

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Requiring an Oral Answer****Sitting of Tuesday 23 October 2018****Questions addressed to the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Home Affairs, External Communications and National Development Unit, Minister of Finance and Economic Development**

B/880 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 loans taken by Government and parastatal bodies through Special Purpose Vehicles and/or guaranteed by Government, since January 2015 to date, he will give a list thereof, indicating in each case the terms and conditions thereof?

B/881 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 Mr F. G., Chief Executive Officer of the Economic Development Board, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Board, information as to the terms and conditions of the contract of appointment thereof, including the total monthly pay packet?

B/882 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 Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to if tense industrial relations are prevailing thereat and, if so, indicate the actions taken in relation thereto, if any?

B/883 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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 proposed introduction of the new Declaration of Assets Bill, he will state where matters stand, indicating the expected date of introduction thereof in the House and if same will be circulated prior thereto?

B/884 The Honourable Third Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Mr Ramano**)

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 electoral reform, he will state the expected date of introduction in the House of proposed amendments to the existing legislation in relation thereto?

B/885 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, following the findings of the recent Commission of Inquiry on Drug Trafficking in Mauritius that the port is the most porous area through which drugs could easily enter the island, he will state if the relevant authorities are elaborating a protocol on the measures that need to be put in place with a view to preventing the entry of drugs through same?

B/886 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 the operation of casinos, gaming and betting houses and bookmaking businesses, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Gambling Regulatory Authority, a list of the organisations, companies and/or individuals who have, since 2017 to date, category-wise (a) been refused the issue of licences and (b) have had their licences revoked, indicating the reasons therefor in each case?

B/887 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Dr Boolell**)

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 second-annual Future Investment Initiative scheduled for 23-25 October 2018, in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, he will state if Mauritius has been invited to attend same?

B/888 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Dr Boolell**)

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 Residence/Citizenship Scheme, he will state if it is a threat to the integrity of the Common Reporting Standards established by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development?

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/889 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (**Mr Rughoobur**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment –

Whether, in regard to the National Corporate Social Responsibility Foundation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the quantum of funds injected therein since May 2018 to date, indicating the quantum thereof disbursed to registered Non-Governmental Organisations?

B/890 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (**Mr Rughoobur**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment –

Whether, in regard to the Corporate Social Responsibility, he will state if consideration will be given for a review of the Guidelines applicable in relation thereto?

B/891 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (**Mr Rughoobur**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment –

Whether, in regard to the National Empowerment Foundation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the quantum of funds disbursed for the construction of low cost housing units for eligible applicants, since January 2015 to date?

B/892 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (**Mr Rughoobur**)

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

Whether, in regard to the National Empowerment Foundation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the value of the school materials and uniforms distributed for the year 2018, indicating the criteria for the selection of the beneficiaries thereof?

B/893 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

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

Whether, in regard to the court case lodged by her Ministry against Data Communications Ltd., she will state where matters stand, indicating if the Rs 20m which was paid to the said company has been recouped as at to date and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

B/894 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms –

Whether, in regard to the public service, he will state the (a) number of employees who have, since January 2015 to date (i) left same and (ii) joined same (b) present number of employees thereof and (c) optimum number of employees thereof for the country?

B/895 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Signal Mountain, he will state the number of times, the dates and the reasons why rocks have reportedly fallen therefrom onto the health tract found thereat, indicating (a) the mitigation measures taken in relation thereto (b) if the technical report in relation thereto will be tabled and (c) the expected date of installation of the Solar Street Lighting System along the health tract and coming into operation thereof?

B/896 The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (**Mr Jahangeer**)

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

Whether, in regard to the implementation of a pilot project for the conversion of wave energy into electricity at Gris Gris/Souillac, he will state where matters stand?

B/897 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Abbas Mamode**)

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

Whether, in regard to the specialists/senior specialists, he will (a) give a list thereof employed on a contractual basis, indicating in each case the (i) specialty field (ii) terms and conditions of contract of employment and (iii) reasons for the employment thereof on contract and (b) state the additional number thereof his Ministry proposes to employ on contract, indicating the (i) specialty field and (ii) reasons for the employment thereof on contract?

B/898 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Abbas Mamode**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Regional Health Advisory Boards, he will give a list thereof in each hospital, indicating in each case the (a) composition thereof and (b) terms and conditions of appointment thereof, including, the salaries, allowances and fringe benefits drawn by the members thereof and duties assigned thereto?

B/899 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Abbas Mamode**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms –

Whether, in regard to the Government Medical Insurance Scheme, he will state if same has been implemented and (a) if so, since when, indicating the (i) terms and conditions thereof (ii) selected insurance company, indicating the procurement method used for the selection thereof and (iii) total amount earmarked for the 50% Government contribution, indicating if same will be done through check-off or debited from the passage benefits of the employees and (b) if not, why not, indicating if the civil servants will be refunded same with effect from January 2017?

B/900 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Abbas Mamode**)

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

Whether, in regard to the post mortem examinations, he will state if consideration will be given for same to be carried out in all the regional hospitals and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

B/901 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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 proposed construction of an airport and jetty facilities at Agalega, she will state where matters stand, indicating (a) if the detailed project report thereof is now available and, if so, table copy thereof (b) the project cost thereof, indicating the amount of money spent as at to date and (c) the expected start and completion dates thereof?

- B/902 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)
- To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport –*
- Whether, in regard to the Terre Rouge/Verdun Link Road, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to where matters stand as to the complete rehabilitation thereof, indicating the (a) scope of works thereof (b) detailed cost thereof and (c) expected date of coming into operation of the damaged parts thereof, indicating if the street lighting system thereat will be restored?**
- B/903 The Honourable Third Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Mr Ramano**)
- To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands –*
- Whether, in regard to the Commission of Inquiry on Prescription, he will state if the appropriate amendments to the existing legislation will be introduced in the House to give effect to the recommendations thereof and, if so, when?**
- B/904 The Honourable Third Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Mr Ramano**)
- To ask the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands –*
- Whether, he will state if the introduction of an Estate Agency Authority Bill is being envisaged and, if so, give details thereof?**
- B/905 The Honourable Third Member for Savanne and Black River (**Mr Jhuboo**)
- To ask the Honourable Minister of Tourism –*
- Whether, in regard to the Benitier Island, he will state where matters stand as to the elaboration of a Master Plan for the development thereof?**
- B/906 The Honourable Third Member for Savanne and Black River (**Mr Jhuboo**)
- To ask the Honourable Minister of Ocean Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping –*
- Whether, in regard to the fishing industry, he will state if there is a potential risk for a shortfall of yellow fin tuna on the market and, if so, indicate the measures taken to address same?**

B/907 The Honourable Third Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mr Jhuboo)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed implementation of the Central Wholesale Market Project, he will state where matters stand?

B/908 The Honourable Third Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mr Jhuboo)

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

Whether, in regard to the targetted production of 50% of bio vegetables by 2020, as stated in the Strategic Plan 2016, he will state if same is achievable as at presently advised?

B/909 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Selvon)

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 domestic violence, she will state if consideration will be given for the advisability of reinforcing the legislation to curb the rising number of cases thereof, in particular, making provision for harsher sentencing and more effective prevention actions like making protection orders more severe and more readily obtainable by victims?

B/910 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Selvon)

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

Whether, in regard to the fishing communities of Bain des Dames, Les Salines, Pointe aux Sables and the Grand River North West in Constituency No. 1, Grand River North West and Port Louis West, he will state the policy and measures taken as to the uncertain future thereof in view of the expansion of the port and other activities in these regions?

B/911 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Selvon**)

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

Whether, in regard to water, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to where matters stand as to the 24/7 supply thereof, including, in Constituency No. 1, Grand River North West and Port Louis West?

B/912 The Honourable Second Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Selvon**)

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

Whether, in regard to the missing persons, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the names thereof over the past five years, indicating the number thereof having been found and having reintegrated their families?

B/913 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Bhagwan**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Police Force, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the actions initiated to enforce discipline and increase the efficiency of service delivery?

B/914 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Bhagwan**)

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

Whether, following the recent cases of theft, larceny and aggressions, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the additional actions initiated to ensure public safety as of late?

B/915 The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (**Mr Jahangeer**)

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

Whether, in regard to the training of new tradesmen, namely, in the field of plumbing, electrical installation and mechanical engineering, amongst others, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Institute of Training and Development, information as to where matters stand?

B/916 The Honourable Third Member for Rivière des Anguilles and Souillac (**Mr Jahangeer**)

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

Whether, in regard to the requirement of the presentation of the driving licence in relation to a traffic offence, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if the presentation of a digital version of the driving licence is acceptable?

B/917 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (**Ms Sewocksingh**)

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

Whether, in regard to the free WIFI Hotspots Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Mauritius Telecom, information as to the amount of funds earmarked under the Corporate Social Responsibility in relation thereto for each of the years 2016, 2017 and 2018, respectively?

B/918 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Baloomoody**)

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

Whether, in regard to the prison services, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Prisons, information as to the actions taken, if any, following the recommendations of the Report of the Commission of Inquiry on Drug Trafficking in Mauritius to (a) ensure that no prohibited articles enter the prison premises and (b) provide lighting and CCTV Surveillance System along the outside walls of the prisons?

- B/919 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Armance**)
- To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment –*
- Whether, in regard to the supply of school materials to needy students, he will state the (a) ongoing bid exercises for the procurement thereof, indicating the number of bids submitted and respective bid value thereof and (b) procurement method envisaged therefor in respect of the year 2019?**
- B/920 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Armance**)
- To ask the Honourable Minister of Financial Services and Good Governance –*
- Whether, in regard to the Indian Real Estate Opportunities Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Financial Services Commission, information as to if it is in presence of any correspondence in relation to alleged mismanagement of funds thereat and, if so, indicate the actions taken in relation thereto, if any?**
- B/921 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Armance**)
- To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Security, National Solidarity, and Environment and Sustainable Development –*
- Whether, in regard to Constituency No.1, Grand River North West and Port Louis West, he will state if he is in presence of representations from inhabitants, social workers, and associations of the said constituency regarding pollution allegedly caused by factories found in the vicinity of Pointe aux Sables, and, if so, indicate (a) the actions taken in relation thereto and (b) if consideration will be given for a review of the Environment Impact Assessment procedure with a view to preventing the additional implementation of non-environment-friendly factories thereat?**
- B/922 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Armance**)
- To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Security, National Solidarity, and Environment and Sustainable Development –*
- Whether, in regard to hearing aids, he will state the number of applications therefor received by his Ministry over the past two years, indicating (a) the procurement method used for the supply thereof (b) when the bid exercise was carried out (c) the name of the successful bidder (d) the cost thereof and (e) the number thereof delivered as at to date?**

B/923 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Baloomoody**)

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

Whether, in regard to the extended stream of Grade 7 within the Nine Year Continuous Basic Education Programme, she will state the number of students concerned therewith in academic year 2018, indicating if (a) the teachers who are called to deal with these students have been appropriately trained therefor and (b) after completion of the academic year these students have satisfied the minimum requirement to join Grade 7?

B/924 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Dr Boolell**)

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

Whether, following the freezing of the funds of the Swiss Angolan Financier Bastos, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Financial Service Commission, information as to if discussions are ongoing in relation thereto between the said Commission and a British Law firm appointed by the Angolan Government?

B/925 The Honourable Second Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Dr Boolell**)

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

Whether, in regard to the post of Chief Medical Officer, he will state if same has been filled and, if not, why not?

B/926 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Baloomoody**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Ministerial Committee set up to consider proposed amendments to be brought to the Employment Relations Act and the Employment Rights Act, he will state the date of the last meeting thereof, indicating the expected date of introduction of the proposed amendments in the House?

B/927 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Barbier**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture –

Whether, in regard to the organization of concerts/musical events, he will state if he is aware that the requests of organisers to use football grounds as venues for the holding thereof are refused by the relevant authorities and, if so, indicate if consideration will be given for same to be allowed pending the construction of dedicated infrastructures for the holding thereof?

B/928 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Perraud**)

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

Whether, in regard to the recent alleged case of indecent acts by an officer posted at the Rehabilitation Youth Centre in Rose Hill, 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/929 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Perraud**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment –

Whether, in regard to absolute poverty, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Empowerment Foundation, information as to the number of children living in families falling in this category, indicating the measures that are being taken to help and assist these children?

B/930 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Perraud**)

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

Whether, in regard to the sewerage network drains at Cité Briquetterie, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Waste Water Management Authority, information as to if it is in presence of complaints of foul smell emanating therefrom and, if so, indicate if urgent remedial measures will be taken in relation thereto?

B/931 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 the prisons, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Prisons, information as to if thorough background screening exercises of applicants for posts thereat and during service, respectively, are carried out and, if so, indicate if consideration will be given for the strengthening thereof?

B/932 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Ms Sewocksingh)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of a Central Medical Waste Incinerator, he will state where matters stand?

B/933 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to the law and order situation in China Town, in Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases of larceny and aggression thereat over the past three years, indicating (a) the number of arrests effected in connection therewith and (b) if additional measures will be taken in relation thereto, including the installation of CCTV Surveillance system and the upgrading of the street lighting system thereat and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

Bibi Safeena Lotun (Mrs)
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A/14 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 Sport Medical Unit, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to (a) the number of staff posted thereat, indicating in each case the duties assigned thereto (b) the number of athletes treated thereat, since January 2017 to date and (c) if additional treatment facilities will be provided thereat to the athletes participating in the 10th Indian Ocean Games in 2019?

A/15 The Honourable Fourth Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Quirin**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment –

Whether, in regard to the National Empowerment Foundation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the (a) number of staff posted thereat region-wise, indicating in each case the duties assigned thereto and (b) amount of funds disbursed thereunder over the past two financial years, indicating the list of beneficiaries thereof, region-wise?

A/16 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floreal
(Mr Baboo)

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

**Whether, in regard to the assets held overseas by the former BAI
and which have not yet been disposed of, he will state where
matters stand?**

Bibi Safeena Lotun (Mrs)
Clerk of the National Assembly

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