estimated cost thereof?

B/382 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Woochit)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the proposed upgrading and widening of the Brinequel Bridge at Tombeau Bay, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to where matters stand?

B/383 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Ramful)

To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –

Whether, in regard to the last vacancy that occurred in the position of village councillor at the Mare d’Albert Village Council, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the said village Council, information as to if same has been filled and, if so, give the name of the incumbent?

B/384 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Ramful)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports and Recreation –

Whether, in regard to the Côte d’Or National Sports Complex, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Multisports Infrastructure Ltd., a breakdown of the monthly expenses incurred in relation to the operation cost thereof since January 2020 to date?
The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien
(Mr Ramful)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Finance, Economic Planning
and Development –

Whether, in regard to Public Enterprises Debt, he will give details
of the loan amounts and accrued interests as at June 2020 in
respect of each and every public enterprise?

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The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Ms Foo Kune)

To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –

Whether, in regard to the proposed drain works to be carried out at Les Chebeks, in Constituency No. 20, Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière by the National Development Unit, he will state where matters stand, indicating the expected start and completion dates thereof?