

MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**Questions of which notice has been given****Requiring an Oral Answer****Sitting of Tuesday 07 December 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/1320 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, he will state if, when he attended the recent COP26 Meeting, he has had other high-level meetings or taken initiatives in regard to the financial need of Mauritius for USD 6.5 billion for period 2021-2030 to take mitigation and adaptation measures in the light of the non-materialisation of the pledge for funding from donor countries and agencies at and outside of Glasgow?

B/1321 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 Reward Money, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to the amount thereof allocated to officers of the Anti-Drug Smuggling Unit in financial year ending 30 June 2017, indicating if all required procedures were duly followed in each case?

B/1322 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 Police Force, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to when Police caps therefor were last procured, indicating (a) the number thereof procured (b) the cost thereof and (c) if all have been delivered and issued to the Police Officers?

B/1323 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 flight MK852 which landed in Mauritius on Saturday 27 November 2021, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from Airport Holdings Ltd., information as to the number of passengers who travelled thereon, giving the list of (a) those who (i) exited through the VIP lounge, if any, and (ii) were COVID-19 positive tested and (b) quarantine centres where they were lodged, indicating the cost incurred in relation thereto?

B/1324 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 Police Officers currently under suspension, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to the (a) number of cases lodged and (b) aggregate amount of money paid thereto in terms of remuneration since suspension to date?

B/1325 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 private radios operating in Mauritius, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Independent Broadcasting Authority, in each case, information as to the date of issue and of subsequent renewal/s of licenses thereto?

B/1326 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 commercial centre found at La Tour Koenig, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to if an increase in the number of cases of drugs dealings and larceny and unsafe environment prevailing thereat have been reported recently and, if so, if consideration will be given for additional measures to be taken to address the issues, including, increasing police patrols?

B/1327 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 Anti-Drug Smuggling Unit, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of Police Officers attached thereto, indicating the (a) posting thereof and (b) number thereof, if any, presently called to ensure compliance with Regulations concerning the COVID-19 pandemic?

B/1328 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 La Tour Koenig, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Acting Commissioner of Police, information as to the incidence of drug proliferation observed thereat since June 2021 to date, indicating the additional measures taken/to be taken in relation thereto, if any?

B/1329 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 Mauritius Ports Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to if the Authority is having an excess number of employees and, if so, indicate if a reduction of the number thereof will be considered and, if so, by how many?

B/1330 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 Mauritius Prisons, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Prisons, information as to the number of prisoners who have (a) been COVID-19 positive tested and (b) died of COVID-19, if any, indicating the measures taken to minimize contamination thereof?

B/1331 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 High-Level Committee on the Elimination of Gender Based Violence in Mauritius, he will state the (a) dates of the meetings thereof and (b) main recommendations thereof as at to date, if any?

B/1332 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet
(Mr Woochit)

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 Ports Authority, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain therefrom, information as to the assessment made of the number of seafarers that will be required over each of the next ten years, indicating the number thereof (a) trained as at to date and (b) employed as merchant seamen in each of the past five years?

B/1333 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 Top FM Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Independent Broadcasting Authority, information as to the date of reception of the application for the renewal of the licence thereof, indicating where matters stand?

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/1334 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Osman Mahomed**)

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

Whether, in regard to the supply of flour on the local market in the current year, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the State Trading Corporation, information as to the (a) country of origin (b) quantity and price per ton (c) specifications and (d) testing agencies thereof, if any?

B/1335 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 social housing units at Bassin Road and at Chebel, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Housing Development Company Ltd., information as to the (a) total number of units constructed (b) name of contractor (c) contract value (d) variation and accelerated costs, if any, giving details thereof and (e) delays and repercussions thereof, if any?

B/1336 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 resurfacing and construction of drains at Vridanan Road in Bon Accueil, he will give details of the contract and the mode of financing thereof?

B/1337 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 blood and blood components, he will state the (a) quantity thereof required in public and private healthcare institutions since March 2021 to date on a monthly basis (b) present stock thereof at the National Blood Transfusion Service and (c) measures taken, if any, to ensure adequate stock thereof for medical and surgical emergencies and demands thereof that would be required amid the prevailing COVID-19 situation with the Delta and Omicron variants?

B/1338 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, regard to air bound and sea bound passengers, he will state the number of arrivals thereof respectively, since 01 October 2021 to date, indicating (a) the number thereof who are South Africans (b) whether they produced at the immigration counter (i) *bona fide* vaccine certificates and (ii) negative results of PCR tests done at least 72 hours prior to embarkation for Mauritius and (c) the measures taken to ensure authenticity of vaccine certificates and PCR testing thereof?

B/1339 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 reformulated vaccines being developed by Moderna to combat the Omicron Variant, he will state if his Ministry will consider pre-ordering same?

B/1340 The Honourable Fourth Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Juman**)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed renovation of the Côte d'Or Multisports Complex, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Sports Infrastructure Ltd., information as to the (a) scope of work (b) name of contractor and (c) project value thereof?

B/1341 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 Report of the Independent Review Panel on the launch of the bid on 29 April 2019 for the procurement of 11,000 digital tablets by the Open University of Mauritius, she will state if she has taken cognizance thereof and, if so, will she (a) table copy thereof and (b) for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to how the delay in the supply of the digital tablets has impacted the students and staff of the University, especially, amid the COVID-19 pandemic?

B/1342 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or
(Dr Gungapersad)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the Overseas Treatment Scheme, he will (a) table the number of patients having benefitted therefrom since June 2021 to date, indicating the country where treatment was sought (b) give details of the type of surgery or treatment required and the financial help granted by the State and (c) state the financial support, if any, provided to patients requiring a second or subsequent treatment or surgery?

B/1343 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 COVID-19 Solidarity Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the quantum of funds collected therein since March 2021 to date, indicating the (a) number of beneficiaries thereunder (b) purpose thereof and (c) quantum of funds disbursed?

B/1344 The Honourable Second Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or
(**Dr Gungapersad**)

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

Whether, in regard to imported fresh fruits, he will state if the prices thereof are controlled and, if so, table information as to the number of checks carried out, if any, by the Consumer Affairs Unit since January 2021 to date and the number of contraventions booked in relation thereto, if any?

B/1345 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 having being administered therewith, indicating, in each case, the (a) nature of the illness developed and (b) vaccine administered?

B/1346 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the foreign doctors and nurses recruited to assist during the COVID-19 pandemic, he will state the number thereof, indicating in each case the (a) nationality (b) specialty field and (c) remuneration package thereof?

B/1347 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 Industrial Property Act 2019, he will state the reasons for the non-proclamation thereof as at to date?

B/1348 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (**Mrs Luchmun Roy**)

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

Whether, in regard to abandoned and undeclared children, respectively, she will state the number thereof over the period 2020-2021, indicating the actions taken by her Ministry in relation thereto?

B/1349 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?

B/1350 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 ten-year SME Master Plan, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from SME Mauritius Ltd., information as to where matters stand as to the implementation of the recommendations contained therein?

B/1351 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 Duke of Edinburgh Award programme, he will state if same is ongoing amid the prevailing COVID-19 pandemic situation?

B/1352 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 vaccine, he will state the reasons for the decision of his Ministry to administer same to persons having contracted COVID-19, not less than four months from the date they have been positive-tested therefor, indicating if same is based on the recommendation of the World Health Organization or any other health organisation?

B/1353 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

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

Whether, in regard to the COVID-19 pandemic, he will state, since 01 October 2021 to date, the number of tourists having been COVID-19 positive-tested, indicating the hotels or other establishments where they have been staying and the number of staff members of the said hotels or other establishments having been COVID-19 positive-tested and, if all of them are being tested on a regular basis and, if so, give details thereof and, if not, why not?

B/1354 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (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 thereof (b) legal delay to occupy same and (c) number of allocated houses still unoccupied?

B/1355 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 decision of his Ministry to proceed with the recruitment of foreign doctors and nursing officers, he will give details thereof, including the (a) number thereof who will be recruited and country of origin (b) salaries and conditions attached thereto and (c) expected date of arrival thereof in Mauritius?

B/1356 The Honourable Third Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr Armance**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Institute of Biotechnology Ltd., he will state if the company is fully operational, indicating the (a) number of staff members posted thereat and (b) duties assigned thereto in each case?

B/1357 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien
(**Mr Ramful**)

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

Whether, in regard to the case of allegation of fake morcellement permits and pin numbers issued by his Ministry, he will (a) give a list thereof, indicating the number of victims thereof and (b) state where matters stand as to the inquiries carried out thereinto, indicating if consideration will be given, in the meantime, for the regularization of the said morcellements?

B/1358 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 genome sequencing of the COVID-19 pandemic, he will give an updated status thereof, indicating the presence of variants of concern detected therein, if any?

B/1359 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien
(**Mr Ramful**)

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

Whether, in regard to Recurrent Revenue, he will give a breakdown of the quantum thereof collected since the start of this financial year and same for the corresponding periods over the past three financial years?

B/1360 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 he will state if he is in presence of representations from associations of contract van and taxi car owners about difficulties they are facing to reimburse their loans on vehicles with leasing companies amid the prevailing COVID-19 situation and, if so, indicate the measures, if any, he proposes to take to alleviate their financial burden?

B/1361 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 Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine, he will state the (a) number of doses received in Mauritius since January 2021 to date, indicating the number of persons administered therewith as (i) first dose (ii) second dose and (iii) booster dose and (b) delivery schedule of the doses to be received in Mauritius during the coming months?

B/1362 The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mr David**)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Energy and Public Utilities –

Whether, in regard to the implementation of the Sewerage Project in Bain des Dames in Constituency No. 1, Grand River North West and Port Louis West, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Wastewater Management Authority, information as to where matters stand?

B/1363 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Assirvaden)

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

Whether, in regard to the tourists, he will state if Mauritius is a safe destination for the arrival thereof?

B/1364 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/1365 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 state if he has been made aware that a board member thereof, namely, Mr K.O.¹, is engaged in political activities contrary to the relevant sections of the Economic Development Board Act and, if so, indicate (a) if he has discussed same with the Chairperson of the Board and (b) actions taken accordingly, if any?

B/1366 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 Legend Hill Project, he will state if his Ministry is in presence of the Design Report for the drainage infrastructure downstream of the site thereof and, if so (a) table copy thereof and (b) for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to if the Land Drainage Authority is satisfied therewith?

B/1367 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 housings units presently containing asbestos, he will state where matters stand as to the phasing out and replacement thereof?

B/1368 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 banned hazardous pesticides, he will state, since 2018 to date, the number of controls effected in relation to the use thereof, indicating the (a) number of contraventions booked (b) quantity thereof seized and (c) estimated quantity thereof that illegally entered the local market?

B/1369 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/1370 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 and (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/1371 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 Omicron Variant, he will state the preparedness plan of his Ministry, if any, to deal therewith, indicating if same has been detected in Mauritius to date?

B/1372 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 passengers arriving from Southern African countries, he will state the number thereof since October 2021 to date, including passengers present in Southern African countries 14 days preceding their date of arrival in Mauritius, indicating the number thereof having been COVID-19 positive-tested, including the number thereof who underwent genomic sequencing and the findings thereof?

B/1373 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 COVID-19 pandemic, he will state the reported number of persons suffering from post-COVID-19 health conditions and post-traumatic stress, indicating the assistance provided thereto, if any?

B/1374 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 resignation of Mr R. D. as General Manager of the State Trading Corporation in December 2019, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to (a) the reasons therefor and (b) if Mr R. D. respected all his contractual obligations *vis a vis* the Corporation upon resignation and, if not, indicate who gave him dispensation therefor and the reasons thereof?

B/1375 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 Omicron Variant, he will state (a) the preparedness plan of his Ministry in the face thereof, indicating if same has been detected in Mauritius to date and, if so, give details thereof and (b) if his Ministry has performed sequencing Polymerase Chain Reaction tests for same and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?

B/1376 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 prevailing COVID-19 pandemic situation, he will state if his Ministry is giving due consideration for the construction of a dedicated hospital for the treatment thereof and, if so, give details thereof and, if not, why not?

B/1377 The Honourable Fourth Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (**Mr Richard Duval**)

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

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of a market fair at Mahebourg, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the District Council of Grand Port, information as to where matters stand as to the completion works thereof, indicating (a) the budget allocated therefor and (b) if the contract has been allocated and, if so, indicate the (i) name of the contractor (ii) scope of works and (iii) expected completion date thereof?

B/1378 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/1379 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/1380 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 proposed construction of the new market fair at Curepipe, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Curepipe, information as to where matters stand?

B/1381 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 incinerators installed at Highlands and Solferino, respectively, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as when same will be operational?

B/1382 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(Mr Lobine)

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

Whether, in regard to legal aid, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Master and Registrar, information as to the number of persons having benefitted therefrom since 2019 to date, indicating the (a) eligibility criteria to benefit therefrom and (b) number of applications therefor that have been turned down?

B/1383 The Honourable First Member for La Caverne and Phoenix
(**Mr Lobine**)

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

Whether, in regard to the COVID-19 Solidarity Fund, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the (a) number of projects financed thereunder since March 2021 to date and (b) quantum of funds disbursed therefor?

B/1384 The Honourable Third Member for Pamplemousses and Triolet
(**Mr Woochit**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the COVID-19 patients, he will state the medical institutions apart from Government Hospitals which are currently authorised to provide treatment thereto?

B/1385 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 local authorities, he will state the support given by his Ministry thereto to enable them incorporate the Sustainable Development Goals into their strategies and services?

B/1386 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/1387 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 Mr V. C. J., she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Institute of Education, information as to when the latter will be appointed as lecturer in Economics, following the Supreme Court Judgment finding in his favour?

B/1388 The Honourable Fourth Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (**Mrs Navarre-Marie**)

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

Whether, in regard to the Fishermen Investment Trust, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of ships and other assets owned by the Trust, indicating (a) the value of the assets and (b) to which organisation same have been transferred?

B/1389 The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (**Mr Ameer Meea**)

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 Mauritian citizens presently stranded abroad following Government's decision to cease commercial flights from South Africa and a few surrounding countries, he will state the measures being taken for the repatriation thereof?

B/1390 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 payment of the Cambridge School Certificate and Higher School Certificate Examinations Fees, she will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Examinations Syndicate, information as to the prescribed procedures therefor?

B/1391 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 pandemic, he will give the list of all items, including vaccines, received as donation as at to date, indicating the donors thereof?

B/1392 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 the Multi-Disciplinary Committee set up to analyse the World Bank Report on the sugar cane industry, he will state if the implementation plan to be elaborated by the Committee has been completed and, if so, give details thereof and table same?

B/1393 The Honourable First Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Dr Boolell**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Health and Wellness –

Whether, in regard to the Omicron Variant, he will state if his Ministry is considering a turbocharged booster programme to deal therewith and, if so, indicate if the gaps between doses will be cut with the issue of fresh guidance?

B/1394 The Honourable First Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes (**Dr Boolell**)

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 COVID-19 pandemic, he will state if, in the event that it does not end until everyone is safe, Government will back a waiver for the IPPs related to vaccines and import restrictions so that all countries are equipped for comprehensive vaccination?

B/1395 The Honourable First Member for Belle Rose and Quatre Bornes
(Dr Boolell)

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

**Whether he will state if he is in presence of representations from
manufacturers to the effect that their businesses are in peril from
debt, rising costs and multiple hurdles to doing business?**

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