MAURITIUS NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Questions of which notice has been given Requiring an Oral Answer Sitting of Tuesday 12 June 2012

Questions addressed to Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, <u>Minister of Defence, Home Affairs</u> and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues

B/248 The Honourable Third Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Ms Ribot)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the National Human Rights Commission, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commission, information as to the (a) composition thereof (b) date on which the last annual report thereof was submitted (c) number of reported cases of breach of human rights which have been heard, since May 2010 to date (d) number of employees posted thereat and (e) annual running cost thereof for 2010 and 2011, respectively?

B/249 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Jhugroo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the statement made by Mr C. V., former Prime Minister of Madagascar, in regard to the recent rosewood case, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, information as to the composition of the delegation of the Corporation which proceeded to Madagascar for the recording thereof, indicating the total expenses incurred therefor, in terms of air tickets and per diem allowances?

The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Jhugroo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to Mrs F. C., Marketing Officer at the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to (a) when she took employment thereat (b) her qualifications (c) her salary (d) her terms and conditions of employment and (e) the number of overseas missions she has undertaken, since she has assumed office to-date, indicating in each case, the (i) countries visited (ii) purpose thereof and (iii) total expenses incurred in terms of air tickets and per diem allowances?

B/251

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

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the proceedings of the National Assembly, he will state if he proposes to take actions for the live radio and television broadcasting thereof, and if so, when?

B/252

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

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the recent appointments to the grade of Permanent Secretary in the civil service, he will state the (a) number of years after which such an exercise has been carried out and (b) names of the officers who were on the list in terms of seniority and who have not been appointed, indicating in each case, if they have acted as Permanent Secretary and if so (i) for how long and (ii) the reasons why they have not been appointed?

B/253 The Honourable First Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mr Jugnauth)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to Air Mauritius Ltd., he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the company, a list of the passengers who have benefitted from free travel tickets, since January 2011 to-date?

B/254 The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Mrs Labelle)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the satellite channels, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Independent Broadcasting Authority, information as to if consideration will be given for the inclusion as one of the conditions for the issue of radio and television licences, an obligation to include the television and radio channels of the Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation?

B/255 The Honourable First Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Bhagwan**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the publication of Government communiqués and advertisement in the dailies, weeklies and on the private radios, he will give details of the amount of money paid thereto, in each case, since January 2010 to-date?

The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Obeegadoo)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the members of the Police Force, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Complaints Investigation Bureau, information as to the number of complaints lodged against them, since the creation of the Bureau to date, indicating the number of complaints which have culminated into prosecution and eventually conviction and (b) state if Government proposes to revisit the manner in which investigations into these complaints are carried out and if so, indicate (i) the reasons therefor and (ii) when?

B/257

The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle(Mr Secruttun)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to cyclones, he will state if consideration will be given for amendments to be brought to the existing legislation with a view to providing that it is an offence for any person to venture outside during the weather conditions that prevail during the passage thereof and in so doing putting his own life and that of his rescuers at risk, and if so when, and if not, why not?

B/258

The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the Constitution, he will state if consideration will be given for amendments to be brought thereto to provide for the possibility of having recourse to a referendum when it comes to taking decisions on important social and constitutional right issues?

B/259 The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the detainees, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Prisons, information as to if any incident recently occurred during the transfer thereof from Rodrigues to mainland Mauritius and, if so, indicate the (a) nature thereof (b) reasons therefor and (c) remedial measures taken to prevent the recurrence of incidents of similar nature?

B/260 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (**Dr Boolell**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the theft of metal/iron equipment and objects, he will (a) for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the measures taken to prevent the commission thereof and (b) state if Government proposes to introduce legislation to provide that the companies buying same have an obligation to ascertain the source thereof from the sellers and to report any suspicious transactions thereof to the Police?

B/261 The Honourable Second Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Dr Boolell)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the misuse of mobile phones, Short Message Services and the internet platforms, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases thereof, in each case, since 2006 to-date, indicating the preventive measures taken in relation thereto?

The Honourable First Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (Mr Gungah)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the office issuing the National Identity Card, situated on the first floor of the TM Building, at the Pope Hennessy Street, in Port Louis, he will state if he has been informed of the daily long queues of applicants therefor that are formed thereat and that persons with disabilities encounter difficulties of access thereto and, if so, state if remedial measures will be taken?

B/263

The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Fakeemeeah)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to suicide, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases thereof, since January 2012 to-date, indicating the measures taken to address the issue?

B/264

The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and Montagne Longue (Mr Lesjongard)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the incident which occurred at the Royal Road, in Port Louis, on Tuesday 17 April 2012 involving the fruit sellers and the Police, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of the Police, information as to if a complaint for police brutality was lodged at the Police Complaints Bureau and, if so, indicate if an inquiry has been carried out thereinto and the outcome thereof?

B/265

The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis North and

Montagne Longue (Mr Lesjongard)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the renovation of the Old Parliament House, he will state the (a) reasons for the disqualification of the two other bidders during the tender exercise carried out therefor and (b) number of years of experience possessed by the contractor therefor in wood and joinery works?

B/266

The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to his recent visit to the United Kingdom, he will state if our sovereignty claim over the Chagos Archipelago has been discussed and, if so, indicate the outcome thereof?

Questions addressed to Honourable Ministers,
other than Dr the Honourable Prime Minister,
Minister of Defence, Home Affairs
and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues

B/267

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

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the new market place in Surinam, he will state if he has been informed of the difficulties faced by the vegetables and cakes sellers who have moved thereto and, if so, indicate the remedial measures that will be taken?

B/268 The Honourable Second Member for Savanne and Black River

(Mrs Hanoomanjee)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Tourism and Leisure:-

Whether he will state the policy of Government regarding the practice by the hotels of offering all-inclusive packages to the quests thereof?

B/269 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Dr Sorefan**)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the proposed privatization of the Vehicle Examination Centers, he will state where matters stand?

B/270 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the Indian Ocean Island Games 2011, held in the Seychelles, he will state the outcome of the meeting held between his Ministry and the representatives of the national federations on 12 May 2012 in relation thereto, indicating if an assessment of the performances of the athletes in each sport discipline was carried out and, if not, why not?

B/271 The Honourable Third Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Quirin)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the Mauritius Basket Ball Federation, he will state where matters stand after the resignation of several members from the executive committee thereof?

B/272 The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (Mr Ganoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Fisheries:-

Whether, in regard to the forthcoming Master Plan for the fisheries sector, he will state if there is any proposal for the abolition of the bad weather allowance payable to the registered fishermen?

B/273 The Honourable Second Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Mr Soodhun)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities:-

Whether, in regard to the Central Electricity Board, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Board, information as to the names of the legal advisers whose services have been retained, since 2005 to date, indicating in each case (a) when their services were retained and (b) the total amount of money paid out as fees, on a yearly basis?

B/274 The Honourable First Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mr Jugnauth)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether he will state the Current Account of the Balance of Payments and the Trade Deficit respectively for (a) 2011 and (b) since January 2012 to date?

B/275 The Honourable First Member for Piton and Rivière du Rempart (Mrs Bholah)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the National Transport Corporation, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Corporation, information as to the number of employees thereof who have been transferred, since January 2012 to-date, indicating the reasons therefor, in each case?

B/276 The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Housing and Lands:-

Whether, in regard to the ten properties which are to be compulsorily acquired in the region of Roche Bois for the implementation of the Harbour Bridge Project, he will state (a) the number thereof which are residential and commercial in nature (b) if the sites to which they will be relocated have been identified and (c) if he will table a list of the present occupiers of the land thereof, indicating in each case, if it is of residential or commercial nature?

The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the stalls of the Municipal Markets/Fairs of Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Port Louis, information as to (a) whom a stall is allocated at the death of an occupier thereof, indicating the conditions, if any, attached thereto and (b) if he will table copy of the occupation contracts in relation thereto?

B/278

The Honourable Second Member for Quartier Militaire and Moka (Mrs Dookun-Luchoomun)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Business, Enterprise and Cooperatives:-

Whether, in regard to the grant of a maximum of Rs 20,000 per month by Government to the small and medium enterpreneurs to cover their living expenses, he will state the number thereof who have benefitted therefrom?

B/279

The Honourable Third Member for Vacoas and Floreal (Mrs Labelle)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Education and Human Resources:-

Whether, in regard to the educational psychologists, he will state the number thereof who have been recruited by his Ministry, following the advertisement of vacancies for the posts thereof, dated 27 June 2011?

B/280

The Honourable Third Member for Curepipe and Midlands (Mr Obeegadoo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment:-

Whether, in regard to youth unemployment, he will state the latest available statistics thereof, indicating (a) if his Ministry has commissioned a study in relation thereto and (b) the specific measures taken, if any, to address the challenges thereof?

B/281 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Station Officers of the Government Fire Services, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the number of existing vacancies for the post thereof, indicating (a) the reasons for the non-filling thereof, as at to date and (b) if these posts will be filled, and if so (i) when (ii) if same will be filled on the basis of the existing scheme of service and (iii) if fire fighters possessing a non-academic Crash Course Certificate of ten weeks from South Africa will be eligible therefor?

B/282 The Honourable Second Member for Vieux Grand Port and Rose Belle (Mr Seeruttun)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Agro-Industry and Food Security:-

Whether, in regard to the refund of Value Added Tax on the purchase of agricultural machinery, equipment and tools by the small planters, as announced in the 2012 budget, he will state the (a) mechanism put in place by his Ministry therefor and (b) number of small planters who have benefitted therefrom, as at to-date?

B/283 The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Li Kwong Wing)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to the International Advisory Board, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Board of Investment, information as to (a) its role, terms of reference, operational structure, functioning and costs and (b) the total costs incurred on travel and related expenses for its first meeting, indicating (i) the outcome thereof (ii) if a report has been submitted and (iii) the nature of its deliverables and timeline therefor?

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The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Li Kwong Wing)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to the Regional Development Company Ltd, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the company, information as to (a) the capital invested therein by Government and the expected return therefrom (b) the names of the staff posted thereat (c) its total annual expenditure, since the establishment thereof to date and (d) the projects implemented as at to-date, indicating the (i) names of the co-investors therein and (ii) amount of funds invested?

B/285

The Honourable Third Member for Rodrigues (Mr François)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities:-

Whether, in regard to the production of electricity from the Small Scale Distributed Generator in Rodrigues, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Electricity Board, information as to where matters stand?

B/286

The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Jhugroo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Information and Communication Technology:-

Whether, in regard to the proposed conversion of the mobile phone numbers into eight digits, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Information and Communication Technologies Authority, information as to the (a) implementation date thereof (b) reasons therefor and (c) number of mobile numbers presently in use?

B/287

The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Dr Sorefan)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the motorway at Wooton, in Curepipe, in the vicinity of the Doha Secondary School, he will state if he has received representations in relation to the inconveniences caused by students crossing the motorway and, if so, indicate if consideration will be given for the construction of a pedestrian flyover thereat?

The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities:-

Whether, in regard to the Solar Water Heater Scheme, he will state the number of applications received for the grant offered in relation thereto, since the implementation thereof to-date, indicating the (a) aggregate value of the grants disbursed and (b) number of applications processed by each accredited supplier of solar water heaters?

B/289

The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Attorney General:-

Whether, in regard to the law practitioners, he will state the number of complaints received from members of the public or from the Judiciary against them, since 2005 to-date, indicating the number thereof who have been subject of disciplinary actions and, if so, indicate in each case, the disciplinary actions taken against them?

B/290

The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (Mr Ganoo)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to the challenges and requests for reviews submitted to the Independent Review Panel by unsatisfied bidders, he will consider the advisability of laying before the House, copy of the findings thereof?

B/291

The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Fakeemeeah)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment:-

Whether, in regard to Roche Bois, Plaine Verte and Vallée Pitot, he will, in each case, state the number of social housing units constructed thereat, since August 2011 to-date?

The Honourable Third Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Fakeemeeah)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Youth and Sports:-

Whether, in regard to the athletes who win medals at international competitions, he will state if consideration will be given for a review of the cash prize scheme in favour thereof and, if so, indicate if retroactive effect will be given to apply to Mr F. B.?

B/293

The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Radegonde)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Arts and Culture:-

Whether, in regard to the Hotel National, at the Pope Hennessy Street, in Port Louis, he will state if consideration will be given for the declaration thereof as part of the national heritage and preserved as such?

B/294

The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Radegonde)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the school buses, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Transport Authority, information as to the (a) measures taken to ensure that the regulations in relation thereto are complied with (b) number of contractor permits therefor issued, over the past five years and (c) number of owners thereof who have been booked for non compliance with the regulations, indicating the measures/sanctions taken against them, in each case?

The Honourable First Member for Savanne and Black River (Mr Ganoo)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to the Government-owned companies, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain information as to the amount of Corporate Social Responsibility funds disbursed in 2010, 2011 and since January to May 2012, indicating the (a) unspent amount thereof remitted to the Mauritius Revenue Authority and (b) amount thereof disbursed for (i) social housing (ii) welfare of the vulnerable children and (iii) eradication of absolute poverty, respectively, in each case?

B/296

The Honourable First Member for Grand River North West and Port Louis West (Mrs Navarre-Marie)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Security, National Solidarity and Reform Institutions:-

Whether, in regard to the Books Loan Scheme, she will state if she has been informed that some students eligible thereunder have not yet obtained their school books, and if so, indicate (a) the number of students concerned therewith, indicating the secondary institution which they attend and (b) if urgent remedial measures will be taken?

B/297

The Honourable First Member for Piton and Rivière du Rempart (Mrs Bholah)

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities:-

Whether, in regard to the Central Electricity Board, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Board, information as to the number of employees thereof who have been transferred, since January 2012 to-date, indicating the reasons therefor, in each case?

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<u>Questions addressed to Dr the Honourable Prime Minister,</u> <u>Minister of Defence, Home Affairs</u> and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues

A/138 The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (**Mr Uteem**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the proposed construction of a new Police Station at Vallée Pitot, in Port Louis, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the location and extent of the land identified therefor at the Inkerman Street, at Vallée Pitot, indicating the (a) name of the owner thereof (b) criteria used for the selection thereof and (c) if the procedures for the acquisition thereof have started and, if so, where matters stand?

A/139 The Honourable First Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (**Mr Gungah**)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the cases of stranded persons at the Gorges and/or mountains, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Commissioner of Police, information as to the number of reported cases thereof, over the past two years, indicating (a) the regions concerned (b) if the services of the Special Mobile Force and/or the *Groupe d'Intervention de la Police Mauricienne* were sought for and obtained and (c) the measures that will be taken for the prevention thereof?

A/140 The Honourable First Member for Grand' Baie and Poudre d'Or (Mr Gungah)

To ask Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues:-

Whether, in regard to the Poudre d'Or National Coast Guard Office, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Coast Guard, information as to if it is in rented building and, if so, indicate (a) the name of the owner thereof, indicating the (i) monthly rental and (ii) period thereof and (b) if consideration will be given for the construction of a Government-owned modern building therefor?

Questions addressed to Honourable Ministers, other than Dr the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues

A/141 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (**Dr Sorefan**)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the bus stand on the M1 motorway, near the Victoria Bus Square, where buses of route number 197 ply to the Rivière des Galets/Chamouny stand, he will state if he has been informed of the absence of bus shelters, of presence of overgrown trees impairing visibility, especially at night and of lack of street lighting thereat and if so, indicate if remedial measures will be taken?

A/142 The Honourable Fourth Member for La Caverne and Phoenix (Dr Sorefan)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the design and construction of the Sorèze bypass on the M1 motorway, he will lay copy of the design and the contract therefor, indicating the (a) contract cost thereof and (b) if any variations works have been carried out and if so, the cost thereof, indicating the cost of re-instatement thereof following the fatal accident that occurred thereat on 31 March 2012, indicating the name of the contractor therefor?

A/143

The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (**Mr Li Kwong Wing**)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to the Ebéne Cybercity, he will state if he will cause a survey to be carried out of the state of the pavements, roads and drains near the bus shelters thereat and of the inadequacy of bus services thereat and, if so, when and, if not, why not?

A/144

The Honourable Second Member for Beau Bassin and Petite Rivière (Mr Li Kwong Wing)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment:-

Whether, in regard to the Training and Placement for the Unemployed Programme, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Empowerment Foundation, since 2009 to date, a list of the enterprises which have benefitted therefrom, indicating in each case (a) the criteria used for the selection thereof (b) the sector involved (c) the number of trainees who (i) completed training and (ii) were retained after training (d) the contribution made by the Foundation and (e) if any fraud and abuse have been detected in the implementation thereof?

A/145

The Honourable Second Member for Port Louis South and Port Louis Central (Mr Uteem)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Economic Development:-

Whether, in regard to the insurance companies, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Financial Services Commission, information as to, since 2005 to-date, the number of complaints received from members of the public, indicating if inquiries have been carried out in relation thereto and if so, indicate the (a) outcome thereof and (b) measures and sanctions, if any, taken against them?

A/146

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

To ask Dr the Honourable Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Energy and Public Utilities:-

Whether, in regard to the water problem at Petit Verger Bissembar, Mont Roches and the ex-Prisons Road, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Central Water Authority, information as to if any project for the replacement of the water pipes has been initiated and if so, indicate the implementation schedule therefor?

A/147

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

To ask the Honourable Minister of Social Integration and Economic Empowerment:-

Whether, in regard to the new Housing Project at Petite Rivière, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the National Empowerment Foundation, information as to the (a) number of housing units under construction, indicating the size of each unit and the extent of land on which same stands (b) contractual completion date thereof (c) contractual cost thereof and (d) names of the beneficiaries thereof?

A/148

The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Radegonde)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to Bel Ombre, he will state if he has been informed of the bad conditions of the roads thereat and, if so, indicate if remedial measures will be taken?

A/149

The Honourable Fourth Member for Savanne and Black River (Mrs Radegonde)

To ask the Honourable Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of Public Infrastructure, National Development Unit, Land Transport and Shipping:-

Whether, in regard to Baie du Cap, he will state if he has been informed of the absence of bus shelters in the vicinity of the Primary RCA School and of the church located thereat and, if so, indicate if urgent remedial measures will be taken?

A/150 The Honourable First Member for Mahebourg and Plaine Magnien (Mr Jhugroo)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the street lighting system found on the Old Moka Road, in Bell Village, Port Louis, at the level of its junction between the Brabant Street running up to the motorway, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain form the Municipal Council of Port Louis, information as to if consideration will be given for (a) a review thereof and the installation of additional street lanterns, in view of the fact that the lighting points thereat are either of low capacity or are far apart, thus constituting serious risks of accidents and (b) trimming of the overgrown trees depriving visibility at night?

A/151 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask Dr the Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade:-

Whether, in regard to the Secretary for Foreign Affairs, he will state the total number of overseas missions he has undertaken, since July 2005 to-date, indicating in each case the (a) countries visited (b) duration thereof (c) composition of the delegation and (d) total amount of money spent in terms of air tickets, *per diem* and/or other allowances?

A/152 The Honourable Second Member for Stanley and Rose Hill (Mr Nagalingum)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Information and Communication Technology:-

Whether, in regard to the Post Office located at the Emmanuel Anquetil Building, Port Louis, he will state if he has been informed of the long queues thereat during daytime and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Mauritius Postal Services, information as to if remedial measures will be taken, including the introduction of a Queue Management System thereat?

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The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the Poudrière Street, Port Louis, he will state if he has been informed that the overgrown trees deprives visibility from the street lanterns at night and vehicles parked thereat during the day have been damaged by falling branches and, if so, will he, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Port Louis, information as to if consideration will be given for the trimming thereof?

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The Honourable First Member for Port Louis Maritime and Port Louis East (Mr Ameer Meea)

To ask the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Outer Islands:-

Whether, in regard to the children's playground situated at the Magon Street, next to the Mauritius Telecom Customer Service Centre, he will, for the benefit of the House, obtain from the Municipal Council of Port Louis, information as to if it is in a bad state and, if so, indicate the remedial measures that will be taken, including if consideration will be given for the installation of (a) additional games and (b) lighting points thereat?

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