MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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Requiring an Oral Answer

Sitting of Tuesday 10 May 2022

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

B/524 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 Mauritian sign language, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, information as to where matters stand regarding the proposed collaboration between the Corporation and the Society for the Welfare of the Deaf for the live broadcast of one news bulletin therein, as suggested by the Society for the Welfare of the Deaf?

B/525 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 Mr P. U., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to who gave instructions for the removal from Mauritius thereof in breach of an injunction issued by a Judge of the Supreme Court?

B/526 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

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 Police Officers, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the present number thereof under suspension grade-wise?
B/527  The Honourable First Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Dr Boolell)

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 recent social unrest, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if the suspected instigators thereof have been identified and, if so, indicate the actions taken in relation thereto, if any?

B/528  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 Vallée des Prêtres, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the safety and security measures being envisaged following the recent reported cases of theft and violence thereat?

B/529  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 P. M. he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Airports of Mauritius Ltd., information as to the (a) date of appointment thereof as Chairperson of the board thereof and (b) terms and conditions of appointment, including, the monthly remuneration drawn and if he is entitled to an official car, indicating the type, date of purchase and total cost thereof?
B/530 The Honourable First Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Dr Boolell)

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 P. U., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Passport and Immigration Office, information as to if a deportation order has been issued and executed against him?

B/531 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 inquiry in the Bet365 case, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand?

B/532 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 offences provided under the Consolidated COVID-19 Regulations, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of contraventions booked therefor in each case since the coming into force thereof to date (a) giving a breakdown thereof and (b) indicating the total quantum of money collected in terms of fines as at to date?
B/533  The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil (Mr Nuckcheddy)

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 reported recent gatherings held by Mr R. V. and some other lawyers, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to if same have been held in compliance with the existing legislation pertaining to public gatherings and, if not, indicate if any arrest has been effected in connection therewith and, if not, why not?

B/534  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 death of late Mr S. K. at Moka, 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 following the findings of the Magistrate of the District Court of Moka, indicating the number of statements recorded by the Central Crime Investigation Division, including if Mr Y. S. has been interrogated?

B/535  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 P. M., Senior Advisor attached to his Office, he will state, since October 2021 to date, the number of Boards of public bodies and/or State-owned companies on which he is serving, indicating in each case the (a) nomination date and (b) monthly remuneration drawn?
B/536 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 overseas missions, he will state the number of ministerial delegations and Honourable Members having undertaken same since the reopening of the borders in October 2021, indicating in each case the (a) purpose and outcome thereof, if any, and (b) cost incurred, including air tickets and per diem allowances?

B/537 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mrs Luchmun Roy)

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

Whether, in regard to Meta, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Independent Communication Technologies Authority, information as to where matters stand as to the carrying out in Mauritius of a proposed programme of activities and workshops to build awareness on responsible online behaviour?

B/538 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

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 vegetables, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the reported number of thefts thereof in 2019, 2020, 2021 and since January 2022 to date, indicating the measures being put in place to prevent same?
B/539  The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

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

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, he will state if he has taken cognizance of the correspondences addressed to his Office by the Affirmative Action Non-Governmental Organisation on 20 January and 10 February 2022, respectively, and, if so, indicate the actions taken in relation thereto, if any?

B/540  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 oil spill that occurred on or about 29 April 2022 within the waters falling under the control of the Mauritius Ports Authority (MPA), he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the MPA, information as to (a) the causes thereof (b) if an inquiry has been initiated to identify the polluters and (c) the immediate actions taken to mitigate the negative impact thereof on marine environment within the region?

B/541  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 fatal road accidents, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number thereof since July 2021 to April 2022, indicating the number of deaths caused?
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/542 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

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

Whether, in regard to passenger bus fares, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Land Transport Authority, information as to if a review thereof is being considered?

B/543 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Abbas Mamode)

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

Whether, in regard to the motorways and classified roads, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to if there is a lack of direction signage at different places along same and, if so, indicate if consideration will be given for the placing of conspicuous direction signage thereat?

B/544 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 Vacoas Urban Terminal, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to if the contract for the construction thereof has been awarded and, if so, indicate the (a) name of the selected bidder and (b) source of funding thereof?

B/545 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 housing units containing hazardous asbestos and which need to be dismantled, he will state if financial measures or compensation will be considered in respect thereof?
B/546 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 as to the proposed validation thereof by the relevant authorities of the draft Environmentally Sensitive Areas Mapping produced under the Management of Coastal Zones in Mauritius Project?

B/547 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 State and private secondary schools in mainland Mauritius and in Rodrigues Island, she will state the reported number of students thereof having allegedly been victims of sexual abuse inside and outside the school premises, respectively, since January 2015 to date?

B/548 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 Morcellement Aurea at Côte d’Or, he will state since when same is serviced by any local authority, indicating the local authority under which it falls?

B/549 The Honourable Second Member for Grand’ Baie and Poudre d’Or (Dr Gungapersad)

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

Whether, in regard to development projects in Constituency No. 6, Grand’ Baie and Poudre d’Or, he will (a) state the (i) number thereof implemented by the National Development Unit since January 2015 to date (ii) total budget earmarked therefor for the year 2021-2022, indicating the amount thereof disbursed as at to date and (b) table the list of completed and ongoing projects per locality?
B/550 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

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

Whether, in regard to the flood-prone areas identified in Constituency No. 1, Grand River North West and Port Louis West, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Land Drainage Authority, the list of drainage projects implemented thereat since 2019 to date, indicating (a) in each case, the value and the name of the contractor thereof (b) those earmarked for implementation in the short and long terms, respectively, and (c) where matters stand as to the implementation of the Richelieu Drain Project?

B/551 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 Central Electricity Board (Green Energy) Co. Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to if it is fully operational or has been scrapped?

B/552 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mrs Foo Kune-Bacha)

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

Whether, in regard to tourism promotion and destination marketing, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Tourism Promotion Authority, information as to (a) the quantum of funds spent in respect thereof since June 2021 to date (b) the target markets, including the quantum of funds spent on each and (c) where relevant, to whom contracts were awarded, indicating the contract cost and duration of contract?
B/553 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 families seeking refuge in centres during cyclonic and bad weather conditions, she will state (a) the number of persons who repetitively resort thereto (b) if her Ministry has identified genuine distressed families in need of urgent help to obtain a social housing unit and (c) the facilities offered to genuine distressed families to improve their current housing condition until they can benefit from a decent house through the National Empowerment Foundation?

B/554 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

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

Whether, in regard to the upgrading of the main road at the level of terminus Lallman to Upper Crève Coeur, he will state where matters stand?

B/555 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Assirvaden)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether he will state if he has taken cognizance of the recent public peaceful demonstration by the Union of the Employees of the Central Electricity Board (UECEB) in front of the CEB Head Office regarding the issue of harassment of women and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the CEB, information as to if the General Manager proposes to meet representatives of the UECEB to discuss the issue?

B/556 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

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

Whether, in regard to the Cadastre Unit, he will state if it has ceased taking applications for the issue of Parcel Identification Numbers due to technical issues with the Digital Cadastre Database and, if so, indicate the measures being taken in relation thereto and the date on which normal service is expected to resume?
Parliamentary Questions

B/557

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 the Ophthalmology Services, he will state, over the past three years respectively, the number of (a) patients on the waiting list for cataract surgery, indicating the number thereof who passed away before the realization of the said surgery and (b) cataract surgery performed at the Subramania Bharati Moka Eye Hospital and the New Souillac Hospital, respectively?

B/558

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

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 relocation of our mission in Kuala Lumpur as reported in the Report 2020-2021 of the Director of Audit, he will state if the relevant parent Ministry had authorised same and, if not, indicate (a) under whose authority same was effected (b) if the High Commissioner had issued a letter to the Malaysian authorities stating that the Government of Mauritius had authorised same and (c) if consideration will be given for the High Commissioner to be requested to step down pending the initiation and conclusion of an inquiry thereinto?

B/559

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

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

Whether, in regard to the present state of the traffic congestion at junction of Sir Abdool Razack Mohamed Street, Military Road and Bernardin de Saint Pierre Street, at La Croisée Vallée des Prêtres, in Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to the proposed remedial measures to be implemented in the short and long terms, respectively?
B/560 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Ramful)

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 Comprehensive Economic Cooperation and Partnership Agreement between Mauritius and India which came into force on 01 April 2021, he will state the total value of goods and services exported and imported, respectively, by Mauritius thereunder, giving a breakdown thereof?

B/561 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 unoccupied plots of land left in abandoned state in Constituency No. 1, Grand River North West and Port Louis West, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) if consideration will be given for the carrying out of surveys region-wise to identify same and for the cleaning thereof with the collaboration of all the stakeholders concerned therewith and (b) the number of requests received at the Citizen Support Unit for the cleaning thereof?

B/562 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Dhunoo)

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

Whether, in regard to the construction of the Multipurpose Hall of 16ème Mile, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the District Council of Grand Port, information as to where matters stand?

B/563 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 subsistence allowance payable to persons on the Social Register of Mauritius, she will state if consideration will be given for an increase of the quantum thereof following the recent rise in the cost of living and, if so, give details thereof and, if not, why not?
B/564  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 pandemic, he will state if
consideration will be given for a review of the restrictions imposed
under the Consolidated COVID-19 Regulations 2021, in the light
of the Ruling of the Supreme Court of India dated
02 May 2022 on a petition filed by Dr J. P.?

B/565  The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port
Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed upgrading and renovation of
the Port Louis Central Market, he will, for the benefit of the House,
obtain from the Municipal City Council of Port Louis, information
as to if clearance from the UNESCO has been obtained and, if so,
indicate where matters stand as to the implementation thereof.

B/566  The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil
(Mr Nuckcheddy)

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

Whether, in regard to Mr G. S., he will state the date of
appointment thereof as adviser/senior adviser at the then Ministry
of Finance and Economic Development, indicating the
(a) duration of the appointment and monthly remuneration drawn
and (b) board of parastatal bodies on which he served over the
period 2015 to 2019, indicating in each case, the monthly
remuneration drawn?

B/567  The Honourable Second Member for Grand’ Baie and Poudre d’Or
(Dr Gungapersad)

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

Whether, in regard to the Government Wage Assistance Scheme,
he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius
Revenue Authority, information as to the (a) number of employers
and employees having claimed same as at to date and (b) quantum
of funds disbursed thereunder, indicating the quantum thereof
recovered?
B/568  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 Medical Council, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) if l’Université de la Réunion has been refused recognition as an awarding body for the dispensation of medical specialist training as at end April 2022 and (b) the number of requests made by holders of Diplôme Universitaire from l’Université de la Réunion for recognition of specialist training, indicating the specialty fields?

B/569  The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

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

Whether, in regard to the six fire stations which are operating without valid Fire Certificates, as highlighted in the recent report of the Director of Audit, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Fire and Rescue Service, information as to if remedial measures have been initiated to implement a proper management system for fire risk management thereat?

B/570  The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Dhunoo)

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

Whether in regard to the Road Decongestion Programme, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to if the Wooton Roundabout is being considered thereunder?

B/571  The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Dhunoo)

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

Whether, in regard to the Anderson and Lees streets, in Curepipe, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Land Drainage Authority, information as to where matters stand as to the rehabilitation and construction of drains thereat?
B/572  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 the proposed inscription of the Black River Gorges National Park on the World Heritage List, he will state where matters stand?

B/573  The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Mayotte)

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

Whether, in regard to the Basic Invalidity Pensions, she will state the number of applications received for the granting thereof, since July 2021 to date, including the number thereof received from persons suffering from physical and/or mental disability, indicating the number thereof benefitting thereunder?

B/574  The Honourable Fourth Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Ms Anquetil)

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

Whether, in regard to Mr D. N., Human Resource Director at the Casino de Maurice, Curepipe, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to if disciplinary proceedings have been initiated against him and, if so, give details thereof?

B/575  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 electricity production, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to the quantity of heavy fuel oil and coal utilised by the CEB and the Independent Power Producers on a yearly basis over the past seven years?
B/576 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

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 Belt and Road Initiative by China, he will state if consideration will be given for Mauritius to be part thereof and, if not, why not?

B/577 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Woochit)

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

Whether, in regard to agriculture, he will state if an increase of the annual budget thereof with the objective of increasing the productivity thereof and protect farmers’ welfare is being considered?

B/578 The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

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

Whether, in regard to the National Scheme Development Programme, he will state the (a) date on which same was launched (b) number of persons having benefitted thereunder, indicating in which areas and (c) quantum of funds disbursed thereunder as at to date?

B/579 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

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

Whether, in regard to the women entrepreneurs, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Development Bank of Mauritius Ltd., information as to the eligibility criteria to benefit from loans at a concessional rate of 0.5 percent per annum, as announced in the 2020-2021 Budget Speech?
B/580
The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

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

Whether, in regard to the Bank of Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to if the currency division thereof has recently been the subject of a larceny and, if so, indicate (a) the names of the suspects, if any (b) the estimated quantum of funds allegedly stolen, indicating the actions taken by the bank, including if the matter has been referred to the Police?

B/581
The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Richard Duval)

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

Whether, in regard to existing transport services contract(s) entered into by his Ministry, he will state the names of the contractors therefor, indicating in each case, the (a) procurement method used (b) date of award of contract (c) name of contractor (d) duration of contract and (e) contractual value thereof?

B/582
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 present Board of the Mauritius Recreation Council, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) composition thereof, indicating the (i) allowances paid to the Chairperson and other members thereof and (ii) dates of the meetings held and (b) list of activities organized?

B/583
The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed development and implementation of an Information Management System for the monitoring of the Shelters and Child Development Care Centres, she will state where matters stand?
B/584  The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Yeung Sik Yuen)

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 the support schemes and assistance extended thereto since January 2020 to date?

B/585  The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Ramful)

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 Engineering Department of the National Transport Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) since when the post of Chief Engineer is vacant and (b) the name and qualifications of the Officer-in-Charge thereof, indicating if the internal auditor has reported any alleged fraud on the sale of the assets of the Corporation, namely, office furniture, against the said officer and, if so, if an inquiry has been initiated thereinto and the outcome thereof?

B/586  The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Richard Duval)

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

Whether, in regard to the Roches-Noires Smart City Project, he will state if the requirement for the issue of an Environment Impact Assessment Licence for the construction thereof is being envisaged by his Ministry?

B/587  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 Côte d’Or International Racecourse and Entertainment Complex Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to when decision was taken for the setting up thereof, indicating the purpose thereof, giving details of the project?
Parliamentary Questions

B/588

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 recent public demonstrations and, in view of sharp and continuous increases in cost of living, he will state if he will consider holding meetings with the trade unions and other stakeholders to propose measures to be taken to alleviate the burden on the low-income section of the population and, if so, when and, if not why not?

B/589

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

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the fourth dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, he will state the number of persons having been administered therewith as at to date, indicating the type of vaccine administered?

B/590

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

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

Whether, in regard to the gas water heaters, he will state the number of reported cases wherein same have caused tragic incidents since 2019 to date, indicating if consideration will be given for the imposition of an obligation for gas cylinders used therefor to be installed outdoor?

B/591

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 renal dialysis patients who died following their admission at the New Souillac Hospital after having contracted the COVID-19 virus, he will, following the referral of the cases thereof to the Medical Negligence Standing Committee, obtain therefrom, information as to the actions taken in relation thereto, giving details thereof?
B/592 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 Molnupiravir tablets, he will state the (a) indications for use thereof (b) quantity thereof purchased as at to date, indicating the total cost thereof (c) current stock thereof, indicating where they are stocked and (d) number of patients treated therewith as at to date?

B/593 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 doctors, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Public Service Commission and the Medical Council, information as to the number thereof under suspension since 2019 to date?

B/594 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Mayotte)

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

Whether, in regard to soil stabilization works currently ongoing along road B104, Chamarel - Case Noyale, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to where matters stand?

B/595 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mr Armance)

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 acquisition of electric buses, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Transport Corporation, information as to when tender was launched therefor, indicating the (a) bids received and the names of the successful bidders (b) warranty periods and (c) maintenance plan thereof?
B/596  The Honourable First Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Dr Boolell)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to electricity, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to if an increase of 20 per cent of the tariff thereof is being considered?

B/597  The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Richard Duval)

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

Whether, in regard to the cleaning services in his Ministry, he will state the names of the contractors therefor, indicating in each case, the (a) procurement method used (b) date of award of contract (c) name of contractor (d) duration of contract and (e) contract value?

B/598  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 Mr P. U., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Economic Development Board, information as to when he landed in Mauritius, indicating the date on which he was issued with an Occupation Permit and if a due diligence exercise was carried out prior thereto?

B/599  The Honourable Second Member for Vacoas and Floréal (Mr Bodha)

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

Whether, in regard to the graduates, he will state the present number thereof being (a) unemployed and (b) underemployed?
B/600  The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Woochit)

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

Whether, in regard to the coast, he will state the actions, if any, taken to mitigate rising sea levels and erosion thereof over the past five years and, if so, give details thereof?

B/601  The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

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

Whether, in regard to the Rs 462 million earmarked in the budget 2021-2022 for construction and upgrading of drains in Constituency No. 20, Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière, he will state the (a) quantum thereof disbursed, indicating the locations where drains have been constructed as at to date, giving details as to the costs incurred and names of contractors therefor and (b) list of ongoing construction, indicating the costs and expected completion dates thereof?

B/602  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 Overseas Treatment Scheme, he will state if the framework to allow patients to undergo treatment in private clinics which is not available in public hospitals, as announced in budget speech 2021-2202 has been established and, if so, indicate (a) since when (b) the number of patients having benefitted thereunder as at to date and (c) the quantum of funds disbursed to each private clinic as at to date?

B/603  The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the COVID-19 vaccines to be administered to children aged 5 years and above, he will state the number of vaccines ordered, indicating the expected delivery date of the consignments thereof?
B/604 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Richard Duval)

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

Whether, in regard to the Horse Racing Division, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Gambling Regulatory Authority, information as to the composition of the Board thereof, indicating the date of appointment and terms and conditions of appointment of the Chairperson and members thereof?

B/605 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 La Cigogne and La Marguerite Shelters managed by the Children’s Foundation, she will state the actions taken, if any, by her Ministry for non-submission of the respective accounts thereof?

B/606 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

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

Whether, in regard to private and/or public plots of land which were reserved for the subsequent phases of the Ring Road Project, he will state if any of such plots has been released to the owners thereof for the implementation of development projects?

B/607 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 public health services, he will state if a shortage of certain drugs has occurred over the past six months and, if so, indicate the (a) reasons therefor (b) remedial measures taken and (c) quantity thereof purchased under emergency procurement?
B/608 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 Constituency No. 5, Triolet and Pamplemousses, he will state the budgetary allocation for construction of drains thereat since 2017 to January 2022 to date?

B/609 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to dangerous drugs, he will state the additional measures taken by his Ministry for the control thereof in the wake of the recommendations of the latest Commission of Inquiry on Drugs?

B/610 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Ms Tour)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of a retaining wall at Leckraz Lane, in Congomah, and upgrading of the said lane, he will state where matters stand?

B/611 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mrs Luchmun Roy)

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

Whether, in regard to the Vallée des Prêtres Multi Purpose Centre, he will state where matters stand as to the upgrading of the yard thereof?
The Honourable First Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (Dr Boolell)

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

Whether, in regard to food security, he will state if the Agricultural Policy Analysis Unit of his Ministry is preparing a strategic plan therefor?

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

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

Whether, in regard to the Football Playground Project at Surinam, he will state where matters stand as to the implementation thereof?

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 eviction exercise carried out by the Police in Le Morne Village on 21 April 2022, he will state the circumstances thereof?

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

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

Whether, in regard to the Camp Laboue Football Pitch Project, he will state where matters stand as to the vesting of a plot of land in the District Council of Pamplemousses for the implementation thereof?
B/616 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 obese and overweight children, he will state the percentages thereof in Mauritius since the year 2014 to date, indicating (a) the percentages thereof suffering from diabetes, and (b) if consideration will be given for the banning of advertising of high fat, salt or sugar (HFSS) food or drink products directed towards children?

B/617 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 bank notes printed by the Bank of Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Bank, for each of the years 2014 to 2021 and for the period 01 January 2022 to date, information as to the amount thereof, indicating in each case the purpose therefor?

B/618 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 Intersectoral Global Action Plan on Epilepsy and Other Neurological Disorders 2022-2031, he will state if Government proposes to press for the ratification and domestication thereof and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

B/619 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 Overseas Treatment Scheme, he will state the number of patients having benefitted thereunder since December 2021 to date, indicating the amount of funds disbursed thereunder?
B/620 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Osman Mahomed)

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

Whether, in regard to the Chairperson of the Sir Seewoosagar Ramgoolam Botanic Garden Trust, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) names (b) qualifications and experience thereof and (c) package being drawn by the incumbent since his appointment?

B/621 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Dhunoo)

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

Whether, in regard to the implementation of infrastructural works at the Robinson Government School, she will state where matters stand, indicating the completion date thereof?

B/622 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 ongoing renovation and construction works at the MEDCO-Clairfond Football ground, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Vacoas Phoenix, information as to the (a) contract cost thereof (b) date of award of contract and (c) name of contractor?

B/623 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet (Mr Woochit)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to renewable energy, he will state the actions taken to increase the use thereof over the past five years in Mauritius?

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