

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Requiring an Oral Answer****Sitting of Tuesday 22 October 2013****Questions addressed to Dr the Honourable Prime Minister,
Minister of Defence, Home Affairs
and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues**

B/774 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(**Dr Sorefan**)

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

Whether, in regard to the procurement of security services at the Mauritius Duty Free Paradise Co. Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the company, information as to if tenders were launched therefor, in 2011 and, if so, indicate the (a) names of the bidders, indicating that of the successful bidder (b) respective bid value thereof and (c) date of award of the contract therefor?

B/775 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Bhagwan**)

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

Whether, in regard to the recent increase of the Television Licence Fee, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, information as to the (i) revenue collected in relation thereto, as at to date and (ii) actions, if any, initiated to ensure that the additional revenue collected be judiciously used and (b) state if he has received any complaint from the *Association des Consommateurs de l'Île Maurice* in relation thereto, and, if so, where matters stand?

B/776 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Bhagwan**)

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

Whether, in regard to Mr M. L. S., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand as to the recent inquiry carried out in relation thereto, indicating if extradition procedures have been initiated against him with the British Authorities and, if so, give details thereof and, if not, why not?

B/777 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal (**Ms Anquetil**)

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

Whether, in regard to the fatal accident which occurred on a work site at Arsenal, on Monday 5 August 2013, which caused the death of one Mr G. R. V. who resided in Floréal, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand as to the inquiry carried out thereinto?

B/778 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

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

Whether, in regard to the case of arson of the gaming house, known as L'Amicale de Port Louis, in May 1999, which caused the death of several persons, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if a new police inquiry is being carried out thereinto and, if not, why not?

B/779 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Dr Boolell)

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

Whether, in regard to the Penalty Points System, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to how same is to be implemented in respect of the drivers who are not in possession of a Mauritian driving licence?

B/780 The Honourable First Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Mr Jugnauth)

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

Whether, in regard to the new Mauritius National Identity Card Project, he will state the authority which has been entrusted with the responsibility of managing and maintaining the database thereof, indicating the cost thereof?

B/781 The Honourable First Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka
(Mr Jugnauth)

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

Whether, in regard to the hon. Minister of Tertiary Education, Science, Research and Technology stating in the House, on 25 June 2013, that he is a trustee of the Jeetah Foundation running the local branch of the EILM University, he will state if an inquiry has been carried out regarding possible conflict of interests and, if not, why not?

B/782 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Mr Bodha)

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

Whether, in regard to drugs, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if he has been informed of new types thereof being sold and consumed in Mauritius and, if so, indicate the number of reported cases thereof, if any, in relation thereto?

B/783 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Fakeemeeah)

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

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

B/784 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Fakeemeeah)

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

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

B/785 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mr Lesjongard**)

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

Whether he will state if he has received a letter on Tuesday 18 August 2013 informing him that the water tank vehicle bearing number 6311 DC 07 of the Central Water Authority has recently filled a swimming pool found in a residence, situated at Bethanie Lane, Balfour and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?

B/786 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)

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

Whether, in regard to the two children, B. J. and D. D. who passed away on 29 September and 10 October 2013 respectively at Le Waterpark and Leisure Village, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand as to the inquiries carried out thereinto?

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

B/787 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River (**Mrs Hanoomanjee**)

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

Whether, in regard to the National Women Entrepreneur Council, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the (a) working experience of Mrs V. A. A., Chairperson thereof and (b) number of women entrepreneurs who have made use of the incubators found at Phoenix and Triolet respectively, since July 2011 to date?

B/788 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Hanoomanjee)

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

Whether, in regard to the NATReSA, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to if a (a) restructuring thereof is being envisaged and (b) an action plan has been worked out for the substance abusers?

B/789 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Dr Sorefan)

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

Whether, in regard to the recent supply and installation of speed cameras, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Procurement Board (a) copy of the (i) Joint Venture Partner Information Form signed between Proguard Ltd. and Truvelo Manufacturers (Pty) Ltd., together with the financial statements thereof for the past three years, prior to the award and (ii) summary of the bid evaluation report, and table same and (b) information as to the reasons why TMT Services & Supplies (Pty) Ltd., South Africa, was eliminated?

B/790 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien
(Mr Jhugroo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to the Director of the National Heritage Trust Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Trust Fund, information as to if the Board thereof has taken any decision with regard to the recommendation of the Director of Public Prosecutions that disciplinary proceedings be initiated in relation to the allegations which have been levelled against her?

B/791 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Jhugroo**)

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

Whether, in regard to the school buses, he will state the actions taken, if any, to review the allocation thereof, in the light of the problems being encountered by the school children to attend and come back from school, taking into consideration the security aspect and the number of school children?

B/792 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Li Kwong Wing**)

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

Whether, in regard to 2013, he will state the (a) percentage of the measures announced in the last budget which have been implemented as at to date and (b) latest estimated growth rate as compared to the budget forecast, indicating the causes of the shortfall, if any, and the impact thereof on the low income groups and small businesses?

B/793 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Li Kwong Wing**)

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

Whether, in regard to the bus fares, he will state the reasons for the increase thereof, indicating if his Ministry has estimated the cost thereof on the (a) budget (b) private sector and (c) financial situation of the National Transport Corporation and of the private bus operators?

B/794 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Mrs Labelle)

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

Whether, in regard to the Concrete Cum CIS Houses Scheme, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Empowerment Foundation, information as to the (a) number of houses built, indicating the location thereof in each case since the implementation thereof and (b) names of the suppliers from which the building materials thereof were purchased for 2011 and 2012 respectively, indicating in each case, the contract value thereof?

B/795 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Mrs Labelle)

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

Whether, in regard to the regional hospitals, he will state if the incinerators found thereat are in working conditions and, if not, indicate in each case (a) the reasons therefor and (b) since when?

B/796 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle **(Mr Seeruttun)**

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

Whether, in regard to the Food Security Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the number of projects initiated and funded thereunder, since 2010 to date, indicating in each case, the (a) amount of funds disbursed (b) number of projects initiated in collaboration with the Small Planters Welfare Fund and (c) present status thereof?

B/797 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (**Mr Seeruttun**)

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

Whether, in regard to the National Transport Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the number of litigations to which the Corporation is a party, since 2005 to date, indicating in each case (a) the number of *mise en demeure* that have been served thereon and (b) where matters stand?

B/798 The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil (**Mr Roopun**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Law Practitioners Vocational Courses for 2013, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Council of Legal Education, information as to (a) the number of students enrolled therefor (b) the subjects taught, indicating in each case, the number of hours of courses and (c) if the Council is in presence of any complaint in connection therewith?

B/799 The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil (**Mr Roopun**)

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

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

B/800 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Radegonde)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to the preparation of the White Paper on Arts and Culture, he will state if a committee has been set up to work thereon and, if so, indicate where matters stand?

B/801 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Radegonde)

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

Whether, in regard to the Child Allowance of Rs 750 for families earning an income of less than Rs 6,200, she will state the (a) other eligibility criteria therefor (b) steps taken to identify the families eligible therefor and (c) number of families (i) qualified therefor, region-wise and (ii) having been issued with a disallowance notice, if any, indicating the reasons therefor, in each case?

B/802 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East **(Mr Ameer Meea)**

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

Whether, in regard to the Public Service Vehicle (Taxi) Licence, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Transport Authority, the list of the persons who have been issued therewith, since July 2005 to date, indicating in each case, the (a) base of operation and (b) date of issue thereof?

B/803 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East **(Mr Ameer Meea)**

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

Whether, in regard to the lease of *Pas Geometriques* for industrial, agricultural and residential purposes, since July 2005 to date, he will, in each case, give the list thereof, indicating the (a) names of the beneficiaries (b) extent thereof (c) rent payable (d) duration thereof and (e) date of signature of the lease agreement?

B/804 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill
(Mr Nagalingum)

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

Whether, in regard to water supply for domestic use, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to if water cuts will be applied and, if so, indicate the regions earmarked therefor?

B/805 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the workplace, he will state the number of reported cases of fatal accidents having taken place thereat over the past five years, indicating the (a) number of employers on whom fines have been imposed in relation thereto and (b) measures his Ministry proposes to take to prevent the occurrence of fatal accidents thereat?

B/806 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the monthly Child Allowance of Rs 750 per child for the vulnerable families earning a monthly income of less than Rs 6200, she will state the (a) number of beneficiaries thereof and (b) amount of funds disbursed therefor, as at to date?

B/807 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the setting up of a community centre at Lamairée, she will state where matters stand?

B/808 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

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

Whether, in regard to the new Mauritius National Identity Card Project, he will state the (a) cost thereof, indicating the variation cost, if any and (b) names of the sub contractors therefor, if any, indicating in each case, the nature and value of the works?

B/809 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Quirin**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the deadline imposed by the International Olympic Committee for the introduction of a New Sports Bill in the National Assembly, the failure of which may entail the suspension of Mauritius at the international level if not respected, he will state where matters stand?

B/810 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Quirin**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the Trust Fund for Excellence in Sports, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Trust Fund, information as to the total amount of money received, since January 2013 to date, indicating the (a) sources thereof and (b) number of scholarships allocated in respect of each sport discipline?

B/811 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (**Dr Boolell**)

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

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

B/812 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill
(Ms Ribot)

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

Whether, in regard to the La Colombe Shelter of Pointe aux Sables, she will state if an inquiry has been carried out into an incident which took place thereat, on Sunday 22 September 2013, and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?

B/813 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill
(Ms Ribot)

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

Whether, in regard to the La Colombe Shelter of Pointe aux Sables, she will state if the recommendations contained in the Report 2011-2012 of the Ombudsperson for Children in relation thereto have been implemented and, if so, give details thereof?

B/814 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues **(Mr François)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Fisheries:-

Whether, in regard to the criteria for the payment of the Bad Weather Allowances for the in-lagoon fishers, he will state if he proposes to eliminate the North Zone, from the Baie Pistache to Pointe au Sel, the East Zone, from Pointe aux Sel to petit Gravier, the South Zone, from Petit Gravier to Baie Topaze and the West Zone, from the Baie Topaze to the Baie Pistache, for a fair and equitable assessment of the state of the sea in the lagoons of Rodrigues and, if so, when?

B/815 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues **(Mr François)**

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

Whether, in regard to the driving licence and its counterpart, he will state if Government proposes to adopt a smart card therefor and, if so, when?

- B/816 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (**Mr François**)
- To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-*
- Whether in regard to the squatters of State land in mainland Mauritius, he will state the number thereof, zone-wise, giving a list thereof who are of Rodriguan origin, indicating those who are already lessees of State land in Rodrigues and the measures taken by his Ministry in relation thereto?**
- B/817 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (**Mr François**)
- To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Tertiary Education, Science, Research and Technology:-*
- Whether in regard to research and development, he will state if Government proposes to set up a Research and Development Scheme with a view to providing internships and necessary support, either locally or overseas and, if so, when and, if not, why not?**
- B/818 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floreal (**Mr Bodha**)
- To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Tertiary Education, Science, Research and Technology:-*
- Whether, in regard to the EILM Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Tertiary Education Commission, information as to if it has any agreement with EILM Sikkim and, if so, indicate the nature and conditions thereof?**
- B/819 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Mr Soodhun**)
- To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities:-*
- Whether, in regard to water supply during the prevailing dry season, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to the measures taken to cater for the water supply needs and (b) state the other measures, if any, taken to address the issue?**

B/820 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Soodhun)

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

Whether, in regard to the Power Plant Engines owned by the Central Electricity Board, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Board, information as to the (a) lifetime and make and country of origin of each and (b) measures taken for the replacement of the old ones?

B/821 The Honourable First Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre D'or **(Mr Gungah)**

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

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

B/822 The Honourable First Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre D'or **(Mr Gungah)**

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

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

B/823 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka **(Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun)**

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

Whether, in regard to the fresh vegetables sold on the market, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Cane Industry Authority, information as to if tests are carried out on a regular basis to determine the pesticide levels in the residues thereof and, if so, indicate the findings thereof?

B/824 The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (**Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun**)

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

Whether, in regard to the underground water tables and drinking water, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Cane Industry Authority, information as to if tests are carried out on a regular basis thereon to determine the level of agro-chemical residues therein and, if so, indicate the findings thereof?

B/825 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Fakeemeeah**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Gini coefficient, he will state the figures thereof over the past three years, indicating if there has been any deterioration of the poverty gap?

B/826 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Fakeemeeah**)

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

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

B/827 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mr Lesjongard**)

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

Whether, in regard to the families from Rodrigues who are squatting State land in mainland Mauritius, he will state if there is a report which indicates the number thereof, indicating if his Ministry has taken measures to stop these families from squatting these land?

B/828 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Mr Ramano**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Tourism and Leisure:-

Whether, in regard to the tourism sector, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of rooms available in each category of hotels and (b) state if he proposes not to recommend the construction of new hotels, having regard to the prevailing state of affairs in the sector?

B/829 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Mr Ramano**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Tourism and Leisure:-

Whether, in regard to the tourism sector, he will state if, having regard to the growth rate in tourist arrival over the past two years, his Ministry has made (a) an assessment of the outcome of the “Iles Vanilles” concept for Mauritius and (b) a comparative analysis of the growth rate in tourist arrival among the Iles Vanilles?

B/830 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Barbier**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Fisheries:-

Whether, in regard to the Fish Auction Market, he will state if it is now operational?

B/831 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Barbier**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Fisheries:-

Whether, in regard to the fishers of Les Salines, in Port Louis, he will state if he is aware of the difficulties they are encountering with the Mauritius Ports Authority and, if so, indicate the actions, if any, he proposes to take in relation thereto?

B/832 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Obeegadoo)

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

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

B/833 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Obeegadoo)

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

Whether he has been made aware of the latest figures of Statistics Mauritius pertaining to income disparities and social inequality generally and, if so, state if he has recommended to Government the urgent revision of the prescribed minimum wage in the relevant sectors of employment and/or measures of direct income support?

B. S. Lotun (Mrs)

Acting Clerk of the National Assembly

**Parliament House
Port Louis**

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MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Not Requiring an Oral Answer****Sitting of Tuesday 22 October 2013****Question addressed to Dr the Honourable Prime Minister,
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A/259 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

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

Whether, in regard to the registration of the marriage of non citizens to Mauritian citizens, over the past five years, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the (a) Central Civil Status Office, information as to the number thereof, indicating the number of children born from these unions whose birth have been registered in Mauritius and (b) Citizenship Unit, information as to the number of spouses who have obtained Mauritian citizenship following same?

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

A/260 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal (**Mrs Labelle**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Government Special Education Needs Schools/Integrated Unit, he will give a list thereof, indicating in each case, the (a) addresses and disability type thereof (b) number of (i) students attending thereto (ii) teachers from his Ministry attached thereto and (iii) teachers or any other employee from any Non Governmental Organisation, if any, attached thereto, indicating the quantum of grant paid to the said Non-Governmental Organisation and (c) total yearly amount of money disbursed therefor, since 2008 to 2011?

A/261 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Mrs Labelle)

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

Whether, in regard to the National Empowerment Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the number of surveys carried out to identify the beneficiaries thereof, since the setting up thereof to date, indicating in each case, the (a) dates on which the surveys were carried out and (b) number of families identified?

A/262 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière **(Mr Bhagwan)**

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

Whether, in regard to the Constituency No.20, he will state the number of on-going projects thereat, indicating if funds are being allocated for the resurfacing of the roads and, if so, give the list of the roads identified therefor?

A/263 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière **(Mr Bhagwan)**

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

Whether, in regard to the Constituency No.20, he will state if contracts have been awarded for the cleaning and upgrading of drains in classified roads thereat and, if so, give a list thereof, indicating in each case, the (a) name of the road (b) contract value thereof and (c) name of the contractor?

A/264 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Radegonde)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to slam, drama, photography, reading and writing, he will state if the promotion thereof is being done in schools and, if so, indicate the names of the (a) resource persons recruited therefor and the respective quantum of fees allocated thereto and (b) schools selected therefor?

A/265 The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Radegonde)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to the proposed setting up of a Mauritius Symphony Orchestra, he will state where matters stand?

A/266 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central **(Mr Uteem)**

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

Whether, in regard to electricity supply, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to the number of households which have been disconnected for non-payment of bills, since 2005 to date, indicating if consideration will be given for a waiver of the amount due and reinstatement of the connection thereof?

A/267 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Dr Sorefan)

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

Whether, in regard to the Parisot bridge at Mesnil, he will state if a plot of private land has been used therefor and, if so, indicate (a) who leveled same (b) the tonnage and cost of the filling materials thereof and (c) if the owner thereof has been compensated therefor and, if so, indicate the quantum of the compensation?

A/268 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill
(Ms Ribot)

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

Whether, in regard to the MEDCO, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the number of rectors and deputy rectors thereof who are equally employed as teachers, indicating in each case, the (a) names of the colleges in which they are working (b) date of transfer to the MEDCO college and (c) weekly workload?

A/269 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill
(Ms Ribot)

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

Whether, in regard to child labour, he will state the number of reported cases thereof at his Ministry, since 2008 to date, indicating in each case, the (a) age of the child (b) nature of the work performed and (c) actions, if any, taken against the employer?

A/270 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West
(Mrs Navarre-Marie)

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

Whether, in regard to Camp Chapelon, Pailles, he will state if he proposes to place a mobile health caravan thereat, on a weekly basis, to provide health services such as the taking of blood samples for tests and the taking of blood pressure, and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

A/271 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)

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

Whether, in regard to the works being carried out at Canal Dayot, he will state the (a) nature thereof (b) name of the contractor and (c) cost thereof, indicating the start and expected completion dates thereof?

A/272 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (**Mr Nagalingum**)

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

Whether, in regard to the construction of the new Head Office, Port Louis Fire Station and Training Centre at Riche Terre, of the Goodlands, Montagne Blanche and Rose Belle new fire stations, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Government Fire Services, information as to where matters stand?

A/273 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (**Mr Nagalingum**)

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

Whether, in regard to the old and damaged vehicles lying in the yard of the Coromandel Fire Station, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Government Fire Services, information as to the number thereof, indicating how and when they will be disposed of?

A/274 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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

Whether he is aware of traffic congestions in the vicinity of the mosque situated at Corner Paul & Virginie and Military Roads, Cité Martial, Port Louis, during prayer time and, if so, indicate if urgent consideration will be given for appropriate traffic measures to be taken thereat, including double-yellow road markings at Impasse Military, opposite the Mosque and junction of Paul & Virginie and Military Roads and the placing of handrails to reinforce security thereat?

A/275 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of a new and modern Divisional Headquarters at Abercrombie, he will state if (a) a site survey and collection of brief have been completed and, if not, why not and (b) the project will include a detention centre and, if not, why not, indicating where matters stand?

A/276 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Jhugroo**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Chancellor and Pro Chancellor of the University of Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the University, information as to the names of the incumbents, indicating the respective (a) salary and allowances drawn (b) terms and conditions of appointment and (c) make and model of the car put at the disposal thereof?

A/277 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Jhugroo**)

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

Whether, in regard to the advisers/press attachés and/or persons employed on contract at his Ministry, he will give a list thereof, indicating in each case, the (a) position held (b) date of appointment (c) qualifications and (d) terms and conditions of appointment?

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