



Mauritius National Assembly

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEBATE NO. 28 OF 04 AUGUST 2020 - LIVE BROADCASTING - ALLEGED INTERRUPTIONS

Mr Speaker: Hon. Members, I have an announcement to make in regard to alleged interruptions of the Live Broadcasting of the Proceedings of the Assembly in the course of Debate No. 28 of 04 August 2020, while hon. S. Mohamed was intervening on the motion of no confidence against my good self.

You will recall that the issue was raised by hon. S. Mohamed during his intervention.

Moreover, kindly be informed that hon. Mohamed equally requested for an explanation by way of a letter addressed to the Clerk of the Assembly.

I have thus caused an inquiry to be conducted to ascertain same, and the PICT/Broadcast Manager of the National Assembly has informed as follows –

- No downtime was reported on the Digital Infrastructure of the National Assembly.
- However, at the Sitting of 04 August 2020, at 1.16 a.m. on 05 August 2020, a downtime on Mauritius Telecom MYT regarding the live broadcasting of the proceedings of the House was reported.
- The Mauritius Telecom MYT Network Operations Centre was contacted and the Assembly was informed that there was a planned upgrade on the core router in Rose Hill as from 1.00 a.m. and that same had an impact on live MYT MBC channels (including MYT Parliament TV Channel) for all around Mauritius.
- The said maintenance had been planned as from 15 July 2020 by way of an internal memo and that Mauritius Telecom has informed the public by way of a public communiqué.



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- Moreover, the Network Administrator on standby at the Government Online Centre (GOC) –
 - confirmed the Mauritius Telecom downtime, and
 - reassured that the redundancy system of the GOC had been activated, and that no video signal was lost on the Parliament Web TV Portal.

Thank you.