

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Requiring an Oral Answer****Sitting of Tuesday 16 November 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/1072 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 parastatal bodies and State-owned companies, other than Airport Holdings Ltd., falling under the purview of his Office, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to if Mr K. A., is the Chairperson or member of any of the Boards thereof?

B/1073 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Dr Aumeer**)

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 'Reward Money', he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police information as to the number of times same has been granted over the past five years, indicating in each case, the (a) quantum thereof disbursed (b) nature of the offence in respect of which same was granted and (c) rank of the officer/officers who make the final decision for disbursement?

B/1074 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 Senior Advisers and Advisers presently attached to his Office, he will give the list thereof, indicating in each case, the terms and conditions of appointment, including monthly pay packet, giving details as to the allowances and benefits drawn?

B/1075 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 use of the Kreol language in the National Assembly, he will state where matters stand?

B/1076 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 Teaching License eligibility issued by the Private Secondary Education Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Equal Opportunities Commission, information as to the number of cases lodged in relation thereto, indicating where matters stand in each case?

B/1077 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 joint management granted by the United Nations Commission to Mauritius and the Seychelles of some 396,000 square kilometres of the Continental Shelf beyond the 200 nautical miles of Exclusive Economic Zones of both countries, he will give details thereof, including, if a Joint Commission has been established therefor and, if so, indicate the number of times meetings were held and who represented Mauritius thereat?

B/1078 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 Municipal and Village Council Elections, he will state if consideration will be given for amendments to be introduced to the relevant legislation with a view to bringing the right of vote thereat to 16 years and above?

B/1079 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 Pay Research Bureau Report 2021, he will state if Government will appoint an Errors, Omissions and Anomalies Committee to look into errors, omissions and anomalies, if any, 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/1080 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

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

Whether, in regard to the construction of phases 2 and 3 of the Ring Road, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to the latest alignment thereof?

B/1081 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of a Multi Sports Complex in Ward IV, Port Louis, he will state where matters stand?

B/1082 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 project for the construction of 12,000 housing units island-wide by the New Social Living Development Ltd., he will for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to how the inhabitants of Ward IV, Vallée Pitot, Tranquebar and Plaine Verte, in Port Louis, will be included therein in view of the scarcity of land in these localities?

B/1083 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 the number of children infected therewith, indicating (a) the number thereof hospitalised following same, on a monthly basis, since the outbreak thereof in Mauritius and (b) if there has been a spike in infections of children since the advent of the Delta variant?

B/1084 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 give details of the preparedness plan to combat the intensity of the Delta variant, indicating the (a) bed capacity in the COVID-19 wards and Intensive Care Units, respectively and (b) available stock of (i) medical oxygen (ii) recommended medicines and (ii) ventilators and other medical equipment required for adequate administration of treatment therefor?

B/1085 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Ramful**)

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

Whether, in regard to the renovation project of the Harry Latour Stadium, at Mahebourg, he will state where matters stand as to the implementation thereof, indicating the (a) names of the subcontractors, if any and (b) costs overruns, if any?

B/1086 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 Wakashio shipwreck and oil spill, he will state the quantum of insurance money claimed and received as at to date, giving a breakdown of the quantum thereof distributed to the victims thereof?

B/1087 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mrs Luchmun Roy)**

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the proposed implementation of offshore windfarms, as announced in the annex to the 2021-2022 Budget Speech, he will state where matters stand?

B/1088 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue **(Mrs Luchmun Roy)**

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed re-engineering of the cooperatives, as announced in the 2021-2022 Budget Speech, he will state where matters stand?

B/1089 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 transformation of youth centers into modern youth hubs at the cost of 165 million, as announced in the 2021-2022 Budget Speech, he will state where matters stand?

B/1090 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 CT Scan equipment at the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgooleam National Hospital, he will state if same is in good working order and, if not, indicate (a) since when and if remedial measures have been undertaken and (b) the alternative arrangements made for CT scans to be performed as and when required, indicating the cost thereof?

B/1091 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 SAMU service, he will state (a) the number of ambulances available in the fleet thereof, indicating the number thereof which are operational and remedial measures taken regarding the ones which are not operational (b) the number of staff members posted thereat and (c) if consideration will be given for additional resources to be committed thereto amid the COVID-19 pandemic?

B/1092 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Juman**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Veterinary Council, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to when elections were last held thereat, indicating when the Board thereof was constituted, giving the list of the Board members thereof?

B/1093 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 medical oxygen, he will state (a) the supply thereof required for medical/surgical/cardiac and anesthetic treatment in public health institutions over the past seven months (b) if elective surgical cases are being postponed amid increasing demands thereof for COVID-19 patients and (c) the measures taken to sustain increasing demands thereof for COVID-19 patients, indicating if consideration is being given to increase the capacity of the Oxygen Concentrator Plant at the ENT Hospital?

B/1094 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Dr Aumeer**)

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

Whether, in regard to the University of Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the (a) current ranking thereof at international level (b) reasons for the down ranking thereof to the 89th place at the level of African Universities and (c) criteria used internationally to assess the standard thereof?

B/1095 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 recent procurement of 10 ventilators and 25 cardiac monitors, he will state (a) if the tender exercise therefor is completed and, if so, indicate the names of the bidders and of the successful bidder/s (b) the make, country of origin and cost of each ventilator and cardiac monitor, respectively and (c) the expected delivery date thereof?

B/1096 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 Updated Nationally Determined Contributions submitted by the Republic of Mauritius in 2021 as an obligation to the Paris Agreement under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the related discussions held at the COP26 Summit in Glasgow, he will state, the (a) agreed technical and financial support to be received by Mauritius from International bodies and foreign countries and (b) projects on which money will be invested as (i) mitigation and (ii) adaptation measures?

B/1097 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 lump sum of Rs 52,500 to be granted to each fisher aged 65 and above, he will state (a) the parameters considered for the calculation of the said quantum and (b) if consideration will be given for a review of the said quantum and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

B/1098 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 solid waste dumped in the cliff area, from Montagne Jacquot to the Albion Lighthouse, he will state
(a) the actions taken or that will be taken in relation thereto and
(b) if an inquiry will be initiated thereinto?

B/1099 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 Economic Development Board, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the composition thereof, indicating in each case, the terms and conditions of appointment, including the total monthly pay packet, allowances and benefits drawn?

B/1100 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Bhagwan**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the distribution of methadone at the Beau Bassin Police Station, he will state if his Ministry is in presence of representations in connection therewith and, if so, indicate if consideration will be given for a relocation of the said distribution?

B/1101 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Bhagwan**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to medical oxygen, he will state the
(a) actions being contemplated to ensure uninterrupted supply
thereof to all patients, including COVID-19 patients, in all
hospitals (b) names of the suppliers thereof to his Ministry,
indicating in each case, when contract was awarded and (c) if the
stock of oxygen is sufficient to cater for demand?

B/1102 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Workers' Rights (Working from Home) Regulations 2020, he will state the number of onsite inspections carried out by officers of his Ministry to ensure compliance by the employers and workers, respectively, therewith?

B/1103 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Public Service, Administrative and Institutional Reforms –

Whether, in regard to the Pay Research Bureau Report 2021, he will state if his Ministry is in presence of complaints and representations in relation thereto and, if so, indicate the actions that will be taken, if any?

B/1104 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 scheme for the provision of free optical glasses to persons on the Social Register of Mauritius aged up to 21 years old, she will state the (a) number of applications received thereunder and approved, respectively and (b) aggregate quantum of funds disbursed in relation thereto?

B/1105 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 the death of baby P., on the night of 7 November 2021 at the Dr A. G. Jeetoo Hospital, he will state if an inquiry has been initiated thereinto and, if so, give details thereof and, if not, why not?

B/1106 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 the Back to Work Programme, he will state the number of new trainees placed thereunder since July 2021 to date, indicating the conditions attached thereto?

B/1107 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 new personalized registration number plates, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Land Transport Authority, since the introduction thereof to date, information as to the number (a) of reservations therefor received and approved respectively, indicating the total revenue collected in terms thereof and (b) thereof presently blocked?

B/1108 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Richard Duval**)

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

Whether, in regard to students currently benefitting from scholarships to pursue tertiary studies, she will state the number thereof who are currently benefitting therefrom, indicating the (a) countries in which the studies are being pursued and (b) quantum of funds being granted thereto?

B/1109 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 death of baby P., on the night of 7 November 2021 at the Dr A. G. Jeetoo Hospital, he will state if consideration will be given for the Medical Negligence Standing Committee to be replaced by an independent body to inquire thereinto?

B/1110 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 Notre Dame Relay Shelter, she will state the (a) number of (i) persons presently sheltered thereat and (ii) staff members employed thereat and (b) budget allocated thereto?

B/1111 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 Pure Heaven Shelter, located in Vacoas, she will state (a) the date of coming into operation thereof (b) the number of (i) persons presently sheltered thereat (ii) staff employed thereat, indicating the qualifications held, in each case and (c) if any case of alleged ill-treatment reported to the Police has been relayed to her Ministry and, if so, indicate the actions taken in relation thereto?

B/1112 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Joanna Bérenger)

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

Whether, in regard to the dismantling of the wrecked Wakashio vessel, he will state (a) if an assessment of the impact thereof on the environment has been undertaken prior to the start thereof and, if so, table copy of the report and (b) the proposed mitigating measures to be implemented, if any, regarding (i) lagoon pollution due to marine sediments (ii) change of marine flow (iii) corals destruction and (iv) oil spill?

B/1113 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Joanna Bérenger)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed draft Adoption Bill submitted by the European Union consultant in 2018, she will state where matters stand as to the finalization of the recommendations of the technical committee of her Ministry in relation thereto?

B/1114 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 endangered endemic species, he will state if (a) he has taken cognizance of the classification of Mauritius as being second on the list of countries with the highest rate thereof, in the last report of the Botanic Gardens Conservation International entitled 'State of the World's Trees' and (b) for the protection thereof, measures such as sensitization campaigns, methods of control and a review of the existing legislation will be undertaken?

B/1115 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 proposed banning of PET bottles, as announced in February 2021, he will state where matters stand as to the implementation thereof?

B/1116 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet
(Mr Woochit)

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

Whether, in regard to the Mauritian labour market, he will state the number of foreign workers currently forming part thereof, indicating the (a) estimated contributions thereof in the Mauritian economy and (b) assessment made of the number thereof required in each of the next five years?

B/1117 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet
(Mr Woochit)

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

Whether, in regard to the tourism sector, he will state if a study has been carried out to assess the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the taxis operating therein island-wide and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof and the steps taken by his Ministry, if any, to mitigate same, giving details thereof?

B/1118 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet
(Mr Woochit)

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

Whether, in regard to the Delta variant of the COVID-19 pandemic, she will state the data her Ministry holds on the prevalence thereof within the educational institutions island-wide, indicating the measures taken/being taken to prevent the further transmission thereof to pupils under the age of 16?

B/1119 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 nursing staff working in public health institutions, he will state the number thereof (a) currently employed, indicating the (i) optimal patient-nurse ratio and (ii) current patient-nurse ratio (b) contaminated at their place of work since March 2021 to date and (c) additionally required amid the resurgence of COVID-19 pandemic, including how his Ministry proposes to achieve same?

B/1120 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 positive persons, he will state the number thereof (a) in self-isolation since the beginning of the establishment of self-isolation protocols to date (b) currently in self-isolation (c) transferred to treatment centres from self-isolation due to health deterioration and (d) who passed away while in self-isolation?

B/1121 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 vaccines, he will state the number of doses thereof purchased as at to date, indicating the (a) total cost thereof and (b) stock thereof available, including their respective expiry dates?

B/1122 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 COVID-19 pandemic, she will state the number of staff and students of private and public educational institutions who have been COVID-19 positive tested since the resumption of studies for second semester, indicating the number thereof who (a) contracted the Delta variant (b) had to self-isolate and (c) lost their life after contracting the virus?

B/1123 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or
(Dr Gungapersad)

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 hotel taxi drivers, he will state if he is in presence of complaints of canvasseurs illegally operating in the northern region in the tourism sector and, if so, indicate the actions taken in relation thereto?

B/1124 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 the hotline 170 of the Central Water Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Authority, information as to the number of complaints received since 01 January 2021 to date in its northern sub office, indicating (a) if the hotline has been continuously operational since and (b) the types of complaints registered, indicating the number thereof have been addressed and why the others have not been attended to?

B/1125 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 film “Prisoner of Paradise”, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Economic Development Board, information as to (a) the final sum of money refunded to the director/producer thereof under the Film Rebate Scheme and (b) if Government/the Board guaranteed a loan of Rs 90 million at the State Bank of Mauritius Ltd. to the director/producer thereof, indicating if the loan was in Mauritian Rupees or in British pound sterling?

B/1126 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Assirvaden)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to COVID-9 vaccines, he will state if any study has been carried out on the efficacy of each one administered in Mauritius as at to date and, if so, table copy of the report and, if not why not?

B/1127 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 football grounds provided with lighting within the township of Vacoas/Phoenix, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Vacoas/Phoenix, information as to the number thereof, indicating the amount of money budgeted and disbursed every year for the maintenance thereof?

B/1128 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Lobine)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to water supply in the region of Camp Fouquereaux and the vicinity thereof, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to the (a) number of complaints registered since year 2019 to date as to poor water supply and (b) immediate remedial actions being taken with regard to lack of water pressure and (c) upgrading of pipes project earmarked, if any, to improve same?

B/1129 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 ambulance services provided by the Rapid Response Team to attend calls from COVID-19 positive tested persons and who are in self-isolation, he will state the number (a) thereof put at the disposal of the Rapid Response Team (b) of calls received from COVID-19 positive tested persons within the past 14 days and (c) of persons transported from their respective places of residence to the hospital services within the past 14 days?

B/1130 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/1131 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River
(Mrs Mayotte)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Cultural Heritage –

Whether, in regard to the professionalisation of the artists and the status of Artists Bill, he will state when same will be materialized?

B/1132 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 Land Drainage Project at the New Mosque Road and Ernest Lemaire Road at Chemin Grenier, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Land Drainage Authority, information as to the work progress thereof, indicating when same will be handed over?

B/1133 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 social aid, she will state the number of people registered since 06 October 2021 to date, following the issue of a communiqué by her Ministry inviting people to register therefor?

B/1134 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East
(Mr Ameer Meea)

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

Whether, in regard to the COVID-19 pandemic, she will state the number of students and teachers who were positive tested, indicating the number of students who were vaccinated?

B/1135 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)
To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology –
Whether, in regard to shifting to online classes amid the COVID-19 prevailing situation, she will state if (a) consideration will be given for the postponement of the forthcoming Primary School Achievement Certificate, National Certificate of Education, School Cambridge and Higher School Certificate examinations (b) educators are being provided with internet packages for online classes and (c) all students have access to Office 365/teams platform?

B/1136 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 Private Secondary Education Authority, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the change in the grant formula to private secondary schools and the need for approval thereof prior to implementation of projects?

B/1137 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 Private Secondary Education Authority, she will state if she is aware of alleged interference thereof in the recruitment of educators in private secondary schools and the allocation of time dedicated to each subject in these schools and, if so, indicate the actions taken in relation thereto?

B/1138 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 education sector, she will state if she proposes to organise an ‘Assises de l’Education’ in consultation with the different stakeholders thereof to look into all the problems facing same amid the COVID-19 pandemic?

B/1139 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 thereof, indicating if one of the members thereof has allegedly been found in possession of a certain amount of cannabis on Friday 08 October 2021?

Bibi Safeena Lotun (Mrs)

Clerk of the National Assembly

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A/54 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 Solidarity Fund, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain (a) a detailed list of projects financed thereunder since 2019 to date, indicating the sum disbursed in each case and (b) the amount of funds available as at date?

A/55 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 Horizon Paris 2024, he will state the names of the athletes, discipline-wise, concerned therewith, indicating (a) their respective training programme in Mauritius and/or abroad, indicating in each case the (i) date of travel (ii) place of training and (iii) cost thereof and (b) technical evaluation of each athlete participating therein?

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