

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Requiring an Oral Answer****Sitting of Tuesday 23 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/1140 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 Vallée Pitot, Tranquebar, Plaine Verte and Ward IV, in Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to if an increase in drug proliferation thereat has been observed and, if so, indicate the additional measures taken in relation thereto, if any?

B/1141 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 television license fees, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, information as to the (a) revenue collected in terms thereof in 2020 and since January 2021 to date (b) number of offences and penalty registered in relation thereto, if any, and (c) possibility of exemption for the payment thereof, if any, and, if so, indicate the number of requests received therefor since 2018 to date?

- B/1142 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 Report of the Electoral Boundaries Commission on the Review of Constituencies in Mauritius tabled in November 2020, he will state when he proposes to present a motion in the National Assembly in relation thereto?
- B/1143 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 the Safe City Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of cameras thereof (a) presently under repairs and (b) which were under repairs and are now operational?
- B/1144 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 Mauritius Police Force, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of (a) existing vacancies on the establishment thereof and (b) Police Officers recruited since 2014 on a yearly basis and since January 2021 to date, indicating the (i) number of Women Police Constables recruited and (ii) criteria for the recruitment thereof?
- B/1145 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 medical cannabis, he will state if Government is in presence of a Report and/or a comprehensive study on the use thereof and the subsequent establishment of a non-recreational cannabis industry in Mauritius and, if so, indicate (a) when same was submitted and (b) the main recommendations thereof?

B/1146 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 General, 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/1147 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Mr Assirvaden**)

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 High-Level Committee on COVID-19, he will state the number of meetings chaired by the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister during his recent Actingship as Prime Minister, if any, and, if so, give details of the decisions taken in each meeting?

B/1148 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Mr Assirvaden**)

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 prevalence of the COVID-19 pandemic with the present Delta variant situation, he will state if consideration will be given for the setting up of an Inter-Parliamentary Committee or a National Committee comprising former Prime Ministers and Presidents of the Republic and experts at national or international levels to advise on the way forward, and, if so when and, if not, why not?

- B/1149 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill
(Mr Nagalingum)

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

Whether, in regard to the seizure of 95 kgs of cocaine worth Rs 1.4 billion found in a wheel loader on 10 July 2019, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to where matters stand as to the inquiry initiated thereinto, indicating the number of arrests effected in connection therewith, if any, giving details thereof?

- B/1150 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Dhunoo)

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 Safe City Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of cameras installed thereunder in Constituency No. 17, Curepipe and Midlands since November 2020 to date, indicating the number of additional ones to be installed in 2022?

- B/1151 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West **(Mr David)**

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 COP26 Summit, in Glasgow, he will state the composition of the delegation led by his goodself thereto, indicating the capacity in which each delegate participated therein and the quantum of *per diem* and other benefits drawn in each case?

B/1152 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 the Abercrombie Police Station, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to (a) when same will be operational and (b) the Police Units that will be housed therein?

B/1153 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Shakeel Mohamed**)

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

Whether, in regard to the new uniforms of officers of the Mauritius Police Force, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police (a) information as to the items included in the contract awarded therefor and (b) table copy of the design approved therefor?

B/1154 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floréal (**Mr Ittoo**)

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 incident that occurred between a lady and a Woman Police Constable in a parking space at Flacq on/or about 10 November 2021, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to if an inquiry has been initiated thereinto and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?

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/1155 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to surgeries put on hold amid the prevalence of the COVID-19 pandemic in the fields of general, orthopedic, neuro, vascular, eye, Ears, Nose and Throat, gynecology and obstetrics, angiography and angioplasty, gastroscopy and colonoscopy, he will state the status of the waiting lists of patients therefor in the five general hospitals and specialized hospitals, respectively?

- B/1156 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 contracts for road signage along motorways and other classified roads awarded since 2015 to date, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority and table details as to the procurement methods used, name of successful bidder, contractual cost and scope of works in each case?

- B/1157 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 Mr G. R., Housing Estate & Development Officer of the Housing Estate and Community Development Department, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Housing Development Company Ltd., information as to the (a) qualifications held (b) total monthly remuneration and other benefits drawn (c) duties and responsibilities thereof and (d) recruitment process followed for the recruitment and subsequent confirmation thereof?

B/1158 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Joanna Bérenger)

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

Whether, in regard to the Legend Hill Project, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the District Council of Black River, information as to where matters as to the motion for Stop Order tabled by the Presidents of the Grande Rivière Noire Village and Tamarin Village Councils at the District Council of Black River?

B/1159 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 Mauritian fruit bats, he will state if he has or is considering authorising the culling thereof in the current year?

B/1160 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Joanna Bérenger)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed reconstruction of the Train Workshop at Caudan, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to where matters stand?

B/1161 The Honourable First Member for Vacoas and Floréal
(Ms Joanna Bérenger)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Cultural Heritage –

Whether, in regard to the implementation of the proposed measure consisting of four special lotto draws to finance the restoration of designated historical sites and museums, as announced in the 2021-2021 Budget Speech, he will state where matters stand?

B/1162 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 online education, she will state the reasons for the implementation thereof since 11 November 2021, indicating if (a) consultations were held with the stakeholders prior thereto and, if so, with whom and when and (b) if a full fledged survey of same implemented during the two lockdowns to assess the extent of which teaching and learning were successfully achieved was carried out and, if so, table copy of the report thereof and, if not, why not?

B/1163 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 members and students of private and public educational institutions who have been COVID-19 positive tested since the resumption of studies for the 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/1164 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 water supply in Constituency No. 6, Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to the (a) localities of the different villages which are facing the most acute water shortage (b) number of water cisterns supplying water to the most hit regions (c) main causes for erratic water supply, indicating the short term solutions envisaged and (d) expected date of regular water supply to the said localities?

B/1165 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 National Education Counselling Service, she will state the number of staff grade-wise attached to each Zone to offer the said service, indicating the (a) studies, surveys or research work carried out since January 2015 to date (b) psycho-pedagogical tools elaborated therefor (c) number of home visits effected to assist Special Needs Children and (d) sensitization/awareness programmes carried out for children and parents prone to social exclusion?

B/1166 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West **(Mr Armance)**

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the medical certificate issued by the National Non-Eligibility Committee to COVID-19 Vaccines, he will state if consideration will be given for the conversion thereof into a special pass and, if not, why not?

B/1167 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 damage caused to the bus stop shelter at Pailles on the Motorway in the course of a road accident which occurred on 05 November 2020, he will state where matters stand as to the repair or replacement thereof?

- B/1168 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 COVID-19 pandemic, he will state the number of (a) deaths attributed thereto in each regional hospital, the Souillac Hospital and the ENT Hospital, respectively, since 05 March 2020 to date and (b) complaints registered in respect thereof, indicating the (i) nature thereof in each case and (ii) number thereof referred to the Medical Negligence Standing Committee?

- B/1169 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 Domiciliary Medical Unit, he will state if consideration will be given for the (a) dismantling thereof and redeployment of the staff attached thereto in other medical services with a mix of experienced and freshly graduated doctors having a well-equipped domiciliary ambulance service and (b) rapid online access for radiological investigations in hospitals for suspected COVID-19 positive tested patients receiving domiciliary medical attention?

- B/1170 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Dr Aumeer**)

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

Whether, in regard the cleaner energy and carbon emission decrease policy, he will state if Government and parastatal bodies are required to comply therewith when purchasing vehicles and, if not, indicate if consideration will be given for the setting of a certain targeted percentage of electric vehicles of the fleets thereof in the near future?

- B/1171 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 administration of High-Flow Oxygen (HFO) therapy on COVID-19 patients, he will state if sufficient equipment is currently available therefor and indicating if tender was recently launched for the procurement thereof and, if so, indicate (a) the name of the selected bidder and (b) if same has been delivered?

- B/1172 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien
(Mr Ramful)

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

Whether, in regard to the syllabi for all subjects for the current school year at primary and secondary levels, she will state if same will be completed as planned and, if not, indicate the measures that will be taken in relation thereto?

- B/1173 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien
(Mr Ramful)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Financial Services and Good Governance –

Whether, in regard to the Integrity Reporting Services Agency, he will state if he has been apprised of the concerns raised as to the functioning thereof in its last Annual Report and, if so, indicate the actions taken in relation thereto, if any?

- B/1174 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien
(Mr Ramful)

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

Whether, in regard to the Terre Rouge-Verdun Link Road, he will give details of the findings and recommendations of the investigation instituted by the Road Development Authority in relation thereto, indicating where matters stand as to the legal action, if any, taken against the defaulting contractors?

B/1175 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Richard Duval**)

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

Whether, in regard to the fishermen community, he will state where matters stand as to the implementation of the budgetary measure to provide additional 500 fisherman cards thereto, indicating if discussions have been held with the *Syndicat des Pêcheurs* in connection therewith and, if not, why not?

B/1176 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 Wakashio shipwreck and Oil Spill, he will state when the seabed thereat was last surveyed by the competent authorities, indicating the outcome thereof?

B/1177 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 Express Project from Rose-Hill to Réduit, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Metro Express Limited, information as to the quantum of funds disbursed as at to date, indicating (a) the revised cost thereof, if any (b) the expected completion date thereof and (c) if consideration is being given for an extension thereof to Côte d'Or?

B/1178 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 medicines and pharmaceutical products, he will state the policy of his Ministry concerning the recovery, destruction and disposal of expired items thereof in (a) his Ministry (b) private pharmacies and (c) the possession of importers and distributors thereof?

- B/1179 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 COVID-19 vaccines, he will state the number thereof currently in stock, indicating the (a) number thereof purchased and donated either through the COVAX Facility or others and (b) expiry dates thereof, indicating how the disposal of expired ones are carried out?

- B/1180 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Juman**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the COVID-19 Polymerase Chain Reaction and Rapid Antigen Tests, he will state (a) the cost per unit thereof when performed in the facilities of his Ministry (b) the countries from which same are imported and (c) if consideration will be given for the fixing of the selling price thereof on the local market?

- B/1181 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Juman**)

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

Whether, in regard to the acquisition of a new turntable ladder, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Fire and Rescue Services, information as to the (a) date of placement of the order therefor (b) delivery date and (c) cost thereof?

- B/1182 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 the number of nursing staff posted at each public hospital, including the ENT hospital, indicating if a lack of nursing staff thereat is noted and, if so, indicate (a) the reasons therefor and (b) if consideration will be given for a redeployment thereof?

- B/1183 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivi  re
(Mr Quirin)

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 the administration of either the Pfizer or Janssen Booster Dose to those having been administered two doses of the Sinopharm Vaccine and, if not, why not?

- B/1184 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivi  re
(Mr Quirin)

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

Whether, in regard to the Trochetia and Lotus Housing Estates at Chebel, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Housing Development Company Ltd., information as to the number of housing units comprising same, indicating the (a) number and date of allocation of the housing units, specifying the legal delay to occupy same and (b) number of allocated houses still unoccupied?

- B/1185 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivi  re
(Mr Quirin)

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

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

B/1186 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 Medical Negligence Standing Committee, he will state the number of alleged cases of medical negligence on COVID-19 positive patients, including death thereof, apart from patients also undergoing dialysis treatment, referred thereto for investigation, indicating the respective date of lodging and outcome thereof?

B/1187 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 health institutions, he will state the number of medical practitioners and nursing staff respectively currently employed thereat, indicating the (a) optimal patient-nurse ratio and current patient-nurse ration (b) number thereof contaminated since March 2021 to date and (c) additional number thereof required amid the current COVID-19 situation?

B/1188 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 tourists accommodations, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Tourism Authority, information as to the (a) number of certificate holders thereof per category and (b) room and bed capacity, respectively, in each case, indicating the room occupancy rate and bed occupancy rate thereof respectively in each case, since 01 October 2021 to date?

B/1189 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 the tourism sector, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Tourism Promotion Authority, information as to the (a) quantum of funds disbursed for the promotion thereof since January 2021 to date (b) targeted markets and scope thereof and (c) name of the contractor, if any, indicating the duration thereof?

- B/1190 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 COVID-19 vaccines, he will state the number of persons having either developed serious illnesses or died after being administered therewith, indicating in each case the nature of the illnesses developed and names of the vaccines administered?
- B/1191 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)
To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –
Whether, in regard to the Water Sector Reform, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to the (a) quantum of funds disbursed for water pipe replacement on a yearly basis for 2019 and 2020 and since January 2021 to date and (b) current percentage of non-revenue water?
- B/1192 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 grant provided to bus operators, he will state the aggregate quantum thereof disbursed for each of the years 2018, 2019, 2020 and since January 2021 to date, indicating if consideration will be given for a revision of the formula for the determination thereof?
- B/1193 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 municipal complexes where gymnasium facilities are offered and maintained by the Municipal Council of Vacoas-Phoenix, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Vacoas and Phoenix, the list thereof indicating the (a) number thereof operational (b) annual budget allocated for maintenance of sites and equipment, and (c) date of launching of last bidding exercise for the purchase of new equipment therefor?

B/1194 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Lobine)

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

Whether, in regard to the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the (a) number of meetings held since 2015 to date, giving the list of attendees thereto and (b) position of Mauritius regarding the limits on the use of fish aggregating devices by foreign industrial fishing fleets?

B/1195 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 (a) the number of persons between the age of (i) 15 to 17 and (ii) 12 to 15, having been vaccinated, indicating the number of reported cases of those suffering from side-effects triggered by the vaccines and (b) if the vaccination of children under the age of 12 is being considered, and, if so, when same will be administered, and if not, why not?

B/1196 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 Cap Malheureux Relay Center and other shelters falling under the purview of her Ministry, she will state if consideration has been given for the setting up of a protocol and measures to ensure online schooling thereat and, if so, give details thereof and, if not, why not?

B/1197 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/1198 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/1199 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 cultivable land found in Cottage, he will state if an assessment of the impact on a big part thereof due to the disconnection of main irrigation pipes over the past three years has been carried out and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof and the actions he proposes to take in connection therewith, if any?

B/1200 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet
(Mr Woochit)

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

Whether, in regard to fish, he will state if a depletion of many species thereof in our territorial waters due to overfishing has been observed and, if so, indicate the species affected therewith and the steps taken by Government to increase the stock thereof?

B/1201 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet
(Mr Woochit)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of a Multi Sports Complex at Bonair Road, in Triolet, he will state where matters stand?

B/1202 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet
(Mr Woochit)

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

Whether, in regard to the project for the setting up of an incinerator at Calebasses, he will state where matters stand?

B/1203 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 Chancery of the Mauritius High Commission in Kuala Lumpur, in Malaysia, he will state (a) if same has been relocated and, if so, indicate if the approval of his Ministry was sought and obtained prior thereto and, if so, when (b) if the High Commissioner informed the Malaysian authorities accordingly prior thereto and, if so, when and table copy of the said letter and (c) the quantum of rent payable for the new location?

B/1204 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 public transport, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of employees thereof having contracted COVID-19, indicating the number thereof having passed away after having contracted same and (b) state if he is in presence of representations from the Union of Bus Industry Workers regarding actions to be initiated to protect the lives and ensure the safety of the bus transport workers and passengers, indicating the actions taken in relation thereto, if any?

B/1205 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivi  re
(Mr Bhagwan)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Financial Services and Good Governance –

Whether, in regard to the directives of the Ombudsperson for Financial Services dated 28 October 2021 against the CEB Staff Pension Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Financial Services Commission, information as to where matters stand as to the implementation thereof?

B/1206 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivi  re
(Mr Bhagwan)

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

Whether, in regard to the inquiries initiated by the Bank of Mauritius into the billions of rupees worth unsecured loans given to foreign investors from Dubai, namely, Mr C. and the Pabari Group, by a consortium of the main local banks, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Bank of Mauritius, information as to where matters stand, indicating the actions taken in relation thereto, if any?

B/1207 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 construction of the Immigration Urban Terminal, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to where matters stand, indicating when the drawing of lots for the allocation of the stalls found thereat will be held?

B/1208 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 ex-Banyan Tree Bank, he will state the actions taken for the recovery of funds invested therein by Parastatal Bodies, Government-Owned Companies and Local Authorities?

B/1209 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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

Whether, in regard to bedridden persons, she will state the number thereof having benefitted from the administration of COVID-19 vaccines?

B/1210 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Mr Assirvaden**)

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

Whether, in regard to medicines, he will state if he will consider (a) liaising with the competent authorities to set up some form of price control/monitoring thereof and (b) the possibility of requesting the State Trading Corporation to purchase some of the most essential medicines such as for COVID-19 and Diabetes treatments and provide some form of subsidy from the COVID-19 Fund therefor?

B/1211 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/1212 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 implementation of the Master Plan for the Greening and Embellishment along the M1, M2 and M3 Motorways, he will state where matters stand?

- B/1213 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Abbas Mamode**)

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 Motor Vehicle Licence, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Land Transport Authority, information as to if consideration will be given for the payment of the fees therefor at the Plaine Lauzun Vehicle Examination Centre?

- B/1214 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Abbas Mamode**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Plaine Verte Youth Centre, he will state (a) when same will be operational and (b) if consideration will be given for (i) a review of the *modus operandi* of the activities thereof and (ii) the relocation of the air extractors thereof?

- B/1215 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Abbas Mamode**)

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

Whether, in regard to the SME Employment Scheme, he will state the number of graduates and diploma holders having benefitted thereunder, indicating the quantum of funds disbursed since the inception thereof to date?

- B/1216 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 COVID-19 pandemic, he will state the number of ambulances at the disposal of the Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam National Hospital, the Souillac Hospital, the Jawharlall Nehru Hospital, the Dr Bruno Cheong Hospital and the Poudre d'Or Hospital therefor, respectively, indicating the (a) equipment available therein and (b) number thereof attached to the SAMU Unit for the ENT Hospital?

- B/1217 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 fire outbreak in the Craft Market in the Caudan Waterfront, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to (a) if the building was (i) issued with a fire certificate (ii) in conformity with the existing legislation and Mauritius Fire and Rescue Service guidelines and (iii) equipped with fire prevention, fighting and fire detective devices and (b) why the step ladder lorry was not used?**
- B/1218 The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil
(Mr Nuckcheddy)
- To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –*
- Whether, in regard to the construction of the New Teaching Hospital in Flacq, he will state the scope of works thereof, indicating the (a) estimated cost thereof (b) name of the bidders (c) start and completion dates thereof and (d) work progress thereof?**
- B/1219 The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil
(Mr Nuckcheddy)
- 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 National Land Transport Authority Appeal Committee, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) name of the Chairperson thereof, indicating his date of appointment (b) frequency of meetings held, indicating the number thereof, since January to October 2021 (i) chaired by the Chairperson and (ii) postponed and (c) number of cases lodged thereat, indicating the outcome thereof in each case?**
- B/1220 The Honourable Third Member for Flacq and Bon Accueil
(Mr Nuckcheddy)
- To ask the Honourable Minister of National Infrastructure and Community Development –*
- Whether, in regard to the Eastern Highway Project (M4), he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development authority, information as to where matters stand as to the implementation thereof?**

- B/1221 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Yeung Sik Yuen)

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

Whether, in regard to the construction of a Multi Sports Complex initiated in 2014 in the vicinity of Résidence Atlee, he will state where matters stand as to the implementation thereof?

- B/1222 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Dhunoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the sewerage works undertaken in the region of Gustave Collins, in Derby and Atlee streets, in Curepipe, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Waste Water Management Authority, information as to the work progress thereof?

- B/1223 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 reconstruction of Pont Atlee, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Road Development Authority, information as to the work progress thereof?

- B/1224 The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands
(Mr Dhunoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the ENT Hospital, he will state the number of patients admitted thereat since the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, indicating the number thereof who have (a) received treatment through ventilators and (b) been discharged?

- B/1225 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)
To ask Dr the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Local Government and Disaster Risk Management –
Whether, in regard to the fire outbreak at the Caudan Waterfront on 11 November last, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Fire and Rescue Services, information as to if an inquiry has been initiated thereinto and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?
- B/1226 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 digging of sands at the Pointe aux Sables beach on 09 November last to allow the passage of a catamaran, he will state if an inquiry has been carried out thereinto, indicating the outcome thereof?
- B/1227 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)
To ask the Honourable Minister of Gender Equality and Family Welfare –
Whether, in regard to the shelters, she will state the number thereof currently operating without a licence, indicating the (a) reasons therefor and (b) remedial measures she proposes to take in relation thereto?
- B/1228 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)
To ask the Honourable Minister of Land Transport and Light Rail, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade –
Whether, in regard to passengers travelling in the public transport, he will state if consideration will be given for implementation of measures to reduce the number thereof per bus as a means of reducing risks of contamination amid the COVID-19 pandemic?

- B/1229 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr David**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Cultural Heritage –

Whether, in regard to the National Arts Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information, for the period March 2018 to date, as to the number of applications received for the financing of creative arts projects, indicating the (a) number of projects rejected and (b) total quantum of funds allocated?

- B/1230 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr David**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the COVID-19 pandemic, he will state the established sanitary protocols applicable for Cabin Crews of Air Mauritius Ltd., since 01 October 2021?

- B/1231 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr David**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the air conditioning system of the Ear, Nose and Throat (ENT) Hospital in Vacoas, he will state the (a) temperature set point for the thermal comfort of the patients and (b) preventive maintenance frequency thereof?

- B/1232 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 Computer Emergency Response Team, he will state (a) the composition thereof (b) the duties assigned thereto and (c) how the team proposes to collaborate with Meta?

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