

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Requiring an Oral Answer****Sitting of Tuesday 27 July 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/781 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 investment of Rs 2.2 billion into the Breakwater, Fishing Port and the Cruise Terminal Building, as announced in the 2020-2021 Budget speech, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Ports Authority, information as to where matters stand?

B/782 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (**Ms Joanna Bérenger**)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of a gymnasium and allied facilities onsite the former SMF married quarters, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if ancient buildings are being pulled down in the wake thereof, indicating if a heritage impact assessment was carried out prior to the implementation of the said project?

B/783 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or
(Dr Gungapersad)

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 Goodlands Police Station, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of officers, grade-wise, posted thereat since 2015 to date, indicating if it is adequately resourced to discharge the roles and responsibilities thereof optimally?

B/784 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 tugs, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Ports Authority, information as to (a) the number thereof in operation as at to date, indicating in each case the (i) capacity and (ii) date of commissioning thereof (b) if new ones are being purchased and, if so, indicate the (i) capacity thereof and (ii) procurement method used therefor and (c) if additional ones are presently being leased and, if so, indicate the leasing procedures resorted to?

B/785 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 the families of the officers lost at sea in the wreck of the Sir Gaëtan tug, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Ports Authority, information as to if (a) all compensations due have been paid thereto and, if so, when and (b) assistance has been extended for the payment of the education fees of the children thereof?

B/786 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 the new Automated Identification System and Vessel Monitoring System installed at the radio tower control, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Ports Authority, information as to if training has been given to the personnel for the use thereof?

B/787 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 one Mr J. J., arrested by a Police Officer of the Long Mountain Police Station, on 17 July 2021, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the (a) reasons for the arrest and (b) if the arrest was executed pursuant to a warrant of arrest duly issued or pursuant to the inherent power of arrest of a Police Officer?

B/788 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 the Sir Seewoosagar Ramgoolam International Airport, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the airlines which are authorized to operate flights through same with effect from 15 July 2021, indicating the countries (a) from which in-coming passengers will be allowed to disembark thereat and (b) to which outgoing passengers will embark?

B/789 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 vacant posts in the grade of Police Sergeant and Inspector of Police, respectively, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to when competitive examinations will be held for the filling thereof?

B/790 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Richard Duval**)

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

Whether, in regard to the vessels which ran aground/broke down off the shores of Pointe D'Esny since August 2020 to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) the number thereof which solicited the help of the National Coast Guard to exit therefrom and (b) in each case, the (i) country's flag flown (ii) length of stay on-site (iii) destination thereof and (iv) goods being transported?

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/791 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 proposed inquiry to be initiated by her Ministry into the recent case of utterance by Mrs R.S. of hateful and inappropriate remarks towards persons with disabilities on the social media platform, she will state where matters stand?

B/792 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 pandemic, he will state if his Ministry is considering the use of Ivermectin in the treatment thereof and, if so, give reasons therefor and, if not, why not?

B/793 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 Mauritius Football Association and the first and second division football clubs, he will state the quantum of the financial grant/assistance allocated thereto in financial years 2017-2018, 2018-2019, 2019-2020 and 2020-2021, respectively, giving details thereof?

B/794 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Quirin)

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

Whether, in regard to the National Database for Vulnerable Groups, she will state if the measure announced in the Budget speech 2021-2022 for households earning a monthly income in the range of Rs 10,500 and Rs 14,000 eligible to register for support thereunder, is presently applicable and, if so, give details thereof and, if not, why not?

B/795 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Quirin)

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

Whether, in regard to youth unemployment, he will state the immediate actions taken, if any, by his Ministry in the light of the latest figures thereof published by Statistics Mauritius?

B/796 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 Defined Benefit Pension Plans for employees of statutory bodies and local authorities, he will state the current amount of deficit thereunder, indicating the measures taken for the reduction thereof, if any?

B/797 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

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

Whether, in regard to the disabled persons, she will, for the benefit of the House, for each of the years 2017 to 2020 and since January 2021 to date, obtain from the Training and Employment of Disabled Persons Board, information as to the number thereof (a) trained, indicating the courses imparted and respective places of training and (b) having (i) been placed in employment and (ii) complained thereto relating to employment issues?

B/798 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the pharmaceutical sector, he will state if consideration will be given for the implementation of the recommendations on the conditions of competition published in the Competition Commission Report dated 08 June 2021?

B/799 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 neurosurgery, he will state (a) the number of qualified specialists thereof employed in the public sector, indicating the respective posting thereof and (b) patients who, over the past four years (i) underwent same within normal working hours and on emergency outside normal working hours, respectively (ii) were sent overseas therefor, indicating the reasons why same could not be performed locally, indicating if an audit of mortality rate of patients having undergone same locally and overseas has been carried out?

B/800 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 Bruno Cheong Hospital at Flacq, he will state the number of radiological investigations carried out thereat, particularly CT scan, MRI and mammography, respectively, over the past four years, indicating the number (a) of CT scan and MRI requested and performed after normal working hours and (b) thereof related to casualties due to road traffic accidents?

B/801 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 the expatriates, he will state the (a) number thereof working in Mauritius over the past five years (i) sector-wise and (ii) nationality-wise and (b) names of the Mauritius-based recruiting agencies involved in the recruitment thereof?

B/802 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Dr Aumeer**)

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

Whether, in regard to disability benefits to cancer patients, she will state the number of (a) beneficiaries thereof and (b) successful outcomes following appeals lodged with the Medical Tribunal, indicating if an oncologist forms part of the Tribunal?

B/803 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal (**Ms Joanna Bérenger**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Environmentally Sensitive Areas, he will state where matters stand in respect of the validation by relevant authorities of the draft Environmentally Sensitive Areas Mapping produced under the Management of Coastal Zones in Mauritius Project, indicating if same is being taken into consideration in the preparation of the National Environment Master Plan?

B/804 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Joanna Bérenger)

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

Whether, in regard to pesticides, he will state if he has taken cognizance of the recent statistics published by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations showing an alarming use thereof and, if so, indicate the (a) sensitization being done as to the use thereof (b) incentives provided to opt for organic solutions and (c) frequency of controls on the use thereof, indicating if the existing legislation will be reviewed to better regulate the use thereof?

B/805 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 *Pas Géométriques*, he will state if any ongoing project has been identified as being in violation of the law stating that a person to whom a lease is granted shall not alter or change any marsh, lake or sand dunes and mangroves found thereat and, if so, give details thereof?

B/806 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Ittoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the sewerage works undertaken in Camp Rouillard, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Wastewater Management Authority, information as to the work progress thereof?

B/807 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Ittoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to overseas treatment, he will state the protocol put in place therefor amid the COVID-19 pandemic?

- B/808 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (**Mr Ittoo**)
- To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –*
- Whether, in regard to the proposed reconstruction of Pont Lolo and Austin Bridge, he will state the work progress thereof?**
- B/809 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (**Mr Ittoo**)
- To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –*
- Whether, in regard to La Marie, Glen Park and Cantin, in the region of Plaine Wilhems, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to the future plans, if any, being envisaged to remedy the persistent water problems thereat?**
- B/810 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 educational institutions, she will state the (a) number of COVID-19 positive tested persons thereat, indicating the number thereof having been quarantined following contact tracing exercises and (b) list thereof having been closed down, indicating the duration thereof in each case?**
- B/811 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 each of the regional hospitals, he will state the number of outpatients awaiting fixing of appointments to undergo (a) echography (b) endoscopy (c) angiography and (d) lithotripsy?**
- B/812 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (**Dr Gungapersad**)
- To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –*
- Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of a new market in Goodlands, he will state where matters stand?**

B/813 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière
(Mr Bhagwan)

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

Whether, in regard to Mr R. S., General Manager of the State Trading Corporation, he will state the (a) date of appointment thereof, indicating if a prior due diligence exercise was carried out to ascertain if he is a fit and proper person for the post (b) terms and conditions of appointment thereof, including the total monthly pay packet and (c) number of boards of parastatal bodies and funds of which he is a member?

B/814 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Assirvaden)

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

Whether, in regard to the sugar sector, he will state if he will table the latest World Bank Report thereon and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

B/815 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Assirvaden)

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

Whether, in regard to internet connection, he will state if he will consider liaising with the relevant stakeholders therefor with a view to devising a special package for the users thereof for online learning?

B/816 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Assirvaden)

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

Whether, in regard to taxi operators based at the Sir Seewoosagar Ramgoolam International Airport, he will state if he will use his good office to come up with an agreement with the stakeholders regarding the conveyance of passengers following the opening of our borders phase one?

B/817 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 patients, he will state the (a) current treatment protocol applied thereto (b) mortality rate wherein COVID-19 is the (i) direct cause of death and (ii) underlying cause of death and (c) number of complaints received therefrom or from family members thereof by his Ministry for poor treatment administered thereto?

B/818 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 public hospitals, he will state the (a) COVID-19 health protocols put in place thereat, indicating the number of complaints received, if any, for non-compliance therewith (b) number of times same have been fully or partially shut down due to COVID-19 positive testing of the staff thereof and (c) number of persons COVID-19 positive tested thereat as at to date, indicating the number of persons placed in quarantine after contact tracing exercise?

B/819 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha**)

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

Whether, in regard to child trafficking, she will state the (a) number of reported cases thereof since January 2015 to date, indicating the number of convictions secured in connection therewith (b) measures taken to combat/prevent same and (c) protection afforded and care provided to victims thereof?

B/820 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha**)

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

Whether, in regard to food wastage, he will state (a) the amount thereof for the years 2018, 2019 and 2020, respectively and commercial value thereof (b) the actions taken, if any, to reduce same, particularly in hotels, restaurants and bars and (c) if consideration will be given for the introduction of a Food Wastage Reduction Bill?

B/821 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (**Mr Léopold**)

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

Whether, in regard to agricultural science, she will state if consideration will be given for the inclusion thereof as a subject in the curriculum for students of grade 7 to 9 and, if not, why not?

B/822 The Honourable Second Member for Rodrigues (**Mr Léopold**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Research and Innovation Council, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the programmes being implemented by the Rodrigues branch thereof?

B/823 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Juman**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Côte d'Or National Sports Complex, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Multisports Infrastructure Ltd., information as to the functionality of the electronic switchboard of the swimming pool thereat, indicating if same is in order and, if not, since when and if same has been repaired?

B/824 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 youth, particularly in Constituency No. 4, Port Louis North and Montagne Longue, he will state the recreational activities organised by his Ministry therefor?

B/825 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Luchmun Roy**)

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

Whether, in regard to the internet connection breakdown on 19 July 2021, he will state the reasons therefor, indicating the measures that have been taken to prevent the recurrence thereof?

B/826 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the delivery by Mrs A. A., of her stillborn on 18 April 2021 and the death of her two newborn babies on 19 April 2021 at the Jawaharlal Nehru Hospital in Rose-Belle, he will state if inquiries were initiated at the level of his Ministry thereinto and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?

B/827 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to newborn babies, he will state the number thereof who died during/or following delivery at each regional hospital since January 2020 to date, indicating if inquiries have been carried out and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof in each case?

B/828 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 Fishermen Welfare Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the eligibility criteria for the award by the Fund of scholarships to the children of the fishers, giving the list of the beneficiaries thereof, since January 2015 to date?

B/829 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 Inland Aquaculture Scheme, he will give the list of the beneficiaries thereunder since the inception thereof to date?

B/830 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Mayotte)

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

Whether, in regard to State land leased at Cemetery Road in Surinam, he will state the reasons for the disparity in the quantum of the lease payable by the 50 lessees thereat?

B/831 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Mayotte)

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

Whether, in regard to the defective septic tank at the Cité CHA of Chamarel, he will state if land has been acquired for the installation of septic tanks in replacement thereof and, if so, indicate when same will be operational?

B/832 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Mayotte)

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

Whether, in regard to the registered professional fishers, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to if they are eligible to any existing pension scheme for enhanced pension benefits upon retirement under the Fishermen Welfare Fund and, if not, will he state if consideration will be given for them to benefit under the *Contribution Sociale Généralisée*, with the collaboration of the Ministry of Social Integration, Social Security and National Solidarity?

B/833 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Mayotte)

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

Whether, in regard to the Fishermen Welfare Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to if consideration will be given for (a) an extension of the facilities granted thereunder to families of the registered professional fishers who meet with problems at sea in the course of their professional activities and (b) a review and increase of the support granted thereunder?

B/834 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Lobine)

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

Whether, in regard to the recent outbreak of the Foot and Mouth Disease in Rodrigues, he will state where matters stand, indicating (a) the number of reported cases thereof since 01 July 2021 to date and (b) if the vaccination exercise against same has been completed?

B/835 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 pandemic, he will state, since 01 July 2021 to date, the number of persons having been positive tested, indicating the number thereof being foreign workers?

B/836 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 parking spaces provided to stallholders of the Vacoas Market Fair on Tuesdays and Fridays, respectively, following the relocation thereof, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Vacoas and Phoenix, information as to the (a) number of available parking slots (b) costs incurred in relation thereto as at date and (c) name of the contractor who was allocated the contract therefor?

B/837 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 Fishermen Investment Trust, he will state the total number of shares and of shareholders thereof prior to the repeal of the Fishermen Investment Trust Act, indicating the reasons why the Trust has not been operating since 2014?

B/838 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr David**)

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

Whether, in regard to the river dredging and cleaning works ordered in April 2021 by the District Council of Savanne, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Council, information as to (a) the number of sites concerned therewith (b) the name of the contractor (c) the scope of works (d) the contract value (e) if procurement procedures were strictly abided by and (f) if clearance from the Forestry Service and if the issue of an Environmental Impact Assessment licence were sought and obtained prior to start of works?

B/839 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed revamping of the Mauritius National Identity Card System, he will state where matters stand as to the implementation thereof, indicating the estimated cost thereof?

B/840 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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

Whether, in regard to the *Contribution Sociale Generalisée*, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Revenue Authority, information as to the quantum thereof collected since the inception thereof to date?

B/841 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 recent allegations of fake Parcel Identification Numbers and Morcellement Permits having been issued, he will state if his Ministry has initiated an inquiry thereinto and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?

B/842 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Doolub**)

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

Whether, in regard to the hotels identified for resort tourism with effect from 15 July 2021, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of rooms thereof booked by foreigners as at to date?

B/843 The Honourable Third Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Doolub**)

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

Whether, in regard to Innovation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information from the Mauritius Research and Innovation Council, information as to the projects implemented in relation thereto since January 2020 to date, indicating the assessed impact thereof?

B/844 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Richard Duval**)

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

Whether, in regard to foreign workers dormitories, he will state the measures taken, if any, by his Ministry to ensure enforcement of COVID-19 precautionary sanitary measures thereat?

B/845 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Richard Duval**)

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 line from Rose Hill to Réduit, he will state the (a) extent of land acquired therefor and cost thereof and (b) number of service amenities that will require relocation in the wake thereof, indicating the estimated cost thereof?

B/846 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the CEB (Fibernet) Co. Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Central Electricity Board, information as to the (a) quantum of funds invested therein by the Board to date and (b) current commercial activities thereof?

B/847 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 fines and fixed penalties, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to if consideration will be given for the possibility of effecting payment therefor online and at any court of law island-wide, instead of at a specified court of law, as presently obtains?

B/848 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Abbas Mamode)

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

Whether, in regard to pensions, she will state the number of beneficiaries thereof who are being remitted same by post, indicating the fees payable in relation thereto to the Mauritius Post Ltd. on a yearly basis over the past two years?

B/849 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 services procured by private clinics to Government, he will give the list thereof, indicating in each case, the expenditure incurred in relation thereto, since September 2015 to date?

B/850 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Abbas Mamode**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Khadafi Square, in Plaine Verte, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal City Council of Port Louis, information as to if consideration will be given for the installation of led street lanterns at the level of the former HSBC office and on the bus stand thereat and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

B/851 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Armance**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Employees Welfare Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) quantum of Funds thereof invested in Rodrigues Island over the past five years and (b) list of capital projects undertaken thereunder since January 2014 to date?

B/852 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 procurement of school materials by her Ministry, she will give the list of the successful bidders therefor over the past six years, indicating in each case, the (a) procurement method used and (b) contract value?

B/853 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 procurement of goods and services by the National Empowerment Foundation, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information, as to the (a) procurement method/s used therefor and (b) composition of the Committee set up for the processing thereof, indicating the remuneration drawn in each case?

B/854 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Armance**)

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

Whether, in regard to the small and medium enterprises, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from SME Mauritius Ltd., information as to (a) the number thereof having closed down amid the COVID-19 pandemic and (b) if a survey has been carried out to assess the number thereof in financial difficulties, indicating the supportive measures provided by his Ministry thereto?

B/855 The Hon The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (**Mr Bodha**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness

Whether, in regard to medical equipment and medical supplies, he will state the quantity thereof donated by each donor country and international agency, since August 2020 to date?

B/856 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (**Mr Bodha**)

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

Whether, in regard to essential goods, he will state if consideration will be given for the provision of an assistance scheme to assist importers thereof to maintain a constant supply thereof on the local market, following the recent increase of the freight costs?

B/857 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (**Mr Bodha**)

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

Whether, in regard to COVID-19 pandemic, he will state if consideration will be given for the mandatory requirement of a COVID-19 Sanitary Pass and/or the drawing up of a list of countries with travel restrictions for incoming passengers with the re-opening of our borders phase starting in October 2021?

B/858 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

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

Whether, in regard to the Lolo Bridge, La Savanne bridge and Austin Bridge in Constituency No.16, Vacoas and Floréal, he will state where matters stand as to the implementation of the proposed infrastructural projects in relation thereto?

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