

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Requiring an Oral Answer****Sitting of Tuesday 26 October 2021****Questions addressed to the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity**

B/903 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Ms Tour**)

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 sovereignty issue of Mauritius over the Chagos Archipelago, he will state where matters stand?

B/904 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 Mr K. A., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Airport Holdings Ltd., information as to the (a) total remuneration drawn as Chief Executive Officer thereof (b) duties and responsibilities thereof and (c) remuneration and other benefits drawn, if any, in all the corporate entities forming part of Airport Holdings Ltd.?

B/905 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 proposed acquisition by Airport Holdings Ltd., of shares in Air Mauritius Ltd. from the other shareholders thereof, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Airport Holdings Ltd., information as to the (a) reasons therefor (b) estimated aggregate cost thereof and (c) source of finance therefor?

B/906 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 illicit drugs, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases of students of secondary and tertiary institutions found in possession thereof and/or dealing therewith since 2015 to date, indicating the (a) quantity and types thereof and (b) additional preventive actions taken in relation thereto?

B/907 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 mainland Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Civil Status Office, information as to the number of deaths registered (a) in July, August and September 2019, 2020 and 2021, respectively and (b) since 01 October 2021 to date?

B/908 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 he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to if, on 29 July 2021, one Mrs B.K.T. reported a case of alleged sexual harassment against one Mr J.M.L.S. and cases of alleged involvement of Mr J.M.L.S. in illegal betting and, if so, indicate where matters stand as to the inquiries initiated thereinto, including if Mr J.M.L.S. has been interrogated under caution and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

B/909 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., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Airport Holdings Ltd., information to the date of appointment thereof as Chief Executive Officer thereof, giving details of the (a) terms and conditions of appointment, thereof, including monthly remuneration and other benefits drawn and duties and responsibilities thereof as CEO thereof and (b) duties and responsibilities thereof in all the corporate entities forming part of Airport Holdings Ltd., giving details of the monthly remuneration and other benefits drawn, if any?

B/910 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 N.B., he will state the date of the last renewal of his contract of employment as Director General of the Independent Commission against Corruption, indicating the terms and conditions of appointment thereof, including the total monthly pay packet and other allowances and benefits drawn?

B/911 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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 new uniforms for the Police Force, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to the (a) cost thereof (b) quantity procured (c) name of supplier and (d) if he is in presence of representations from Police Officers regarding the (i) quality and (ii) other inconveniences thereof?

B/912 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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 Immigration Square Bus Terminal, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to the total number of road accidents reported in the vicinity thereof over the past three years, indicating the number of fatal ones?

B/913 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 the proposed construction of Police Stations, Detention Centres and Divisional Headquarters, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, the list thereof, indicating in each case where matters stand, giving details as to the (a) cost estimate and (b) expected start and completion dates thereof?

B/914 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 the new uniforms for the Police Force, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) if Police Officers and/or Police Unions were consulted prior to the finalization thereof (b) the names of the bidders and of the successful one (c) the cost thereof and (d) if prior to the procurement thereof, a bid or competition was launched for the design and outlook thereof and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?

B/915 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 the COVID-19 pandemic, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Prisons, information as to the (a) reasons for the non-availability of a 24/7 service of a Medical and Health Officer in the Mauritius Prisons Service for detainees suffering therefrom (b) number of detainees who have died after having contracted same and (c) measures taken for the protection of detainees and prisons officers therefrom?

B/916 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 prisons officers required to undergo self-isolation upon recommendation of a Government Medical and Health Officer, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Prisons, information as to if the isolation period is deducted from the sick leave/vacation leave entitlements of the said officers and, if so, indicate the reasons therefor?

B/917 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien
(Mr Ramful)

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 recommendation of the Pay Research Bureau contained in the PRB Report 2016 and re-emphasized in the PRB Report 2021 for the implementation of a Bank of Police Officers Scheme to deal with the shortage of staff in the Mauritius Police Force, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to if consideration will be given thereto and, if so, when?

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/918 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

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

Whether, in regard to the United Kingdom, he will state if Mauritius will be required to sign any new convention therewith following the Brexit and, if so, indicate if discussions have started therefor, giving details thereof?

B/919 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

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

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Judo Federation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the (a) composition of the present Managing Committee thereof, indicating the (i) date of election thereof and of meetings held, including of the last General Assembly Meeting and (ii) individual responsibilities of members thereof (b) clubs (i) affiliated thereto and (ii) on the waiting list for affiliation thereto, if any, and (c) number of judokas holding valid licenses for 2021 therewith?

B/920 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to Dr I.N., he will state the reasons for the transfer thereof as Regional Health Director of the Dr A. G. Jeetoo Hospital to the J. Nehru Hospital?

B/921 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to Remdesivir, he will state if the use thereof as treatment for the COVID-19 pandemic is now being considered by his Ministry and, if so, give details of the (a) treatment and (b) measures taken, if any, for the procurement thereof?

B/922 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed disbursement of funds by the Saudi Authorities to mosques/islamic schools and to the fisher community, he will now state the road map with clear milestones on the processes thereof for the preparatory works therefor?

B/923 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the COVID-19 pandemic, he will state the (a) present number of patients suffering therefrom, indicating the number thereof (i) admitted in hospitals/health institutions, indicating the number thereof in intensive care and (ii) in self-isolation and (b) number of deaths attributed thereto, since the outbreak thereof, wherein COVID-19 has been stated as the (i) direct cause of death and (ii) underlying cause of death, respectively?

B/924 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to COVID-19 Rapid Test kits, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) number thereof sold in pharmacies to date, indicating the reported number of persons having been positive tested through the use thereof and (b) measures taken, if any, to address the illegal sales thereof?

B/925 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to genome sequencing of the COVID-19 pandemic, he will state the number thereof carried out as at to date, indicating the (a) interval at which same is carried out and (b) outcome thereof, indicating if the presence of variants of concern have been detected and, if so, give details as to the response strategy adopted?

B/926 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the Domiciliary Monitoring Unit regarding the COVID-19 pandemic, he will state the number of (a) medical practitioners attached thereto (b) patients in self-isolation under the supervision thereof and (c) home visits and phone monitoring performed by the said unit as at to date?

B/927 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 Mauritian citizens and Mauritian companies cited in the *Pandora Papers*, he will state if his Ministry and, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Financial Services Commission, information as to if inquiries have been initiated in relation thereto and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?

B/928 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

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

Whether, in regard to the economy, he will state the current (a) rate of inflation (b) economic growth and (c) level of public debt?

B/929 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

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

Whether, in regard to the submission of periodic reports to the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child, she will state where matters stand?

B/930 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 the markings and grading at the Cambridge School Certificate and Higher School Certificate Examinations, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Examination Syndicate, information as to the list of cases, subject-wise, where discrepancies and anomalies were noted since 2015 to date and table copy thereof, indicating the (a) causes thereof and (b) prejudices, if any, caused to the students concerned therewith?

B/931 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 the Cambridge School Certificate Examinations 2020, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Examination Syndicate (a) a detailed breakdown, band-wise from 1 to 5, of the results obtained by the students in Oral English Language and (b) information as to the number of students who did not obtain a credit 6 in English Language because of the grades they obtained in the Oral English Language?

B/932 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or
(Dr Gungapersad)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to persons who cannot be vaccinated owing to medical conditions and/or health issues, he will state the number thereof, indicating the measures taken, if any, for them to be allowed access to their workplace and to any other such places where a vaccination pass is compulsory?

B/933 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or
(Dr Gungapersad)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to Constituency No. 6, Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or, he will state the extent of defective water pipes replaced to date in each village found therein, indicating the respective costs thereof?

B/934 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 COVID-19 vaccines, he will state the number of persons administered with a third dose thereof as at to date, indicating (a) the number thereof who have been administered mix-match vaccines, indicating the types of vaccines mix-matched and (b) if the decision to mix-match vaccines is based on appropriate recommendations from the World Health Organization?

B/935 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 sanctions imposed on the Mauritius Football Association by his Ministry by virtue of a letter dated 27 August 2021, he will state (a) if an evaluation of the conditions for the lifting of the said sanctions has been done by his Ministry and (b) why the provisions of section 9 of the Sports Act has not been applied in this case?

B/936 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 Government-owned sports infrastructures managed by the Mauritius Sports Council, he will give the list thereof, indicating the (a) rental fee applicable in each case and (b) sanitary protocols and other conditions applied for the utilization thereof amid the COVID-19 pandemic?

B/937 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Quirin)

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

Whether, in regard to the Lindsay Law Kwan Synthetic Football pitch at Chebel, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Beau Bassin and Rose Hill, information as to the total construction cost thereof, indicating (i) the name of the contractor (ii) the scope of works (iii) the date of allocation of contract and of handing over and (iv) if the contract was awarded following a bid exercise and, if so, indicate the names of the bidders with respective proposals and (b) state if he is in presence of complaints from users thereof as to the state thereof?

B/938 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mrs Luchmun Roy)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to Mauritian citizens below 18 years old, he will state the present number thereof being COVID-19 vaccinated, indicating the calendar for the vaccination of those who are not yet vaccinated?

B/939 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mrs Luchmun Roy)

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

Whether, in regard to autism, she will state the present number of children suffering therefrom in Mauritius, indicating the (a) number of registered associations working for the welfare thereof and (b) assistance and benefits granted thereto by her Ministry?

B/940 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Luchmun Roy**)

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

Whether, in regard to persons who are *Sans Domicile Fixe*, she will state the number thereof presently identified in Port Louis, indicating if an Action Plan has been worked out for the re-integration thereof in society?

B/941 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Luchmun Roy**)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed renovation of the *Centre Jeunesse Résidence La Cure*, he will state where matters stand?

B/942 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr David**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Intended Nationally Determined Contributions submitted by Mauritius in 2015 as an obligation to the Paris Agreement under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, he will state where matters stand, since 2015 to date, as to the (a) evolution of greenhouse gas emissions by Mauritius relative to the business as usual scenario on a yearly basis (b) technical and financial support received by Mauritius from international bodies and foreign countries and (c) projects in which money has been invested as (i) mitigation and (ii) adaptation measures?

B/943 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 launching of an Expression of Interest for investment by local and international companies in demersal fishing and processing facilities, he will (a) state if any fish stock assessment in the lagoon, shallow waters and fishing banks within the Exclusive Economic Zone of Mauritius has been carried out and, if so, indicate the (i) outcome thereof and, if not, why not (ii) type and quantity of fish and (iii) fishing vessels and associated fishing areas and seasons for licensing of international companies and (b) table copy of the said Expression of Interest?

B/944 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 services being provided by the scavenging department for the collection of domestic and household wastes within Vacoas and Phoenix, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Vacoas and Phoenix, information as to the number of lorries available therefor, giving details as to the operation and use made of the said lorries?

B/945 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Mr Lobine**)

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

Whether, in regard to the ongoing widening and upgrading of L'Abattoire Bridge at la Caverne, along the Vacoas La Marie Road B 64, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to the (a) expected completion date thereof and (b) scope of the variation works, if any and, if so, give details thereof and additional costs incurred therefor?

B/946 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Lobine)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the COVID-19 vaccines administered to the population, he will state the amount of money disbursed for the procurement thereof as at to date?

B/947 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 injection of Rs 12 billion into Air Mauritius Ltd., he will state the source of financing thereof?

B/948 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 COVID-19 patients, he will state the number thereof (a) admitted at the ENT Hospital since August 2021 to date, indicating the number thereof intubated and placed on ventilators (b) having recovered and (c) having passed away?

B/949 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 50 ventilators acquired from Pack & Blister through emergency procurement, he will state if (a) his Ministry has been or will be reimbursed due to same being defective (b) same have been or will be replaced and (c) any legal actions been initiated against the said supplier?

B/950 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 contributions made towards UN Climate Change Conference of Parties (COP 26), he will state the (a) steps being taken to ensure adequate representation of the local government at the forthcoming COP 26 Summit in November 2021 to highlight the progress made on climate change at local level and (b) number of meetings he has held with councils and local government organizations on the role of local government in meeting the national net zero target and how same will be communicated at the COP 26 Summit?

B/951 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet
(Mr Woochit)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to Mauritian citizens below the age of 18 and not attending schools, he will state if consideration will be given for the carrying out of an assessment of the potential merits of administering same with COVID-19 vaccines if they are over the age of 16?

B/952 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 road accidents, he will state the measures being taken for the (a) improvement of road safety awareness among specifically the (i) youths and (ii) drivers and (b) reduction of the number of fatal accidents and/or serious injuries in road traffic accidents?

B/953 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Ittoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the National Health Sector Strategic Plan 2020-2024, he will state where matters stand as to the implementation thereof?

B/954 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Joanna Bérenger)

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

Whether, in regard to the third phase of the Metro Express Project, he will state if an Environment Management Plan, an inventory of cultural heritage assets together with a heritage impact assessment and any public consultation exercise have been carried out prior to the start of the works and, if so, will he table copy of the respective reports?

B/955 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Joanna Bérenger)

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

Whether, in regard to the review of the National Development Strategy, he will state where matters stand, indicating if (a) consideration will be given to the comments of the different stakeholders and (b) if a final draft has been sent to those stakeholders for comments?

B/956 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Joanna Bérenger)

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

Whether, in regard to the Rs 90m placed by the Municipal Council of Curepipe in the Banyan Tree Bank, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Council, information as to the availability of the deposits made, now that the said Bank has found a new shareholder?

B/957 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Joanna Bérenger)

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

Whether, in regard to the High-Level Panel held between the Republic of Mauritius and the European Union on 10 May 2018 in the Plaza, Rose-Hill, for the promotion of Innovative Investment and Business Models to increase the effectiveness of cultural heritage as a factor of social and economic development, he will state the outcome thereof?

B/958 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Mayotte)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the students under the age of 18, he will state the number thereof having been COVID-19 vaccinated as at date?

B/959 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Mayotte)

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

Whether, in regard to teenage pregnancy, she will state the number of reported cases thereof since January 2020 to date?

B/960 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Assirvaden)

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

Whether, in regard to the Super Cash Back Gold policy holders of the former BAI Co. (Mauritius) Ltd., he will state if Government proposes to refund them and, if so, when?

B/961 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Assirvaden)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the CEB Fibernet Co Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the yearly profit and loss accounts thereof over the past three financial years?

B/962 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to the decision to pay the Basic Retirement Pension in bank on the fourth working day of the month as from February 2022, she will state if the members of the Executive Committee of the Senior Citizens Council had been consulted prior thereto, indicating if consideration will be given for a review thereof so as not to negatively impact the majority of the senior citizens?

B/963 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Anquetil)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the issue of two death certificates of 15-months old baby K.E. who died on the night of 08 September 2021 at the Dr A.G. Jeetoo Hospital, he will state where matters stand as to the inquiry initiated thereinto?

B/964 The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Anquetil)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Cultural Heritage –

Whether, in regard to the Le Morne Heritage Trust Fund Board, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to (a) the number of Board meetings held since January 2021 to date and (b) if the Management Plan of the Site dated 2008 has been revised and, if so, give details thereof and, if not, why not?

B/965 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 recent cases of COVID-19 positive tested babies, she will state the protocol and isolation measures put in place at the Cap Malheureux Relay Center, indicating the date of introduction thereof?

B/966 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

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

Whether, in regard to the digital COVID-19 vaccination pass issued by the Mauritian Authorities, he will state (a) if his attention has been drawn to a number of cases wherein some contain errors and omissions, indicating the remedial measures taken in relation thereto and (b) where the use thereof is compulsory?

B/967 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Armance**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Free Supply of Optical Glasses to Children of families registered under the Social Register Mauritius Scheme, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to where matters stand, as to the implementation thereof, indicating the (a) number of such children supplied therewith as at to date and (b) name of the supplier, indicating the procurement process thereof?

B/968 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 roads in Grand Gaube Village, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Rivière du Rempart District Council, information as to the roads to be asphalted and/or re-asphalted in the financial year 2021/2022?

B/969 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Armance**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the project for the construction of a new Area Health Centre at Pointe Aux Sables, he will state where matters stand (a) giving details of the bid exercise carried out, indicating the (i) name of the bidders with corresponding quoted amounts and (ii) project value thereof and (b) functionality thereof, indicating the (i) services that will be provided thereat (ii) opening hours thereof and (iii) number of doctors and staff that will be posted thereat?

B/970 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 Intensive Care Unit of the ENT Hospital, he will state (a) the number of ventilators, high flow oxygen apparatus, Pulse Oxymeter in active use thereat since March 2021 for COVID-19 positive patients (b) if the Bi-PAP machine disposables are available round the clock for COVID-19 patients (c) the ratio of doctors and nursing staff to number of patients admitted thereat and (d) if patients are requested to buy their own medications such as Remdesevir?

B/971 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 COVID-19 PCR testing, he will state (a) the eligibility criteria therefor in public hospitals/health institutions, indicating the number thereof carried out over the past six months (b) the number of private health institutions authorised to perform same and number thereof carried out over the past six months (c) the number of persons being refused same in public hospitals for having a positive rapid Antigen test and (d) if the laboratory facilities at SSR International Airport is conducting same on targeted incoming passengers since 01 October 2021?

B/972 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Dr Aumeer**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour, Human Resource Development and Training, Minister of Commerce and Consumer Protection –

Whether, in regard to pregnant women at work, he will state if (a) his Ministry has issued guidelines as regards mandatory vaccination against COVID-19 in the public and private sectors and (b) non vaccinated pregnant women can be subjected to forceful leave without pay or dismissal by employers?

B/973 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 if the post of Head of the Racing Division thereof has been filled and if so, indicate the (a) name of the incumbent and terms and conditions of employment thereof, including, monthly pay packet and other benefits drawn and if a due diligence exercise was carried out prior to the appointment thereof and (b) recruitment procedures followed therefor?

B/974 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour, Human Resource Development and Training, Minister of Commerce and Consumer Protection –

Whether, in regard to the financing of COVID-19 vaccines, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Trading Corporation, information as to the quantum of funds collected from the sale of Mogas and Gas Oil therefor?

B/975 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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

Whether, in regard to the construction of housing units by NBCC (India) Limited, he will state the extent of land leased out thereto?

B/976 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Abbas Mamode**)

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 applications presently being processed by his Ministry, for Constituency No. 3, Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East for the allocation of plots thereof to holders of building site leases for an amount of Rs 2,000, indicating if consideration will be given for the expeditious processing thereof?

- B/977 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Abbas Mamode**)
- To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security –*
- Whether, in regard to stray dogs, he will state if his attention has been drawn to a proliferation thereof on public roads and places, beaches and hospitals and, if so, indicate if urgent remedial actions have been/are being taken in relation thereto?**
- B/978 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 Medical and Health Officers/Senior Medical and Health Officers, he will (a) give the list of those benefiting from overseas courses/scholarships and study leave without pay for post graduate studies since March 2017 to date and (b) state the (i) name of the university (ii) field of course and (iii) start and completion dates thereof?**
- B/979 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (**Mr Nagalingum**)
- To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –*
- Whether in regard to the extension of the Metro Express Project from Rose Hill to Ebene, he will state (a) the revised cost thereof, if any (b) the expected start and completion dates thereof (c) the provisions made for traffic deviations, especially, around the Rose Hill area and (d) if the Environmental Management Plan has been completed and, if so, table copy thereof?**
- B/980 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Richard Duval**)
- To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –*
- Whether, in regard to COVID-19 vaccines, he will state the number of Mauritians administered with two doses thereof, indicating if a survey has been carried out as to the number of persons having suffered side-effects thereto, indicating (a) the age group mostly affected by same (b) if there have been fatal cases and, if so, give details thereof and (c) which vaccines administered were more likely to cause side-effects?**

B/981 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Richard Duval**)

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

Whether, in regard to the animal welfare project “Nou toutou”, he will state why the Humane Society International (HSI) has put an end to its collaboration with his Ministry therefor, indicating if he has received a letter from HSI representative in Mauritius in connection therewith to discuss matters about animal welfare in Mauritius and, if so, give details thereof?

B/982 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 COVID-19 pandemic, she will state the number of senior citizens who died as a result thereof, indicating (a) the measures taken by her Ministry to monitor closely the health of the senior citizens and (b) if her Ministry has set up a plan to cater for those who need to do PCR tests at home?

B/983 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (**Mr Yeung Sik Yuen**)

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

Whether, in regard to street lighting in Curepipe, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Curepipe, information as to the average time taken for the replacement of damaged lamps on the poles?

B/984 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 the Special Education Needs Authority, she will state if she will consider impressing upon same for a review of the document on ‘norms and standards’ released in July 2021 by the said authority in consultation with different stakeholders, considering the fact that there exist different types of disabilities?

B/985 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Cultural Heritage –

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Film Development Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the composition of the Board, indicating if one of the members has been allegedly found in possession of a certain amount of cannabis on Friday 08 October 2021?

B/986 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)

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

Whether, in regard to the fishers, he will state (a) the number thereof who have (i) returned or transferred their cards since July 2021 to date and (ii) applied for new cards and (b) if he proposes to review the amount of lump sum to be granted thereto?

B/987 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)

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

Whether, in regard to the elderly, she will state the number thereof who have reportedly been physically assaulted and been sexually abused whilst being robbed since January 2021 to date, indicating the protective measures taken by her Ministry, if any, for the protection thereof?

B/988 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (**Mr Léopold**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to all available COVID-19 vaccines in Mauritius, he will state the recent assessment made thereof with a view to prioritising access to the COVID- 19 booster jab?

B/989 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 the *Contribution Sociale Généralisée*, he will state the quantum of revenue collected since the introduction thereof in September 2020 to date, indicating how same has been/is being spent?

B/990 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien
(Mr Ramful)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the COVID-19 vaccines, he will state the category of vaccinated persons who would require a booster shot?

B/991 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien
(Mr Ramful)

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

Whether, in regard to the M.V. Wakashio shipwreck, he will state the quantum of insurance money claimed and received, indicating the quantum thereof (a) remitted to each of the victims as at to date, giving a breakdown of the figures and (b) yet to be paid?

B/992 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 neonates, he will state the (a) number of neonatal intensive care unit beds available island-wide and (b) measures taken to provide better health care thereto?

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A/53 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Dr Aumeer**)

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

Whether, in regard to the roads along Boulevard Pitot, Boulevard Hugon, Alma Street and Inkerman Street, in Vallée Pitot, he will state when same were last resurfaced, indicating if any plan is in the pipe line to remedy the number of existing potholes and irregular patchy areas along same?

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